Debt Sustainability with Bayesian Unit Root Tests

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Abstract

We evaluate the debt sustainability of a panel of OECD countries from 1995 - 2019 (some countries have shorter data) using a Bayesian Unit Root Test proposed by Sims under the Present Value condition of the Government Budget Constraint. We find striking different results compared with traditional Unit Root Tests like ADF.

1.Introduction

We base our analysis in Cochrane (1991)

- 2.Debt Sustainability under the Bayesian Unit Root Test of Sims
- 3. Results
- 4. Conclusions

References

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