

Density Forecasting: Growth at Risk

Part II. Applications

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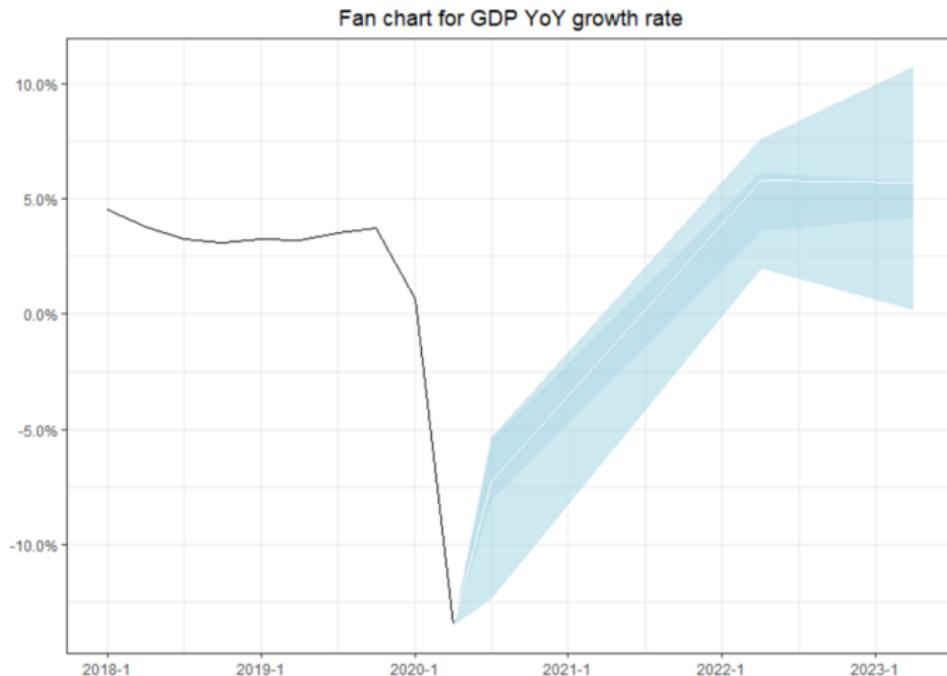
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Fan Charts

- Fan charts are popular to present the balance of risks going forward
- Density forecasting is a natural framework to build fan charts
- Fundamentally different from the fan charts inherited from VAR (or SVAR)
 - In a VAR-fan chart, the distribution comes from the residual (the “ ϵ ”): uncertainty here is about our ignorance of the deterministic DGP centered around the mean
 - In a density framework however, the DGP is fundamentally uncertain: there are no residuals, the object of interest is the distribution itself

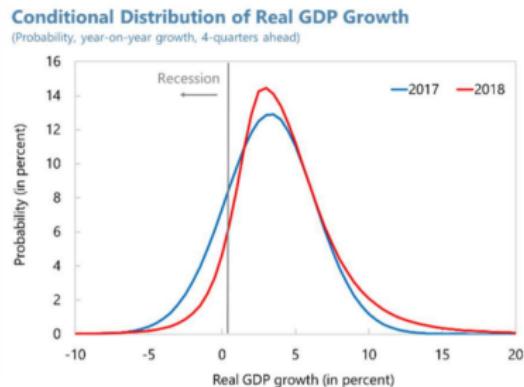
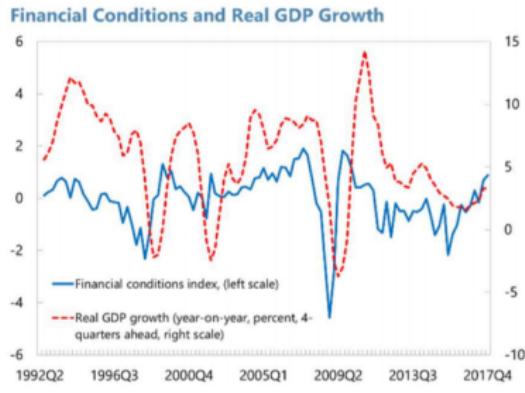
Fan chart: Israel 2020



Source: BoI Financial Stability Report, June 2020

Singapore: Probability of Recessions

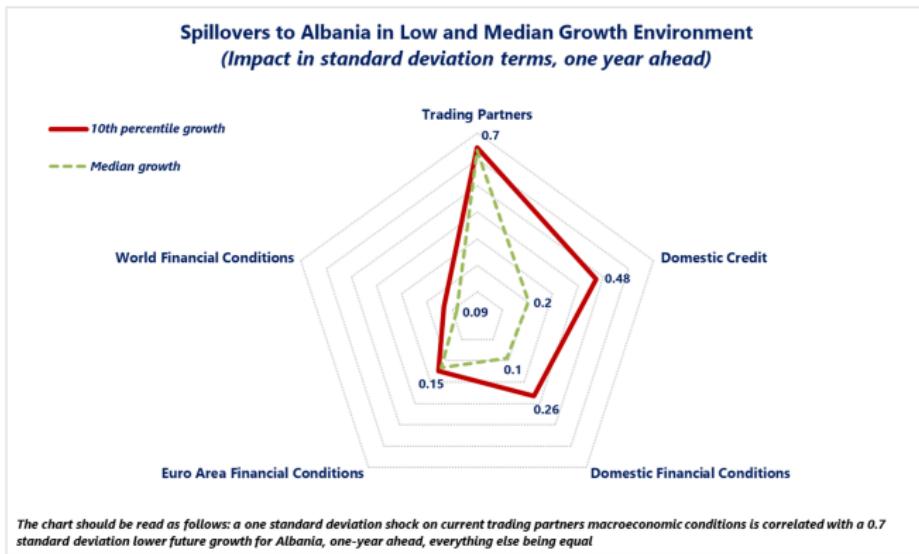
- Probability of recession (growth below zero) in Singapore
- Identify key macrofinancial variables: External factors, financial conditions, housing, China



Source: IMF Article IV (2018)

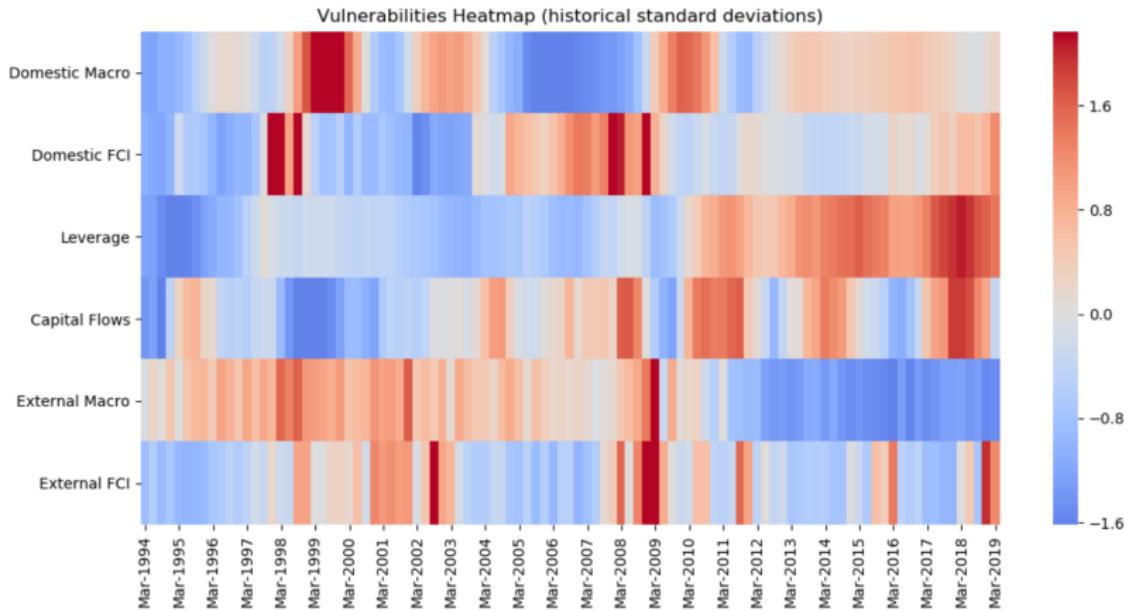
Spillover analysis

Spillovers Amplification in Crisis Time



Source: IMF Albania Article IV 2019

Vulnerabilities Heatmap



Source: IMF Staff

Assessing the Likelihood of a Scenario (I)

- A simple use of GaR is to estimate the likelihood of a scenario, provided via other methods (2 standard deviations, structural models, etc.)
- Because GaR provides the full conditional distribution, the probability of any given scenario can be estimated
- Useful approach to put the "severity" of stress-testers assumptions into perspective

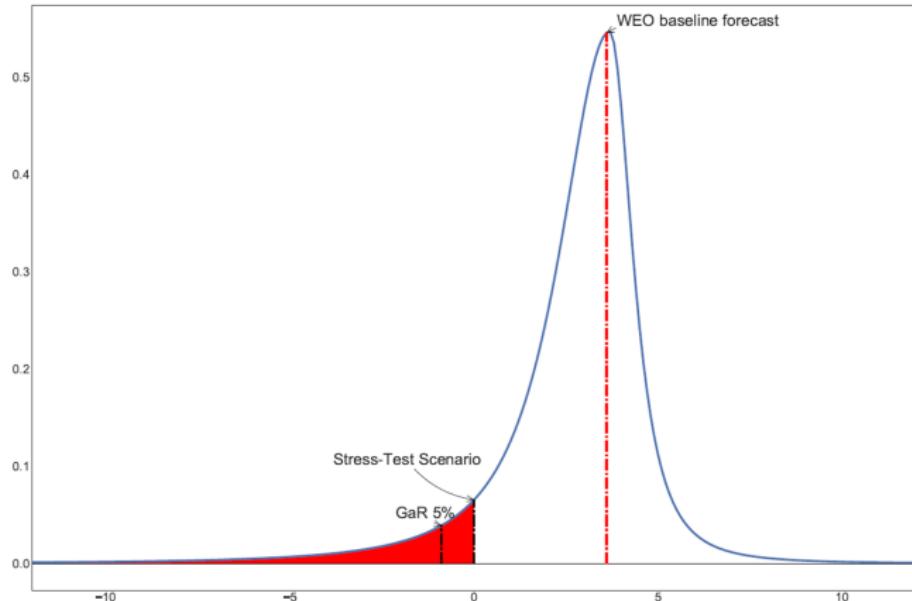
Assessing the Likelihood of a Scenario (II)

Results:

Probability of recession (stress-test scenario): 8.9%

GaR at 5%: -0.9%

GaR at 10%: 0.2%



Source: IMF FSAP (2018)

Modeling Tail-Risks Around a Baseline Scenario

- Using the constrained approach, possibility to make the density forecast consistent with the authorities **baseline scenario**
- **Consistency:** if the authorities scenario is very optimistic, the left tail will inflate accordingly
- Useful to discuss the drivers of the model (partitions and the quantile regressions coefficients)

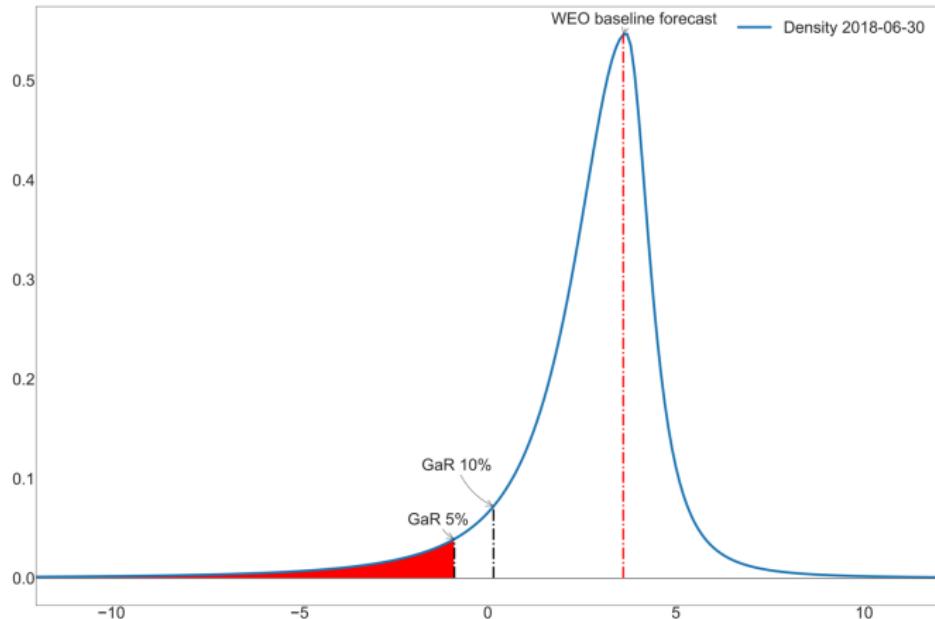
Modeling Tail-Risks Around a Baseline Scenario (II)

Results:

WEO baseline: 3.6%

Growth at Risk at 5%: -0.9%

Growth at Risk at 10%: 0.2%



Source: IMF FSAP (2018)

Shocks Simulation

- Simulate scenario via **counterfactual regressors**
- E.g. impact of 2-std fci shock on future growth ?
- The tool estimates counterfactual scenarios:
 - ① On a new \tilde{X}_t ad-hoc generated by the user
 - ② Using the same $\hat{\beta}^\tau$ as estimated over past data
- Interesting point: a **shock can be amplified at certain points of the distribution** (non-linearities)

Comparative Static Approach

- The shock on X_t is "*ceteris paribus*": NOT a structural shock in a VAR-sense
- Should be used to inform about potential spillovers, not for rigorous policy analysis: transmission channels are **not clearly identified**

Comparative Static Example (I)

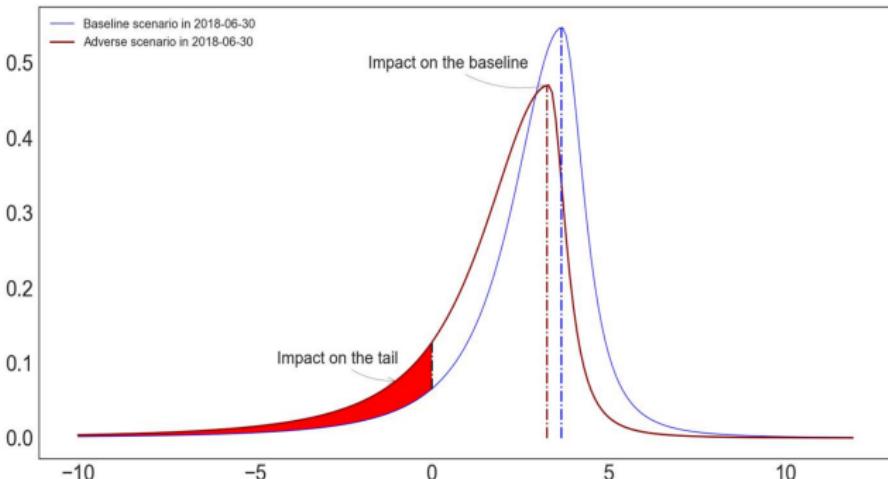
Impact of Tightened Financial Conditions on Growth

Adverse scenario assumes a 1 sd shock on price of risk

Results:

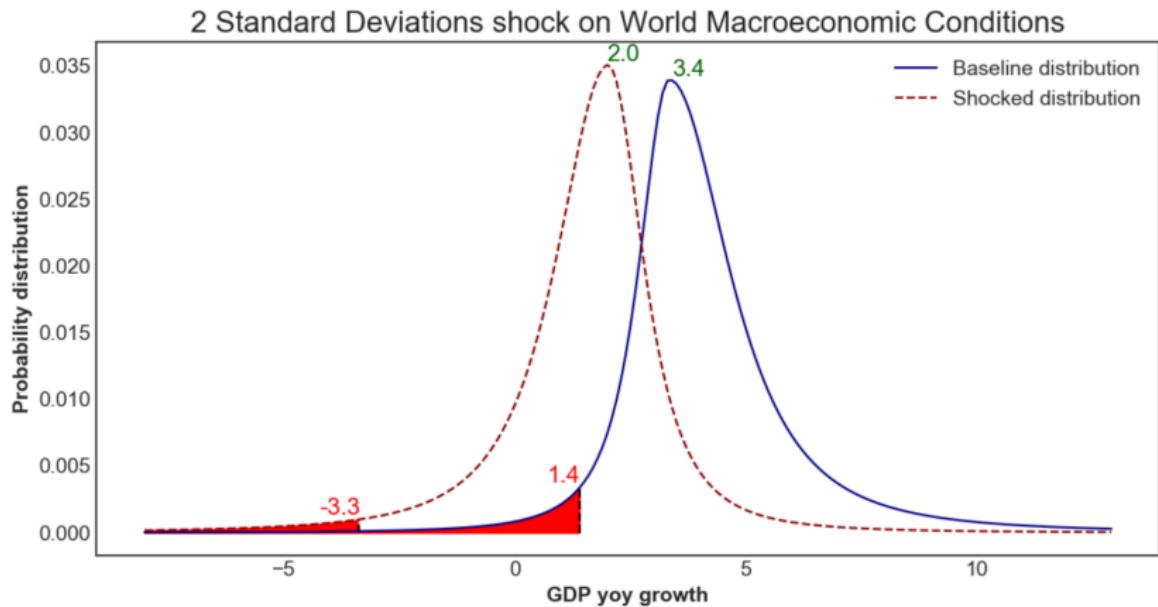
Impact on the average growth:
from 3.6% to 3.25%

Impact on the cumulative probability of a recession: from 8% to 18%



Source: IMF Staff

Comparative Static Example (II)



Source: IMF Staff

Quantifying the Risk Assessment Matrix (RAM)

- Because GaR is a density, it provides not only the pdf, but also the cdf and quantile functions
- Using the scenario analysis above, it is straightforward to quantify the RAM in terms of:
 - Risks to the **baseline**
 - Tail**-risks
- Again, this is a comparative statics analysis without clean identification

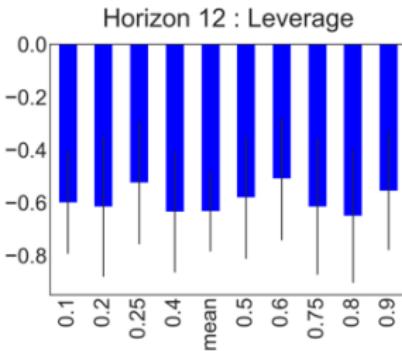
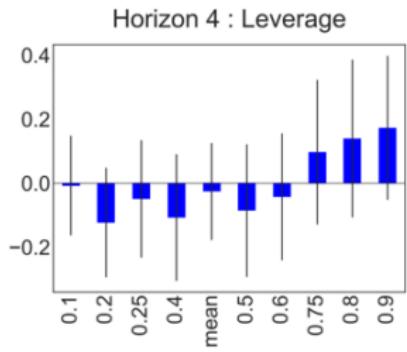
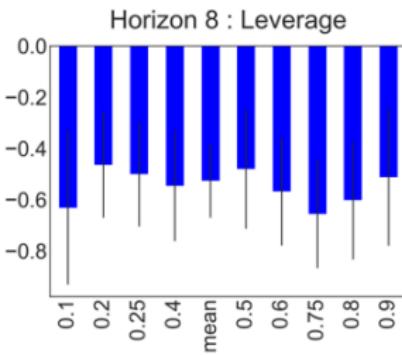
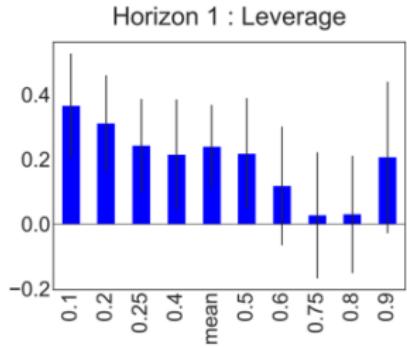
Quantifying the RAM: Albania

Quantitative Risk Assessment, One-Year Horizon

| Source of Risk | Relative Likelihood compared with the no-shock scenario | Simulated Shock (<i>in standard deviations</i>) | Estimated Impact on the Median vs. 10 th percentile (<i>in p.p. real growth</i>) | No-shock and counterfactual probability of growth <2% |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Weaker than expected growth in main trading partners | Medium | - 2 std in macroeconomic conditions of main trading partners | -1.6 p.p ; -1.7 p.p | 3% ; 43% |
| Sharp tightening of financial conditions in the Euro Area | High | + 2 std in EA FCI composite | -0.9 p.p ; -1 p.p | 3% ; 20% |
| Financial turmoil in key partners country | Medium | + 2 std in key partners bond rates | -1.1 p.p. ; -1.8 p.p. | 3% ; 25% |
| Increase in leverage | Low | + 2 std in leverage index | -0.4 p.p. ; -2 p.p. | 3% ; 16% |

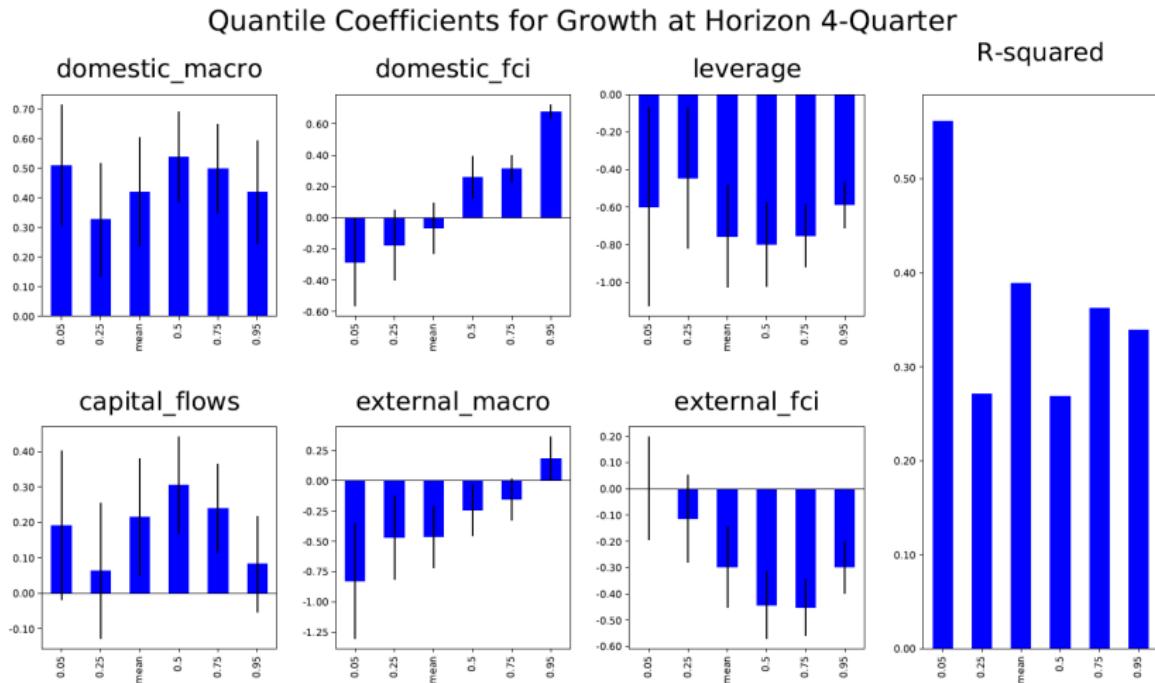
Source: IMF Albania Article IV (2018)

Term Structure of Growth at Risk (Local Projections)



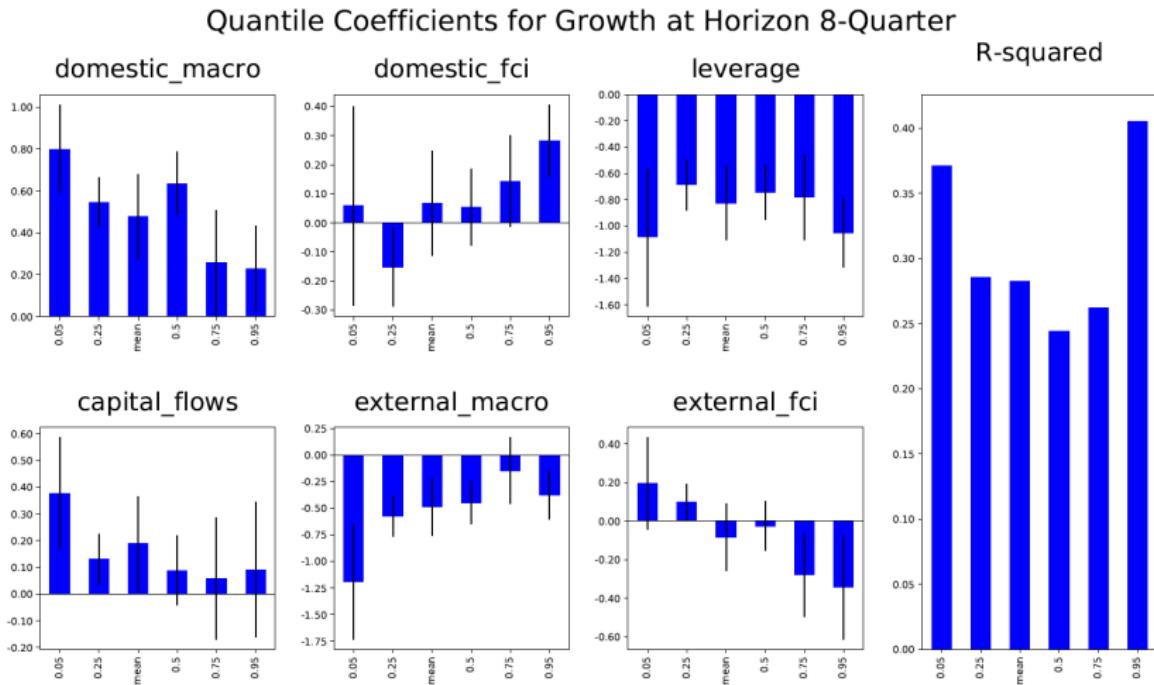
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Quantile Regressions Output 1 year Ahead



Source: IMF Article IV (2018)

Quantile Regressions Output 2 years Ahead



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Making Sense of GaR

- We developed a user-friendly Excel tool
- The Excel tool makes it easier for economists to estimate multi-layers density forecasting model
- However, it can not be applied automatically to forecast risk to growth for a country
 - The tool is just a set of Python macros with an Excel interface
 - The tool has limitations, but is useful to quickly dig into the model and see if "it worths it" to invest in GaR

Applied Work with GaR

- Identify key macro-financial factors and vulnerabilities guided by economic intuition, experience, theory
- Understand what variables shift the mean and what variables change the volatility and downside risk
- Aggregate data and construct meaningful regressors (cf partitioning). Evaluate whether the data partitions make economic sense
- Design appropriate GaR model by specifying quantiles, forecasting horizon, independent/control variables
- Be mindful of limitations and caveats, correlation/causation, data quality, sample size, types of financial regressors, etc.

Install Free and Open-Source Python Anaconda distribution

Anaconda Installers

Windows

Python 3.7
64-Bit Graphical Installer (466 MB)

32-Bit Graphical Installer (423 MB)

Python 2.7
64-Bit Graphical Installer (413 MB)
32-Bit Graphical Installer (356 MB)

MacOS

Python 3.7
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64-Bit Command Line Installer (430 MB)

Python 2.7
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64-Bit Command Line Installer (409 MB)

Linux

Python 3.7
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Python 2.7
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Source: <https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual>

Download GaR from Github (Official IMF Repo)

Screenshot of the GitHub repository page for IMF GAR (IMFGAR/GaR). The repository has 1 branch and 0 tags. The master branch contains 12 files:

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| Documentation | Add files via upload | 8 months ago |
| GAR | fixed a bug for possible erro when force negative mode | 8 months ago |
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| GaR license.txt | Add files via upload | 8 months ago |
| IMF disclaimer.txt | Add files via upload | 8 months ago |
| README.md | Update to new version 10/28/2019. | 8 months ago |
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| run_GAR.py | Update to new version 10/28/2019. | 8 months ago |

The repository has 0 issues, 0 pull requests, 0 actions, 0 projects, 0 wiki pages, 0 security vulnerabilities, and 0 insights.

About: No description, website, or topics provided. Use SSH: https://github.com/IMFGAR/GaR.git

Clone with HTTPS: Use Git or checkout with SVN using the web URL: https://github.com/IMFGAR/GaR.git

Readme: Readme file available.

Releases: No releases published. Create a new release.

Packages: No packages published. Publish your first package.

Languages: Python 100.0%

Growth at Risk

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Source: <https://github.com/IMFGAR/GaR>

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Documentation

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|  GaR - IMF Working Paper 19-36.pdf | 4/29/2020 3:07 PM | Adobe Acrobat D... | 2,307 KB |
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Open the Excel tool and enable content

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel ribbon at the top. A red circle highlights the 'Enable Content' button in the status bar, which is preceded by a yellow warning icon and the text 'SECURITY WARNING Macros have been disabled.'

Excel Tool for Estimating Growth at Risk Model

This version: v1.6 - October 2019

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This file fits the Growth at Risk model (cf Adrian et al., Vulnerable Growth (AER forthcoming)), with data partitioning, constrained optimization, distribution fitting, counterfactual scenario design and multiple horizons projections.

Python has to be installed on the computer through the software center to be able to execute the Excel file. Please refer to the documentation attached in the folder for a step-by-step explanation.

For questions about the methodology, please contact Romain Lafarguette (rlafarguette@imf.org). For questions related with the Excel tool, please contact Wang Changchun (ITD, cwang2@imf.org). The views expressed in this IMF Excel tool are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the views of the IMF, its Executive Board, or IMF management.

NB: The data set used in this tool has only an illustrative purpose and comes from public sources, aggregated through © Haver. Data should be replaced by the user's own data when running the tool.

Yellow worksheets are user inputs
Blue worksheets are outputs
Pink worksheets are log files

Russia
China
India
Australia
New Zealand

Input data on the "Data" yellow sheet

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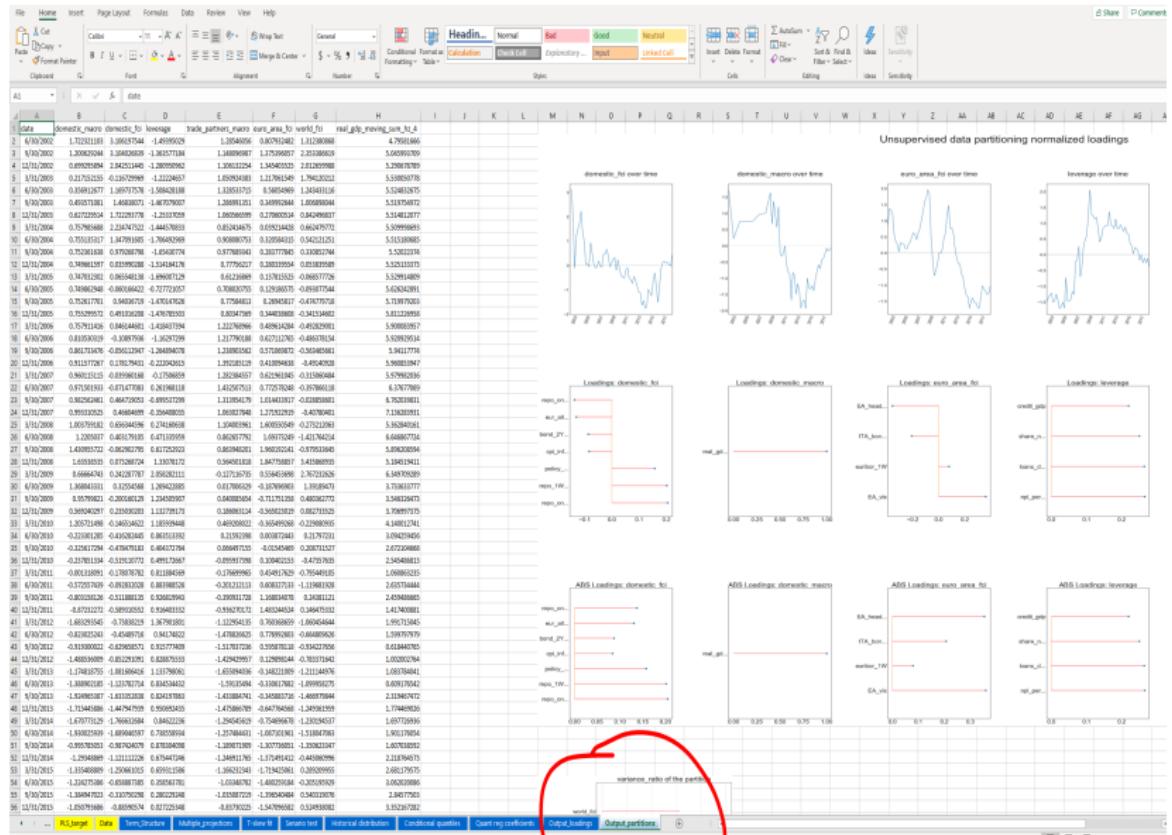
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Estimate the partitions: choose horizon, partitioning methods, etc.

Estimated partitions are in "Output' partitions"



Estimated loadings are in "Output loadings"

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| 13 euribor_1W | 3/31/2002 | 0.142976131 | euro_area_fci | 0.53292724 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 15 share_non_resident_liabilities | 3/31/2002 | 0.498816684 | leverage | 0.779865997 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 loans_deposits_ratio | 3/31/2002 | 0.527276804 | leverage | 0.779865997 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17 npl_percent_total_loans | 3/31/2002 | 0.529737571 | leverage | 0.779865997 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 ITA_gdp_yoy | 3/31/2002 | 0.51229369 | trade_partners_macro | 0.695338053 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 ITA_unemployment_rate | 3/31/2002 | -0.571190289 | trade_partners_macro | 0.695338053 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20 GRE_gdp_yoy | 3/31/2002 | 0.209632841 | trade_partners_macro | 0.695338053 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 GRE_unemployment_rate | 3/31/2002 | -0.58188913 | trade_partners_macro | 0.695338053 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 23 oil_price | 3/31/2002 | -0.707106781 | world_fci | 0.629645548 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Parameters for the quantile regressions

Results of the quantile regressions in "Quant Reg Coefficients"

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| 1 | lower | upper | R2 | in sample | normalized | errors | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | -0.571341412 | -0.35738995 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.106975731 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 0.026077663 | 0.465351958 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.29518187 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | -0.367302384 | 0.126361365 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.246831884 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | -0.057892702 | -0.296672747 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.180716727 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 0.141883047 | 0.878533165 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.368322559 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | -0.474720666 | -0.32051953 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.078454888 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 0.00024040 | 0.241210823 | 0.658155707 | TRUE | 0.120478334 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | -0.317243859 | -0.156043254 | 0.681994867 | TRUE | 0.0806090322 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | -0.064567952 | 0.522983362 | 0.681994867 | TRUE | 0.29775641 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | -0.323892679 | -0.015301214 | 0.681994867 | TRUE | 0.149911793 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | -0.478985954 | -0.152291779 | 0.681994867 | TRUE | 0.163983408 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | 0.358800184 | 1.010899497 | 0.681994867 | TRUE | 0.326042157 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | -0.366132859 | -0.115790179 | 0.681994867 | TRUE | 0.114314531 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 18 | -0.287875471 | 0.083348259 | 0.674120554 | TRUE | 0.17959025 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 37 | -0.094091112 | 0.094308012 | 0.631149589 | TRUE | 0.054380252 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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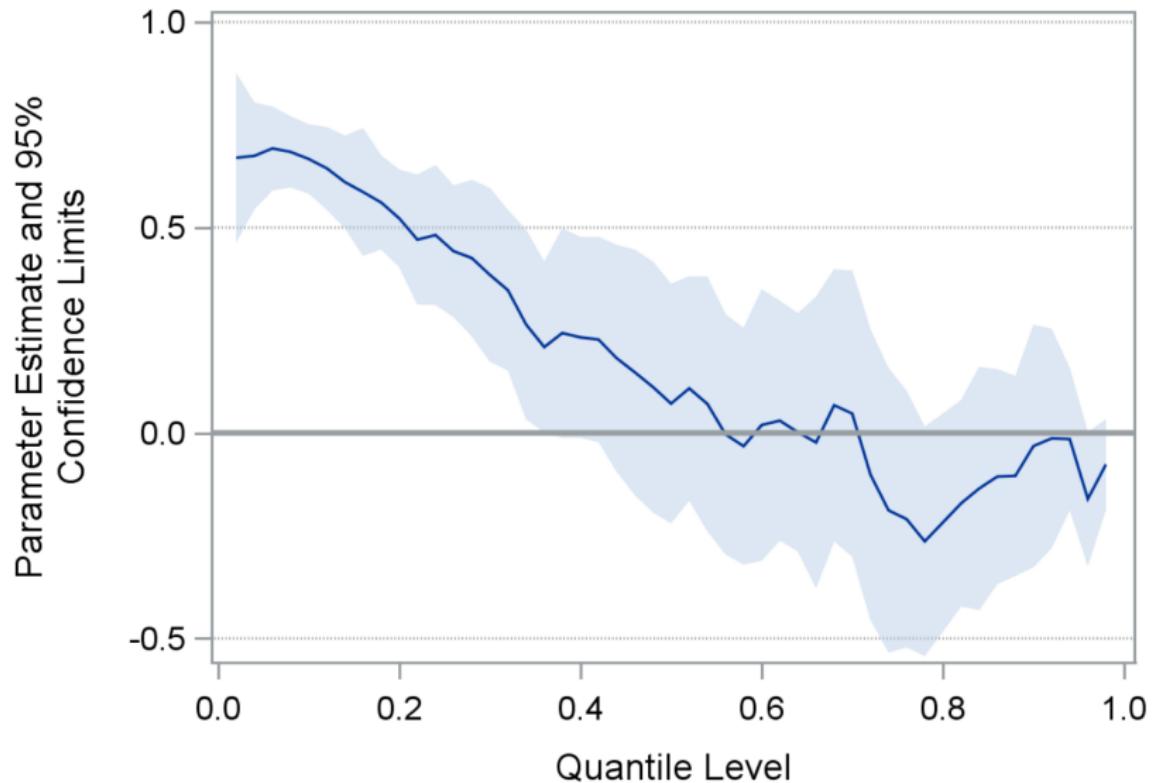
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In-sample Conditional Quantiles in "Conditional Quantiles"

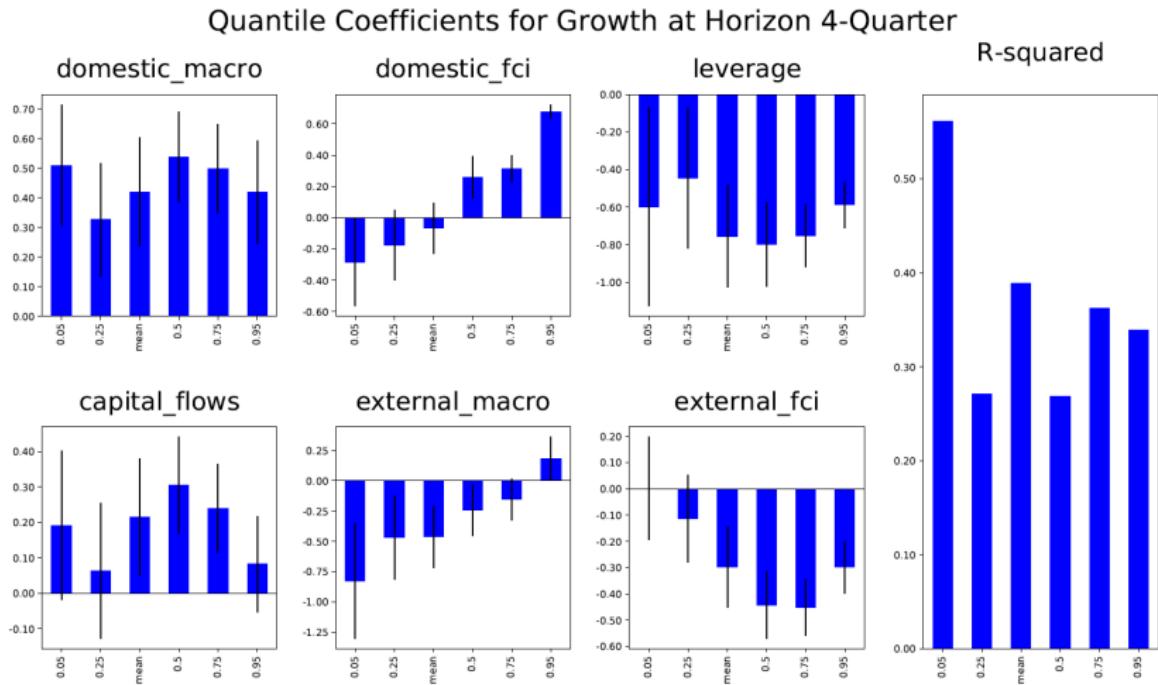
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| 2 | 9/30/2002 | 4 | 0.1 | 5.0455943709 | 5.0455943808 | 5.03816475 | 5.0545222996 | 6.5265944847 | 2.1552982054 |
| 3 | 12/31/2002 | 4 | 0.1 | 5.2967678789 | 4.8413617171 | 5.021419131 | 5.795481707 | 5.687241835 | 7.103414401 |
| 4 | 3/31/2003 | 4 | 0.1 | 5.530507078 | 5.067616166 | 5.074917042 | 4.255627811 | 5.75990452 | 2.865539324 |
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| 56 | 3/31/2016 | 4 | 0.1 | 3.405545533 | 0.340554556 | 0.481711957 | 2.47952973 | 4.331761302 | 1.196272275 |

Non-Linearities in Quantile Regressions Coefficients

Quantile Regression Coefficients for X5



Quantile Regressions Output



Source: IMF Article IV (2018)

Parameters for distribution fit

- Remember that a distribution is fitted on a given date:
$$Y_{2021} = \beta^q * X_{2020}$$
- The tool allows to project a density for a given date and horizon
- Possibility also to fix the mode: constrained optimization

Parameters for distribution fit: type of distribution, conditioning

Skewed T-Distribution Fit Parameters

Type of skewed T-distribution: T-skew
Input date for the projection (last date available): 6/30/2018
Location (mode of the distribution): Constraint: Fixed, Value if fixed: -4.5
Covariates smoothing: Option: Smooth Period if NOT None
Skewed T distribution fit sheet name (default: Asymmetric T/T-skew fit)

Skewed T Fit Parameters for Advanced Users

Degrees of freedom: Default
Variance lower bound: Default
Variance upper bound: Default
Skewness lower bound: Default
Skewness upper bound: Default

Historical distribution

Distribution Start Date: 3/31/2002
Distribution End Date: 6/30/2018
Time period increment: 1

Historical distribution sheet name (default: Historical): Output sheets will be overwritten for pre-existing sheets

Partitions, quantile regressions must be executed before Historical distribution

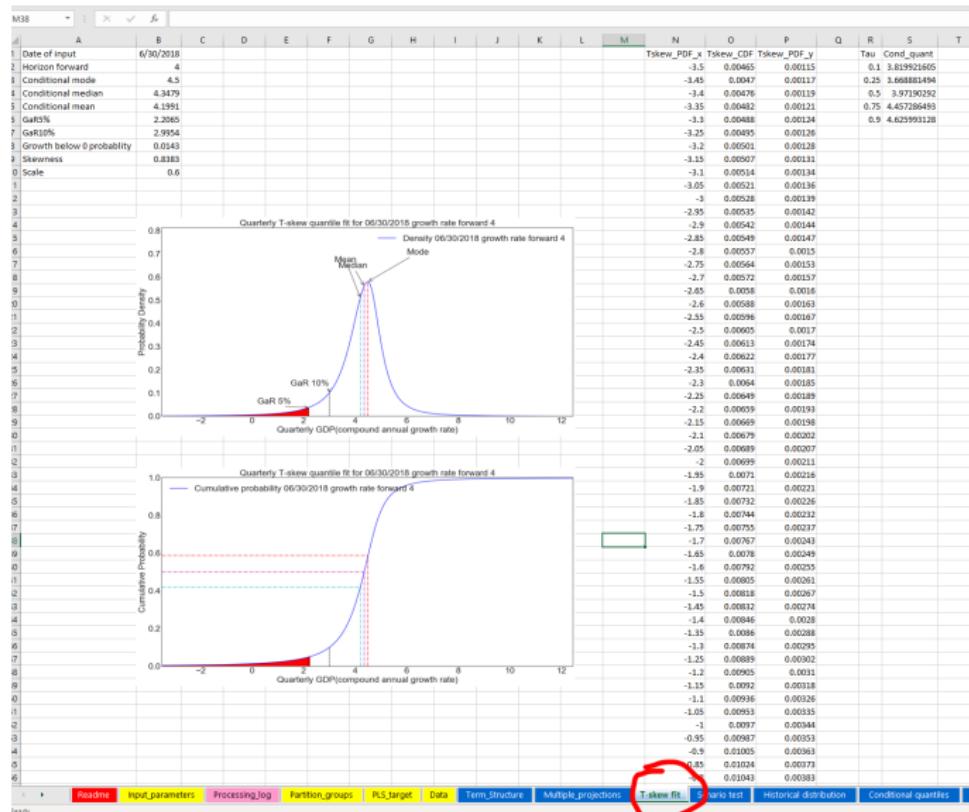
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Input parameters (highlighted with red circles)

Tskew fit output in "Tskew fit"

| M38 | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M | N | O | P | Q | R | S | T |
|-----|----------------------------|-----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|-----------|-------------|------|--------------|---|---|---|
| 1 | Date of input | 6/30/2018 | | | | | | | | | | | Tskew_PDF_x | Tskew_CDF | Tskew_PDF_y | Tau | Cond_quant | | | |
| 2 | Horizon forward | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.5 | 0.00465 | 0.00115 | 0.1 | 3.8199121605 | | | |
| 3 | Conditional mode | 4.5 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.45 | 0.00447 | 0.00117 | 0.25 | 3.668831494 | | | |
| 4 | Conditional median | 4.3479 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.4 | 0.00476 | 0.00119 | 0.5 | 3.97190292 | | | |
| 5 | Conditional mean | 4.1991 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.35 | 0.00482 | 0.00121 | 0.75 | 4.457286493 | | | |
| 6 | Gar5% | 2.2065 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.3 | 0.00488 | 0.00124 | 0.9 | 4.625993128 | | | |
| 7 | Gar10% | 2.9954 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.25 | 0.00495 | 0.00126 | | | | | |
| 8 | Growth below 0 probability | 0.0143 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.2 | 0.00501 | 0.00128 | | | | | |
| 9 | Skewness | 0.8383 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.15 | 0.00507 | 0.00131 | | | | | |
| 0 | Scale | 0.6 | | | | | | | | | | | -3.1 | 0.00514 | 0.00134 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -3.05 | 0.00521 | 0.00136 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -3 | 0.00528 | 0.00139 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.95 | 0.00535 | 0.00142 | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.9 | 0.00542 | 0.00144 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.85 | 0.00549 | 0.00147 | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.8 | 0.00557 | 0.0015 | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.75 | 0.00564 | 0.00153 | | | | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.7 | 0.00572 | 0.00157 | | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.65 | 0.0058 | 0.0016 | | | | | |
| 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.6 | 0.00588 | 0.00163 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.55 | 0.00595 | 0.00167 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.5 | 0.00603 | 0.0017 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.45 | 0.00613 | 0.00174 | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.4 | 0.00622 | 0.00177 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.35 | 0.00631 | 0.00181 | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.3 | 0.0064 | 0.00185 | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.25 | 0.00649 | 0.00189 | | | | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.2 | 0.00659 | 0.00193 | | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.15 | 0.00669 | 0.00198 | | | | | |
| 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.1 | 0.00679 | 0.00202 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2.05 | 0.00689 | 0.00207 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -2 | 0.00699 | 0.00211 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.95 | 0.0071 | 0.00216 | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.9 | 0.00721 | 0.00221 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.85 | 0.00732 | 0.00226 | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.8 | 0.00744 | 0.00232 | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.75 | 0.00755 | 0.00237 | | | | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.7 | 0.00767 | 0.00243 | | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.65 | 0.00778 | 0.00249 | | | | | |
| 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.6 | 0.00792 | 0.00255 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.55 | 0.00803 | 0.00261 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.5 | 0.00818 | 0.00267 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.45 | 0.00832 | 0.00274 | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.4 | 0.00846 | 0.0028 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.35 | 0.00868 | 0.00288 | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.3 | 0.00874 | 0.00295 | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.25 | 0.00889 | 0.00302 | | | | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.2 | 0.00903 | 0.0031 | | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.15 | 0.0092 | 0.00318 | | | | | |
| 0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.1 | 0.00936 | 0.00326 | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1.05 | 0.00953 | 0.00335 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -1 | 0.0097 | 0.00344 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | -0.95 | 0.00987 | 0.00353 | | | | | |

Tskew fit output in "Tskew fit"



Scenario design

Scenario Test for Shocks

| Variables to shock | Shock Type | Value by percentage (-100% to 100%) | Number by STD (1-5 to 5) |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ITA_bond_10Y_rate | By +/- STD None None None None None None None None | | 2 |

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Scenario Test

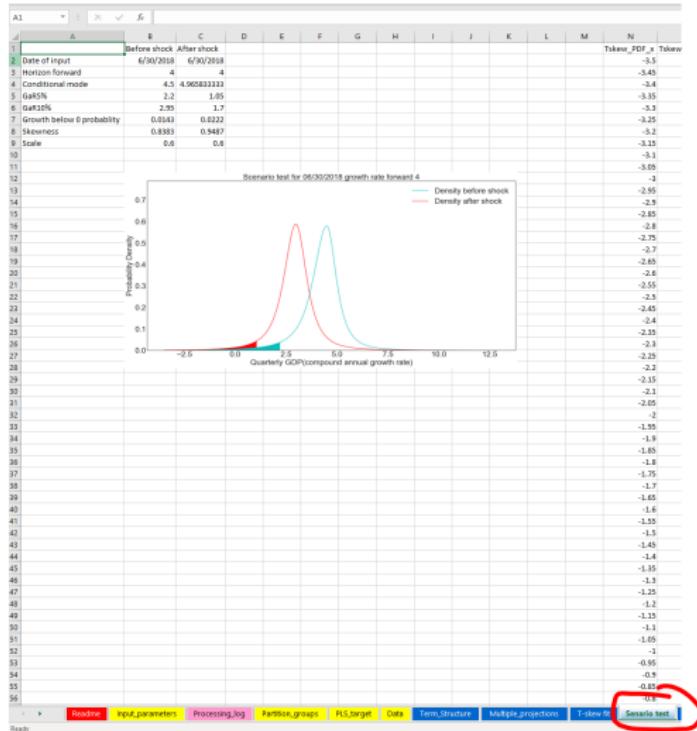
Partitions, quantile regressions skewed T fit
must be executed before scenario test

Location after shock (mode of the distribution)
 Free
 Fixed

Value if fixed

Scenario test sheet name (default: Scenario test)
 Output sheets will be overwritten for pre-existing sheets

The projections from the scenarios are in "Scenario Test"



The term structure

Multiple Horizon Projections

| Horizon list | Input date for the projection | Location Constrains | Value if fixed |
|--------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 4 | 6/30/2018 | Free | = |
| 6 | 6/30/2018 | Free | = |
| 12 | 6/30/2018 | Free | = |
| 16 | 6/30/2018 | Free | = |
| | | Free | = |

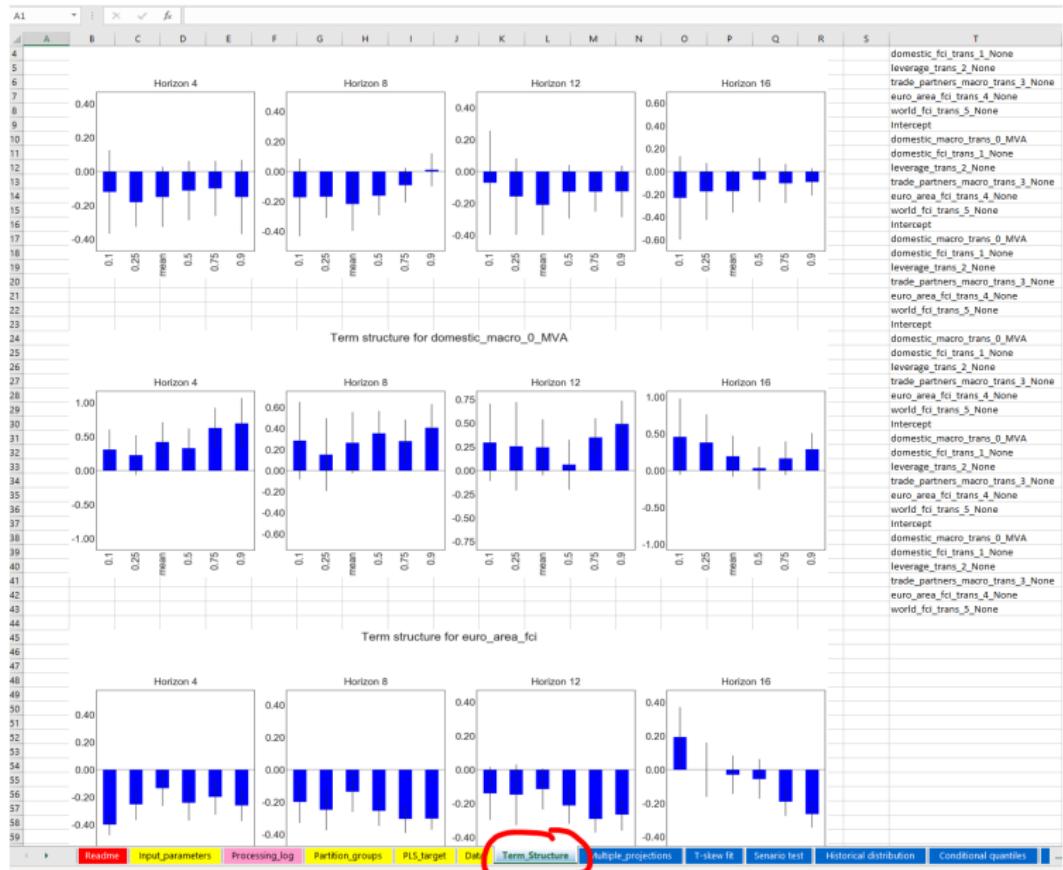
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Multiple Projections

Previous settings will be used for
Multiple Horizons Projections

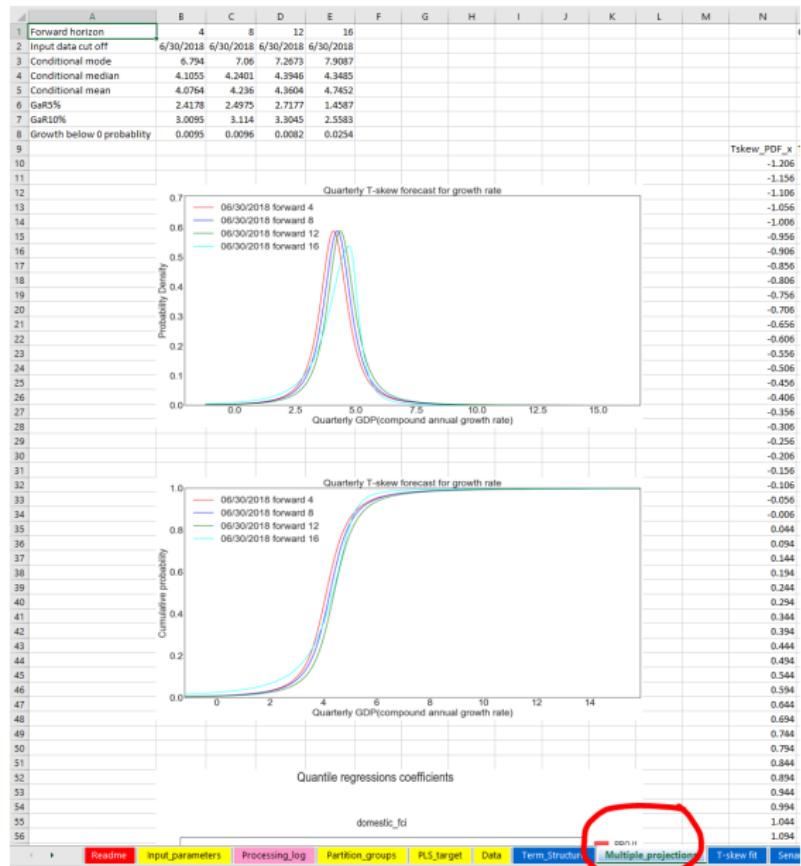
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Term Structure sheet name (default: Term_Structure) Output sheets will be overwritten for pre-existing sheets

The term quantile coefficients are in "Term Structure"



The term projections are in "Multiple Projections"



Support

- The tool, documentation, etc. will be kept updated on the public Github folder: <https://github.com/IMFGAR/GaR/>
- IMF Working paper on *Growth at Risk: Concept and Application in IMF Country Surveillance (2019, IMF WP 19/36)*
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