

FA - VAR

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① overparameterization	SVAR
② lack of economic meaning	① and ②
③ limited information	

Literature of Price puzzle

Sims came up with composite price index

Augmenting Factor is very important

we have to introduce Factor Modelling Approach

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FA-S-VAR

Factor Analysis is used to reduce data dimension

$$X_t = (x_{1t}, \dots, x_{Nt})$$

$N=200$

$$i=1, \dots, N; N=200$$

you can reduce the dimension by extracting factors that explain the variation in X_t vector

The vector of factors is limited.

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$r=1$ 10

COMMON FACTOR SPACE

~~TRUE~~ FACTOR SPACE

you have to club the information in 5, 10, or 2 series. This is to reduce the dimension.

Based on heterodox you
use factor analysis for
policy analysis and forecasting
exercise:

$$X_t = \begin{pmatrix} x_{t1} & \dots & x_{nt} \end{pmatrix}$$

→ vector of macroeconomic variables.

$$i = 1$$

$N \leftarrow$ CROSS SECTION-
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DIMENSION

$$t = 1$$

$T \leftarrow$ TIME SERIES
DIMENSION

GDP INF M0 M1 M2 L unemp²⁰

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MODEL

$$X_t = F_t + \epsilon_t$$

X_t : $T \times N$ matrix of observed data (rows: time, columns: variables)
 F_t : $T \times K$ matrix of factor loadings (rows: time, columns: factors)
 ϵ_t : $T \times N$ vector of idiosyncratic error terms (rows: time, columns: variables)

e_+ is not white noise here because it is not iid

Cross sectional

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It is idiosyncratic if e_t changes with change in x_t

error is general to specific variables.

$X_t = (X_{1t}, \dots, X_{Nt})'$ matrix of factor loadings.

$F_t = (F_{1t}, \dots, F_{Nt})'$ vector of factors

$e_t = e_1, \dots, e_N$ ← each cross sectional is having an error

RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON THE MODEL

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1. $\lambda_t = \lambda_0$ (constant)

2. F_t and e_t are mutually uncorrelated

3. e_t are serially uncorrelated and i.i.d.

4. e_{it} and e_{jt} are independent for $i \neq j$

* IF ALL THE FOUR CONDITIONS HOLD THEN THE EQUATION

1 BECOMES EXACT STATIC

FACTOR MODEL.

* If e_t are weakly uncorrelated then we have static factor model.

② IF CONDITION 3 FAILS.
i.e., THE ERRORS ARE
WEAKLY CORRELATED

Then, in this case, we
have static factor
model.

DYNAMIC FACTOR MODEL

$$X_t = Z_t$$

$$F_t = (f_t, f_{t-1}, \dots, f_{t-q})$$

$$\Lambda_t = \alpha(L) \text{ LAG OPERATOR}$$

Such that the model become

$$Z_t = \alpha(L) f_t + v_t \quad (ii)$$

$$e_t = v_t$$

EQUATION (ii) IS CALLED ^EDYNAMIC
FACTOR MODEL.

$$Z_t = [I - \alpha_1(L) - \alpha_2(L^2) - \dots - \alpha_q(L^q)] f_t + v$$

$$Z_t = \alpha_1 f_t + \alpha_2 f_{t-1} + \dots + \alpha_q f_{t-q} + v_t$$

RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED

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1. $X_t = Z_t$

2. $F_t = (f_{1t}, f_{2t}, \dots, f_{t-q})$

3. $\Lambda_t = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_q)$

This is called CONTEMPERENDOUS

DYNAMIC FACTOR MODELLING

if all the three cases are satisfied.

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If

$$X_t = [z_t, z_{t-1}, \dots, z_{t-p+1}]$$

$$f_t = (f_{1t}, f_{2t}, \dots, f_{t-q-p+1})$$

$$v_t = (v_t, v_{t-1}, \dots, v_{t-p+1})$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 & A_1 & \dots & A_p \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & A_0 & \dots & A_p \end{bmatrix}$$

This is called Full Dynamic Factor Modelling.

$$y_{t+1} = \beta_t F_t + e_{t+1}$$

$$E(e_{t+1} / x_t, y_t, \beta_t, x_{t-1}, y_{t-1}, \beta_{t-1})$$

$$E(y_{t+1} / x_t, y_t, x_{t-1}, y_{t-1}, \beta_{t-1})$$

POLICY ANALYSIS TO
RETRIEVE STRUCTURAL
PARAMETER.

$$y_t = \beta_t F_t + e_t$$

$$x_t = -\lambda F_t + e_t \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$x_t = (x_{t1}, \dots, x_{tN})$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N = 200$$

$$t = 1, \dots, T = \infty$$

- 1) if fixed N and infinity T
- 2) if fixed T and infinite N
- 3) if both N and T are large and they tend towards infinity
- 4) if both $\frac{N}{T}$ and T are large

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All the Factors estimated on first 3 conditions have limited asymptotic properties.

Based on 4th criteria Bai and Ng (2002) shows that factors are extracted based on $N \gg T$ the factors will still have some asymptotic properties like ^{normal} N regressors

We prefer the cross sectional dimension to be larger than time series dimension.

$$y_t = \beta F_t + e_t$$

$$y_t = x_1 \dots x_{200}$$

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HOW DO WE EXTRACT FACTORS

1. PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS (Pure statistical procedure)
2. BAYESIAN LIKELIHOOD

Bernake and Boivin (2002)

Bernake, Boivin and Eliaz (2005)

IMPORTANT

$X_t = \text{GDP Inf u i exg } \alpha \text{ } R_x$

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① Kalman and Caster (1994)

② Otok and Whitman (1998)

PCA

Components	Eigen E V value	Variation	Cumulative Variation
1	$X_1 = 3$	0.80	0.80
2	$X_2 = 1$	0.10	0.90
	$1 = 0.9$	0.02	0.92
	$X_7 = 0.01$	0.006	

Common factors = 7
True factor = 1, 2, 7

it means 80% of the variation is explained by 1st comp.

It has to be → PAGE 00

Select the components

EV ≥ 1 (It is not satisfactory)

In the last example 2 components qualify

So, in Y estimation we'll

only include F_1 and F_2

we do not know if any of the 7 it is.

$$Y_t = \beta_1 F_1 + \beta_2 F_2$$

observed

* Then we have something called common factor space defined by q

$$q = (F_1 \dots F_7)$$

True factor space = $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = (F_1, F_2)$$

EV ≥ 1 (we can look from scree plot and decide to drop)

WE HAVE TO DETERMINE EIGEN VECTOR

EV $\Rightarrow$ Components loadings

Variables	1	2	...	6	7
GDP	0.9	-0.10	0.1	...	...
Inf	-0.1	0.8	...	...	...
u	0.75	0.2	...	...	...
i	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
$\vdots$					
R^2					

The loadings will be less than 1

All real variables have a good loading in first components

In the second the nominal variables have a good loading

So now, the first and second component will serve as factors

The first component will be called as Economic activity. The second will

be called as money demand.

This is Λ (Factor loadings)

$$X_t = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & F_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_1 \\ \Lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fitting the above in Y_t

$$Y_t = \beta_1 EA + \beta_2 MD$$

$\Lambda_1 = 1^{st}$ column entirety

$\Lambda_2 = 2^{nd}$ column entirety

In the last table, it is the n dimension that matters and not the time series data.

It means you are summarizing a large component of economic variable.

HOW DO WE DETERMINE
COMMON FACTOR SPACE FROM
TRUE FACTORS SPACE

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$$Y_t = \beta_1 F_1$$

$$Y_t = \beta_1 F_1 + \beta_2 F_2$$

$$Y_t = \beta_1 F_1 + \beta_2 F_2 + \beta_3 F_3$$

$$Y_t = \beta_1 F_1 + \beta_2 F_2 + \dots + \beta_p F_p$$

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Take the model with least value of information criterion (BIC, AIC, ...)

• $q \approx r$

→ Phillips curve.

$$\textcircled{2} \pi_t = \beta E(\pi_{t+1}) + \alpha_1 y$$

 F_1 F_2

The theoretical model will also inform you the number of true factors.

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③ Bai and Ng (2002) came up with another ICs (Information criterion) to select the number of factors.

④ Onatski (2006) —
— base slope of the scree plot.

MODELLING AND FACTORS

why do we need factors in economic modelling?

Most of theoretical concepts in economics have no empirical measurement.

For instance, the concept of economic activity, GDP is represented in eco. literature. but there are different things apart from GDP.

b. Some variable will be multiple.

For example, inflation is represented by different components of inflation like

CPI, Retail-CPI

c. Policy Perspective

(a) central bank

(b) econometric modeller

CB have their target of

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inflation

FOMC - observed all macroeconomic data

EM - only observe a fraction of data

FOMC and EM observe only fraction of the data

y_t = vector observe variable

Consider 2nd and 3rd case

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They have another vector to target
we have to use Δt to extract it

F_t = unobserved factors

EXAMPLE (TAYLOR)

$$i = d_1 T_{t-1} + d_2 y_{t-1} + e_t$$

z_i = purely observable so belongs to y vector

$$\pi = 0.71$$

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but this is not explicitly stated

If it is explicit then it is X_t vector

It is not observable. It
This has to be observed
from X_t -value

cannot be properly estimated.
from large macroeconomic variables,

$$X_t = [x_{1t}, \dots, x_{nt}]$$

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all macroeconomic - variable

guide them to achieve the

$$X_t = \pi F_t + e_t$$

1. A. E. R.

1. What is the main purpose of the text?

Stated

X_t vector!

to be properly

large

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PRIZE PUZZLE is not when the inflation is not observable. Therefore, we have to follow the same process like that of y_t .

$F_t =$ [factor of EA is extracted from x_t]

DSGE MODEL

$$\pi_t = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \pi_{t-1} + \alpha_3 E(\pi_{t+1}) + \lambda \bar{y}$$

$$y_t = \beta_1 + \beta_2 E(\hat{y}) - \beta_3 [i - E(\pi_{t+1})]$$

closure rule.

$$i = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 E(\pi_{t+1}) + \gamma_3 \bar{y}$$

↑↑
NEW KEYNESIAN DSGE MODEL.

$$x_t = [\text{All macroeconomic variables}]$$

This is given in the model.

(i) we have different inflation series.

(ii) EA represented by $\bar{y}$

(iii) Real rates are unobserved.

$\hat{y}$ is observed.

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$$y_t = [i]$$

$$x_t = \pi \cdot F_t$$

$$F_t = (F_1 \dots F_n)$$

$$F_t = [F_\pi, F_{EA}, F_{RI}]$$

(S)FA-SVAR

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Structured because Λ will be a diagonal matrix in $x_t = \pi F_t$

The inflation and EA can load on one factor in one factor. Then which one does it specify it difficult to conceptualize.

The above is the problem in PCA.

The problem becomes cumbersome in Bayesian likelihood.

If π is diagonal matrix then x_t also becomes a diagonal matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x^y \\ x^\pi \\ x^i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_{11} & & \\ & \Lambda_{22} & \\ & & \Lambda_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F^y \\ F^\pi \\ F^i \end{bmatrix}$$

The above is called

S-FSM (Structure - Factor Static Model)
 S-FDM (" " " " Dynamic Model)

According to Bai and Ng, large set of macro economic

the requirement is to have variable of MT, where MT.

THE MODEL

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_t \\ F_t \end{bmatrix} = \Gamma_1 \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-1} \\ F_{t-1} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + \Gamma_p \begin{bmatrix} y_{t-p} \\ F_{t-p} \end{bmatrix} + \beta \epsilon_t$$

Factor is augmented in the SVAR and it becomes FA-SVAR.