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Abstract

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The development of financial sector is necessary for the country growth thus the prediction and prevention of banking failures is essential for effective government regulation. This paper develops several models predicting banking failures based on multiperiod logit and survival estimation procedures using elements of CAMELS system as determinants of failures. As management quality is the only characteristics which cannot be quantified I concentrated on testing whether efficiency measures can be proxy for management quality and help in predicting failures. The efficiency measures are evaluated using Data Envelopment Analysis and the bias of estimates is corrected using bootstrap procedure. The results show quite good predictive power (about 90%) of both models based on CAMELS system estimated using data for 2006-2009. The banks with low capital and liquidity and bad asset quality tend to fail. Also this paper contributes to aggregation of hyperbolic efficiency measure which is used to calculate group efficiency of foreign banks versus domestic. Thus banks with foreign capital appeared to be more efficient on average and had lower probability to fail. The efficiency estimates are not significant in predicting failures due to absence of good estimates of outputs especially such bad output as bad loans. Nevertheless the efficiency estimates show lower average and group efficiency of banks during financial crisis 2009.

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## GLOSSARY

**CAMELS Rating System.** An international bank-rating system where bank supervisory authorities rate institutions according to six factors. The six factors are represented by the acronym "CAMELS": Capital, Asset Quality, Management Quality, Earnings, Liquidity, Sensitivity to market risk.

**Data envelopment analysis (DEA).** A nonparametric method for the estimation of production frontiers. It is used to empirically measure productive efficiency of decision making units.

## *Chapter 1*

### INTRODUCTION

It is impossible to imagine a modern economy without a banking sector. Like most transition economies, Ukraine liberalized its financial sector in the 1990s. Currently, the Ukrainian banking sector consists of 196 registered banks (NBU), 19 of which are in the process of liquidation. As global and Ukrainian financial crisis had negative impact on financial institutions, scientists need to pay attention to the banks and their operations to prevent bank failures in future.

There are quite a lot different approaches to analyze the risks of financial institutions especially banks (Sahajwala and Van den Bergh 2000). One of the most widely applied is the CAMEL system which was introduced for the first time by the three US supervision agencies in 1978 (the Federal Reserve, the Controller of the Currency and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation). The rating is based on financial statements and on-site examination by regulators. CAMEL includes evaluation of capital adequacy (C), asset quality (A), management (M), Earnings (E), and liquidity (L). In 1997 the sixth component was included: sensitivity to market risk (S). (Grier 2007). Currently the National Bank of Ukraine applies the CAMELS rating system to evaluate the banks and to prevent their failure. It was introduced to Ukrainian banking sector in 2007 (NBU). Unfortunately the process of examination is time consuming and not frequently repeated. The frequency is set by the NBU and depends on current CAMELS rating. Also the ratings are not publicly available. Cole and Gunther (1998) showed that although CAMEL ratings provide useful information, its usefulness decays within several accounting periods because of changes in banks and new data available. Also one of the shortcomings is that the ratings are based on expert decision and is subjective in some sense.

Trying to overcome these shortcomings scientists tried to model bank failures using public available data and some proxies for elements from CAMELS system. The absence of quantitative characteristics for some parameters in CAMELS system especially management quality (M) makes some difficulties to model bank failures. As Seballos and Thompson (1990) stated "the ultimate determinant of whether or not a bank fails is the ability of its management to operate the institution efficiently and to evaluate and manage risk." One of the ways to overcome this problem is measuring efficiency using efficiency frontier analysis. This method allows evaluating the changes in efficiencies, ranking financial institutions and is relatively less costly than other methods, which usually imply some expert decision (Barr and Siems 1992). Being developed for any decision making unit it may be applied for analysis of banking sector.

For the last two decades the efficiency of financial institutions is analyzed in many economic studies (Berger and Humphrey, 1998). However, most of the researches are concentrated on the developed countries and there are only several studies devoted to transition economies and Ukraine especially. The global financial crisis contributed to the necessity of further development of instruments which allow analyzing financial sectors and efficiencies of financial institutes.

In this study I will try to use several efficiency measures. The first two are classical Farell output and input oriented technical efficiencies. The third one is the hyperbolic measure of efficiency, which has some advantages such as avoiding the problem of choosing input or output direction of efficiency measure and it has relation to per dollar return which allows measuring the loss in profitability due to inefficiency. Usually the measures of efficiency uses either input direction (input oriented) which measures the possibility to reduce the amount of used inputs or output direction (output oriented) which measures the possibility to increase the amount of produced outputs. The usage of hyperbolic



function allows simultaneous reduction in inputs and increase in outputs. A lot of studies considered methods of measuring efficiency but almost no studies considered methods of aggregation efficiency measures into industry or country measure. Several steps were made by Blackorby and Russell (1999), Färe and Zelenyuk (2003) and Nesterenko and Zelenyuk (2007) but these studies considered only Debreu-Farrell (Debreu 1951, Farrell 1957) measures of technical efficiency.

This paper will have theoretical contribution to hyperbolic efficiency measurement. The relation to Georgescu-Roegen's (1951) notion of "return to the dollar" will be introduced. Using this relation the formula for aggregated hyperbolic efficiency measure will be derived. This theoretical contribution will allow to measure of the groups (for example foreign and domestic) separately and compare the efficiencies of the groups.

There are several approaches to model failures of financial institution. The most frequently used are logit, discriminant function analysis and hazard models. The study will analyze the assumptions behind these models and will use the most recent data for Ukraine. The analysis will be based on publicly available data which is gathered by National Bank of Ukraine during 2006-2009.

The main hypothesis of this research is whether the efficiency measures can help in prediction of bank failure. I will test all three measures and try to determine which better help in prediction bank failures. Generally the hyperbolic measure has advantage of avoiding choosing the input or output orientation to measure efficiency. To model failures I will use two-step estimation procedure. On the first step the measures of efficiency will be estimated. It is worth mentioning that hyperbolic efficiency measure is widely applied to developed countries (Cuesta and Zofio 2005) but has never been applied to Ukrainian banking sector. Also based on estimators of individual hyperbolic efficiency and derived formula for

group measures I will compare efficiencies of foreign versus domestic banks. On the second step using obtained measures as indicator of management quality and other variables of CAMELS system the model of bank failures will be developed. On this step the significance of variables will be tested thus making conclusion on possibility of using efficiency analysis to predict failures.

## *Chapter 2*

### LITERATURE REVIEW

In this paper I will use two-steps estimation procedure that is why I will review literature which considers efficiency analysis and which tries to model banks failure separately.

As to efficiency analysis, it has been considered by economists since 1950s. The first attempt to define technical efficiency of the firm was made by Koopman (1957, p.60). According to his definition inefficient producer can either increase production of one output without change in other outputs and inputs or decrease input without change in outputs and other inputs. The first attempts to generate quantitative measures were the Shephard distance function (Shephard 1953) and the Debreu-Farrell technical efficiency measures (Debreu 1951, Farrell 1957). Farrell (1957) showed the relation between these measures.

The analysis of these measures showed that they are not perfect and there were several attempts to introduce new indexes. Färe and Lovell introduced axioms which are required for efficiency measure (Färe and Lovell 1978). One of the attempts was introducing an additive measure (Charnes et al. 1985) and a non-radial efficiency measure (Färe and Lovell 1978) which allowed capturing some inefficiencies which Debreu-Farrell measure does not. However they were strongly criticized by Russell (1990) as they violate important axioms. There are several measures that combine the previous attempts but still researchers cannot find a unique measure which will capture all axioms and inefficiencies.

To estimate the measures for real data a number of techniques were developed. All techniques can be divided into parametric and non-parametric. The first non-parametric method applied to efficiency analysis which was introduced by Farrell

(1957) and was applied by Charnes et al. (1978) as Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA). Nowadays this technique allows not only obtaining point estimators but, using bootstraps, also to construct confidence intervals (Simar and Wilson 2007, Simar and Zelenyuk 2007). Among parametric techniques one of the most widely used is Stochastic Frontier Analysis (SFA). It was independently developed by Aigner et al. (1977) and Meeusen and van den Broeck (1977). Later studies tried to compare the results provided by different techniques and their sensitivity for initial assumptions (for example Grosskopf 1996). Despite the discussion of these techniques in the literature there is no agreement on the best techniques and it is better to combine the techniques and double-check the results (Bauer et al. 1998).

The application of efficiency theory is wide. As theory can be applied for any decision making unit (DMU) it is used to analyze not only producers but also different types of financial institutions. The applications to the financial sector are usually limited to developed countries and there are few studies that take a cross country comparison. Such small number of cross-country studies can be explained by the country differences which can influence efficiency frontier and so do not allow comparing firms from different countries (Holló and Nagy 2006).

There are several papers which analyze developing and transition economies (Yildirim and Philippatos 2002). Grigorian and Manole (2002) analyzed efficiency in transition economies including Ukraine from 1995 till 1998. They found low efficiency of banks, on average 47%. Fries and Taci (2004) tried to measure efficiency of 289 banks in 15 East European countries for the years 1994-2001. They analyzed the impact of different country factors on efficiency of the banks. Both studies found low efficiency of Ukrainian banks. But as stated above there is ambiguity about the possibility to compare banks from different countries as each country can face its own efficient frontier.

Several studies analyzed Ukrainian banking sector. One of the studies made by Mertens and Urga (2001) tried to analyze cost and profit efficiencies of the banks and compare them for different groups based on size. Kyj and Isik (2008) investigated managerial and X-inefficiencies of commercial banks in Ukraine from 1998 to 2003. They concluded that banks waste almost half of their resources and are very inefficient. However the study conducted by Rabtsun (2003) found that Ukrainian banking sector is quite competitive and the level of competition can be even compared to developed countries. Such conclusion was based on quite high level of efficiency scores and quite a big number of banks with high efficiency. As we see these studies give contradictory results and further research of efficiency measures should be conducted. Also the biasness of efficiency estimates was not eliminated in these researches which can be made using bootstraps for efficiency measures (Kneip and others 2008). Probably the most recent usage of efficiency measures is using them as proxy for managerial quality in predicting bank failure.

In general, for several decades scientists have been analyzing bank failures (from review of Shumway 2001). The earliest research applied statistical techniques (ANOVA) to determine the factors of bank failure (Hardy and Meech 1925). However the first quantitative measure was made by Altman (1968). In his analysis he used linear discriminator analysis, which has been the major technique for quite long time until probability models were introduced into bank failure analysis (Santomero and Vinso 1977). They showed that such models are more appropriate as they are less restrictive than linear discriminator analysis. However Shumway (2001) showed that such models are biased and inconsistent as they are static models and do not use the whole information available and proposed to use hazard models.

Recently there are different early warning models which are used to monitor banking sector and they widely used by supervisory authorities in different countries. In general they are usually based on financial ratios and not on econometric modeling (Sahajwala and Van den Bergh 2000). Despite the difference of examinations they are usually based on analyzing almost the same ratios which can be associated with fundamental risks classes: environmental risks, management risks, delivery risks and financial risks (Grier 2007). Most of them are captured by the CAMELS rating system.

The first early warning system for banks was developed by Meyer and Pifer (1970). Since then different mostly two types modeling failure were used: multinomial logit and hazard models. Shumway (2001) showed that multiperiod logit model is equivalent to discrete time hazard model. So in this research both models will be applied as there is no single opinion which is better.

Barr and Siems (1992) were the first who introduced data envelopment analysis to qualify management quality and use this estimator to predict bank failures. Their model was predicting failures with accuracy about 95%. Since this study there were quite many studies of bank failures but they usually considered developed countries (Wheelock and Wilson 2000).

There were only several studies trying to model the bank failure in Ukraine: Popruga (2001) and Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy (2003). The first study analyzed banks in 1995-1996 and used only financial indices and some dummies for location and ownership. The absence of data did not allow using hazard or multiperiod logit models. The next research is more precise and uses efficiency measures as proxy for managerial quality estimated by DEA. Also the data did not allow using precise proxies for inputs and outputs for efficiency estimators and not precise variables for other elements of CAMELS system. Another shortcoming of this study is defining failures like banks which stopped reporting data, which is not

precise and captures acquisitions and mergers. The recent data will allow eliminating those shortcomings. Another innovation will be using hyperbolic efficiency measure, which was not the case in the previous studies. It will allow avoiding the problem of choosing the direction (input or output) of efficiency measure. Also I will compare different approaches to define outputs and different approaches to measure efficiency.

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

3.1. INDIVIDUAL TECHNICAL EFFICIENCIES

Let's consider  $K$  decision making units (DMU) within a group which produce  $y^k = (y_1^k, \dots, y_M^k) \in \mathbb{R}_+^M$  outputs using  $x^k = (x_1^k, \dots, x_N^k) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N$  inputs each. I will assume that  $y^k \geq 0, x^k \geq 0$  or that firm to exist should produce something and therefore use some resources, which is quite natural assumption.

Individual technology is described by following function:

$$T^k \equiv \{(x^k, y^k): y^k \text{ is producible from } x^k\} \quad (3.1)$$

Let's define input and output technical efficiencies according to Shephard (1953), which is reciprocal of the Farrell (1957) input and output efficiencies.

Input oriented technical efficiency

$$TE_I^k \equiv \sup_{\theta} \{\theta > 0: (x^k \theta, y^k) \in T^k\} \quad (3.2)$$

Output oriented technical efficiency

$$TE_O^k \equiv \sup_{\theta} \{\theta > 0: (x^k, y^k / \theta) \in T^k\} \quad (3.3)$$

I will use definition of technical efficiency used by Färe and others (1985).

$$TE_H^k \equiv \sup_{\theta} \{\theta > 0: (x^k / \theta, y^k \theta) \in T^k\} \quad (3.4)$$

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<sup>1</sup> we will use notation  $\geq$  for vectors that at least one element of the vector is greater than zero and in usual meaning for numbers



As can be seen the input oriented and hyperbolic technical efficiencies take values greater than one for inefficient firms and one when the firm is technically efficient. The closer technical efficiency is to one the more efficient the bank is. It can be easily computed percentage of inefficiency as  $\left(1 - \frac{1}{TE^k}\right) 100\%$ . Output oriented measure varies from zero to one with efficient firms close to one. The percentage of inefficiency is computed as  $(1 - TE^k) 100\%$ .

On the figure 1 the hyperbolic efficiency measure is presented by distance between points  $P$  and  $Q^g$ . As can be seen it measures simultaneous reduction in inputs and increase in outputs avoiding the choice of direction for radial efficiency measures. Also we can see the graphical representation of output (distance between points  $P$  and  $Q^o$ ) and input (distance between points  $P$  and  $Q^l$ ) oriented distance functions.

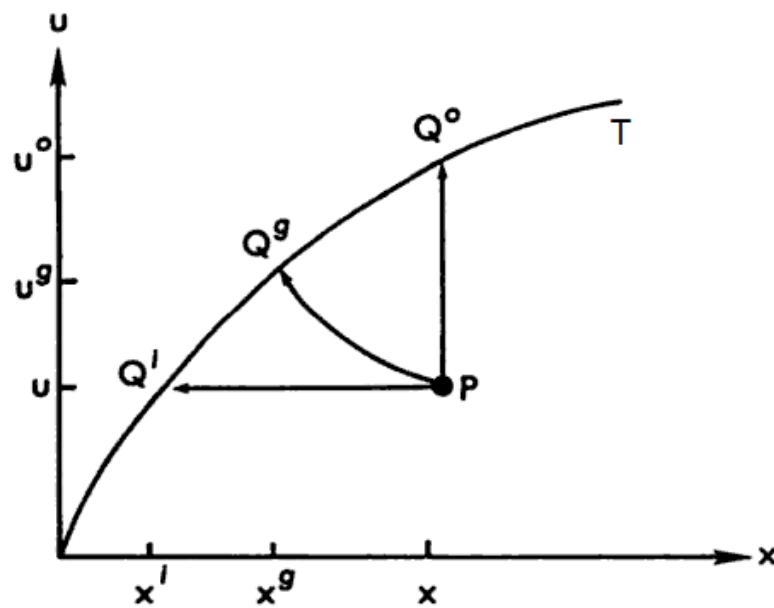


Figure 1. Technical efficiency in single-output single-input space

It is worth mentioning that under constant return to scale there is relationship among these measures (Farrell 1957, Färe and Lovell 1978):

$$TE_O^k = TE_I^k = (TE_H^k)^2 \quad (3.5)$$

### 3.2. RELATION OF HYPERBOLIC TECHNICAL EFFICIENCY TO RETURN PER DOLLAR (EXTENSION)

Let's define technical efficient level of outputs  $y^{k*} \equiv y^k \cdot TE_H^k$  and technical efficient level of inputs  $x^{k*} \equiv \frac{x^k}{TE_H^k}$ . By definition of hyperbolic technical efficiency –  $(x^{k*}, y^{k*}) \in T^k$ .

Thus for single output single input case squared hyperbolic efficiency can be represented as:

$$(TE_H^k)^2 = \frac{y^{k*}}{y^k} \cdot \frac{x^k}{x^{k*}} \quad (3.6)$$

As for multi output multi input case it is impossible to use simple ratios of outputs and inputs it can be easily shown the relationship between revenues, costs and squared hyperbolic efficiency.

#### **Lemma 1**

$$(TE_H^k)^2 = \frac{py^{k*}}{py^k} \cdot \frac{wx^k}{wx^{k*}} \quad (3.7)$$

where  $p \equiv (p_1, \dots, p_M) \in \mathbb{R}_+^M$  and  $w \equiv (w_1, \dots, w_N) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N$  are price vectors for outputs and inputs respectively. The proof can be easily seen from definition of  $y^{k*}$  and  $x^{k*}$ . I will assume price vectors common to all firms. The assumption of prices being the same is also used to obtain aggregated Farrell technical efficiency (Färe and Zelenyuk, 2003, Nesterenko and Zelenyuk, 2007).

As hyperbolic technical efficiency has relation to both output and input orientation are not able to use revenue function for aggregation. Let's define function of "return per dollar" as maximum profitability which the firm can achieve.

$$RPD^k(p, w | T) \equiv \min_{x^k, y^k} \left( \frac{py^k}{wx^k} : (x^k, y^k) \in T^k \right) \quad (3.8)$$

Therefore  $(\tilde{x}^k, \tilde{y}^k) \equiv \arg \max_{x^k, y^k} \left( \frac{py^k}{wx^k} : (x^k, y^k) \in T^k \right)$  represent the amount of inputs and outputs optimal to obtain maximum profitability.

**Lemma 2.**

$$RPD^k(p, w | T) \geq \frac{py^{k*}}{wx^{k*}} \quad (3.9)$$

By definition of  $\max RPD^k(p, w | T) \geq \frac{py^k}{wx^k}, \forall (x^k, y^k) \in T^k$ . Thus this inequality will also hold for technical efficient outputs and inputs, which also belong to technology set.

Let's define individual efficiency of "per dollar return" as ratio of maximum and actual "per dollar return":

$$RPDE^k(p, w | T) \equiv \frac{RPD^k(p, w | T)}{py^k/wx^k} \quad (3.10)$$

**Lemma 3.**

$$RPDE^k(p, w | T) \geq (TE_H^k)^2 \quad (3.11)$$

As I do not allow negative or zero revenues and costs that is why I can divide right and left hand side of the inequality (2.5) by  $\frac{py^k}{wx^k}$ , which is greater than zero. Therefore the lemma 3 can be easily shown.

In tradition of Farrell (1957) let's introduce allocative efficiency as residual between efficiency of “per dollar return” and hyperbolic technical efficiency squared.

$$\begin{aligned} (AE_H^k)^2 &= RPDE^k(p, w | T) / (TE_H^k)^2 \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow (AE_H^k)^2 &= \frac{p\tilde{y}^k/w\tilde{x}^k}{py^k/wx^k} / \frac{py^{k^*}/wx^{k^*}}{py^k/wx^k} = \frac{p\tilde{y}^k/w\tilde{x}^k}{py^{k^*}/wx^{k^*}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

The intuition behind this measure is that technical efficient production does not always satisfy maximum profitability. Some output mix produced from input mix can give higher “per dollar return”. I will try to split allocative efficiency into two parts: allocative efficiency of outputs  $AE_{OH}^k = \frac{p\tilde{y}^k}{py^{k^*}}$  and allocative efficiency of inputs  $AE_{IH}^k = \frac{w\tilde{x}^k}{wx^{k^*}}$ . So that

$$AE_H^k = \sqrt{AE_{OH}^k \cdot AE_{IH}^k} \quad (3.13)$$

Generally speaking the same can be made for hyperbolic technical efficiency but by construction input and output hyperbolic technical efficiencies are equal. Therefore

$$RPDE^k(p, w | T) = (AE_H^k)^2 \cdot (TE_H^k)^2 = AE_{OH}^k \cdot AE_{IH}^k \cdot (TE_H^k)^2 \quad (3.14)$$

### 3.3. GROUP HYPERBOLIC EFFICIENCY MEASURE (EXTENSION)

Now I will derive a formula for aggregate hyperbolic technical efficiency. It cannot be done for group technology like it defined Färe and Zelenyuk (2003)

because hyperbolic measure is based on changing both inputs and outputs therefore inputs cannot be fixed among firms. So I will define group technology which allows reallocation of resources, following the logic of Li and Ng (1995). Such definition implies that group technology represents all possible combinations of outputs and inputs of the group allowing their allocation across DMUs.

$$T^g = \sum_{i=1}^K T^i = K \cdot T \quad (3.15)$$

Also in our derivations I will use assumption of free access of each DMU to the same technology and convex technology of each individual. This assumption is usually used for estimation of technical efficiency to be able to approximate the technology. Therefore it is not always true in the real world but it is quite natural to use this assumption as the results of this paper can be applied for estimated hyperbolic technical efficiency.

Now in similar way to individual I will define group “per dollar return” function:

$$\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) \equiv \max_{x, y} \left\{ \frac{py}{wx} : (x, y) \in T^g \right\} \quad (3.16)$$

The following theorem (see Appendix A1 for proof) is essential for our future derivations.

**Theorem**

$$\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \tilde{W}^i \quad (3.17)$$

where  $\tilde{W}^i = \frac{w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i}$ .

This theorem allows for aggregation of “per dollar return function”. As weights the relative costs of each firm evaluated at the point of optimal mix of outputs and inputs are used.

Also it may be shown that output shares can also be used for aggregation. Using the same logic I can obtain the following formula:

$$\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) \equiv \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K (RPD^i(p, w | T))^{-1} \cdot \tilde{S}^i \right]^{-1} \quad (3.18)$$

$$\text{where } \tilde{S}^i = \frac{p\tilde{y}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K p\tilde{y}^i}.$$

By analogy to individual efficiency of “per dollar return” let’s define group efficiency:

$$\overline{RPDE} \equiv \frac{\overline{RPD}(p, w | T)}{py/wx} \quad (3.19)$$

Using lemma 1 I can decompose group efficiency of “per dollar return”, defined as ration of “per dollar return” function and actual group per dollar return, into group hyperbolic technical and allocative efficiencies (see Appendix A2 for proof).

**Proposition**

$$\overline{RPDE} = \frac{\overline{RPD}(p, w | T)}{\frac{py}{wx}} = (\overline{TE}_H)^2 \cdot (\overline{AE}_H)^2 \quad (3.20)$$

where

$$\overline{TE}_H = \sqrt{\left( \sum_{i=1}^K TE_H^i S_{py}^i \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (TE_H^i)^{-1} S_{wx}^i \right)^{-1}} \quad (3.21)$$

$$\overline{AE}_H = \sqrt{\left( \sum_{i=1}^K AE_{OH}^i S_{pya}^i \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (AE_{IH}^i)^{-1} S_{wxa}^i \right)^{-1}} = \overline{AE}_{HO} \cdot \overline{AE}_{HI} \quad (3.22)$$

and

$$S_{py}^k = \frac{py^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i}, \quad S_{wx}^k = \frac{wx^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i},$$

$$S_{wxa}^k = \frac{wx^i (TE^i)^{-1}}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i (TE^i)^{-1}} = \frac{wx^{i*}}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^{i*}}, \quad S_{pya}^k = \frac{py^i TE^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i TE^i} = \frac{py^{i*}}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^{i*}}.$$

Note:  $y^*$  and  $x^*$  - output and input vectors under technical efficiency.

### 3.4. EFFICIENCY MEASURES ESTIMATION

To get the estimates of technical efficiency I will use Data Envelopment Analysis. This technique allow to construct a piecewise linear approximation to the linearly homogeneous technology in order to identify best practice technology. According to this technique the following problem should be solved:

Input oriented technical efficiency

$$\widehat{TE}_I^k \equiv \widehat{TE}_I^k(x^k, y^k) = \max_{\theta} \{ \theta \geq 0: (x^k \theta, y^k) \in \widehat{T} \} \quad (3.23)$$

Output oriented technical efficiency

$$\widehat{TE}_O^k \equiv \max_{\theta} \{ \theta \geq 0: (x^k, y^k / \theta) \in \widehat{T} \} \quad (3.24)$$

Where, if assume variable return to scale and assume the same access of all DMUs to technology, then:

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{T} = \{ & (x, y): \\ & x \geq \sum_{i=1}^K x^i z^i \\ & y \leq \sum_{i=1}^K y^i z^i \\ & z^i \in \mathbb{R}_+ \\ & \sum_{i=1}^K z^i = 1 \}. \end{aligned} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, K$$

The last restriction is added in order to consider variable return to scale.

The estimation of hyperbolic technical efficiency is more complex as it involves nonlinear optimization:

$$TE_H^k = \max_{\theta} \left\{ \theta \geq 0: \left( x^k / \theta, y^k \theta \right) \in \widehat{T} \right\} \quad (3.25)$$

Where  $\widehat{T} = \{(x, y):$

$$x \geq \sum_{i=1}^K x^i z^i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
y &\leq \sum_{i=1}^K y^i z^i \\
z^i &\in \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, K \\
\sum_{i=1}^K z^i &= 1\}.
\end{aligned}$$

The hyperbolic technical efficiency is calculated using a bisectional method.

Obtained measures of efficiency can be used to calculate aggregated measures.

To eliminate the bias of these measures the homogeneous bootstrap procedure introduced by Simar and Wilson (1998) is applied.

### 3.5. MODELING BANK FAILURES

On the second stage the efficiency measures obtained and aggregated industry hyperbolic efficiency measure will be used as explanatory variables to explain banking failures. It will allow to test whether coefficient for technical efficiency is significant thus our estimate of technical efficiency helps predicting bank failure. For this purpose several models can be applied. Among the most widely applied are multi-period logit and hazard model. I will use both models as according to Shumway (2001) usually hazard models produce better results but if the data set is small the logit model is more precise.

#### **Logit model.**

As our data set has discrete time (one quarter) the multi-period logit model will be applied. Generally the cumulative logistic distribution function of a number  $P_i$ , which ranges from 0 to 1, can be presented as:

$$P_i = E(\Delta = 1|Z_i) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(Z_i\beta)}}. \quad (3.26)$$

As I can see  $P_i$  is nonlinearly related to  $Z_i$ , which ranges from  $-\infty$  to  $+\infty$ . To be able to estimate this relationship the natural logarithm of odds ratio is taken:



$$L_i = \ln\left(\frac{P_i}{1-P_i}\right) = Z_i\beta. \quad (3.27)$$

$L_i$  is called logit. Note that  $L_i$ , but not  $P_i$ , is linear to  $Z_i$ . Thus to get expression for marginal effect one needs to take the derivative of  $P_i$  with respect to particular  $Z_i^k$ .

$$\frac{\partial P_i(Z_i)}{\partial Z_i^k} = \frac{e^{(Z_i\beta)}}{(1+e^{(Z_i\beta)})^2} \beta_k. \quad (3.28)$$

The difference between logit and multi-period logit is that multi-period logit uses pooled paned data allowing for different constant terms each time period (in practice using dummies for each period except one).

### **Hazard model.**

The second model I use is duration hazard model. The basic idea of any duration model is to investigate time to failure (Cleves and others 2008). Let  $T$  represent the lifetime of decision making unit with density function  $f(t)$  (or  $F(t)$  distribution function) Then the survival distribution function can be represented as:

$$S(t) = 1 - F(t) = \int_t^\infty f(u)du. \quad (3.29)$$

The hazard function  $h(t)$  is the limiting probability that the failure event occurs in a given interval, conditional upon the subject having survived to the beginning of that interval, divided by the width of the interval:

$$h(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Pr(t+\Delta t > T > t | T > t)}{\Delta t} = \frac{f(t)}{S(t)}. \quad (3.30)$$

Certainly the hazard function gives mathematically equivalent specification of distribution of  $T$ . To proceed further the hazard function needs to be parameterized. I will use natural for this type of analysis assumption of log-logistic distribution (Cleves and others 2008):

$$h(t, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{\frac{1}{r}} t^{\frac{1}{r}-1}}{r \left\{ 1 + (\lambda t)^{\frac{1}{r}} \right\}}. \quad (3.31)$$

The model is estimated “by parameterizing  $\lambda_j = e^{-x_j \beta}$  and treating scale parameter as an ancillary parameter to be estimated” (Stata’s manual).

## Chapter 4

### DATA DESCRIPTION

As in my work I will use two step procedure the data to be used I will define for each step separately. There are two common approaches to look at banks operations. To estimate hyperbolic efficiency measure I will use intermediation approach to define inputs and outputs for input, output and hyperbolic efficiency measures. Also I will try operating approach to define inputs and outputs for hyperbolic efficiency and compare to intermediation approach. According to intermediation approach banks are considered to use owned capital, labor and deposits to produce loans and other investments. Such approach has clear advantage to other approaches as interest bearing income is more than 50% of income in the whole banking sector (NBU). I expect that this approach will give better results. Thus as inputs labor costs, individual and corporate deposits, capital will be used. As outputs – corporate and individual loans, securities for sale (Table 1).

Table 1. Definition of inputs and outputs for the DEA analysis  
(intermediation approach)

Inputs	Outputs
Labor costs	Securities for sale
Administration costs	Individual loans
Individual deposits	Corporate loans
Corporate deposits	
Owned Capital	

According to operating approach bank is considered as earning income on services it provides but not on differences in interest payments. Inputs and outputs for this approach are defined in the Table 2.

Table 2. Definition of inputs and outputs for the DEA analysis  
(operating approach)

Inputs	Outputs
Interest expenditures	Interest income
Commission expenditures	Commission income
Other expenditures	Trade income
Administration costs	Other income
Labor costs	

The results of nonparametric estimation using bootstrap bias correction were obtained. The descriptive statistics is presented in the Table 3.

Table 3. DEA estimation results

TE (input oriented)		Failed		Non-failed		Total		Freq.
date	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.		
2006	1.106	.004	1.185	.128	1.184	.127	163	
2007	-	-	1.217	.147	1.217	.147	169	
2008	1.106	.115	1.093	.079	1.093	.079	173	
2009	1.53	.47	1.566	.469	1.561	.468	182	
Total	1.454	.456	1.261	.309	1.269	.318	687	
TE (output oriented)		Failed		Non-failed		Total		Freq.
date	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.		
2006	.79	.047	.776	.14	.776	.14	163	
2007	-	-	.708	.151	.708	.151	169	
2008	.783	.157	.849	.123	.848	.124	173	
2009	.752	.162	.722	.179	.726	.177	182	
Total	.758	.153	.764	.159	.764	.159	687	
HTE (Intermediation Approach)		Failed		Non-failed		Total		Freq.
date	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.		
2006	1.067	.01	1.111	.086	1.111	.086	163	
2007	-	-	1.138	.100	1.138	.100	169	
2008	1.018	.012	1.059	.054	1.058	.054	173	
2009	1.130	.108	1.216	.239	1.205	.228	182	
Total	1.113	.105	1.13	.148	1.129	.147	687	
HTE (Operating Approach)		Failed		Non-failed		Total		Freq.
date	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.		
2006	1.02	.014	1.046	.05	1.046	.05	163	
2007	-	-	1.054	.042	1.054	.042	169	
2008	1.047	.042	1.057	.054	1.056	.053	173	
2009	1.142	.192	1.151	.196	1.15	.195	182	
Total	1.123	.179	1.076	.113	1.078	.117	687	

From the estimates can be seen that efficiency measures indicate that banks for 2006-2008 banks were all quite efficient with low variance. Can be note that in 2009 the efficiency has decreased which is due to financial crisis and reduction in outputs such as loans. Also it can be seen that on average banks which failed do not differ a lot from other banks in terms of efficiency and even more efficient according to hyperbolic efficiency measures obtained from intermediation approach. This fact can be explained that outputs also capture such bad outputs as bad loans and thus the banks which were not able to reduce this output failed. Unfortunately there is no information about amount of bad loans in each bank which do not allow estimating efficiency more precisely.

Also I will calculate group efficiency for foreign and domestic banks using formula (3.21). I expect that foreign banks will operate more efficiently. Also foreign banks have support from abroad thus having lower probability to fail. The descriptive statistics of the group hyperbolic efficiency presented in table 4. As we can see from estimates in general foreign banks were more efficient (estimates are closer to 1). Thus I will include dummy variable for foreign banks. The negative influence on probability of failure is expected.

Table 4. Group Efficiency

<b>Foreign</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>0</b>	1.062	1.073	1.031	<b>1.147</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>1.041</b>	<b>1.052</b>	<b>1.022</b>	<b>1.142</b>

For second stage estimation I will define variable failed taking value one when the bank is in the process of liquidation or temporary administration in the next period is present and zero elsewhere (Table 5). The data is obtained from official letters of NBU (rada.gov.ua).

Table 5. Failed banks

<b>Failed</b>	2006	2007	2008	2009	<b>Total</b>
<b>0</b>	161	169	170	157	<b>657</b>
<b>1</b>	2	0	3	23	<b>28</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>687</b>

Variable for each component in CAMELS system will be included. Thus for capital adequacy the ratio of owned capital to total assets will be applied (average 23,2%) with negative expected influence on probability of failure. It is usually used in researches of bank failures (Altman 1968, Shumway 2001). As there is no information about quality of the assets it is problem to evaluate asset quality. To avoid this problem I will include two variables to capture the riskiness of assets: ratio of loans to total assets (average 66,5%) and ratio of individual loans to total loans (average 26,2%). As I expect that loans are risky assets and individual loans on average are more risky than other loans I expect that banks with higher ratios will have higher probability to fail. As stated above technical efficiency is proxy for quality of management and will be included in the model. Note that the higher the efficiency measure for input oriented and for hyperbolic orientations the more inefficient the bank is. Thus the positive influence on probability of failure is expected. For output orientation the influence is opposite. For earnings I used ratio of net income to total assets (average 6,8%) and negative expected influence on probability of failure. For liquidity the ratio of cash to total assets (average 7,8%) and ratio of total deposits to loans (average 87,2%) will be used. Liquidity has negative expected influence on probability of failure. As sensitivity to market risk I will include total assets in logs (average 13,5) (Table 6).

The data from National Bank of Ukraine is used. It is yearly based from the 2006 to 2009. Actually the data is taken yearly as the number of failures is very small and the yearly data especially in profit aggregates the quarterly reports. The data is panel.

Table 6. Definition and Expected signs of variables

Variables	Exp. sign	Total		Failed		Non-failed	
		Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.	Mean	Std. Dev.
Owned capital as a percentage of total assets (C)	-	.232	.169	.155	.089	.235	.171
Total loans as a percentage of total assets (A)	+	.665	.160	.796	.123	.659	.159
Individual loans as a percentage of total loans (A)	+	.261	.222	.306	.231	.260	.221
Technical efficiency (input oriented) (M)	+	1.269	.318	1.454	.456	1.261	.309
Technical efficiency (output oriented) (M)	-	.764	.159	.758	.153	.764	.159
Hyperbolic technical efficiency (intermediation approach) (M)	+	1.129	.147	1.113	.105	1.13	.148
Hyperbolic technical efficiency (operating approach) (M)	+	1.078	.117	1.123	.179	1.076	.113
Net income as a percentage of total assets (E)	-	.006	.057	-.003	.05	.007	.057
Cash as a percentage of total assets (L)	-	.077	.066	.029	.022	.079	.066
Total deposit as a percentage of total loans (L)	-/+	.871	.475	.755	.216	.876	.483
Natural logarithm of the total assets (S)	-	13.5	1.549	14.15	1.456	13.47	1.548
Foreign	-	.228	.420	.035	.188	.236	.425

From the descriptive statistics we can see that ratios of capital to assets, income to assets, cash to assets and deposits to loans on average are lower for failed banks. As for ratios of loans to assets and individual loans to assets they are higher for failed banks, that also supports the expected influence of these variables. For variables of interest (technical efficiencies) can be seen that for input orientation failed banks are on average less efficient. The same is seen for output orientation but the magnitude of difference is quite small. As for hyperbolic technical efficiency for intermediation approach the non-failed banks on average were less efficient, this may be due to bad loans which are captured as normal outputs in estimation. For operating approach we see that failed banks are also less efficient on average.

ESTIMATION RESULTS

**Logit Model**

First I will consider Logit model (Table 7). Five model specifications are estimated using different estimates of technical efficiency and approaches to define inputs and outputs for efficiency measures. The first two models use input and output efficiencies. The third one includes both hyperbolic measures using intermediation and operating approach, the fourth model includes only measures using intermediation and the fifth one only measures using operating approach.

Table 7. Logit estimates

	1	2	3	4	5
	Failures	Failures	Failures	Failures	Failures
<b>Capital/Assets</b>	-7.426	-7.369	-7.258	-7.194	-7.493
	(-2.18)**	(-2.16)**	(-2.14)**	(-2.12)**	(-2.21)**
<b>Loans/Assets</b>	5.721	5.588	6.222	6.22	5.484
	(2.33)**	(2.31)**	(2.52)**	(2.52)**	(2.28)**
<b>Individual Loans/Loans</b>	-0.023	-0.191	-0.027	-0.03	-0.153
	(-0.02)	(-0.18)	(-0.03)	(-0.03)	(-0.15)
<b>TE (input oriented)</b>	-0.369				
	(-0.71)				
<b>TE (output oriented)</b>		0.837			
		(0.58)			
<b>HTE (intermediation approach)</b>			-4.688	-4.673	
			(-1.98)**	(-1.98)**	
<b>HTE (operating approach)</b>			0.353		0.361
			(0.27)		(0.28)
<b>Net Income/Assets</b>	-3.911	-3.919	-3.709	-3.691	-3.976
	(-1.24)	(-1.25)	(-1.14)	(-1.14)	(-1.25)
<b>Cash/Assets</b>	-42.533	-43.602	-46.584	-46.286	-43.776
	(-3.23)***	(-3.29)***	(-3.39)***	(-3.39)***	(-3.29)***



Table 7. Logit estimates - Continued

	1	2	3	4	5
	Failures	Failures	Failures	Failures	Failures
<b>Deposits/Loans</b>	0.455	0.441	0.585	0.579	0.4
	(0.37)	(0.36)	(0.48)	(0.48)	(0.33)
<b>Ln(Assets)</b>	0.012	0.011	-0.036	-0.038	0.011
	(0.06)	(0.05)	(-0.17)	(-0.18)	(0.06)
<b>Foreign</b>	-2.827	-2.762	-2.801	-2.778	-2.784
	(-2.48)**	(-2.43)**	(-2.44)**	(-2.43)**	(-2.44)**
<b>Constant</b>	-5.256	-6.126	-0.716	-0.348	-5.739
	(-1.22)	(-1.38)	(-0.14)	(-0.07)	(-1.28)
<b>Observations</b>	684	684	684	684	684
<b>Pseudo R2</b>	0.410	0.409	0.432	0.432	0.408
<b>Absolute value of z statistics in parentheses</b>					
<b>* significant at 10%; ** significant at 5%; *** significant at 1%</b>					

As can be seen from estimation results such financial ratios as Capital/Assets, Loans/Assets, Cash/Assets are significant at 5% level and have expected signs. Thus we can see that capital and liquidity requirements are important and highly significant in determining banking failures. Also we can see that ratio of Loans to Assets also significant for determining failures and thus can be good proxy for asset quality in CAMELS system. Can be noted that ratio of individual loans to total loans, deposits to loans, net income to assets and assets in logs aren't significant at any reasonable significance level. These variables correspond to asset quality, liquidity, earnings and market risk in failure modeling. As for asset quality the results show that ratio of individual loans to total loans do not help in predicting failures and thus probably is not good proxy for asset quality. Also as assets in logs are significant we can say that large banks are also under risk of failure and thus the size of the bank do not determine probability of failure. For liquidity probably the cash to assets ratio is more important thus the ratio of deposits to loans does not help much in predicting failures. As for earnings it can be explained that banks can have negative income like most banks during crisis but still be sound and be able to catch up in the future.

Also we can see as expected the dummy foreign is statistically significant at 5% level. Thus it can be seen that foreign banks has lower probabilities to fail. Also these results are supported by calculated group efficiencies which show the better performance of foreign banks.

As to variables of interest neither Farrell measures nor hyperbolic efficiencies are statistically significant. There are several explanations why it may happen. According to intermediation approach as one of the outputs loans are used for both Farrell efficiencies and hyperbolic measure using intermediation approach. Loans consist of portion of bad loans which are bad output. Thus as can be seen in descriptive statistics for example hyperbolic efficiency according to intermediation approach for failed banks is on average even lower than for sound banks, which means that according to this approach failed banks are more efficient. This can be interpreted that banks which were able to reduce the loans during crisis were able to stay sound and thus banks with lower hyperbolic efficiency failed. As such effect is captured by the estimates we cannot rely on it. As to operating approach I believe that this approach is not well applied for Ukraine as most of its income banks earn on interest payments.

As estimated results do not provide information about the size of impact of each variable on probability of failure, thus the next step is calculating marginal effects (Table 8). Thus using results from the fourth model increase in Capital/Assets and Cash/Assets ratios by one standard deviation decreases probability of failure by 0,576% and 1,445% correspondingly. Increase in Loans/Assets increases probability of failure by 0,473%. Note that these effects calculated for median bank. As for foreign banks, according to estimates the probability of failure is lower by 0,4%.

Table 8. Marginal effects of one standard deviation for a median bank, logit model %

Model	1	2	3	4	5
Capital/Assets**	-0.693	-0.693	-0.578	-0.576	-0.690
Loans/Assets**	0.496	0.496	0.469	0.472	0.478
Individual Loans/Loans	-0.002	-0.022	-0.002	-0.002	-0.018
TE (input oriented)	-0.064	-	-	-	-
TE (output oriented)	-	0.075	-	-	-
HTE (intermediation approach)	-	-	-0.323	-0.326	-
HTE (operating approach)	-	-	0.019	-	0.022
Net Income/Assets	-0.120	-0.125	-0.100	-0.100	-0.120
Cash/Assets***	-1.544	-1.617	-1.445	-1.445	-1.571
Deposits/Loans	0.119	0.095	0.128	0.128	0.100
Ln(Assets)	0.009	0.009	-0.015	-0.015	0.009
Foreign**	-0.520	-0.530	-0.400	-0.400	-0.510
dy/dx is for discrete change of dummy variable from 0 to 1					
* significant at 10%; ** significant at 5%; *** significant at 1%					

But not only marginal effects are needed. For the model we need to test how good it predicts failures. The common way to do it is to calculate goodness of fit statistics. As we would like to capture precisely the failures we will use threshold level which is different from common 0,5. Actually threshold 0,5 is good enough only when number of failed and non-failed is roughly equal. In our case I will try to maximize total gain function to get the optimal threshold (Table 9). As can be seen the model correctly predicts about 73% failures and 91% non-failed banks. The total gain is 90% which is quite good result comparing to previous research of Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy, where he received 73% total gain.

Table 9. Goodness of fit

Models	1		2		3		4		5	
Values	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Correct Predictions, %	78.5	91.9	75.0	91.7	82.1	92.6	82.1	92.6	75.00	91.9
<b>Total Correct, %</b>	91.3		91.0		92.2		92.2		91.2	
Note: threshold 0.1 is applied										

Based on the fourth model I calculated the probabilities for banks to fail and ranked top five with the highest and the lowest probabilities to fail (Table 10).

Table 10. List of the banks with highest and lowest probabilities according to Logit model to fail in the next period

Highest probability to fail		Lowest probability to fail	
Name	probability	Name	probability
AKCENTBANK	77,3%	PREMIUM	1.83e-07%
DEMARK	54,7%	COMERCIINYI INDUSTRIALNYI BANK	2.14e-07%
FINROSTBANK	54,5%	ALLIANCE	4.84e-06%
MEGABANK	50,4%	PARTNER BANK	1.90e-06%
BIZNES STANDART	50,0%	PROFIBANK	3.94e-05%

### Hazard Model

The results of duration model are presented in Table 11. It is worth mentioning that for this model the dependent variable is time to failure and thus the signs for variables should be opposite to previously obtained. Thus in hazard model the positive sign means positive influence on survival time which means negative influence on probability of failure.

Table 11. Hazard model estimates

	1	2	3	4	5
	_t	_t	_t	_t	_t
<b>Capital/Assets</b>	1.366	1.401	1.302	1.298	1.453
	(2.20)**	(2.24)**	(2.15)**	(2.14)**	(2.20)**
<b>Loans/Assets</b>	-1.193	-1.2	-1.162	-1.165	-1.178
	(-2.26)**	(-2.33)**	(-2.20)**	(-2.18)**	(-2.19)**
<b>Individual Loans/Loans</b>	0.045	0.125	0.043	0.042	0.102
	(0.26)	(0.76)	(0.25)	(0.24)	(0.59)
<b>TE (input oriented)</b>	0.094	-	-	-	-
	(1.22)	-	-	-	-
<b>TE (output oriented)</b>	-	-0.246	-	-	-
	-	(-1.09)	-	-	-
<b>HTE (intermediation approach)</b>	-	-	0.563	0.587	-
	-	-	(1.62)	(1.65)*	-

Table 11. Hazard model estimates - Continued

	1	2	3	4	5
	_t	_t	_t	_t	_t
<b>HTE (operating approach)</b>	-	-	0.091	-	0.128
	-	-	(0.47)	-	(0.61)
<b>Net Income/Assets</b>	1.402	1.426	1.382	1.387	1.451
	(3.93)***	(3.99)***	(4.01)***	(4.00)***	(3.85)***
<b>Cash/Assets</b>	5.582	5.708	5.973	6.026	5.872
	(2.12)**	(2.21)**	(2.20)**	(2.20)**	(2.16)**
<b>Deposits/Loans</b>	-0.147	-0.154	-0.131	-0.133	-0.127
	(-0.74)	(-0.78)	(-0.67)	(-0.67)	(-0.59)
<b>Ln(Assets)</b>	0.021	0.022	0.028	0.027	0.024
	(0.66)	(0.69)	(0.86)	(0.83)	(0.71)
<b>Foreign</b>	0.365	0.345	0.34	0.346	0.364
	(1.93)*	(1.83)*	(1.86)*	(1.87)*	(1.85)*
<b>Constant</b>	1.714	2.011	0.652	1.077	1.612
	(2.47)**	(2.77)***	(0.92)	(1.39)	(2.11)**
<b>Observations</b>	682	682	682	682	682
<b>gamma</b>	.142**	.142**	.138**	.140**	.149**
<b>LR chi2</b>	49.09	48.72	52.05	51.82	47.90
<b>Absolute value of z statistics in parentheses</b>					
<b>* significant at 10%; ** significant at 5%; *** significant at 1%</b>					

As in logit model we also can mention that hazard estimation also gives us the right signs for significant variables. Such financial ratios as capital to assets, loans to assets and cash to assets as in logit model are statistically significant at 5% level. In contrast to logit model ratio of net income to assets is statistically significant at 1% level which may be interpreted in the way that in dynamics the ability of a bank to bring profit is important and have influence on survival time. As in logit model it can be seen that foreign banks still perform better as the influence on survival of dummy variable foreign is positive and statistically significant at 10%.

As for efficiency measures almost all coefficients are not statistically significant. The only model with hyperbolic efficiency measure estimated according to

intermediation approach is statistically significant at 10% level. But we still cannot rely on this estimate as the sign of the effect contradicts the expected one which may be caused by captured bad output – bad loans. Thus indicating that banks which reduced number of bad loans and thus loans had lower probability to fail.

In a similar way to logit model the marginal effects were computed (Table 12).

Table 12. Marginal effects of one standard deviation for a median bank, hazard model (survival time)

Model	1	2	3	4	5
Capital/Assets**	1.358	1.421	1.289	1.299	1.486
Loans/Assets**	-1.122	-1.152	-1.089	-1.104	-1.140
Individual Loans/Loans	0.059	0.167	0.057	0.055	0.137
TE (input oriented)	0.175	-	-	-	-
TE (output oriented)	-	-0.235	-	-	-
HTE (intermediation approach)	-	-	0.484	0.511	-
HTE (operating approach)	-	-	0.062	-	0.090
Net Income/Assets***	0.470	0.488	0.461	0.468	0.500
Cash/Assets**	2.166	2.261	2.308	2.354	2.345
Deposits/Loans	-0.411	-0.440	-0.365	-0.375	-0.364
Ln(Assets)	0.194	0.206	0.250	0.244	0.224
Foreign*	2.589	2.473	2.373	2.451	2.654
dy/dx is for discrete change of dummy variable from 0 to 1					
* significant at 10%; ** significant at 5%; *** significant at 1%					

Note that these estimates are the influence of each variable on survival time. Thus according to the fourth model increase in capital/assets ratio for median bank increases the survival time by 1.299 years. As for liquidity and earnings increase by one standard deviation of ratios of cash to assets and net income to assets increases survival time by 2.354 and 0.468 years respectively. Also we can see that median bank which is owned by foreigners will have estimated survival time bigger by 2.451 years.

In a similar way we evaluate the banks which have the highest and the lowest hazards which mean high and low probability to fail respectively (Table 13).

Table 13. List of the banks with highest and lowest probabilities according to Hazard model to survive in the next period

Lowest probability to survive		Highest probability to survive	
Name	probability	Name	probability
AKCENTBANK	47,0%	COMERCIINYYI INDUSTRIALNYYI BANK	100%
FINROSTBANK	49,7%	PREMIUM	99,9%
DEMARK	54,9%	PRIVATINVEST	99,9%
SOCCOMBANK	58,9%	ALIANCE	99,9%
MEGABANK	59,2%	PROFIBANK	99,9%

It can be seen that almost the same banks appear in both lists obtained using logit and hazard models.

To summarize we can see that both multiperiod logit and hazard models produce quite similar results and do not contradict each other not only in estimated effects but in prediction of bank failures.

## *Chapter 6*

### CONCLUSION

The current financial crisis and number of bank liquidations makes it necessary to investigate the causes of failures and develop tool for predicting bank failures. In this work I managed to apply efficiency measures to banking sector, calculate the group efficiencies of foreign and domestic banks and estimate two models of banking failures. In general we can see that both models Multiperiod Logit and Hazard model perform good and relatively to previous study (Nikolsko-Rzhevsky 2003) even produce better results. The gain of logit model is 91% which is quite high level of prediction.

Also we may see that current data does not provide enough information to evaluate managerial efficiency using data envelopment analysis. Such conclusion is made based on insignificance of efficiency measures in all models estimated. This is explained by problem of defining outputs especially loans which consist of portion of bad loans which need to be considered as bad output. Especially during crisis when there was reduction in loans we can see that on average banks with higher efficiency failed, which contradicts the expected effect of efficiency on failures.

The extension of theory on aggregation of efficiency measures especially group hyperbolic efficiency allowed to evaluate efficiency of foreign banks versus domestic and make conclusion of higher efficiency of banks with foreign capital and thus the lower probability to fail.

The analysis of determinants of failure shows that the most important factors are capital, asset quality and liquidity. These factors in the models are presented by following financial ratios capital to assets, loans to assets and cash to assets and



are significant in almost all model specifications at 5% significance level. Also it is worth mentioning that banks with foreign capital on average have lower probability to fail.

In general models perform quite well but still the estimation of efficiency can be improved by including the information about share of bad loans as bad output. Unfortunately this information is not obtained and National Bank of Ukraine should develop procedure to get this data from banks. Also the increase in sample can make the analysis more precise and will allow testing the predictive power of the models. The further research can also use aggregated efficiency to evaluate performance of different groups of banks. For example compare the efficiency of banks grouped by size or by age.

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## APPENDIX

### A1. THEOREM

$$\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \tilde{W}^i \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where  $\tilde{W}^i = \frac{w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i}$ .

*Proof of theorem.*

As we defined  $(\tilde{x}^k, \tilde{y}^k) \equiv \arg \max_{x^k, y^k} \left( \frac{py^k}{wx^k} : (x^k, y^k) \in T^k \right)$  we can rewrite the “return per dollar” function as:

$$\sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \tilde{W}^i = \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{p\tilde{y}^i}{w\tilde{x}^i} \cdot \frac{w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K p\tilde{y}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i} = \frac{p \sum_{i=1}^K \tilde{y}^i}{w \sum_{i=1}^K \tilde{x}^i} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

As  $(\tilde{x}^k, \tilde{y}^k) \in T^k \forall k$  by definition of group technology  $(\sum_{i=1}^K \tilde{x}^i, \sum_{i=1}^K \tilde{y}^i) \in T^g$ . Thus by definition of maximum

$$\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) \geq \frac{p \sum_{i=1}^K \tilde{y}^i}{w \sum_{i=1}^K \tilde{x}^i} = \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \frac{w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i} \quad (\text{A.3})$$

Conversely, let's take arbitrary  $(x, y) \in T^g$ , then by definition of group technology there are  $(x^k, y^k) \in T^k$  such that  $x = \sum_{i=1}^K x^i$  and  $y = \sum_{i=1}^K y^i$ . Therefore by definition of “per dollar return” function:

$$\frac{py}{wx} = \frac{p \sum_{i=1}^K y^i}{w \sum_{i=1}^K x^i} = \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{py^i}{wx^i} \cdot \frac{wx^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \leq \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \frac{wx^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

As it is true for any  $(x, y) \in T^g$  it should be also true for  $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}) \in T^g$ , which maximizes group “per dollar return”.

$$\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) = \frac{p\hat{y}}{w\hat{x}} = \frac{p\sum_{i=1}^K \hat{y}^i}{w\sum_{i=1}^K \hat{x}^i} = \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{p\hat{y}^i}{w\hat{x}^i} \cdot \frac{w\hat{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\hat{x}^i} \leq \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \frac{w\hat{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\hat{x}^i} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

As we use assumption of same access to technology it can be easily shown that “return per dollar” function is equal for each firm. Thus

$$\sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \frac{w\hat{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\hat{x}^i} = \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \frac{w\hat{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\hat{x}^i} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

From inequalities (A.3), (A.5) and (A.6) we obtain  $\overline{RPD}(p, w | T) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \tilde{W}^i$  proving our claim.

A2. PROOF OF PROPOSITION.

Dividing both sides of equality (3.17) by group “per dollar return”  $\frac{py}{wx} =$

$\frac{p \sum_{i=1}^K y^i}{w \sum_{i=1}^K x^i} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i}$  we receive:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \overline{RPDE} &= \frac{\overline{RPD}(p, w | T)}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i / \sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot \frac{w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i}}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i / \sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \\
 &= \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \right)^{-1} \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K RPD^i(p, w | T) \cdot w\tilde{x}^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i} \\
 &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \left( \left( \frac{wx^i}{w\tilde{x}^i} \right)^{-1} \frac{wx^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \right) \right] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \left( \frac{RPD^i(p, w | T) (wx^i \frac{1}{TE_H^i \cdot AE_{HI}^i}) py^i / wx^i}{py^i / wx^i} \right) \right] \\
 &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \left( (TE_H^i \cdot AE_{HI}^i)^{-1} \frac{wx^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \right) \right] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \left( (TE_H^i)^2 \cdot AE_{HI}^i \cdot AE_{HO}^i \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i} py^i \right) \right] \\
 &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \left( (TE_H^i \cdot AE_{HI}^i)^{-1} \frac{wx^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K wx^i} \right) \right] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \left( TE_H^i \cdot AE_{HO}^i \frac{py^i}{\sum_{i=1}^K py^i} \right) \right] \\
 &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (TE_H^i)^{-1} S_{wx}^i \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (AE_{HI}^i)^{-1} S_{wxa}^i \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^K TE_H^i S_{py}^i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^K AE_{HO}^i S_{pya}^i \right) \\
 &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^K TE_H^i S_{py}^i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (TE_H^i)^{-1} S_{wx}^i \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^K AE_{HO}^i S_{pya}^i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (AE_{HI}^i)^{-1} S_{wxa}^i \right)^{-1} \\
 &= (\overline{TE}_H)^2 \cdot (\overline{AE}_H)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have shown the decomposition of group efficiency of “per dollar return” into group technical and group allocative efficiency. The same result instead of using (3.17) can be obtained using (3.18).