Appendices

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1 Appendices

1.1 Appendix A

As researchers typically do not typically post underlying data with their research, various plot digitizers have seen an exponential increase in use. Drevon et al. (2017) researched intercoder reliability, during which over 3500 data points were extracted with WebPlotDigitizer from 36 different graphs. Nevertheless, they controlled the validity of the results and concluded that there was a near perfect correlation (r=0.989 with p-value <0.01) between extracted and actual data. Nevertheless, the limitations mentioned highlight coders previous experience with plot-digitizing tools.

Furthermore, Burda et al. (2017) also highlight that systematic reviewers often tend to have data constraints which is why plot digitizers are of a great help. They estimated data using WebPlotDigitizer and conclude that the extraction done by different coders was consistent; nevertheless, in the case of continuous data (compared to event data), the distribution varied more. Whatsoever, the intreclass coefficient for both types of plots was over 95%.

We also used the WebPlotDigitzer in our research and as validity test extracted GDP from the same graph as YIV time series & plotted it with actuals - see the graph below.

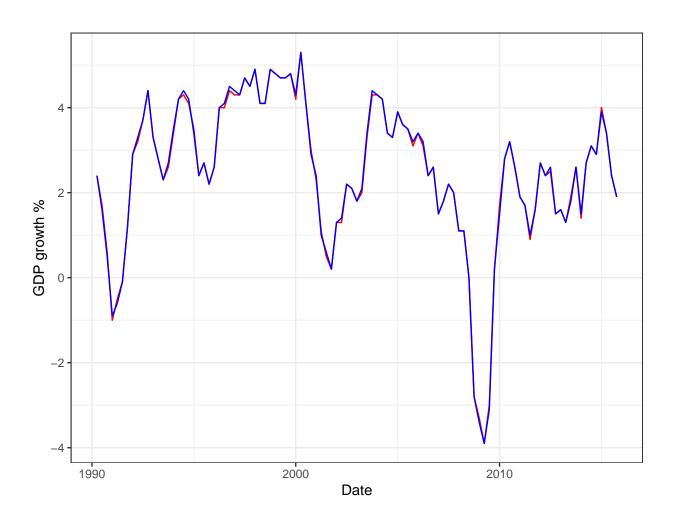


Figure 1.1: Actual vs Extracted GDP growth rate in %

1.2 Appendix B

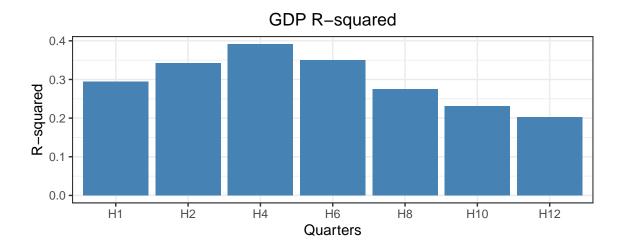


Figure 1.2: Regressions' R-squared

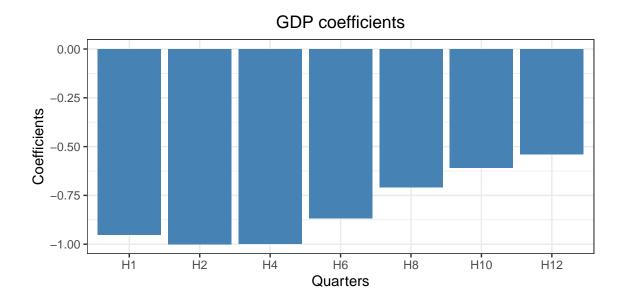


Figure 1.3: Regressions' coefficients

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Notes: The following regressions includes YIV, dummy and controls as independent variables. The specification for the regression is the following:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{j=H} \log(1 + GDP_{i,t+j})/H = \alpha_H + \beta_H \sigma_{IV,t}^{INT} + \varepsilon_{t+H}$$
(1)

Table 1.1: Regression with state-dependency

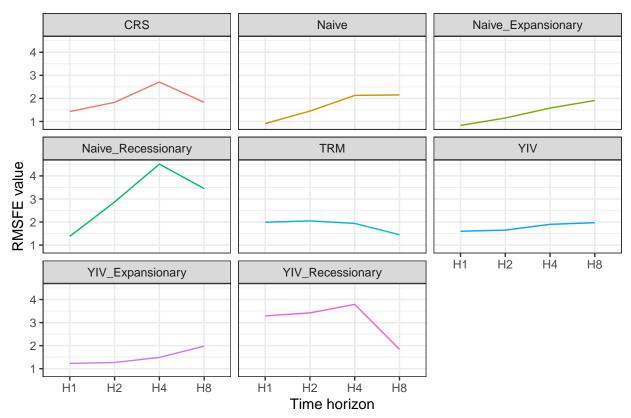
	H1	H2	H4	Н8	
YIV_estimate	-0.32	-0.38 **	-0.59 ***	-0.57 ***	
$YIV_std.error$	0.22	0.16	0.14	0.18	
$\operatorname{dum}_{-}\operatorname{estimate}$	-0.61	-0.97	-1.11 **	-0.88	
$\operatorname{dum_std.error}$	0.83	0.64	0.51	0.66	
DGS1_estimate	0.66 **	0.55	0.43	0.97 *	
$DGS1_std.error$	0.27	0.33	0.39	0.49	
$TRM1012_estimate$	0.33	0.41	0.51	0.91 *	
$TRM1012_std.error$	0.22	0.27	0.32	0.48	
$SRT03M_estimate$	0.18	0.08	0.02	0.01	
$SRT03M_std.error$	0.16	0.16	0.2	0.31	
baa_aaa_estimate	-0.71 ***	-0.54 **	-0.03	0.29	
$baa_aaa_std.error$	0.18	0.21	0.22	0.32	
$VIX_estimate$	0.14	0.14	0.09	0	
$VIX_std.error$	0.15	0.16	0.17	0.18	
housng_estimate	0.2	0.14	0.18	0.41 *	
housng_std.error	0.14	0.16	0.15	0.24	
$gz_spr_estimate$	0.55 *	0.29	-0.32	-0.57	
$gz_spr_std.error$	0.32	0.33	0.35	0.4	
spy_logreturn_estimate	0.04 **	0.04 **	0.03 *	0	
spy_logreturn_std.error	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02	
r.squared	0.76	0.82	0.84	0.67	
adj.r.squared	0.72	0.78	0.81	0.61	

Note:

^{*** -} p<0.01, ** - p<0.05, * - p<0.1. Reported standard error is adjusted for heteroskedasticity

1.4 Appendix D

	H1	H2	H4	Н8
YIV	1.60	1.65	1.90	1.97
YIV-Recess.	3.29	3.42	3.79	1.84
YIV-Expans.	1.23	1.27	1.49	1.98
Naive	0.91	1.45	2.13	2.15
Naive-Recess.	1.38	2.87	4.51	3.45
Naive-Expans.	0.83	1.15	1.58	1.91
TRM	1.99	2.05	1.94	1.45
CRS	1.43	1.83	2.71	1.83



Naive refers to regressions with GDP and its lags, TRM – term spreads, CRS – credit spreads

1.5 Appendix E

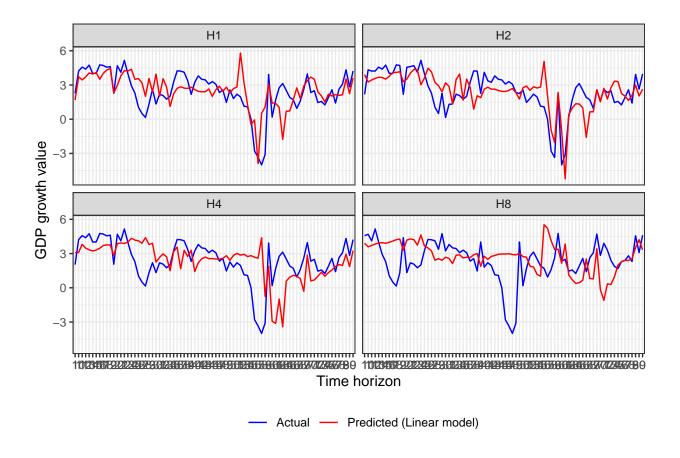


Figure 1.4: Predicted vs actual results (Linear model)

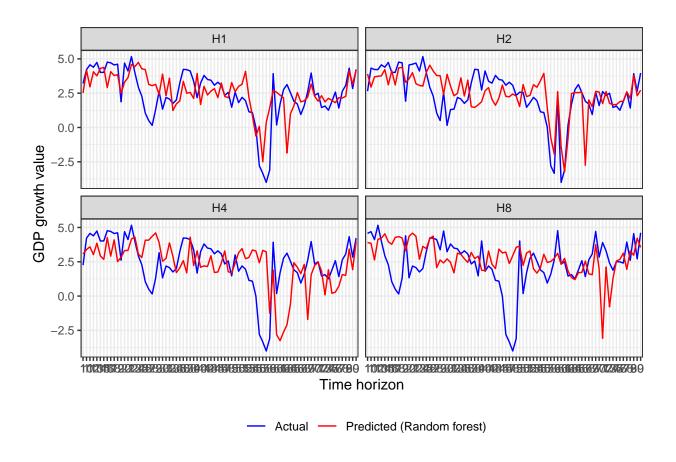


Figure 1.5: Predicted vs actual results (Random forest)

1.6 Appendix F^1

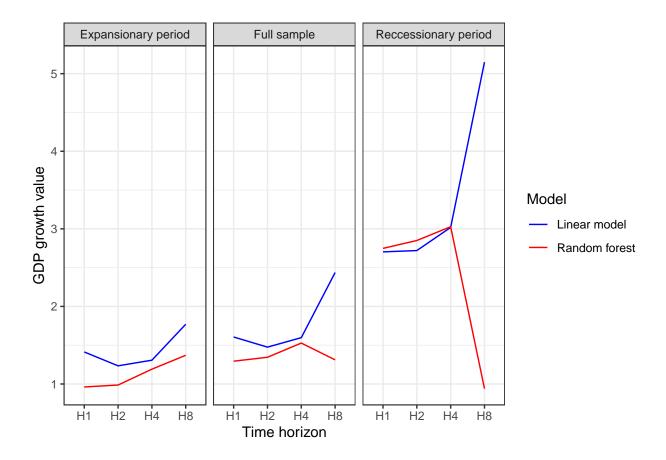


Figure 1.6: RMSFE-s of linear model and random forest

¹Full R-Code with data is available upon request in github repository: https://github.com/karelrappo/thesis2020

1.7 Appendix G

Variable	Description
YIV GDP spy_logreturn VIX DBAA	5 - year Treasury Implied Volatility Year-on-year change in real gross domestic product logarithmic yearly returns of SPY index Returns of VIX index BAA corporate bond yields
AAA baa_aaa gz_spr housng SRT03M	AAA corporate bond yields Yield spread between BAA and AAA yields Credit risk spread index New housing market starts Changes in 3 month treasury yield
TRM1003 TRM1006 TRM1012 TRM0503 TRM0506	TRM1003 - 10 year and 3 month treasury yield spread TRM1006 - 10 year and 6 month treasury yield spread TRM1012 - 10 year and 1 year treasury yield spread TRM0503 - 5 year and 3 month treasury yield spread TRM0506 - 5 year and 6 month treasury yield spread

1.8 Appendix H

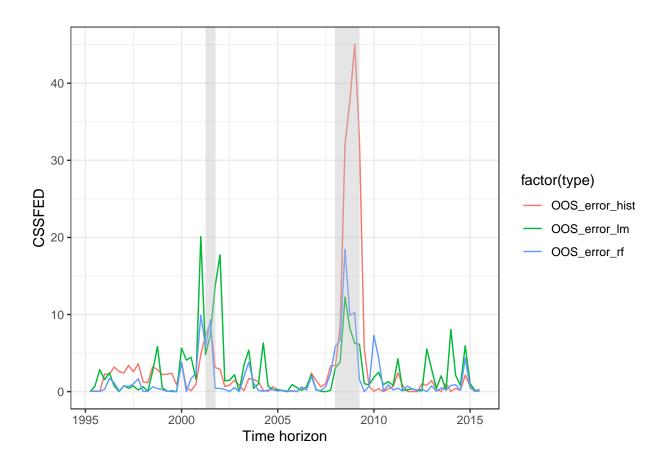


Figure 1.7: Squared errors

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