



## Macroeconomic Determinants of Interest Rate Volatility in Indonesia: A Structural VAR Analysis

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### Abstract

*The determination of interest rates is not only influenced by inflation rate but also the sharing of factors of other macroeconomic variables. The study of the determinants interest rate has developed based on the variability and the methodological concept. Since the purpose of this study is to analyze the effect of macroeconomic variables on the interest rate volatility in Indonesia, we apply ordinary least square to estimates the empirical model of interest rate determinants statically, and the structural VAR analysis dynamically. The result of the estimation reveals that the coefficient estimates of money supply, exchange rate, and the GDP growth have negative and significant effect in the long-run. However, the risk premium shock has positive and significant effect on the interest rate and inflation rate in Indonesia.*

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## 1. Introduction

Determination of interest rates carried out through monetary policy is a very important thing, because this is indirectly related to the problem of economic stability and economic growth of a country. After the decline of the Indonesian Rupiah vis-a-vis the US Dollar, the economy in general has destroyed, including financial aspect. Inflation is one of the effects of a prolonged economic crisis that hit a country. An increase in prices that takes place continuously in an extended period, would be followed by a decline of real value of a country's currency (Brailsford, Jack, & Lai, 2006; Chow & Yoonbai, 2006). Generally, the reason of the economic crisis in Indonesia were not caused by weak economic fundamentals, but because of the declining Rupiah exchange rate against the US Dollar. Short-term private foreign debt since the early 1990s has accumulated very mostly, which is primarily unprotected against foreign currencies. It is what then adds pressure to the Indonesian rupiah exchange rate because there is not enough foreign exchange to pay maturing debts and interest rate.

Determination of interest rates, especially the interest rate of credit, is based on the monetary policy implemented. There are several monetary policies carried out in this matter by Bank Indonesia as the central bank, namely controlling money supply and controlling the inflation rate and concerning the problem of the stability of the Indonesian Rupiah. Furthermore, the monetary crisis that occurred in 2007 due to the decline in the value of the Indonesian rupiah vis-a-vis the United States dollar has a significant influence on the economy in Indonesia, including banking. It affects domestic inflation. Inflation is a condition where there is a sharp increase in prices (absolute) which takes place continuously in a long period of time which is followed by a decline in the real (intrinsic) value of a country's currency (Chow & Yoonbai, 2006; Huang & Lev, 2011; Toyoshima, 2012; Tumwine, Samuel, Edward, & Nixon, 2018). In order to prevent the monetary crisis, one alternative approach taken is to implement a monetary control system that is characterized by the policy of raising interest rates on bank deposits by the government.

The monetary sector has an important role, not only as a financial intermediary but also as a party that limits, assesses and distributes the risks faced. Financial deepening guarantees the occurrence of lower transactions, more optimal risk distribution, allocation and which is increasingly focused on the best investment options. Thus, financial deepening encourages increased economic efficiency. Before the

deregulation of the financial system was marked by a number of regulations that did not encourage financial deepening, such as the determination of interest rates by the monetary authority, the establishment of a credit ceiling, high mandatory minimum reserves (Chou, 2018; Duarte, 2008; Sensoy & Cihat, 2014). One of the efforts made by the banks to help the government in dealing with inflation is to suppress the money supply both in the narrow and broad sense or economic liquidity. The effect of this policy, both private banks and state banks are competing to raise interest rates (Haughton & Emma, 2012; Kiptui, 2014). With the hope that the interest given by banks to the public is the main attraction for the public to save their money in the bank, while for banks, the higher the amount of society that can be collected, will increase the ability of banks to finance their operational operations, which are mostly in the form of providing loans to the public.

A higher deposit rates than those formally reported in the hope that the raised interest rates will cause the amount of money in circulation to decrease because people prefer to save rather than turn their money around productive sectors or save them in cash at home (Bhattarai, 2011; Obeng & Daniel, 2017; Saunders & Liliana, 2000; Tumwine et al., 2018). Hainz, Roman, and Michal (2014) reveal that high-interest rates will encourage depositors to save their money in banks rather than invest in the production sector that has a higher level of risk. Thus, the inflation rate can be controlled through an interest rate policy (Fang, Sohel, & Chien-Ting, 2012; Fornari, Carlo, Marcello, & Massimo, 2002; Kim & Jeffrey, 2000; Kiptui, 2014; Tennant & Abiodun, 2009). However, in reality, Ozdemir and Cuneyt (2012) reveal that the determination of interest rates is not only influenced by inflation, but also the sharing of factors that can cause a bank to determine the size of the interest rate whether it is deposits, savings or credit. Thus, our purpose is to examine the effect of money supply, inflation rate, exchange rate, and economic growth on the interest rate volatility in Indonesia.

The result shows that all of the macroeconomic variables have a significant effect on the interest rate volatility in Indonesia. Moreover, the risk Premium shock has negative effect on the money supply, exchange rate, and the GDP growth. However, in the long-run, it has positive and significant effect on the interest rate and inflation rate in Indonesia. To this end of this section, we introduce the next section is the literature review. In section 3, we present the analysis method. The empirical result and discussions are provided in section 4. Finally, we conclude the result in section 5.

## **2. Literature Review**

The interest rate has linkages to the volatility of other macroeconomic variables. The good news of macroeconomic variables would encourage the public's expectation of the interest rate increase. Kim and Jeffrey (2000) examine the effect of macroeconomic news on interest rate volatility in the US and Australia. They find that monetary policy announcement has a significant effect on interest rate both in the short-run and long-run. The conditional volatility of the Australian interest rate changes was also significantly influenced by lagged US interest rate shocks, as well as by surprises in US macroeconomic announcements.

Interest rate volatility is also determined by other external country's variables, which is the exchange rate. Chow and Yoonbai (2006) study the effect of exchange rate movement on interest rates in Indonesia, Korea, Philippines, and Thailand after the Asian Financial Crisis. The used bivariate vector autoregression-generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedastic (VAR-GARCH) to estimate the weekly data stream from 1 January 1990 to 30 April 2005. The result shows that there is evidence in the post-crisis period that an increase in exchange rate variability affects the short-term decrease in interest rate volatility. However, they did not find a robust long-term relationship between exchange rate flexibility and interest rate variability. Similarly, the application of GARCH to estimate the interest rate determinants was explained by the study of Fang et al. (2012) study the impact of macroeconomic surprises on interest rate swap spreads in Australia during the economic expansion and contraction periods. The result of employing the exponential generalized autoregressive conditional heteroskedasticity (EGARCH) specification shows that there is a different effect of the macroeconomic announcement on swap spread based on the size of the state of the economy. The inflation rate has a significant effect on the swap spreads across all maturities during the contraction and remains the critical news announcement through the business cycle in Australia.

The study of interest rate determinants developed due to the variability of interest rate in the financial sector. Ying, Carl, and Maximo (2008) analyze the determinants of the Japanese Yen interest rate swap spread. They used a smooth transition vector autoregressive (STVAR) impulse response function model to estimate weekly data from August 8, 1997, to April 15, 2005. The result shows that the government bond model is indicated as a transition variable control of the smooth transition from high to low volatility regime. Overall, their result describes an effect on the shorter maturity spreads, whereas the term structure shocks play an essential role in the longer maturity spreads.

Bhattarai (2011) tests the impact of the exchange rate and money supply on macroeconomic variables, especially the impact on interest rate in the UK. The analysis based on the indirect least square (ILS), two stages least square (2SLS), and three stages least square (3SLS) to estimate quarterly data from 1970.II to 2006.I. The result shows that the money supply has a positive and significant effect on the interest rate. It means that higher liquidity in the financial system, a higher interest rate. However, the exchange rate has an inverse effect on the interest rate. A higher exchange rate of the UK pounds vis-à-vis the US dollar will deteriorate the volatility of interest rate in the UK.

Smales (2013) analyzes the impact of macroeconomic announcements on interest rate futures in the case of Australia and its reaction towards the global financial crisis in 2007-2008. The analysis uses big frequency data on Australian interest rate futures (30-day interbank, 90-day bank bill, and 3- and 10- year government bond future) over the period from January 6, 2004, to December 31, 2010, with a total of 1,795 trading days. The result shows that consumer price index and gross domestic product have a positive and significant effect on the volatility of 30-day interbank, 90-day bank bill, and 3- and 10- year government bond futures in Australia. Moreover, the GFC has significantly affected the response of Australian interest rate futures to major macroeconomic announcements.

Kiptui (2014) analyzes the determinants of the interest rate spread use the banking perspective in Kenya. The analysis employs two methods, such as decomposition technique and panel data analysis. The decomposition analysis combines data from income statements and consolidated balance sheets of commercial banks to analyze the spread. The result shows that GDP growth and exchange rate variability have a positive and significant effect on the interest rate spread in Kenya. It means that an increase in the GDP and exchange rate would increase the spread of interest rates due to the excellent condition of the economy. Moreover, an appreciation of exchange rate instability/variability (measured in standard deviations from mean) by 1 percent results in an upward adjustment of interest margins by 0.06 percent.

### 3. Research Method

#### 3.1. Data Source

This study uses quarterly data from 2002: I to 2017: I due to the availability of the data. The original dataset is mainly gained from the official site of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), and the Indonesian Statistical Bureau. The dependent variable is the interest rate volatility. The independent variables are M2 to represent the money supply, consumer price index to represent the inflation rate, the IDR vis-à-vis USD to represent the exchange rate between Indonesia and the US, and total GDP of Indonesia as a proxy of growth rate in both countries.

#### 3.2. Empirical Model

Since the main purpose of this study is to analyze the effect of money supply, inflation rate, exchange rate, and GDP growth on the interest rate in Indonesia, we adopt the previous macroeconomic model from the study of Obeng and Daniel (2017). We improved the model by applying the exchange rate variable, as suggested by Chow and Yoonbai (2006), and the GDP growth rate to represent the business cycle, as suggested by (Kiptui, 2014). The original model of this study is outlined by Equation 1:

$$IR_t = \alpha + \beta_1 \log MS_t + \beta_2 INF_t + \beta_3 \log ER_t + \beta_4 \log GDP_t + \varepsilon_t \tag{1}$$

Where  $IR_t$  is the interest rate volatility, and the  $\log MS_t$  is broad money (M2) is the money supply. The  $INF_t$  is the inflation rate in Indonesia.  $\log ER_t$  is the exchange rate. The  $\log GDP_t$  is the GDP growth in Indonesia, and  $\varepsilon_t$  is the disturbance term.

**Table-1. Summary of data sources and measurement.**

Variable	Data	Description	Source	Expectation
$IR_t$	The interest rate of the money market	Indicator of the rate of return in ASEAN-5 countries	International Financial Statistic of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)	
$\log MS_t$	Broad money (M2)	Money supply	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	-
$INF_t$	Consumer price index	Indicator of the inflation rate	International Financial Statistic of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)	+
$\log ER_{i,j,t}$	the Indonesian Rupiah vis-à-vis the US dollar	Indicator of the exchange rate volatility	International Financial Statistic of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)	-
$\log GDP_t$	Real GDP	The indicator of GDP growth in Indonesia	World Bank	+

The interest rate is represented by the interest rate of the money market in percent per annum is obtained from the official site of the International Financial Statistic of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Broad money using M2 of Indonesia to represent the money supply, and we gained this data from the Organization

for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). The consumer price index as a proxy of the inflation rate gained from the International Financial Statistic of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The exchange rate of the Indonesian Rupiah *vis-à-vis* the US dollar has also obtained from the official site of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The real gross domestic product (GDP) variables are measured in the current US dollar in which obtained from the official site of the World Bank. Since the data provided in yearly frequency, we employed the linear interpolation method.

### 3.3. Estimation Strategy

The estimation begins with a descriptive statistical analysis of the data used in this study. We estimate the model of Equation 1 use the ordinary least square (OLS) by estimating the t-statistic for partial analysis and F-statistic for simultaneous analysis. Besides, we also apply the dynamic model to make a robust checking of our estimation. We estimate the model of Equation 1 use the structural vector autoregression (SVAR). The estimation also reports the result of the Johansen cointegration test and summary statistic. We also apply for the time series properties for each macroeconomic variable. We begin with the SVAR specification as follows presented in Equation 2:

$$Ay_t = A_1^s y_{t-1} + \dots + A_p^s y_{t-p} + C^s x_t + Bu_t \tag{2}$$

Where A, all of the  $A_i^s$ , and  $C^s$  are the structural coefficients, and the  $u_t$  is the orthonormal unobserved structural innovations with  $E(u_t u_t') = I_k$ . In order to see the relationship between the SVAR specification and the corresponding reduced-form of VAR, we assume that A is invertible and expand to the following equation:

$$y_t = A^{-1} A_1^s y_{t-1} + \dots + A^{-1} A_p^s y_{t-p} + A^{-1} C^s x_t + A^{-1} B u_t \tag{3}$$

$$y_t = A_1 y_{t-1} + \dots + A_p y_{t-p} + C x_t + \epsilon_t \tag{4}$$

Therefore, the reduced-form lag matrices are  $A_1 = A^{-1} A_1^s$  and  $C = A^{-1} C^s$ , and the reduced form error structure is as follows:

$$\epsilon_t = A^{-1} B u_t = S u_t \tag{5}$$

$$E(\epsilon_t \epsilon_t') = \Sigma_\epsilon = A^{-1} B B' A^{-1} = S S' \tag{6}$$

Where  $S = A^{-1} B$ . SVAR estimation uses  $\bar{\Sigma}_\epsilon$  is obtained from the reduced form of VAR in Equation 6. The challenge of SVAR estimation is that only  $k(k+1)/2$  moments in  $\epsilon_t$  and more than  $k(k+1)/2$  elements in A, B, and S. Thus, the matrices are not identified unless additional restrictions are provided.

Finally, to arrange the six variables and ten long-run restrictions in the matrix of long-run multipliers, we derived the form as follows:

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \begin{pmatrix} IR_t \\ \log MS_t \\ INF_t \\ \log ER_{i,j,t} \\ \log GDP_t \end{pmatrix} = D \epsilon_t = \begin{pmatrix} d_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ d_{21} & d_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ d_{31} & d_{32} & d_{33} & 0 & 0 \\ d_{41} & d_{42} & d_{43} & d_{44} & 0 \\ d_{51} & d_{52} & d_{53} & d_{54} & d_{55} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_t^1 \\ \epsilon_t^2 \\ \epsilon_t^3 \\ \epsilon_t^4 \\ \epsilon_t^5 \end{pmatrix} \tag{7}$$

Where  $\epsilon_t^1, \epsilon_t^2, \epsilon_t^3, \epsilon_t^4, \epsilon_t^5$  are risk premium shock, demand shock, supply shock, foreign shock, and aggregate spending shock. To identify the structural shocks, we impose a long-run restriction. First, in the first line, we assume that  $d_{21} = d_{31} = d_{41} = d_{51} = 0$ . It indicates that demand shock, supply shock, foreign shock, and aggregate spending shock have no long-run effect on the interest rate in Indonesia. The interest rate is only affected by risk premium shock. Secondly,  $d_{23} = d_{24} = d_{25} = 0$ , indicates that only risk premium shock and demand shock have an impact on the money supply. Thirdly, we assume that  $d_{34} = d_{35} = 0$ . It indicates that risk premium shock, demand shock, and foreign shock affect the inflation rate. Finally, the assumption of  $d_{45} = 0$  indicates that aggregate spending shock do not impact the exchange rate in the long-run.

## 4. Result and Discussion

### 4.1. Statistic Descriptive Analysis

The analysis begins from the correlation matrix for each variable and the summary statistic of data that used to estimate the Equation 1. Generally, we employed the same number of observations for dependent and independent variables. Some of the variables are converted into the logarithmic due to the different spread. The correlation analysis of each variable is presented in Table 2.

Table-2. Correlation matrix.

Correlation	$IR_t$	$\log MS_t$	$INF_t$	$\log ER_{i,j,t}$	$\log GDP_t$
$IR_t$	1	-0.782062	0.513895	-0.412920	-0.796458
$\log MS_t$	-0.782062	1	-0.425262	0.742235	0.992256
$INF_t$	0.513895	-0.425262	1	-0.157251	-0.384393
$\log ER_{i,j,t}$	-0.412920	0.742235	-0.157251	1	0.759134
$\log GDP_t$	-0.796458	0.992256	-0.384393	0.759134	1

The result of correlation matrix analysis shows that interest rate has negative correlation with all of macroeconomic variables, except the inflation rate. It indicates that an increase in the inflation rate will be responded by the increase in the interest rate. However, it has an inverse correlation with money supply variable. The exchange rate and the GDP growth have a positive correlation; however, the inflation has negative correlation to the money supply. Similarly, the exchange rate and the GDP growth have negative correlation to the inflation rate. Finally, the result of correlation analysis reveals that the GDP growth has positive correlation with the exchange rate of IDR vis-à-vis USD.

Table-3. Summary statistic of variable.

Statistics	$IR_t$	$\log MS_t$	$INF_t$	$\log ER_{i,j,t}$	$\log GDP_t$
Mean	13.60895	4.526627	6.854737	9.210476	14.53211
Median	13.13000	4.527190	6.380000	9.135002	14.50995
Maximum	18.42000	5.389020	17.78000	9.536104	14.97554
Minimum	11.44000	3.670101	2.590000	9.040888	14.04646
Std. Dev.	1.721448	0.558338	3.277933	0.148500	0.265530
Skewness	1.018885	-0.017469	1.666071	0.984490	-0.113834
Kurtosis	3.476770	1.655814	5.840239	2.574848	1.977401
Jarque-Bera	10.40206	4.294132	45.52905	9.636882	2.606662
Probability	0.005511	0.116826	0.000000	0.008079	0.271625
Sum	775.7100	258.0177	390.7200	524.9971	828.3301
Sum Sq. Dev.	165.9495	17.45750	601.7114	1.234928	3.948355
Observations	57	57	57	57	57

According to Table 3, the using of logarithmic term for money supply, exchange rate, and interest rate data have low differences between variables. The minimum value of interest rate and other macroeconomic variables have not high different spreads. The mean of each variable is quite close from each other which lie below the 15. Table 3 also reports the standard deviation for each variable that has similar spread which lie between 0.25 to 3.30, especially between the exchange rate and GDP growth variables.

#### 4.2. Empirical Analysis and Discussion

##### 4.2.1. The Result of Ordinary Least Square (OLS) Analysis

Determinants of the interest rate in Indonesia are mainly estimated through the structural vector autoregressive (SVAR). Before we estimate the dynamic model of SVAR, we apply the static analysis based on the ordinary least square (OLS). We analyze the effect of money supply, inflation rate, the exchange rate of IDR vis-à-vis USD, and the GDP growth on the volatility of interest rate in Indonesia. Table 4 presents the estimation result of the Equation 1 by using the ordinary least square (OLS). The coefficient estimates of the money supply variable are 4.821453, which has a positive and significant effect on the interest rate. It implies that a one-point increase in the money supply in public, it would be responded by 4.5 times an increase in the interest rate. Our result supports the study of Bhattarai (2011) who tests the impact of the exchange rate and money supply on macroeconomic variables, especially the impact on interest country has a positive and significant effect on the volatility of the interest rate. According to the impact of foreign affairs on the domestic interest rate in Indonesia, we employ the exchange rate variable. We follow the study of Bhattarai (2011); Chow and Yoonbai (2006) and Kiptui (2014) Kiptui (2014) that the exchange rate correlates with the volatility of the interest rate. According to the result of the exchange rate is 4.761336, which means that it has a positive and significant effect. It implies that an increase in the exchange rate of the IDR vis-à-vis USD around 1 point, it would be responded by the increase of the interest rate in Indonesia around 4.7 times. Our finding is similar to the result of Chow and Yoonbai (2006) Chow and Yoonbai (2006) and Kiptui (2014). However, it differs from the finding of Bhattarai (2011), who found that an increase in the exchange rate variable will decrease the interest rate variable. Rate in the UK. However, it differs from the study of Obeng

and Daniel (2017), who reveals that the money supply does not correlate with the volatility of interest rate in the long-run.

The result of the inflation rate's coefficient implies that an increase in one point in the inflation rate due to the increase of money supply in Indonesia would push the Central Bank of Indonesia (Bank Indonesia) to increase the interest rate of around 13.6209 percent. This result has similar thought to the study of Bhattarai (2011); Fang et al. (2012); Kim and Jeffrey (2000) and Smales (2013) that the dynamic of the inflation rate in a

Table-4. The estimation result of OLS.

Test	C	logMS <sub>t</sub>	INF <sub>t</sub>	logER <sub>i,j,t</sub>	logGDP <sub>t</sub>
t-statistic	188.2039*** (44.44310)	4.821453*** (1.750757)	0.136209*** (0.040785)	4.761336*** (1.190872)	-16.59826 (3.680185)
F-statistic	46.04561*** [0.000000]				
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.762895				

Figures reported in the parenthesis ( ) are the standard errors and the parenthesis [ ] is probability. An asterisk \*\*\*, \*\*, and \* indicate rejection of the null hypothesis at 1, 5, and 10 percent of significance level, respectively.

We follow the study of Kiptui (2014); Kiptui (2014) and Smales (2013) that GDP has a significant effect on the interest rate. Since we use the GDP variable as a proxy of the business cycle in Indonesia, the result of the coefficient of GDP variable is -16.59826 with has a negative and significant effect. The result implies that an increase in the business cycle, around 1 percent, will decrease the interest rate in Indonesia around 16.6 points. Our finding does not support the previous finding of Fang et al. (2012); Kiptui (2014); Smales (2013); and Tennant and Abiodun (2009) who conclude that an increase in the business cycle will be responded by the similar sign or increase in the interest rate volatility.

#### 4.2.2. The Result of Structural Vector Autoregressive (SVAR) Analysis

In order to present the dynamic analysis of the effect of money supply, inflation rate, the exchange rate of IDR vis-à-vis USD, and the GDP growth on the volatility of interest rate in Indonesia, we estimates Equation 7 by applying the structural vector autoregressive (SVAR) estimation. The relationship between the interest rate and the macroeconomic variables is mainly estimated using the structural VAR (SVAR). The estimation result of long-run responses in the SVAR model is presented in Table 5. Since we arrange that  $\epsilon_t^1$ ,  $\epsilon_t^2$ ,  $\epsilon_t^3$ ,  $\epsilon_t^4$ , and  $\epsilon_t^5$  are risk premium shock, demand shock, supply shock, foreign shock, and aggregate spending shock respectively, and we estimate the long-run response of SVAR model from the Equation 7.

Table-5. The estimation result of long-run responses in the SVAR Model.

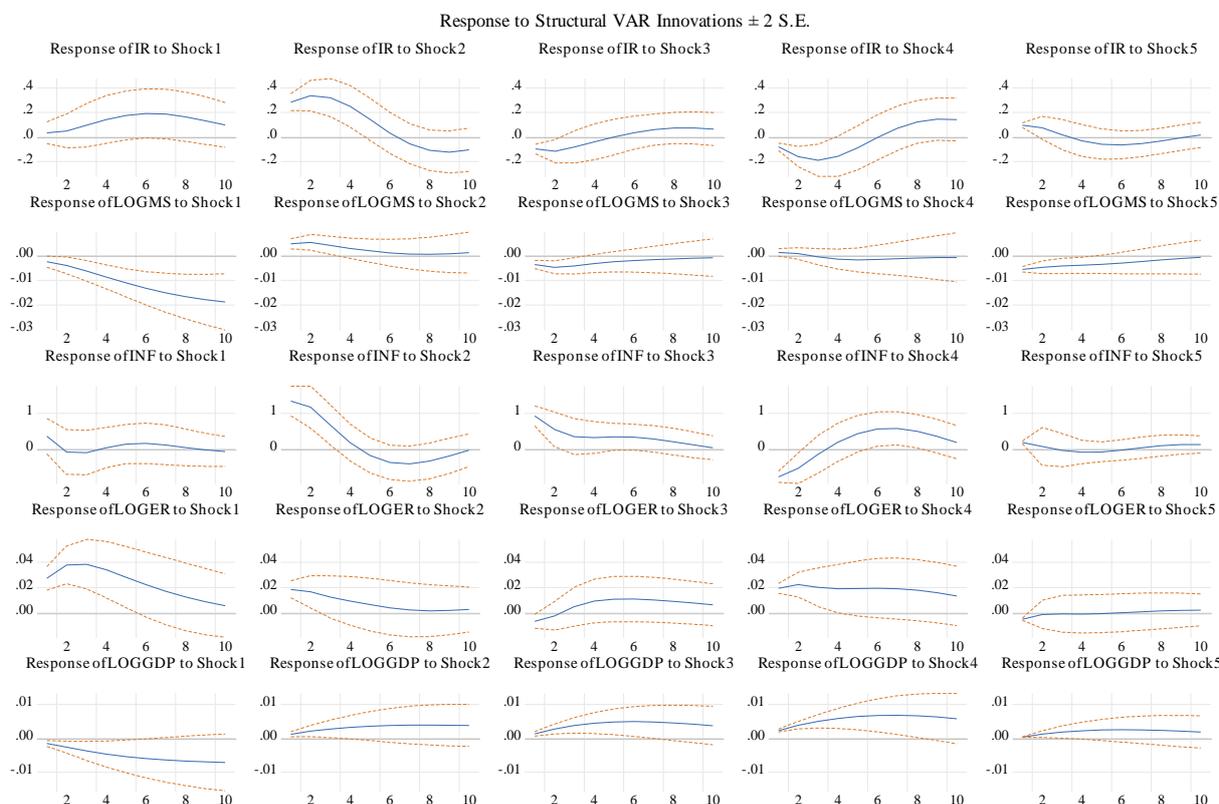
Type of Shock	to:	Coefficient	Std. error	z-Statistic	Prob.
Risk premium shock	IR <sub>t</sub>	9.162458	0.873485	10.48954	0.0000
	MS <sub>t</sub>	-3.866692	0.376107	-10.28083	0.0000
	INF <sub>t</sub>	11.68261	1.165765	10.02141	0.0000
	logER <sub>t</sub>	-0.686490	0.077654	-8.840386	0.0000
	logGDP <sub>t</sub>	-1.811686	0.177578	-10.20221	0.0000
Demand shock	MS <sub>t</sub>	0.553736	0.052797	10.48805	0.0000
	INF <sub>t</sub>	0.440912	0.341790	1.290008	0.1970
	logER <sub>t</sub>	0.221954	0.036047	6.157437	0.0000
	logGDP <sub>t</sub>	0.289602	0.030691	9.436010	0.0000
Supply shock	INF <sub>t</sub>	2.515534	0.239847	10.48809	0.0000
	logER <sub>t</sub>	0.067599	0.028460	2.375269	0.0175
	logGDP <sub>t</sub>	0.056641	0.012261	4.619707	0.0000
Foreign shock	logER <sub>t</sub>	0.205579	0.019601	10.48808	0.0000
	logGDP <sub>t</sub>	0.074393	0.008417	8.838142	0.0000
Aggregate spending shock	logGDP <sub>t</sub>	0.033609	0.003205	10.48809	0.0000

This study uses standard error that indicates the rejection of the null hypothesis at 1, 5, and 10 percent of significance level.

Table 5 presents the estimation result of the Equation 7 by using the structural vector autoregressive (SVAR) model. The coefficient estimates of money supply, exchange rate, and the GDP growth on the first line are negative and significant. It indicates that the risk Premium shock has negative effect on the money

supply, exchange rate, and the GDP growth. However, it has positive and significant effect on the interest rate and inflation rate in Indonesia. The second line of Table 5 explains the effect of demand shock on the money supply, inflation rate, exchange rate and the GDP growth are positive. However, only the inflation rate is not statistically significant affected by the demand shock in the long-run.

Supply shock, foreign shock, and the aggregate spending shock are responded positively by macroeconomic variables engaged. Inflation rate, exchange rate, and the GDP growth have positively response to the supply shock; however, the exchange rate has the lowest significance. Exchange rate and the GDP growth have positive to the foreign shock. Finally, the GDP growth has also positive response on the aggregate spending shock in the long-run.



**Figure-1.** Accumulated impulse response to the structural shocks. Shock 1, shock 2, shock 3, shock 4, shock 5, are risk premium shock, demand shock, supply shock, foreign shock, and aggregate spending shock respectively.

Figure 1 presents the accumulated response to the structural macroeconomic shocks such as risk premium shock, demand shock, supply shock, foreign shock, and aggregate spending shock. The first line of Figure 1 shows the response of interest rate to the macroeconomic shocks. Some of the interest rate response are negative except the response of interest rate on the risk premium shock is positive at all of horizon. The second line presents the response of money supply variable to the macroeconomic shocks. Almost all of the shocks are negatively responded by money supply variable, except the effect of demand shock on the money supply.

Line 3 of Figure 1 above explains the positive response of inflation rate on the supply shock effect at all quarter of horizon. However, other shocks are responded negatively by the inflation rate in the long-run. The effect of risk premium shock, demand shock and foreign shock are positively responded by the exchange rate of IDR vis-à-vis USD. It similar to the response of the GDP growth to the demand shock, supply shock, foreign shock, and the aggregate demand shock. Finally, the GDP growth negatively response to the risk premium shock in the long-run.

### 5. Conclusion

The consensus of the study of the interest rate determinants, we need to estimates the effect of money supply, inflation rate, exchange rate, and the business cycle on the volatility of the interest rate in Indonesia both partially and simultaneously. We improve the pervious study of that analyze the effect of macroeconomic variables on the interest rate volatility. Our result of analysis explains that money supply, inflation rate, exchange rate, and the GDP growth have a significant effect on the interest rate. The coefficient estimate of GDP growth suggests an inverse relationship between the GDP and the interest rate in Indonesia. The result indicates that an increase in the GDP growth would be followed by the decreasing in the interest rate in Indonesia. According to the result of SVAR analysis, the coefficient estimates of money supply, exchange rate,

and the GDP growth have negative and significant to the response of the risk premium shock. However, the shock has positive and significant effect on the interest rate and inflation rate. Moreover, the response of interest rate to the macroeconomic shocks. Some of the interest rate response are negative except the response of interest rate on the risk premium shock is positive at all of horizon.

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