

# Cointegration Analysis and ECM of Industrial Economy and Direct Foreign Investments of China

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## ABSTRACT

Based on cointegration theory and Granger causality test, applied on the gross domestic production of industry and direct foreign investments economic statistic data from 1983 to 2010 of China to analyze the long and steady dynamic equilibrium relations. Research results indicate that there is long-term stable one-way Granger causality relationship between the growth of gross domestic production of industry and direct foreign investments. The growth of direct foreign investments affect the growth of gross domestic production of industry, but industrial economic growth is not the reasons of the direct foreign investments.

**Keywords:** Growth of Gross Domestic Production of Industry; Analysis of Cointegration; Direct Foreign Investments

## 1. Introduction

Industrial economic growth is a major macroeconomic indicator to measure a country's overall level of economic development and national comprehensive strength. Gross domestic production of industry is the important part of GDP, and a country's economic development lies in the development of industry [1]. This paper analyses whether direct foreign investments is the causality of the growth of industrial economy. And the error correction model (ECM) is established for direct foreign investments and industrial economic growth, which plays an important role in analyzing direct foreign investments.

The data of direct foreign investments and the gross domestic production of industry from 1983 to 2010 are collected. This paper analyzes the relations between direct foreign investments and economic growth in industrial by using cointegration analysis and Granger-causality test theory methods. The results show that there is a long-term equilibrium relationship between direct foreign investments growth and industrial economic growth of China, and there is a one-way Granger-causality from direct foreign investments growth to industrial economic growth.

## 2. Data Processing and Unit Root Test

This data selected for analysis is from "China Statistical

Yearbook" (1990–2011). Let  $DFI$  denote the direct foreign investments, which reflects the overall growth of direct foreign investments. Let  $GDPI$  denote the gross domestic production of industry, which reflects the industrial economic growth.

Before cointegration test between  $GDPI$  and  $DFI$ , firstly test unit roots to determine whether the time series is stable. If the time series is unstable, the cointegration test will be making a spurious regression, leading incorrect conclusion. The growth of  $GDPI$  and  $DFI$  have the exponential trend and more consistent direction change trend, consistent changes rate and unstable characteristics. Through the ADF testing,  $GDPI$  and  $DFI$  is unstable. Since the natural logarithm transformation does not change the relationship of the original variables, and can make it linear trend, and eliminate heteroskedasticity in time series. Use software EViews6.0 to implement natural logarithm transformation on  $GDPI$  and  $DFI$ , and then implement differencing.

$$LGDPI = \log(GDPI),$$

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ADF test on  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$  and  $\Delta LGDPI$  and  $\Delta LDFI$  with software EViews6.0. Shown as **Table 1**, the ADF statistics of  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$  is larger than the critical value of 5%, which means the  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$  can not reject unit root hypothesis, indicating  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$  is not significant at the 5% level,  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$  is unstable. The ADF statistics of  $\Delta LGDPI$  and  $\Delta LDFI$  is

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less than the critical value of 5%, which means these variables are significant at the 5% level, reject unit root hypothesis,  $\Delta LGDPI$  and  $\Delta LDFI$  are stable.

### 3. Cointegration Test Between the Variables

The first difference series rejects unit root hypothesis, which shows a stable linear combination may exist in the time series  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$ . The linear combination reflects the relationship in the proportion of long-term stability of variables, which is cointegration relationship.

There are two cointegration test methods among the variables: one is Engle-Granger two-step test for cointegration test between two variables. Another method is Johansen test for cointegration test among multiple variables. Since this paper studies cointegration relationship between  $GDPI$  and  $DFI$ , so we would like to use EG two-step method to test the cointegration relationship.

Suppose  $LGDPI$  and  $LDFI$  are cointegrated, use software EViews6.0 to estimate the regression equation model, shown as **Table 2**.

The cointegration equation is obtained:

$$\hat{LGDPI}_t = 1.138355 + 0.810262LDFI_t \quad (1)$$

(2.843) (17.875)

In the EViews6.0: Series resid01= resid, apply ADF test to the resid01. Shown as **Table 3**.

**Table 1. The stable test of each variable.**

Variable	Inspection Type (c, t, k)	Statistics ADF	Threshold of 5%	Stability
$LGDPI$	(c, t, 6)	-1.0703	-3.5875	Unstable
$LDFI$	(c, t, 6)	-2.6446	-3.5875	Unstable
$\Delta LGDPI$	(c, 0, 6)	-4.0821	-2.9810	Stable
$\Delta LDFI$	(c, 0, 6)	-4.1636	-2.9810	Stable

Note: (c, t, k) denote the unit root test equation including the constant term and time trend and the order of lag, 0 does not include c or t, adding lags are intended to make the residuals white noise.

**Table 2. Regression equation of LDFI with LGDPI**

Dependent Variable: LGDPI		Method: Least Squares		
Sample (adjusted): 1983 2010				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C	1.138355	0.400428	2.842843	0.0086
LDFI	0.810262	0.045330	17.87474	0.0000
R-squared	0.924748	Mean dependent var		8.2367
Adjusted R-squared	0.921854	S.D. dependent var		0.97310
S.E. of regression	0.272026	Akaike info criterion		0.30291
Sum squared resid	1.923949	Schwarz criterion		0.39807
Log likelihood	-2.240734	F-statistic		319.506
Durbin-Watson stat	0.525614	Prob(F-statistic)		0.00000

From **Table 3**, the Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic value of -2.1466 is greater than the 5% critical value of -2.9763, resid01 can not reject unit root test, series residuals resid01 is a non-stable.

Suppose  $\Delta LGDPI$  and  $\Delta LDFI$  are cointegrated, use software EViews6.0 to estimate cointegration equation of  $\Delta LGDPI$  and  $\Delta LDFI$ . Shown as **Table 4**.

The cointegration Equation is:

$$\hat{\Delta LGDPI}_t = 0.157832 - 0.265429\Delta LDFI_t \quad (2)$$

(4.638) (-1.588)

DW statistic is about 1.727 near to 2. In Eviews6.0: series resid02= resid, resid02 is the random interference terms, to test for a unit root on the resid0 2.

Shown as **Table 5**. the Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic value of -4.2161 is less than the 1% critical value of -3.7115, we can strongly reject the unit root hypothesis, resid02 residuals is a stable sequence.

**Table 3. The Unit Root Test Results of resid01.**

Null Hypothesis: RESID02 has a unit root		
	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic		-2.1466
Test critical values:	1% level	-3.6999
	5% level	-2.9763

**Table 4. Cointegration Equation of  $\Delta LGDPI$  with  $\Delta LDFI$ .**

Dependent Variable: $\Delta LGDPI$		Method: Least Squares		
Sample (adjusted): 1983 2010				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C	0.157832	0.034027	4.638443	0.0001
$\Delta LDFI$	-0.265429	0.167203	-1.587466	0.1250
R-squared	0.091571	Mean dependent var		0.11915
Adjusted R-squared	0.055234	S.D. dependent var		0.12697
S.E. of regression	0.123417	Akaike info criterion		-1.27531
Sum squared resid	0.380793	Schwarz criterion		-1.17932
Log likelihood	19.21670	F-statistic		2.52005
Durbin-Watson stat	1.727173	Prob(F-statistic)		0.12498

**Table 5. The unit root test results resid02.**

Null Hypothesis: RESID02 has a unit root		
	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic		-4.2161
Test critical values:	1% level	-3.7115
	5% level	-2.9810

There is stable linear combination between the  $\Delta LGDPI$  and  $\Delta LDFI$ , that is total direct foreign investments and gross domestic industrial production are cointegrated.

### 4. Estimated Error Correction Model

#### 4.1. First-Order Error Correction Model

According to the Granger theorem, a set of variables with cointegration error correction model has the form of ECM expression. Therefore, based on the cointegration test, we can establish ECM that includes error correction term, in order to study the model of short-term dynamic and long-term cointegration features. It is known by cointegration test, there is cointegration relationship between gross domestic production of industry and direct foreign investments, although *DW* statistic was significantly near to 2, indicating that there is not residual autocorrelation in the series. Therefore, we may re-establish regression equation of *LDFI* and *LGDPI*, and add lagged variables, and establish a single ECM equation using *EViews6.0*:

The regressive equation is obtained:

$$GDPI_t = 0.143642 - 0.193526LDFI_t - 0.157976ECM_t$$

(4.1827)    (-1.1443)                    (-1.5533)

(3)

*DW* statistic is about 1.623 near to 2, there is not residual autocorrelation in resid. In *Eviews6.0*: series resid03= resid, resid03 is the random interference terms, to test for a unit root on the resid03.

Shown as **Table 7**. The Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic value of 0.1312 is greater than the 5% critical value of -2.998, resid03 can not reject unit root test, series residuals resid03 is a non-stable.

**Table 6. First-order ECM equation.**

Dependent Variable: D(LGDPI)				
Method: Least Squares				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C	0.143642	0.034342	4.182747	0.0003
D(LDFI)	-0.193526	0.169128	-1.144259	0.2638
ECM(-1)	-0.157976	0.101703	-1.553306	0.1334
R-squared	0.174555	Mean dependent var		0.119152
Adjusted R-squared	0.105768	S.D. dependent var		0.126973
S.E. of regression	0.120071	Akaike info criterion		-1.29703
Sum squared resid	0.346008	Schwarz criterion		-1.15305
Log likelihood	20.50991	F-statistic		2.53761
Durbin-Watson stat	1.622968	Prob(F-statistic)		0.10006

#### 4.2. Second-Order Error Correction Model

Because  $\Delta LDFI$  and  $\Delta LGDP$  is cointegration, residuals autocorrelation exists in first order ECM, so the second order ECM could be estimated using *EViews6.0*.

The *t* statistic of all variables are over nine. *DW* statistic is 1.6256 near to 2, there is no residual serial autocorrelation. resid04 is the random interference terms, to test for a unit root on the resid04.

Shown as **Table 9**. the Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic value of -3.7507 is less than the 1% critical value of -3.7241, we can strongly reject the unit root hypothesis, resid04 residuals is a stable sequence.

**Table 7. The unit root test results resid03.**

Null Hypothesis: RESID03 has a unit root		
	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	0.1312	0.9612
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.7530	
5% level	-2.9980	

**Table 8. Second-order ECM equation.**

Dependent Variable: D(LGDPI)				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
D(LDFI)	-0.186079	0.166714	-1.116153	0.2764
D(LGDPI(-1))	0.938924	0.226459	4.146107	0.0004
D(LDFI(-1))	0.227451	0.153518	1.481597	0.1526
ECM2(-1)	-1.193137	0.398539	-2.993775	0.0067
R-squared	0.162356	Mean dependent var		0.123859
Adjusted R-squared	0.048132	S.D. dependent var		0.127063
S.E. of regression	0.123968	Akaike info criterion		-1.196956
Sum squared resid	0.338095	Schwarz criterion		-1.003402
Log likelihood	19.56042	Durbin-Watson stat		1.625600

**Table 9. The unit root test results resid04.**

Null Hypothesis: RESID04 has a unit root		
	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-3.7507	0.0094
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.7241	
5% level	-2.9862	

**Table 10. Granger causality test variables.**

Null Hypothesis:	F-Statistic	Probability
LGDPI does not Granger Cause LDFI	1.7311	0.2014
LDFI does not Granger Cause LGDPI	4.4247	0.0249

The size of coefficient of the ecm reflects on the deviation from the adjustment of the long-run equilibrium. From the point of view of estimate coefficient of ecm, when the short-term fluctuations deviate from the long-term equilibrium, the adjustment will effects non-equilibrium state back to equilibrium with 1.193, which means that the non-equilibrium error rate of previous year makes amendments of direction on  $\Delta LDFI$  with the rate of 119.3%.

## 5. Test the Granger-causality Between Variables

From the view of the growth effect of variable, when analysis of Granger-causality between the variables, the *LGDPI* and *LDFI* are cointegrated, we can easily test the null hypothesis whether *LDFI* does not Granger cause *LGDPI*, or *LGDPI* does not Granger cause *LDFI*. Use software EViews6.0 to test Granger-causality relationship between *LGDPI* and *LDFI* [3]. the test results shown as **Table 10**.

From **Table 10**, in critical value of 10%, the null hypothesis of “LDFI does not Granger Cause LGDPI” is rejected; This shows there is one-way Granger causality between LDFI and LGDPI, that is, the growth of direct foreign investments impacts industrial economic growth, direct foreign investments growth is the causes of industrial economic growth, while industrial economic growth is not causality of the direct foreign investments growth.

## 6. Conclusions and Recommendations

A) Although the growth of *GDPI* and *DFI* are unstable, there is long-term stable equilibrium relationship between *GDPI* and *DFI*.

B) The growth of direct foreign investments is the causality of growth of *GDPI*. It can be known, the growth of direct foreign investments plays an important role of *GDPI* growth.

C) Foreign direct investment plays an important role in China's industrial economic growth in the short term and

long term. Foreign direct investments keep stable equilibrium growth relationship to China's industrial economic growth. Foreign direct investment is an important part and driving force in China's foreign trade. Foreign direct investment is an important part and the driving force in China's foreign trade. Therefore, foreign direct investment should be encouraged in further to accelerate the development of China's foreign trade. On the one hand, China attract foreign investment policy orientation should be actively adjust, the foreign capital enterprise with high technology and high added value encouraged into China. On the other hand, to develop China's domestic processing trade enterprise's development, which has not lost comparative advantage industry development premise, further use of foreign advanced technology and management level to promote the upgrading of the industrial structure of China.

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