World development indicators

Which country will develop more

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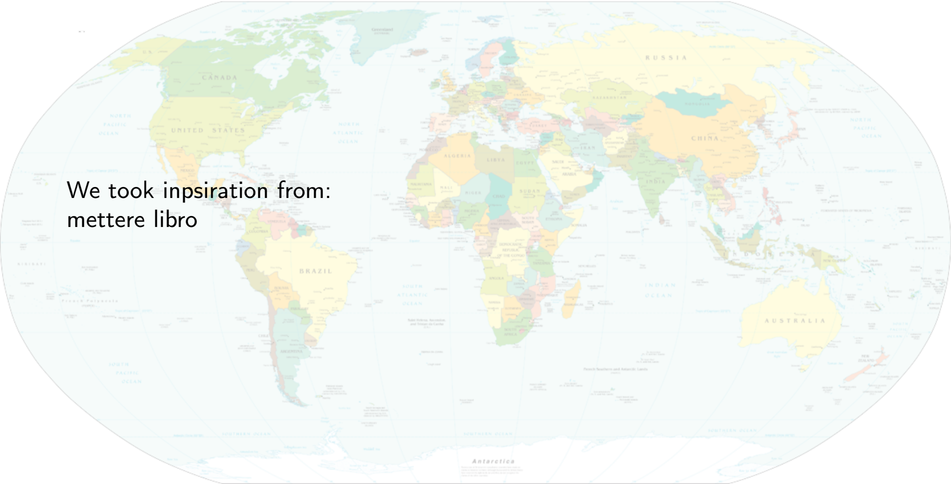

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10-year-Growth definition and average

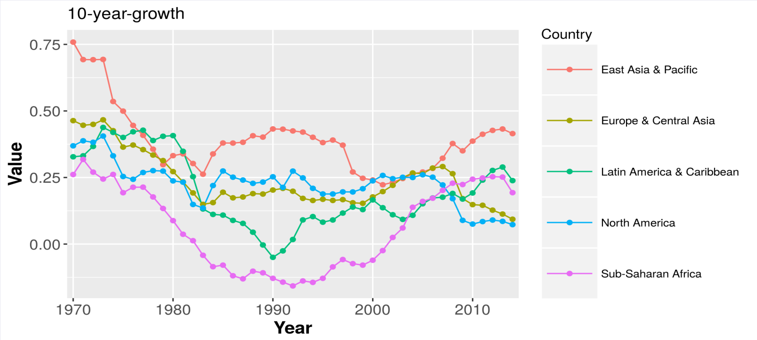
Definition

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

$$Growth_t := \frac{GDP_t - GDP_{t-10}}{GDP_{t-10}} \tag{1}$$

where GDP is the Gross Domestic Product per capita

10-year-growth by region



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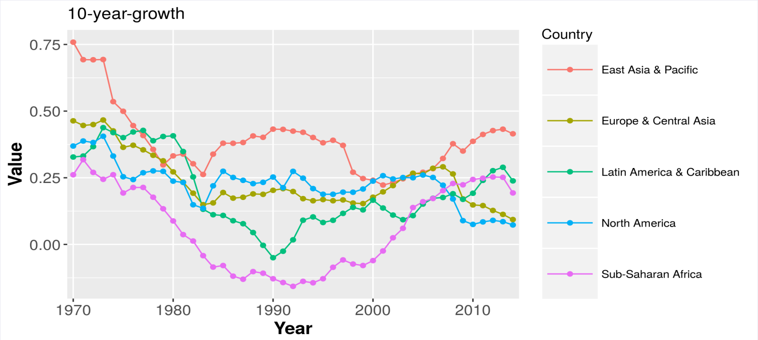

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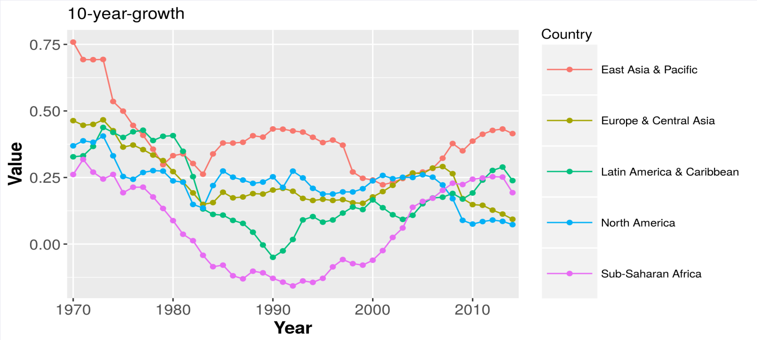

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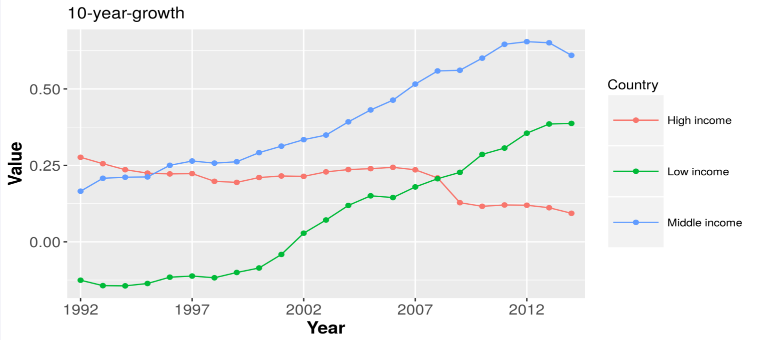
10-year-growth by Income group



Remark 3

different growth patterns for different Income groups $\Longrightarrow$ dummy for High Income and dummy for Low Income

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State variables

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Envirnonmental variables

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

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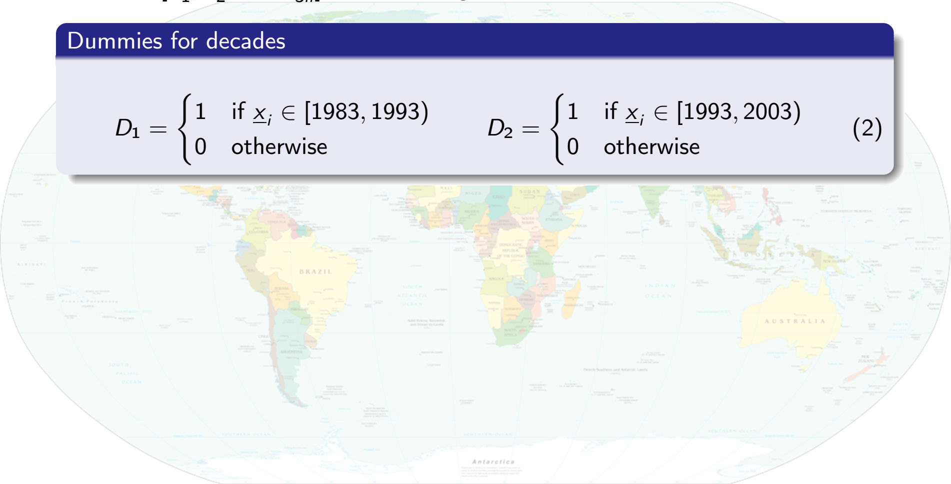

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Dummies for Region

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

Linear Model: complete model

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

complete model

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

Linear Model: reduced model

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

reduced model

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

lm output

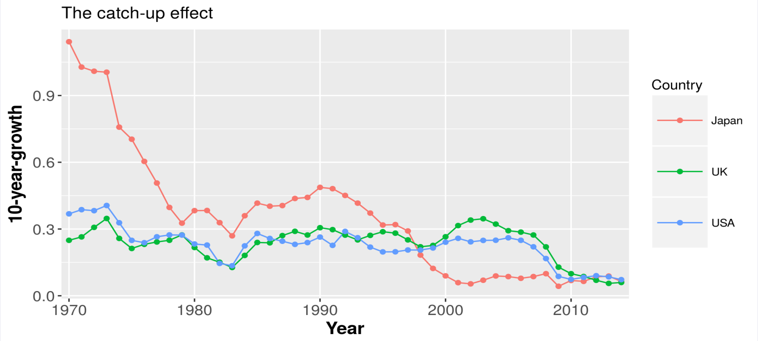
	Model 1
(Intercept)	0.9531 (0.3791)*
fertility	-0.0849 (0.0244)***
FDI	-0.0085 (0.0063)
GDP	-0.0903 (0.0305)**
education	-0.0025 (0.0010)*
consumption	0.0047 (0.0010)***
health	-21.0428 (11.8102)
R1	3.8459 (0.3718)***
R2	0.8626 (0.1585)***
I1	1.0546 (0.4503)*
I2	-0.4912 (0.1445)**
investment	0.0407 (0.0063)***
D1	-0.3408 (0.1521)*
D2	-0.4913 (0.1369)***
GDP:D1	0.0841 (0.0182)***
investment:D1	-0.0189 (0.0048)***
GDP:D2	0.0640 (0.0163)***
GDP:I1	-0.0783 (0.0474)
fertility:I1	0.0804 (0.0297)**
investment:I1	-0.0354 (0.0073)***
investment:I2	0.0327 (0.0088)***
GDP:R1	-0.3070 (0.0348)***
fertility:R1	-0.3880 (0.0362)***
fertility:R2	-0.0527 (0.0274)
investment:R2	-0.0425 (0.0073)***
R^2	0.8705
Adj. R^2	0.8364
Num. obs.	116
RMSE	0.1134

$^{***}p < 0.001$, $^{**}p < 0.01$, $^{*}p < 0.05$

Legend:

- D1 = [1983,1993) D2 = [1993,2003)
- R1 = Asia R2 = Africa
- I1 = high income
- I2 = low income

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

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Remark 4

The model has no time component: prediction based only on regressors value at prediction instant

predictor evaluation

fitting sample = [1983,2013] test sample = [2003,2013]

Definition

- F_t = prediction for the growth in t with our model
- Y_t = realization of growth in t
- e_t = prediction error
- $ME = \sum_{t=0}^{n} \frac{1}{n} e_t$ = mean error
- $MAD = \sum_{t=0}^{n} \frac{1}{n} \| e_t \|$ = mean absolute deviation
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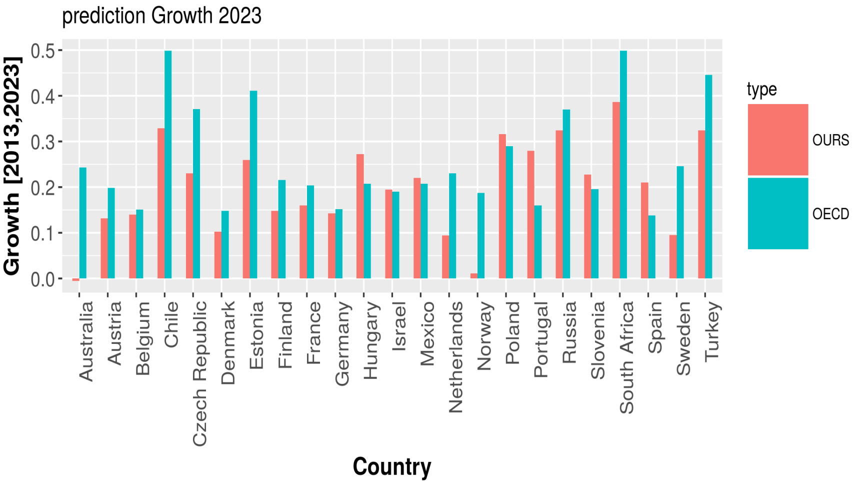
predictor performances

validation on $n = 12$ new countries

ME	MAD	RMSE
0.032	0.163	0.211

- slightly overestimating
- inaccurate out-of-sample

2023 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