

World development indicators

Which country will develop more

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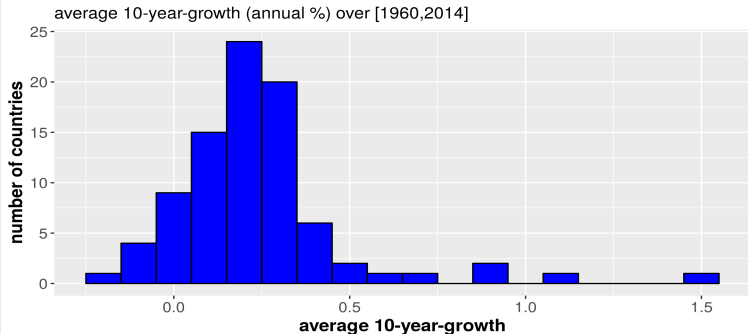
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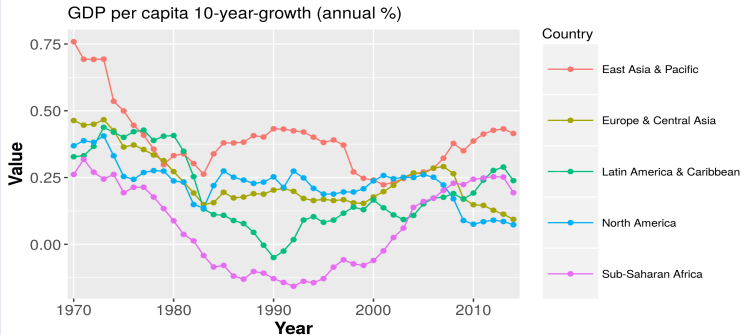
Definition

The **10-year-Growth** is the 10-year percentage variation of the GDP per capita in local currency. More formally,

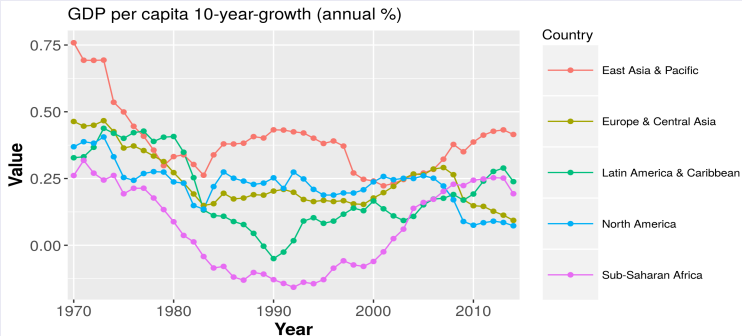
$$Growth_t := \frac{GDP_t - GDP_{t-10}}{GDP_{t-10}} \quad (1)$$

where *GDP* is the Gross Domestic Product per capita

10-year-growth by region



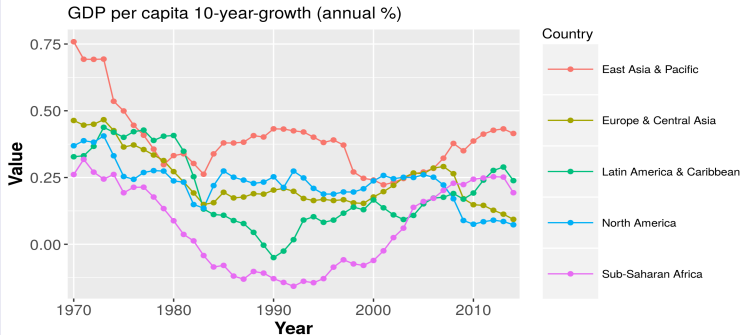
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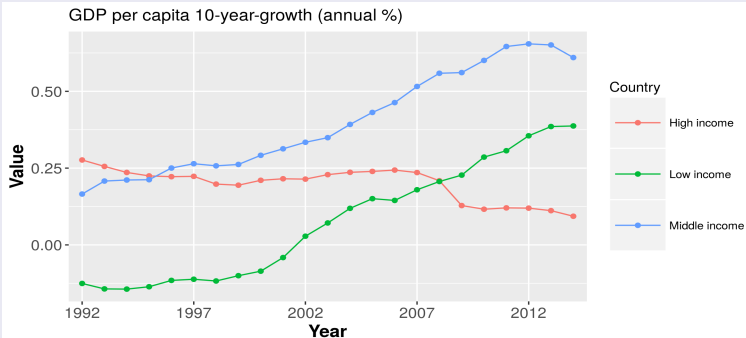
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Remark 2

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10-year-growth by Income group



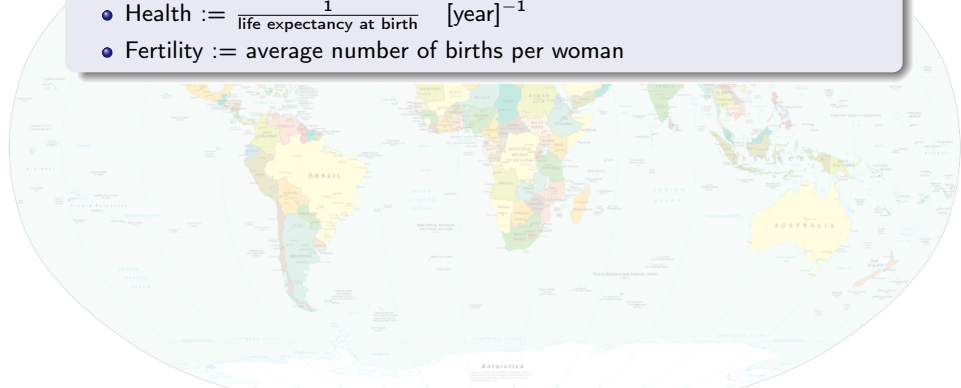
Remark 3

different growth patterns for different Income groups \Rightarrow dummy for High Income and dummy for Low Income

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Environmental variables

- Inflation [%]
- GDP := log(GDP)
- FDI := financial capital owned by foreign investors [% of GDP]
- Openess := $\frac{\text{Inport} + \text{Export}}{\text{GDP}}$
- Consumption := households consumption expenditure [% of GDP]
- Investment := government expenditures for goods and services [% of GDP]

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$$R_1 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \underline{x}_i \in \text{East Asia} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad R_2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \underline{x}_i \in \text{Sub-Saharan Africa} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Let $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

complete model

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Growth} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{fertility} + \beta_2 \text{FDI} + \beta_3 \text{GDP} + \beta_4 \text{education} + \beta_5 \text{consumption} + \\ & \beta_6 \text{inflation} + \beta_7 \text{health} + \beta_8 \text{investment} + \beta_9 \text{openess} + \\ & \beta_{10} D_1 + \beta_{11} D_2 + \beta_{12} R_1 + \beta_{13} R_2 + \beta_{14} I_1 + \beta_{15} I_2 + \\ & D_1(\beta_{16} \text{GDP} + \beta_{17} \text{fertility} + \beta_{18} \text{investment}) + \\ & D_2(\beta_{19} \text{GDP} + \beta_{20} \text{fertility} + \beta_{21} \text{investment}) + \\ & I_1(\beta_{22} \text{GDP} + \beta_{23} \text{fertility} + \beta_{24} \text{investment}) + \\ & I_2(\beta_{25} \text{GDP} + \beta_{26} \text{fertility} + \beta_{27} \text{investment}) + \\ & R_1(\beta_{28} \text{GDP} + \beta_{29} \text{fertility} + \beta_{30} \text{investment}) + \\ & R_2(\beta_{31} \text{GDP} + \beta_{32} \text{fertility} + \beta_{33} \text{investment}) + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

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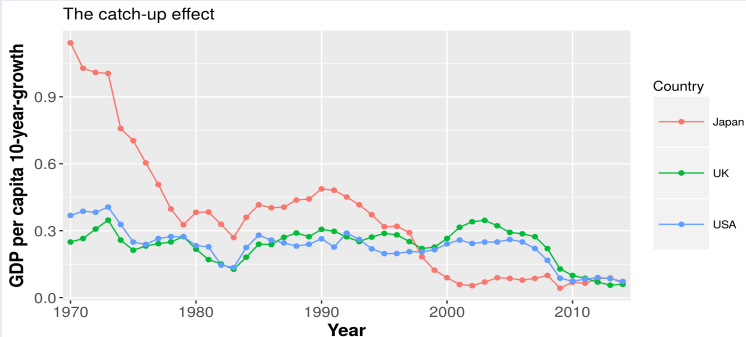
reduced model

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Growth} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{fertility} + \beta_2 \text{GDP} + \beta_3 \text{consumption} + \beta_4 \text{investment} + \\ & \beta_5 \text{education} + \beta_6 \text{FDI} \\ & \beta_7 D_1 + \beta_8 D_2 + \beta_9 R_1 + \beta_{10} R_2 + \beta_{11} I_1 + \beta_{12} I_2 + \\ & D_1(\beta_{13} \text{GDP} + \beta_{14} \text{investment}) + \\ & D_2(\beta_{15} \text{GDP}) + \\ & I_1(\beta_{16} \text{GDP} + \beta_{17} \text{fertility} + \beta_{18} \text{investment}) \\ & I_2(\beta_{19} \text{investment}) + \\ & R_1(\beta_{20} \text{GDP} + \beta_{21} \text{fertility}) + \\ & R_2(\beta_{22} \text{fertility} + \beta_{23} \text{investment}) + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Model 1

(Intercept)	0.9531 (0.3791)*	fertility:l1	0.0804 (0.0297)**
fertility	-0.0849 (0.0244)***	investment:l1	-0.0354 (0.0073)***
FDI	-0.0085 (0.0063)	investment:l2	0.0327 (0.0088)***
GDP	-0.0903 (0.0305)**	GDP:R1	-0.3070 (0.0348)***
education	-0.0025 (0.0010)*	fertility:R1	-0.3880 (0.0362)***
consumption	0.0047 (0.0010)***	fertility:R2	-0.0527 (0.0274)
health	-21.0428 (11.8102)	investment:R2	-0.0425 (0.0073)***
R1	3.8459 (0.3718)***	R ²	0.8705
R2	0.8626 (0.1585)***	Adj. R ²	0.8364
l1	1.0546 (0.4503)*	Num. obs.	116
l2	-0.4912 (0.1445)**	RMSE	0.1134
investment	0.0407 (0.0063)***	*** $p < 0.001$, ** $p < 0.01$, * $p < 0.05$	
D1	-0.3408 (0.1521)*	Legend:	
D2	-0.4913 (0.1369)***	● D1 = [1983,1993] D2 = [1993,2003]	
GDP:D1	0.0841 (0.0182)***	● R1 = Asia R2 = Africa	
investment:D1	-0.0189 (0.0048)***	● l1 = high income	
GDP:D2	0.0640 (0.0163)***	● l2 = low income	
GDP:l1	-0.0783 (0.0474)		

Results analysis: Conditional Convergence



Definition

the following principle is called **conditional convergence**: the lower the initial GDP the higher the growth over the next decade

Prediction model: no dummies for decades

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prediction model: timeless

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- Y_t = realization of growth in t
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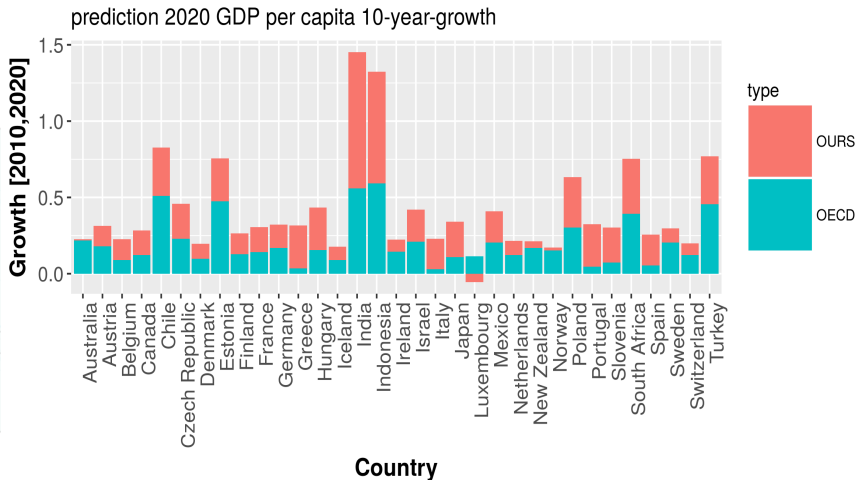
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predictor performances

	same countries	new countries
ME	-0.014	0.022
MAD	0.099	0.182
RMSE	0.1361	0.2823

- slightly overestimating
- inaccurate out-of-sample

2020 growth prediction comparison



OECD = The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development is an intergovernmental economic organisation with 35 member countries, founded in 1960 to stimulate economic progress and world trade