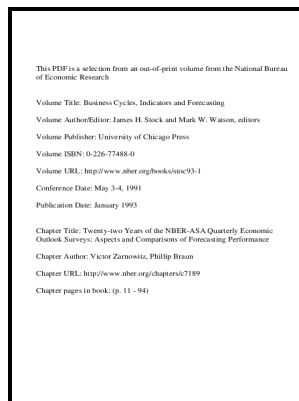


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### Business Cycles, Indicators, and Forecasting, Stock, Watson

The best advice I can give you is to realize that there is an unavoidable amount of uncertainty in the economy. We think this point of view had little validity. We show that our unified approach can improve forecasting performance by exploring three channels simultaneously: channel a—one using a more flexible Logit or Probit model specification to capture the potential autocorrelation structure of business cycles e.

### Definition of Cycle Forecasting

In-sample performance We estimate each model using data from January 1973 to June 2010. Index of industrial production 51. Moreover: cycles are influenced by the state of technology; this stated also for the first time; cycles do not go up x years and exactly x years down.

### Turning Points and Lead Indicators

Example: Industrial Production is Procyclical and Coincident What are the business cycle properties of other macroeconomic variables? Marx, however, did not forget it, but used it. He saw the great disagreement between existing theory and 1929 Great depression 19,20.

### Forecasting and Business Cycle Analysis

Still, sorting-out approaches have proved themselves in practice. In virtually every decision they make, executives today consider some kind of forecast. However, the development of such a model, usually called an econometric model, requires sufficient data so that the correct relationships can be established.

### Definition of Cycle Forecasting

Why Does The Paper-Bill Spread Predict Real Economic Activity? The only difference is the use of the conventional target variable as the dependent variable. Manufacturing and trade sales Both of these indexes combine economic indicators to give us a clearer picture of current and, to a limited extent, future economic conditions. The monthly data allow the NBER to be more precise in setting business cycle turning points; the

monthly data also typically are not subject to the same magnitude of revisions as are the quarterly GDP data.

### **How to Choose the Right Forecasting Technique**

For example, the type and length of moving average used is determined by the variability and other characteristics of the data at hand. Generally, the manager and the forecaster must review a flow chart that shows the relative positions of the different elements of the distribution system, sales system, production system, or whatever is being studied. Acknowledgments Preface I: Theories and Evidence 1: Macroeconomics and Business Cycles: An Overview 2: Recent Work on Business Cycles in Historical Perspective 3: Facts and Factors in the Modern Evolution of U.

### **Forecasting and Business Cycle Analysis**

The two models differ only in their choice of target dependent variable, that is, one uses  $Y_{t+6}$  and the other uses  $y_{t+6}$ . Conceptually, it makes sense to assume that the likelihood of a recession in the future depends on the current and past states of the business cycle. They can also allow better integration with other teams, who may well be using the same tools.

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