Analysis of Core PCA drivers for Currencies

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Abstract

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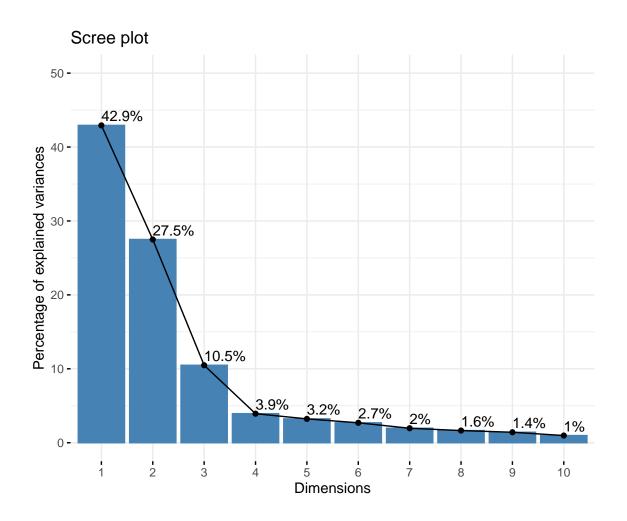
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1. Introduction

##	[1]	"date"	"Argentina"	"Australia"	"Bostwana"	"Brazil"
##	[6]	"Bulgaria"	"Canada"	"Chile"	"China"	"Columbia"
##	[11]	"Czech"	"Denmark"	"Egypt"	"EU"	"Ghana"
##	[16]	"HongKong"	"Hungary"	"India"	"Israel"	"Japan"
##	[21]	"Malaysia"	"Mexico"	"Nigeria"	"Norway"	"NZ"
##	[26]	"Peru"	"Philipines"	"Poland"	"Romania"	"Russia"
##	[31]	"Saudi"	"Singapore"	"SouthAfrica"	"SouthKorea"	"Sweden"
##	[36]	"Taiwan"	"Thailand"	"Turkey"	"UAE"	"Uganda"
##	[41]	"UK"	"Zambia"			

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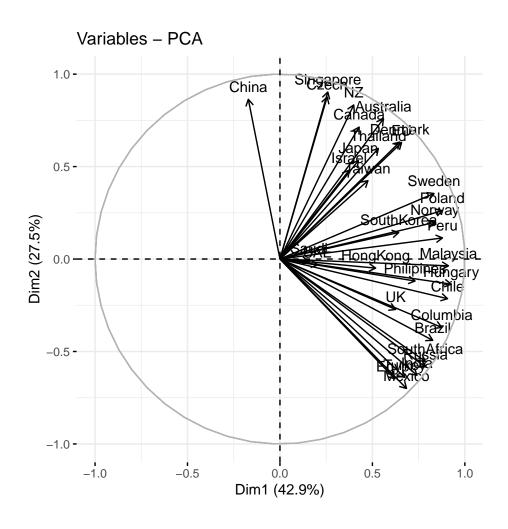
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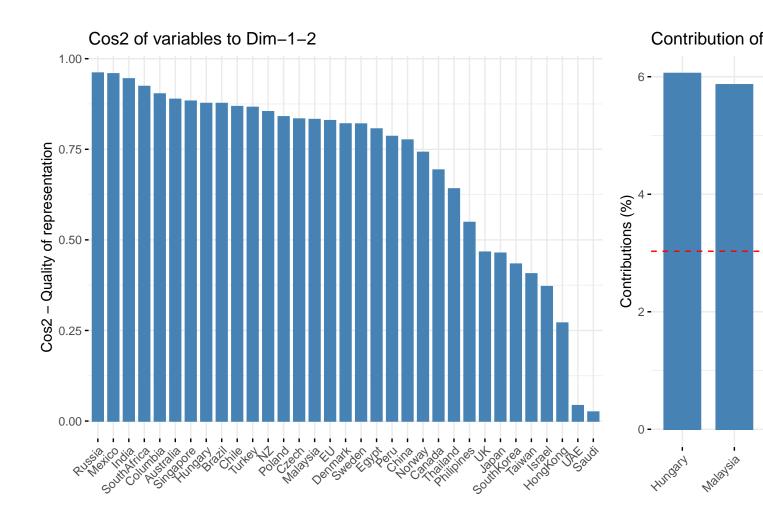


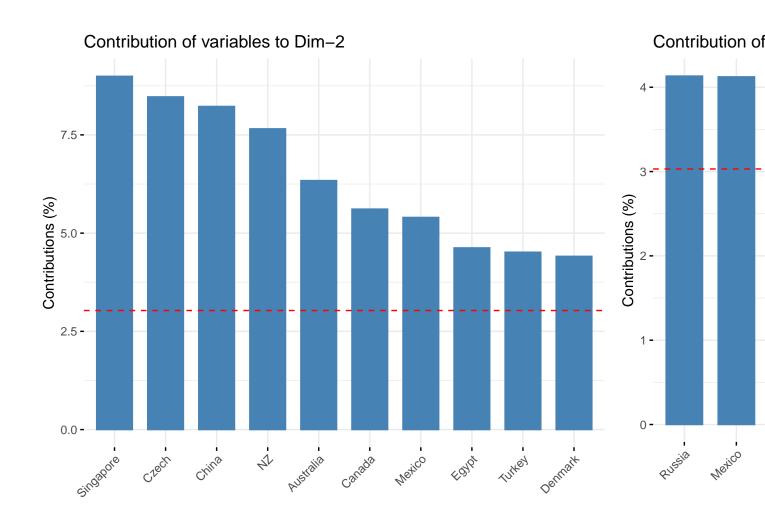
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##	Brazil	0.8263736	-0.4398131	0.009592261	-0.11328249	0.1835456
##	Canada	0.4283742	0.7135617	-0.445483620	-0.09095485	0.1305308
##	Chile	0.9065261	-0.2144068	0.084330675	-0.03283048	0.1461784
##	China	-0.1710389	0.8638235	-0.083351897	-0.19386705	0.3370978
##	Columbia	0.8751020	-0.3699584	0.174043902	-0.08904073	0.1522791
##		Dim.1	Dim.2	Dim.3	Dim.4	Dim.5
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##	Australia Brazil	0.31284642	0.57504081	2 2 0	0.000597243	0.01059957
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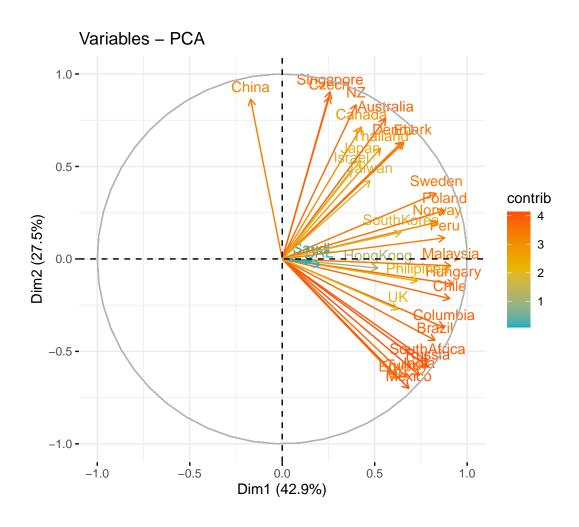
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	##	Brazil	4.8202150	2.1318715	0.002660122	0.98916245	3.1629822
7	##	Canada	1.2952696	5.6116154	5.737504097	0.63766675	1.5996865
	##	Chile	5.8006169	0.5066429	0.205603586	0.08308000	2.0062055
	##	China	0.2064921	8.2238440	0.200858637	2.89701027	10.6689322
7	##	Columbia	5.4054386	1.5084486	0.875743967	0.61111012	2.1771578









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## Poland
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## Norway
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## Poland
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## Romania
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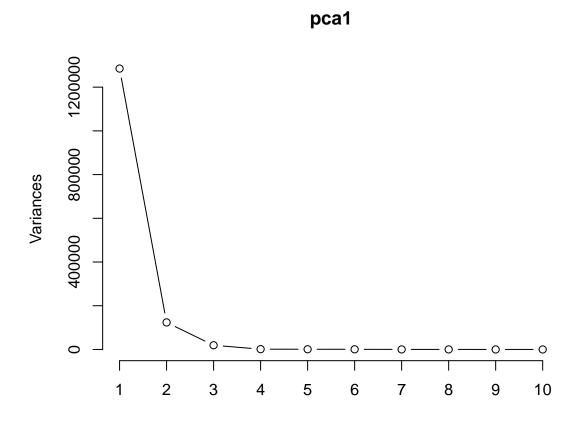
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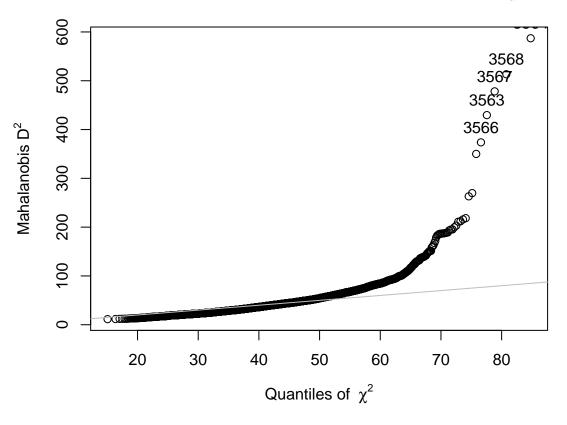
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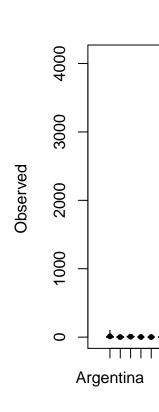


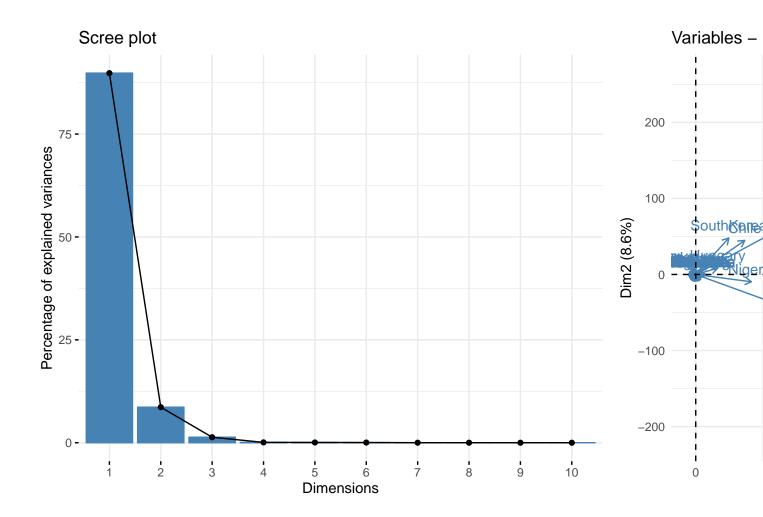
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                                                                     PC5
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## Standard deviation
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## Proportion of Variance
                             0.8981
                                      0.08638
                                                0.0134 0.00087
                                                                 0.00064
## Cumulative Proportion
                             0.8981
                                      0.98447
                                                0.9979 0.99874 0.99937
##
                               PC7
                                        PC8
                                                PC9
                                                       PC10 PC11 PC12 PC13
## Standard deviation
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## Cumulative Proportion
##
                           PC14
                                  PC15
                                         PC16
                                                PC17 PC18
                                                            PC19
                                                                   PC20
                                                                          PC21
## Standard deviation
                          1.005 0.7758 0.7539 0.6467 0.53 0.3384 0.2784 0.2472
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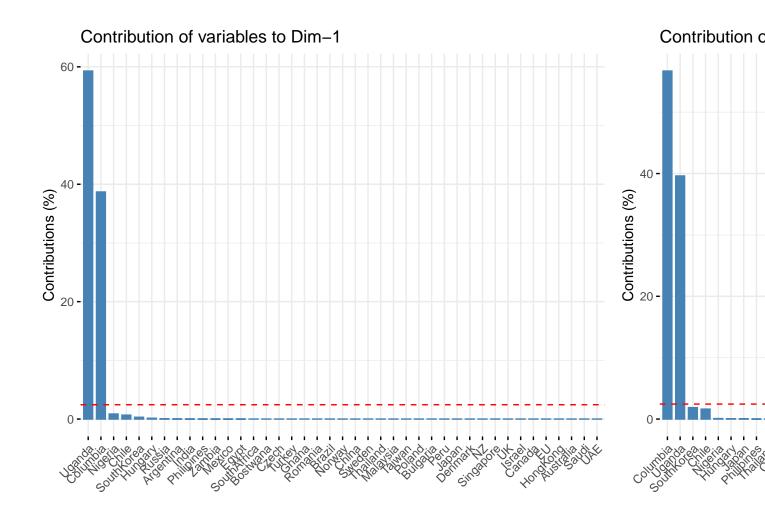
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                                     PC24 PC25
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                         PC22
                                                               PC28
                                                                      PC29
## Standard deviation
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## Proportion of Variance 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.00000
## Cumulative Proportion
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                                                                     PC36
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## Standard deviation
## Proportion of Variance 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000
## Cumulative Proportion
                       1.00000 1.00000 1.00000 1.00000 1.00000 1.00000
##
                          PC37
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                                                 PC40
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## Cumulative Proportion 1.00000 1.00000 1.000000 1.000000 1.0000000
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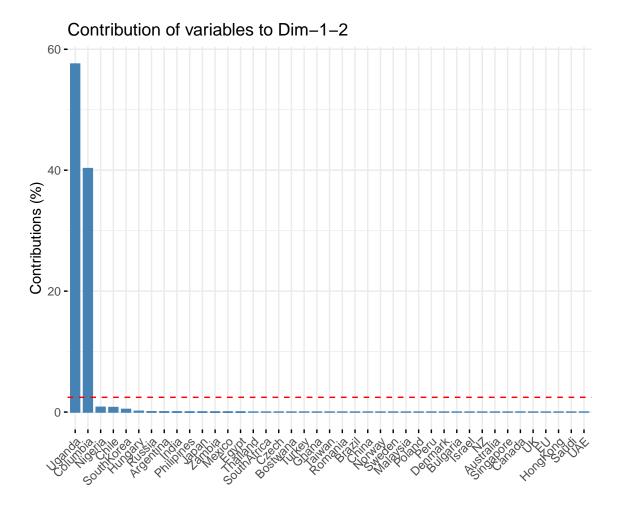
Q–Q plot of Mahalanobis D^2 vs. quantiles of χ^2_{nvar}











2. PCA Analysis

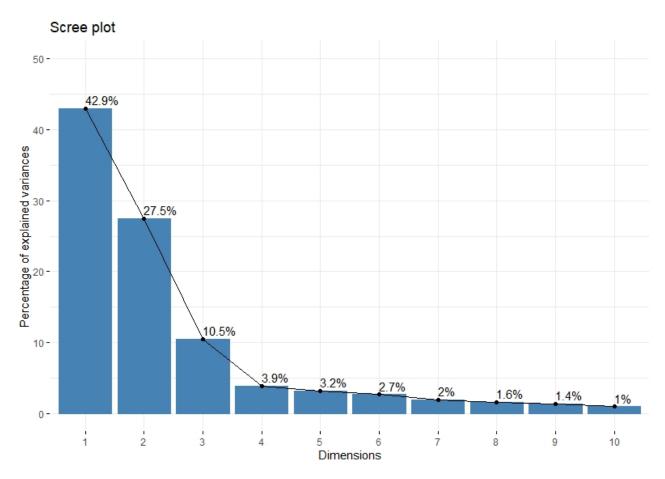


Figure 2.1: Scree plot

3. Identifying Common Drivers

The principal component is used to analyse the driving forces. By comparing the eigenvalues of the variance-covariance matrix in the previous section, I determined that the first three principal components explain the majority of the total variance of the currency rates. In this section, I examine the correlation between the first three principal component and the currency rates, as well as provide economic interpretations around the core driving factors that affect currency rates.

Table 5.2 in the appendix shows the correlation and p-value for the first principal component (PC1). The country that has the highest positive correlation with PC1 is Hungary (HUF), which is a net importer of crude petroleum. Saudi Arabia (SAR) and the United Arab Emirates (AED) are two of the top exporting countries. China (CNY) is the only country with a negative correlation with PC1, with its top import being refined petroleum. Therefore, one would expect that the oil price is one of

the core PCA drivers for currencies.

Oil is an extremely important, non-renewable resource. The demand and price for oil tend to drastically increase with world economic development Li & Ma (2015). Crude oil is quoted in the U.S dollar, therefore there is a direct relationship between the two. Theoretically, an appreciation in the US dollar should cause a decrease in the price of oil. However, empirical research has found contradicting results, indicating a bi-directional causality relationship between oil and exchange rates Beckmann, Czudaj & Arora (2020). Fluctuations in the oil prices are diverse and unique, depending on whether a country is a net importing or net exporting country. For oil-importing countries, Castro & Jimenez-Rodriguez (2020) found that an oil price shock leads to depreciation of the home currency in the short run, however, the long-run effects are diverse.

For oil-exporting countries, it has been empirically proven that instability in the oil price does not have a significant effect on economic growth. Table 5.2 supports the results of Candila, Maximov, Mikhaylov, Moiseev, Senjyu & Tryndina (2021) who found a much stronger correlation for oil-importing countries. China is a unique case has it is one of the largest importers and exporters of oil. Li & Ma (2015) found a non-linear causality between the oil price and the RMB exchange rate. This indicates that movement in the price of oil can cause co-movement of RMB with a one-month lag. Since the relationship between the oil price and exchange rates are diverse and unique, policymakers should react with caution when examining exchange rate pressure.

Table 5.3 in the appendix displays the correlation and the p-value for the second principal component (PC2). The countries that have the highest correlation with PC2 are, amongst others, Singapore (SGD), New Zealand (NZD), Australia (AUD) and Canada (CAD), all developing market economies. The countries with the lowest correlation with PC2 are Turkey (TRY), Egypt (EGP) and Mexico (MXN). This suggest that the PC2 is related to political stability. Countries with a high political stability and absence of violence/terrorism ranking are highly correlated with PC2, whereas countries with a low ranking are often negatively correlated with PC2.

A country with a high political stability ranking offer much more safe and attractive investment opportunity for foreign investors. This implies that political stability has a significant effect on currency rates. Political unrest, such a serious allegation into government conduct can contribute to the destabilization of an economy, which will weaken currency rates. Changes in currency rates are known as exchange rate risk which accounts for uncertainty in movement in the exchange rate between the home and receiver country Higgins, Hysenbegasi & Pozo (2004).

Although the effect of political instability is profound, Levis (1979) found that the relationship between political instability in developed countries and foreign direct invest are highly significant in the short run, but not the long run. This would suggest that foreign investors adjust quickly to new developments and that political stability should be considered in conjunction with numerous other relevant factors.

The correlation and the p-value for the third principal component is represented in Table 5.4 in the appendix. The countries with the largest correlation all appear in Asia and the countries with the lowest correlation are all developed market. This implies that the third principal component is an Asia-specific factor. Over the past few areas, Asian countries have experienced phenomenal growth, which has created profitable opportunities for foreign investors.

4. Forecasting

Forecasting currency rates is important to many fields such as international business and monetary policy. However, it is challenging to obtain accurate forecasts due to the fluctuations caused by political instability, shocks to commodity prices and economic events. From an investing point of view, an accurate forecast reduces risk related to international investments as well as maximizes returns. Monetary policy also depends on an accurate forecast of currency rates, as changes in the interest rate can either appreciate or depreciate the home currency. Changes in currency rate affect trade, which affects economic growth. Therefore, an accurate currency forecast can assist authorities to implement effective policies that boost economic growth Shen, Lee, Liu, Chang & Yang (2021). In this section, I attempt to forecast the three most traded currencies: the Euro (EU), the Pound sterling (GBP) and the Japanese yen (JPY). Figure 4.1 displays the currency rate for the three currencies, all relative to USD.

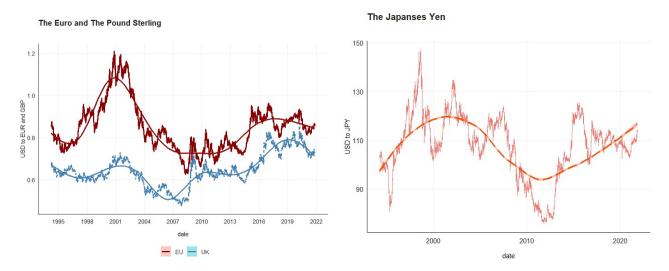


Figure 4.1: The three most traded currencies

I employ the 30 periods ahead Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA) model to forecast currency rates. Akincilar, TEMIZ & Sahin (2011) found that the ARIMA model performs relatively well when compared to other forecasting methods. Figure 4.2 and figure 4.3 show the forecasting results for the selected currencies with a 95 per cent upper and lower bound. The forecast results

indicate that the USD/GBP rate is forecasted to decrease, implying that the Pound sterling is going to strengthen. However, the actual data shows the opposite effect, the GBP currency rate weakened.

The forecast results indicate that the USD/EU rate is forecasted to increase slightly, implying that the euro is going to decrease. Actual data support this forecast. The forecast results indicate that the USD/JPY rate is forecasted to decrease slightly, implying that the Pound sterling is going to strengthen. Actual data shows that the currency rate remained relatively stable, making the forecast results mostly accurate. The results should be further investigated to conclude on the forecast accuracy, however, this was out of the scope of this paper.

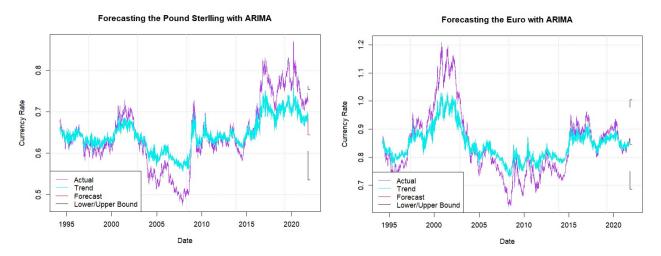


Figure 4.2: Forecasting Results (1)

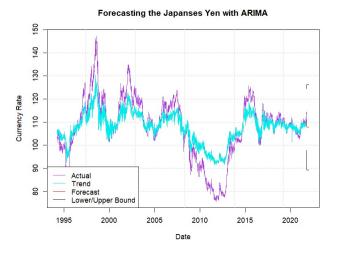


Figure 4.3: Forecasing Results (2)

5. Conclusion

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Appendix

Emerging Market		Developed Market		
Currency	ISO Code	Currency	ISO Code	
Sol	PEN	Japanese Yen	JPY	
Saudi riyal	SAR	Hong Kong dollar	HKD	
New Taiwan dollar	TWD	Canadian dollar	CAD	
Czech koruna	CZK	Danish krone	DKK	
South Korean won	KRW	Euro	EUR	
Renminbi	CNY	Australian dollar	AUD	
Indian rupee	INR	New Zealand dollar	NZD	
Brazilian real	BRL	Singapore dollar	SGD	
Turkish lira	TRY	Swedish Krona	SEK	
Russian ruble	RUB	Norwegian krone	NOK	
South African rand	ZAR	Isreali Shekel	ILS	
Mexican peso	MXN	Pound sterling	GBP	
Columbian peso	COP			
Egyptian pound	EGP			
Chilean peso	CLP			
Hungarian forint	HUF			
Malaysian ringgit	MYR			
Phillipine peso	PHP			
Thai bath	THB			
United Arab Emirates dirham	AED			
Polish złoty	PLN			

Table 5.1: Description of currencies

	Correlation	P-value
HUF	0.9262878	0.000000e+00
MYR	0.9114497	0.0000000e+00
CLP	0.9065261	0.0000000e+00
PEN	0.8988561	0.0000000e+00
PLN	0.8780890	0.0000000e+00
COP	0.8751020	0.000000e+00
NOK	0.8378328	0.0000000e+00
SEK	0.8330755	0.0000000e+00
BRL	0.8263736	0.000000e+00
RUB	0.7871421	0.0000000e+00
ZAR	0.7857282	0.0000000e+00
INR	0.7411845	0.000000e+00
PHP	0.7307233	0.000000e+00
MXN	0.6843628	0.000000e+00
TRY	0.6753067	0.000000e+00
EUR	0.6577914	0.000000e+00
DKK	0.6479256	0.000000e+00
KRW	0.6422958	0.0000000e+00
GBP	0.6259090	0.000000e+00
EGP	0.6216001	0.000000e+00
AUD	0.5593268	0.000000e+00
THB	0.5319724	0.000000e+00
HKD	0.5177139	0.000000e+00
TWD	0.4758927	0.000000e+00
CAD	0.4283742	3.557371e-319
JPY	0.4241386	2.822415e-319
NZD	0.3989511	3.069525e-273
ILS	0.3742421	4.183071e-238
SGD	0.2588114	1.665786e-110
CZK	0.2551624	2.320584e-107
AED	0.2038677	2.137731e-68
SAR	0.1573449	3.994842e-41
CNY	-0.1710389	2.206939e-48

Table 5.2: Correlation and P-value for the first principal component

	Correlation	P-value
SGD	0.90321526	0.0000000e+00
CZK	0.87653914	0.0000000e+00
CNY	0.86382354	0.0000000e+00
NZD	0.83337067	0.0000000e+00
AUD	0.75831445	0.0000000e+00
CAD	0.71356174	0.0000000e+00
DKK	0.63254705	0.0000000e+00
EUR	0.62951387	0.0000000e+00
THB	0.59809540	0.0000000e+00
JPY	0.53230115	0.0000000e+00
ILS	0.48051271	0.0000000e+00
TWD	0.42403389	4.168569e-312
SEK	0.35444999	4.308577e-212
PLN	0.26203282	2.533385e-113
NOK	0.19878697	4.705671e-65
KRW	0.14350307	1.991097e-34
PEN	0.11407789	2.773568e-22
AED	-0.03178834	6.993189e-03
MYR	-0.03679994	1.792246e-03
HKD	-0.04911994	3.056982e-05
PHP	-0.11881763	4.754379e-24
HUF	-0.13573551	6.020449e-31
CLP	-0.21440682	1.272391e-75
GBP	-0.27266672	6.567991e-123
COP	-0.36995837	2.561588e-232
BRL	-0.43981305	0.000000e+00
ZAR	-0.55307034	0.0000000e+00
RUB	-0.58376817	0.000000e+00
INR	-0.62851292	0.000000e+00
TRY	-0.64001397	0.000000e+00
EGP	-0.64775485	0.000000e+00
MXN	-0.69994979	0.000000e+00

Table 5.3: Correlation and P-value for the second principal component

	Correlation	P-value
ILS	0.69659804	0.000000e+00
TWD	0.68427216	0.0000000e+00
PHP	0.61977923	0.0000000e+00
THB	0.53049506	0.0000000e+00
HKD	0.30858474	1.310000e-158
KRW	0.28839441	6.692788e-138
PEN	0.28634486	6.840019e-136
SGD	0.22758825	3.214148e-85
MYR	0.22365740	2.722457e-82
COP	0.17404390	4.636722e-50
AED	0.09417778	1.179695e-15
CLP	0.08433068	7.709335e-13
RUB	-0.02629516	2.568733e-02
PLN	-0.04475238	1.458206e-04
HUF	-0.07070644	1.909999e-09
CNY	-0.08335190	1.413117e-12
INF	-0.09077720	1.198224e-14
ZAR	-0.10617861	1.681325e-19
NZD	-0.14852069	8.807498e-37
TRY	-0.15874418	7.742415e-42
EGP	-0.18399169	7.806200e-56
AUD	-0.20033914	4.582160e-66
SAR	-0.25871186	2.032612e-110
EUR	-0.29838703	6.100743e-148
DKK	-0.31163124	7.020576e-162
SEK	-0.32101610	3.342782e-172
CZK	-0.34533690	1.002528e-200
CAD	-0.44548362	0.000000e+00
NOK	-0.47271370	0.000000e+00
GBP	-0.61500908	0.000000e+00

Table 5.4: Correlation and P-value for the third principal component