

# Erratum to “Identifying Monetary Policy Shocks via Changes in Volatility”

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In the empirical analysis presented in the article (*Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, Vol 40, No. 6 (September 2008)) the timing of the structural breaks is incorrectly specified. We claimed the break dates to be 1979M10 and 1984M2, while in fact the results are based on breaks placed at 1980M11 and 1985M3. We thank Tom Doan of Estima for finding this error and bringing it to our attention.

Our previous results remain valid since the tests for regime changes lend support to breaks at the dates 1980M11 and 1985M3 as well. However, the break dates 1979M10 and 1984M2 are better motivated in the light of the previous literature, and as the corrected results below show, even more clear-cut results are obtained once they are employed in the analysis. The corrected Tables 1–3 are given below. There is even stronger evidence in favor of breaks at the corrected dates than at the dates used in the article. With the corrected breaks, all identification schemes are rejected at conventional significance levels. However, using a 1% significance level, the FF scheme is the only one which is not rejected. Because the monetary policy shocks and impulse responses remain virtually unchanged, to save space, we do not reproduce the figures.

Table 1: LR Tests for Regime Changes

$H_0$ (type (8))	Break(s)	Test statistic	$p$ -value
$\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2 = \Sigma_3$	1979M10,1984M2	355.100	1.240e-73
$\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2$	1979M10	160.862	3.890e-32
$\Sigma_2 = \Sigma_3$	1984M2	293.150	2.401e-60
$\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_3$	1979M10,1984M2	60.474	3.605e-11

Table 2: Estimates of Structural Parameters with Standard Errors in Parentheses

Parameter	Unrestricted	$FF$	$NBR$	$NBR/TR$	$BR$
$\alpha$	-0.2246 (0.0911)	-0.2539 (0.0888)	40.8374 (26.2438)	0.0000	-0.2518 (0.0700)
$\beta$	1.6609 (0.1685)	1.4627 (0.0176)	0.8281 (0.0766)	20.4274 (8.6610)	24.4189 (0.0000)
$\gamma$	-0.2898 (0.0960)	-0.2983 (0.0000)	0.4044 (0.0425)	0.1250 (0.2995)	0.0000
$\phi^b$	-0.7155 (0.0561)	-0.7703 (0.0000)	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0103 (0.0000)
$\phi^d$	0.7608 (0.0553)	0.7703 (0.0000)	0.0000	0.7183 (0.0579)	1.0000
$\sigma_b$	0.0126 (0.0016)	0.0130 (0.0000)	0.0067 (0.0007)	0.2549 (0.1151)	0.3066 (0.0000)
$\sigma_d$	0.0088 (0.0009)	0.0089 (0.0009)	0.5475 (0.3527)	0.0092 (0.0009)	0.0087 (0.0000)
$\sigma_s$	0.0150 (0.0022)	0.0125 (0.0020)	0.0179 (0.0017)	0.0187 (0.0018)	0.0186 (0.0018)
$\omega_1$	1.1463 (0.2583)	1.1325 (0.2551)	0.0164 (0.0037)	1.0188 (0.2294)	1.2331 (0.2778)
$\omega_2$	0.0144 (0.0032)	0.0154 (0.0035)	0.2897 (0.0652)	0.1335 (0.0301)	0.1545 (0.0348)
$\omega_3$	0.5520 (0.1246)	0.5000 (0.1131)	1.0276 (0.2346)	0.0183 (0.0043)	0.0182 (0.0040)

Table 3: LR Tests of Over-Identifying Restrictions

Identification		$p$ -values		
scheme	$H_0$	LR statistic	d.f. = no. of restr.	d.f. = 1
$FF$	$\phi^d = 1/(1 - \gamma)$ and $\phi^b = -\phi^d$	8.021	0.018	0.005
$NBR$	$\phi^d = \phi^b = 0$	55.880	7.342e-13	7.703e-14
$NBR/TR$	$\alpha = \phi^b = 0$	66.119	2.890e-14	4.244e-16
$BR$	$\phi^d = 1, \phi^b = \alpha/\beta$ , and $\gamma = 0$	55.947	7.101e-13	7.446e-14