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Motivation

- Unit roots: do the data support the view that the trend is changing every period or never?
- Structural breaks: may be trend is changing sometimes? Changes in persistence?
- Cointegration: univariate and multivariate; with or without breaksio
- Inference on the break dates
- Predictability with non-stationary regressors
- Non-stationary volatility: breaks in volatility, regime switching, ets.
- Explosive bubbles: identificatio and testing



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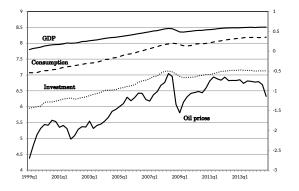


Figure 1: Russian macroeconomic series and oil prices



Testing for a unit root with possible presence of structural breaks

- Influence of linear trend and/or the initial condition on unit root testing (Harvey et al. (2009), Harvey et al. (2012*a*))
- Stationarity testing (Muller (2005), Harris et al. (2007))
- Uncertainty over the break in unit root testing (Harvey et al. (2012*b*), Harvey et al. (2013*b*))
- Invalidity of Zivot and Andrews (1992) (Harvey et al. (2013a))
- Robust testing for the trend function under uncertainty whether the series is stationary, $I(0),\,{\rm or}$ integrated of order one, I(1)



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Trend and initial condition in stationarity tests

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• (Skrobotov, 2015):

$$y_t = \mu + \beta t + u_t, \ t = 1, \dots, T, \tag{1}$$

$$u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \ t = 2, \dots, T, \ \rho = \rho_T = 1 - c/T$$
 (2)

- Null of stationarity (local to unit root) $H_0: c \ge \bar{c} > 0$ against $H_1: c = 0$
- Combination of $Q(\bar{c})$ tests of Muller (2005) and $S(\bar{c})$ tests of Harris et al. (2007)

Definition 1

The modified intersection of rejections strategy IR_4^* is defined as follows:

- 1) If $s_{\beta} \leq cv_{\beta}$ and $s_{\alpha} \leq cv_{\alpha}$, then use the liberal decision rule $IR(Q^{\mu}, Q^{\tau}, S^{\mu}, S^{\tau})$;
- 2) If $s_{\beta} \leq cv_{\beta}$ and $s_{\alpha} > cv_{\alpha}$, then use the liberal decision rule $IR(S^{\mu}, S^{\tau})$, the corresponding scaling constant is defined as m_{ξ}^{**} ;
- 3) If $s_{\beta} > cv_{\beta}$ and $s_{\alpha} \le cv_{\alpha}$, then use the liberal decision rule $IR(Q^{\tau}, S^{\tau})$, the corresponding scaling constant is defined as m_{ξ}^{τ} ;

4) If $s_{\beta} > cv_{\beta}$ and $s_{\alpha} > cv_{\alpha}$, then use the decision rule reject H_0 , if $S^{\tau} > cv_{\xi}^{S,\tau}$. Anton Skrobotov (Gaidar institute) ROBUST INFERENCE IN NON-STATIONA February 15, 2024

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• Skrobotov (2022*b*):
$$H_0: \beta = 0$$

$$I(0): T^{3/2}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) \to_d 12\omega_u \int_0^1 (s - 1/2)dB(r) = N(0, 12\omega_u^2),$$

$$I(1): \quad T^{1/2}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) = \frac{T^{-5/2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} t u_t}{T^{-3} \sum_{t=1}^{T} t^2} \to_d 3\omega_u \int_0^1 r B(r) dr = N\left(0, \frac{6}{5}\omega_\varepsilon^2\right),$$

 Ibragimov and Müller (2010): partition of the data into some fixed number *q* ≥ 2 of equal groups of consecutive observations, consider group estimators *β*_j, *j* = 1,..., *q*, *T*^δ(*β*₁,...,*β*_q) →_d N(0, Σ) with some diagonal covariance matrix Σ and δ = 1/2 or 3/2 depending on the order of intergartion of *u_t*.

$$t_{\beta} = \sqrt{q} \frac{\overline{\hat{\beta}} - \beta_0}{s_{\hat{\beta}}} \tag{3}$$

with $\overline{\hat{\beta}} = q^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{q} \hat{\beta}_j$ and $s_{\hat{\beta}}^2 = (q-1)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{q} (\hat{\beta}_j - \overline{\hat{\beta}})^2$ • Null hypothesis H_0 is rejected at level $\alpha \leq 0.05$ if $|t_{\beta}|$ exceeds the (homether key) percentile of the Student's t-distribution with q-1 degrees of freedom.

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• Skrobotov (2018b): extension of Harvey et al. (2012a)

$$y_t = \mu + \beta t + \gamma_T DT_t(\lambda_0) + u_t, \ t = 1, \dots, T,$$
(4)

$$u_t = \rho_T u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \ t = 2, \dots, T, \tag{5}$$

where $DT_t(\lambda_0) = (t - |\lambda_0 T|) \mathbb{I}(t > |\lambda_0 T|), \mathbb{I}(\cdot)$ is the indicator function and the trend break occurs at time $|\lambda_0 T|$ (where λ_0 is the corresponding break fraction).

- For small initial conditions, the minimun GLS-based test *MDF-GLS* by Harvev et al. (2013b) should be used, and for large initial conditions, the combination of minimum OLS-based test MDF-OLS (this is Zivot and Andrews (1992) test) and OLS-based test with the estimated break date $ADF-OLS^{tb}(\hat{\lambda}^{D_m})$ (where the break fraction $\hat{\lambda}^{D_m}$ is estimated as in (Harvey and Leybourne, 2013)) should be used, dependent on the robust tests for breaks.
- The modified $A^*(s_{\kappa}, s_{\alpha})$ strategy is proposed.

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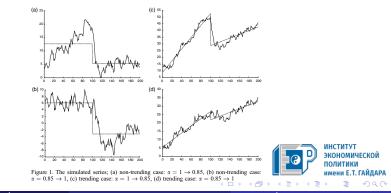
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$$y_t = \mu + \beta t + \rho_t y_{t-1} + u_t,$$
 (6)

•
$$\rho_t = 1 \ (y_t \sim I(1))$$
 for $t = 1, ..., T_1$
 $\rho_t < 1 \ (y_t \sim I(0))$ for $t = T_1 + 1, ..., T$
• or vice versa (Kim, 2000; Kurozumi, 2005; Kejriwal and Perron, 2012)



Bootstrap inference for non-stationary time series

Testing for change in persistence

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• Skrobotov (2018*a*, 2022*a*): likelihood ratio test for the null hypothesis I(1) against a change in persistence, $I(0) \rightarrow I(1)$ or $I(1) \rightarrow I(0)$

$$y_t = \beta' d_t + u_t, \ t = 1, \dots, T, \tag{7}$$

$$u_t = \rho_t u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t, \ t = 2, \dots, T, \tag{8}$$

Rewrite:

$$y_t = \rho_1 D_1 y_{t-1} + \rho_2 D_2 y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t,$$
(9)

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where $D_1 = \mathbb{I}(t \leq \lfloor \lambda T \rfloor)$, $D_2 = 1 - D_1$.

• Maximization of the likelihood over $\bar{\rho}_1$ and $\bar{\rho}_2$ ("d" means detrended):

$$LR(\lambda) = \max_{\bar{\rho}_1 \le 1, \bar{\rho}_2 \le 1} \mathcal{L}^d(\bar{\rho}_1, \bar{\rho}_2, \lambda; \hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\phi}^2) - \mathcal{L}^d(1, 1, \lambda; \hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\phi}^2),$$
(10)

Unknown date of change (exp-type test), lag length selection Geve Bootstrap

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Testing for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

Testing for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

Cavaliere, Skrobotov and Taylor (2019)

- Extension of Cavaliere and Taylor (2008a) to the seasonal context.
- Adopt a periodic non-stationary volatility set-up which includes both the form of Periodic Heteroskedasticity considered in Burridge and Taylor (2001).
- Univariate seasonal time series $\{x_{Sn+s}\}$:

$$\alpha(L)x_{Sn+s} = u_{Sn+s}, \ s = 1 - S, \dots, 0, \ n = 2, \dots, N,$$
(11)

$$\phi(L)u_{Sn+s} = \varepsilon_{Sn+s} \tag{12}$$

$$\varepsilon_{Sn+s} = \sigma_{Sn+s} e_{Sn+s} \tag{13}$$

where S - number of seasons, $\alpha(L) = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{S} \alpha_j L^j$ is an S-order autoregressive polynomial, $\phi(L) = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{p} \phi_j L^j$ is a pth order autoregressive polynomial, L is the lag operator such that $L^{Sj+k}y_{Sn+s} = y_{S(n-j)+s-k}$. Sample size is T := SN, N from the properties of the prope

Bootstrap inference for non-stationary time series

Lesting for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

Testing for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

- \bullet Test for seasonal unit roots in $\alpha(L)$ polynomial
- Sth order polynomial a(L) can be factorised as $\alpha(L) = \prod_{k=0}^{\lfloor S/2 \rfloor} \omega_k(L)$
- $\omega_0(L) := (1 \alpha_0 L)$ associates the parameter α_0 with the zero frequency $\omega_0 := 0$, $\omega_k(L) := [1 2(\alpha_k \cos \omega_k \beta_k \sin \omega_k)L + (\alpha_k^2 + \beta_k^2)L^2]$ corresponds to the conjugate (harmonic) seasonal frequencies $(\omega_k, 2\pi \omega_k)$, $\omega_k = 2\pi k/S$, with the associated parameters α_k and β_k , $k = 1, \ldots, S^*$, $S^* := \lfloor (S 1)/2 \rfloor$, and, for S even, $\omega_{S/2}(L) := (1 + \alpha_{S/2}L)$ associates the parameter $\alpha_{S/2}$ with the Nyquist frequency $\omega_{S/2} := \pi$
- The null hypothesis can be partitioned as $H_0 = \cap_{k=0}^{\lfloor S/2 \rfloor} H_{0,k}$, where

$$\begin{array}{rcl} H_{0,0}:\alpha_{0} & = & 1, H_{0,S/2}:\alpha_{S/2} = 1, \\ H_{0,k}:\alpha_{k} & = & 1, \beta_{k} = 0, k = 1, \ldots, S^{*} \\ \end{array}$$

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Lesting for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

Testing for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

• Expanding the composite AR(p+S) polynomial $\phi^*(z) := \alpha(z)\phi(z)$ around the zero and seasonal frequency unit roots $\exp(\pm i2\pi k/S)$, $k = 0, ..., \lfloor S/2 \rfloor$, we obtain the auxiliary HEGY regression,

$$\Delta_{S} x_{Sn+s} = \pi_{0} x_{0,Sn+s-1} + \pi_{S/2} x_{S/2,Sn+s-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{S^{+}} (\pi_{\alpha,k} x_{k,Sn+s-1}^{\alpha} + \pi_{\beta,k} x_{k,Sn+s-1}^{\beta}) + \sum_{j=1}^{p} \phi_{j}^{*} \Delta_{S} x_{Sn+s-j} + \varepsilon_{Sn+s}, \quad (16)$$

where the regressors are defined as, $x_{0,Sn+s} := \sum_{j=0}^{S-1} x_{Sn+s-j}$, $x_{S/2,Sn+s} := \sum_{j=0}^{S-1} \cos[(j+1)\pi] x_{Sn+s-j}$, and $x_{k,Sn+s}^{\beta} := \sum_{j=0}^{S-1} \cos[(j+1)\omega_k] x_{Sn+s-j}$, and $x_{k,Sn+s}^{\beta} := -\sum_{j=0}^{S-1} \sin[(j+1)\omega_k] x_{Sn+s-j}$, in each case for k = 1, where $k \in \mathbb{N}^{S}$.

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Lesting for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

Testing for seasonal non-stationarity under time-varying volatility

- Unit roots at the zero, Nyquist and harmonic seasonal frequencies imply that $\pi_0 = 0$, $\pi_{S/2} = 0$ and $\pi_{\alpha,k} = \pi_{\beta,k} = 0$, $k = 1, \ldots, S^*$, respectively t– and F– tests.
- Non-stationary volatility in innovations: time deformation aspect to the limiting distributions of the HEGY unit root statistics incorrect size (even asymptotically) if standard (homoskedastic) critical values are used.
- Solution: standard wild bootstrap or seasonal block wild bootstrap replicate the correct first-order asymptotic null distributions of each of the HEGY statistics



Inference on structural breaks in univariate cointegrated models

• Kurozumi and Skrobotov (2018): constructing a confidence set for the break date in cointegrating regression by inverting the test for the break location.

$$y_{t} = w'_{b,t}\beta_{b} + w_{b,t}(\lambda_{0})'\delta_{b} + w'_{f,t}\beta_{f} + e_{t}$$
(17)

for $t = 1, \dots, T$, where $w_{b,t}$, $w_{b,t}(\lambda_0)$, and $w_{f,t}$ are p_{b} , p_{b} , and p_{f} -dimensional regressors, respectively, $w_{b,t}(\lambda_0) = 1(t > [\lambda_0 T])w_{b,t}$ with $1(\cdot)$ being an indicator function, λ_0 is a true break fraction, true break date is $T_0 = [\lambda_0 T]$

- $w_{b,t}$ and/or $w_{f,t}$ (fixed regressor) may be I(1) or I(0) (allowing DOLS), break in trend
- Test inversion: Constructing a confidence set for the break date by inverting the test for the location of the break point.
- For the unknown break point, we test for

$$H_N: T_0 = T_1$$
 vs. $H_A: T_0 = T_2$

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with the significance level lpha, and if the null hypothesis is accepted, then we

Inference about structural breaks in univariate cointegrated models

- We cannot directly estimate model by using $w_{b,t}(\lambda_0)$ because $w_{b,t}(\lambda_0)$ depends on the unknown break fraction λ_0 .
- Maximizing the weighted average of $P\left(\varphi \text{ rejects } H_N | \delta, \lambda_2\right)$ over δ and λ_2 using some weighting functions, which is given by

$$\int \int P\left(\varphi \text{ rejects } H_N | \delta, \lambda_2\right) dQ_{\lambda_2}(\delta) dJ(\lambda_2)$$
(19)

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where $Q_{\lambda_2}(\delta)$ and $J(\lambda_2)$ are non-negative measures on \mathbb{R}^{p_b} and (0,1), respectively.

• Test that maximizes the averaged power given by (19) rejects the null hypothesis when

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{LR}_T(\lambda_1) &= \int_{\lambda_2 \in \Lambda_{\varepsilon}} (1+c)^{-p_{\beta}/2} \exp\left\{\frac{c}{2(1+c)\sigma^2}\right\} \\ y'M_{w_1}R(\lambda_2,\lambda_1) \left(R(\lambda_2,\lambda_1)'M_{w_1}R(\lambda_2,\lambda_1)\right)^{-1} R(\lambda_2,\lambda_1) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left\{\frac{c}{2(1+c)\sigma^2}\right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{$$

Inference about structural breaks in univariate cointegrated models

- Limiting distribution of $\widetilde{LR}_T(\lambda_1)$ for different models
- Dependence on localizing parameter c.

$$\sup -LR_T(T_1) = \max_{T_2 \in \mathcal{T}_{\epsilon}} F_{T_2}(T_1), \tag{20}$$

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$$LR_T(T_1) = \frac{1}{T^*} \sum_{T_2 \in \mathcal{T}_{\epsilon}} F_{T_2}(T_1),$$
 (21)

$$\exp -LR_T(T_1) = \log \left\{ \frac{1}{T^*} \sum_{T_2 \in \mathcal{T}_{\epsilon}} \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} F_{T_2}(T_1)\right) \right\},$$
(22)

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where $\mathcal{T}_{\epsilon} = \{T_2 : \epsilon T \leq T_2 < T_1 - \epsilon T, T_1 + \epsilon T < T_2 \leq (1 - \epsilon)T\}$, T^* is the number of T_2 included in \mathcal{T}_{ϵ} , and $F_{T_2}(T_1)$ is the test statistic for the gimple skoholumeters of $T_0 = T_1$ against $T_0 = T_2$.

Dash Testing for predictability with possibly non-stationary and endogenous predictors under non-stationary volatility

Testing for predictability with possibly non-stationary and endogenous predictors under non-stationary volatility

Ibragimov, Kim and Skrobotov (2023):

• Linear predictive regression model:

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta x_{t-1} + u_t, \ t = 1, ..., T,$$
(23)

• Volatility model:

 $u_t = v_t \varepsilon_t,$

H₀: β = 0: replace v_t by its consistent estimator ô((t - 1)/T)
Test statistic:

$$\tau(\hat{\sigma}) = \frac{1}{T^{1/2}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} sgn(x_{t-1}) \frac{y_t}{\hat{\sigma}((t-1)/T)},$$
(24)

• Uniform convergence of $\hat{\sigma}^2(r)$ to $\sigma_T^2(r)$ • $sign(x_{t-1})$ – asymptotic normality of $\tau(\hat{\sigma})$ regardless of encoder eito of ma_{t-1} and nonstationarity

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Identification the bubbles under non-stationary volatility

Kurozumi, Skrobotov and Tsarev (2020):

• DGP for $\{y_t\}$ in TVP form:

$$y_t = (1 + \delta_t)y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$$
 or $\Delta y_t = \delta_t y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ (25)

with the following definition of δ_t

- 4 regimes: $\delta_t > 0$ explosive regime, < 0 stationary collapsing regime, = 0- unit root regime.
- Non-stationary volatility: $\varepsilon_t = \sigma_t z_t$, where $\{z_t\}$ is a MDS with respect to natural filtration, and the volatility σ_t is defined as $\sigma_{|sT|} = \omega(s)$ for $s \in [0,1]$, where $\omega(\cdot) \in \mathcal{D}$ is a non-stochastic and strictly positive function satisfying $0 < \omega < \omega(s) < \bar{\omega} < \infty$. • FCLT:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}y_{\lfloor rT \rfloor} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^{\lfloor rT \rfloor} \varepsilon_t \Rightarrow \bar{\omega}W(\eta(r)) =: \bar{\omega}W^{\eta}(r) \qquad (0 \le r \le 1), \quad (26)$$

for $y_{\lfloor \cdot \rfloor}$ defined in (25), where \Rightarrow denote weak convergence whether $W(\cdot)$ is a standard BM, $W^{\eta}(\cdot) - variance transformed BM = 1 \le 1 \le 224$

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 Partial sum process of {ε_t} is asymptotically characterized by the variance profile (Cavaliere and Taylor (2008b)):

$$\eta(s) := \left(\int_0^1 \omega(r)^2 dr\right)^{-1} \int_0^s \omega(r)^2 dr.$$

• Strictly monotonically increasing function \Rightarrow unique inverse $g(s) := \eta^{-1}(s)$ $\Rightarrow \tilde{y}_t = y_{t'} - y_{t'=0}$ with a non-decreasing sequence $t' = \lfloor g(t/T)T \rfloor \Rightarrow$

$$T^{-1/2}\tilde{y}_{\lfloor rT \rfloor} \approx T^{-1/2}y_{\lfloor g(\lfloor rT \rfloor/T)T \rfloor} \approx T^{-1/2}y_{\lfloor g(r)T \rfloor} \Rightarrow \bar{\omega}W^{\eta}(g(r)) = \bar{\omega}W(r)$$
(27)

because
$$W^\eta(g(r)) = W(\eta(g(r))) = W(r)$$

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• Time-transformed tests:

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$$STADF = \sup_{\tau_2 \in [\tau_0, 1]} TADF_0^{\tau_2}$$
 and

$$GSTADF(\tau_{0}) = \sup_{\tau_{2} \in [\tau_{0}, 1], \tau_{1} \in [0, \tau_{2} - \tau_{0}]} TADF_{\tau_{1}}^{\tau_{2}},$$

where $TADF_{\tau_{1}}^{\tau_{2}} = \frac{\tilde{y}_{\lfloor \tau_{2}T \rfloor}^{2} - \tilde{y}_{\lfloor \tau_{1}T \rfloor}^{2} - \bar{\omega}^{2}(\lfloor \tau_{2}T \rfloor - \lfloor \tau_{1}T \rfloor)}{2\bar{\omega}\sqrt{\sum_{t=\lfloor \tau_{1}T \rfloor+1}^{t} \tilde{y}_{t-1}^{2}}}.$ (28)

- The limiting distributions are the same as in the case of homoskedasticity
- ullet \Rightarrow no need any bootstrap procedures to control the size.
- Estimator of $\eta(s)$: non-parametrically estimate autoregressive coefficient hyperbolic collect residuals, and use them for estimating the variance profile.

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Dating the bubble

Kurozumi and Skrobotov (2022):

• Four-regimes bubble model

$$y_{t} = \mu + u_{t},$$

$$u_{t} = \begin{cases} u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}, & t = 2, \dots, k_{e}, \\ (1 + \delta_{1})u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}, & t = k_{e} + 1, \dots, k_{c}, \\ (1 - \delta_{2})u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}, & t = k_{c} + 1, \dots, \lfloor k_{r}, \\ u_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}, & t = k_{r} + 1, \dots, T, \end{cases}$$
(29)
(30)

- a unit root process until the time k_r ,
- then explosive process until k_c ,
- then after k_c, there may be a stationary collapsing regime (which is interpreted as the return to normal market behavior) until the time kermun
- then again unit root process.

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Dating the bubble

Estimation of the break dates:

- Harvey et al. (2017): minimisation of SSR compitationally expensive
- Phillips et al. (2015): recursive estimation inaccurate
- Our sample splitting approach: First, estimate the break date for misspecified two-regime model minimizing SSR \Rightarrow the obtained break date is consistent for the date of collapse: $\lim_{T\to\infty} P(\hat{k} = k_c) = 1$
- Second, split the sample into two parts and estimate au_e and au_r
- For the estimation of $k_r,$ we minimize the sum of the squared residuals using the second sub-sample
- Asymptotic property of \hat{k}_r : two cases: $\delta_1 > \delta_2$ (consistency of \hat{k}_r) and $\delta_1 < \delta_2$ (asy distribution of \hat{k}_r).
- Non-stationary volatility: robust, but can be extended by using WSL STINT minimisation
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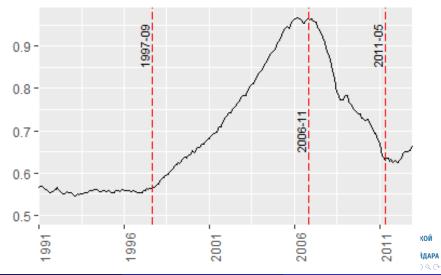


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Empirics

Skrobotov and Fokin (2018)

- asymmetric reaction of the Bank of Russia to the positive and negative shocks of external economic conditions from 1999 to 2014
- TVECM: nonlinear cointegrating regression with the real exchange rate and real oil prices
- regimes are depended on the sign of the oil price shock

Polbin and Skrobotov (2021)

- aggregated consumption function for Russia, households consume a constant fraction of a permanent income
- structural break in the parameter of the propensity to consume, endogeneity
- the parameter of the propensity to consume of permanent GDP decreased by 6.5-9.2% after 2014



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Empirics

Dobronravova, Perevyshin, Skrobotov and Shemyakina (2019)

- 33 food products prices in 78 Russian regions from 2003 to 2018
- unit root null hypothesis versus a nonlinear alternative, and the null of linearity against a nonlinear alternative
- About a 40% of time series corresponds to the three-regime TAR-model and weak form of the law of one price.

Perevyshin and Skrobotov (2017)

- law of one price in 76 Russian regions for 69 goods
- Panel unit root tests: evidence in favor of the law of one price for most food products, medicines, household chemicals and some of the services provided by public companies



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