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# Modified Malmquist Productivity Index Based on Present Time Value of Money

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Data envelopment analysis (DEA) models can calculate the Malmquist Productivity Index (MPI). Classic Malmquist Productivity Index shows regress and progress of a DMU in different periods with efficiency and technology variations without considering the present value of money. This issue is of major importance since while a currency of in previous year is not equal to that of now this would yield bias results which can affect the correct interpretation. The index developed here is defined in terms of Modified Malmquist Productivity Index model, which can calculate progress and regress by using the factor of present time value of money. The incorporation of present time value of money is also calculated within the framework of data envelopment analysis. This factor is fundamental and should be considered in DEA Malmquist Productivity Index. Moreover, here, differences between presented models are compared to those of previous ones indeed, biased results will be shown in the case study in banks, and problem and solution have been investigated in the literature.

## 1. Introduction

Data envelopment analysis is mathematical programming technique for obtaining relative efficiency of a set of decision making units (DMUs). Nowadays DEA is widely used in various fields. Utilizing data envelopment analysis (DEA) methodology it is also possible to estimate the Malmquist Productivity Index. As one of the major sources of economic development is productivity growth thus having a comprehensive interpretation of those factors affects productivity is very influential and leading.

Malmquist [1], in 1953, published a quantity index for use in consumption analysis. In this index input distance functions are used to make comparison among two or more consumption bundles. Later in 1982, in production analysis Caves et al. [2], introduced Malmquist Productivity Index on basis of what malmquist has proposed. Nowadays applications which use the Malmquist Productivity Index have

become widespread in the literature. In recent years, among researchers who are studying firm performance, the measurement and analysis of productivity change have enjoyed a great deal of attention.

As measuring productivity change gains an important attention in the literature Färe et al. [3] in a paper completely discussed productivity growth, technical progress, and efficiency change. They applied these factors in evaluating industrialized countries. Maniadakis and Thanassoulis [4] developed a productivity index that is an extension of the work on malmquist indexes. They evolved a productivity index which is applicable when input prices are known and producers are cost minimisers. In doing so, they developed a productivity index that accounts not only for technical efficiency and technological variations but also for allocative efficiency and for the effects of input price variations. Grifell-Tatjé and Lovell [5] provided a paper in order to adopt a different approach to the use of DEA with panel data and

create a malmquist index of productivity change and provide a new decomposition for it. Grifell-Tatjé et al. [6] provided a new Malmquist Productivity Index called a quasi-Malmquist productivity index which incorporates all slacks on the selected side and replaces conventional radial efficiency measures with the new nonradial efficiency ones. Also, Chen [7], on bases of the fact that DEA-based Malmquist Productivity Index measures the technical and productivity changes over time, has extended the Malmquist Productivity Index into a nonradial index where the decision maker's preference over performance improvement can also be incorporated. The advantage of this index is that by the nonzero slacks it eliminates possible inefficiency.

Since malmquist indexes of productivity are generally estimated using index number techniques or nonparametric frontier approaches Fuentes et al. [8] aimed to estimate malmquist indexes in a similar way using parametric-deterministic or parametric-stochastic frontier approaches. They adopted an output distance function and showed that using the estimated parameters, several radial distance functions can be calculated and moreover combined for estimating and decomposing the productivity indexes. Orea [9] in his paper provided a parametric decomposition of a generalized Malmquist Productivity Index which considers scale economies. As he said in his research the contribution of scale economies to productivity change is evaluated without recourse to scale efficiency measures, which are neither bounded for globally increasing, decreasing, or constant returns to scale technologies nor for ray-homogeneous technologies. Lin et al. [10] in their article considered 117 branches of a certain bank in Taiwan and introduced data envelopment analysis to assess the operating performances of business units of this bank. Their work, in determining operation strategies, provides the reference for a bank's managers. In their investigation Wang and Lin [11] established an analytical hierarchy framework for helping banks in order to choose merger strategies. Also, The consistent fuzzy preference relation is used for improving effectiveness and decision-making consistency. The obtained analytical results shed light on the issue that, in strategy selection, risk management and financial composition of banks are the main considerations. Wu et al. [12] for banking performance evaluation proposed a fuzzy multiple criteria decision-making (FMCDM) approach. Also, the three MCDM analytical tools of SAW, TOPSIS, and VIKOR were respectively adopted to rank the banking performance and improve the gaps with three banks as an empirical example. Ng et al. [13] indicated that in the banking industry, it is desirable to identify potential bank failure or high-risk banks. Thus, in their paper they have proposed a fuzzy CMAC (cerebellar model articulation controller) model based on compositional rule of inference, called FCMAC-CRI(S), as an innovative way for tackling the problem using localized learning.

Here the aim is to become more precise in calculating Malmquist Productivity Index since in this subject inaccurate inputs would lead to biased results of efficiency. Considering the Malmquist Productivity Index which is used to compute the progress and regress of entities in successive periods we emphasize that it is of major significance to pay concentration

while the Malmquist Productivity Index is being calculated for DMUs which have similar performances in time  $t$  and time  $t + 1$ . It would be definitely not fair enough to merely consider efficiency variations and technological variations. The fact is that a specific value of money in time  $t$  is not equal to that value in time  $t + 1$ , that is,  $(10\$)_t \neq (10\$)_{t+1}$ . Thus if technological variations and efficiency variations in time  $t$  and time  $t + 1$  have the same performances, then, the interest rate needs to be considered in time  $t + 1$ . The index developed here is defined in terms of Modified Malmquist Productivity Index model (MMPI), which can calculate progress and regress by using the factor of present time value of money. The incorporation of present time value of money is also calculated within the framework of data envelopment analysis.

The current paper proceeds as follows. In the next section, Malmquist Productivity Index will be briefly reviewed. Then, in Section 3, the proposed method, Modified Malmquist Productivity Index, which is based on the present time value of money, will be discussed. An illustrative example is documented in Section 4 in which main findings are highlighted, and Section 5 concludes the paper with conclusions and recommendation.

## 2. Malmquist Productivity Index

Utilizing DEA methodology it is possible to estimate the Malmquist Productivity Index. As is, DEA models are linear programming (LP) models with which the production frontier can be estimated. Those DMUs located onto this frontier are called efficient and others referred to as inefficient. The degree of efficiency for each DMUs can be obtained on the basis of the Euclidean distance of their input-output ratio from the estimated frontier. Since efficient DMUs construct production frontier thus it can obviously change over time. What Malmquist DEA approach does is to calculate the efficiency measure for one year relative to that of the prior year, while the frontier may change from time to time (time  $t$  and time  $t + 1$ ). Thus it can be said that the frontier function has shifted from frontier  $t$  to frontier  $t + 1$ .

Let  $DMU_l$  denote a unit from a total  $n$  units that relative efficiency is being evaluated. Define  $x_l \in R_+^m$  and  $y_l \in R_+^s$  as semipositive input and output vectors of  $DMU_l$ . The most general way of characterization of production technology is production possibility set  $T$ , which is defined with a set of semipositive  $(x, y)$  as

$$T = \left\{ (x, y) \mid x \geq \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_j, y \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_j, \lambda_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, n \right\}. \quad (1)$$

As existed in the literature Malmquist Productivity Index can be calculated via several functions, such as distance function:

$$D(X_l, Y_l) = \text{Min} \{ \theta : (\theta X_l, Y_l) \in T \}. \quad (2)$$

The resultant distance function can be computed by solving linear programming problems. Consider an input-oriented CCR model as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^f(x_l^k, y_l^k) &= \min \theta \\
 \text{s.t. } \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_{ij}^f &\leq \theta x_{il}^k, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \\
 \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_{rj}^f &\geq y_{rl}^k, \quad r = 1, \dots, s, \\
 \lambda_j &\geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

in which  $l$  is the unit under assessment and each of  $k$  and  $f$  varies between time  $t$  and time  $t + 1$ . As an instance for assessing DMU $_l$  consider  $k = t$  and  $f = t + 1$ ,  $D^{t+1}(x_l^t, y_l^t)$ ; this means that DMU $_l$  is considered in time  $t$  while technology is considered in time  $t + 1$ . Considering this notification, four LP problems can be defined.

In regards of this subject, Caves et al. [2] have introduced the Malmquist Productivity Index as follows in which the results obtained from the mentioned models are being used:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}, x_l^t, y_l^t) \\
 = \left( \frac{D^t(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}) D^{t+1}(x_l^t, y_l^t)}{D^t(x_l^t, y_l^t) D^{t+1}(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1})} \right)^{1/2}, \tag{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

in which  $x_l^t$  and  $y_l^t$  are the input and output vectors for unit  $l$ , used in period  $t$ . Also,  $x_l^{t+1}$  and  $y_l^{t+1}$  are the input and output vectors for unit  $l$ , used in period  $t + 1$ . This index measures the productivity of unit  $l$  at the production  $(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1})$  relative to  $(x_l^t, y_l^t)$ .

The previously equation can be further decomposed into two components mentioned: one for measuring the change in technical efficiency and the other for measuring the technical change which means the technology frontier shift between the two time periods,  $t$  and  $t + 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}, x_l^t, y_l^t) \\
 = \frac{D^{t+1}(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1})}{D^t(x_l^t, y_l^t)} \left[ \frac{D^t(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}) D^t(x_l^t, y_l^t)}{D^{t+1}(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}) D^{t+1}(x_l^t, y_l^t)} \right]^{1/2}. \tag{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

The interpretation of this equation is that  $M(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}, x_l^t, y_l^t) > 1$  indicates an improvement in total productivity,  $M(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}, x_l^t, y_l^t) < 1$  indicates a decline, and  $M(x_l^{t+1}, y_l^{t+1}, x_l^t, y_l^t) = 1$  shows an unchanged productivity growth, see Caves et al. [2], and Chen [7].

### 3. Main Subject

In performance assessment inaccurate inputs would lead to biased results of efficiency. Malmquist Productivity Index is used for computing the progress and regress of entities in

successive periods. It is of great importance to pay attention when Malmquist Productivity Index is being calculated for DMUs with similar performances in time  $t$  and time  $t + 1$ . Thus, a question is brought forth for discussion: would it be fair enough to merely consider efficiency variations and technological variations? Of course not. The fact is that an specific value of money in time  $t$  is not equal to that value in time  $t + 1$ , that is,  $(10\$)_t \neq (10\$)_{t+1}$ . Thus if technological variations and efficiency variations in time  $t$  and time  $t + 1$  have the same performances, then, the interest rate needs to be considered in time  $t + 1$ .

For instance consider a bank with a large financial capital in a year which has a performance lower than the interest rate in the country; it would definitely have regressed even if it have a high efficiency and positive technological variations. In this case the corresponding Malmquist Productivity Index is greater than one.

Here "single payment compound" is utilized for calculating the time value of money in two successive years. If one has  $A$  \$ in time  $f$ , corresponding value will be  $A \times (1 + e)^n$  in time  $l$  where  $n = l - f$  and  $e$  is the interest rate in time  $f$  to  $l$ . If  $n > 0$  then  $A_l \times (1 + e)^n = A_f$  and if  $n < 0$  then  $A_l = A_f \times (1 + e)^n$  which means that  $A_l \times (1/(1 + e)^{-n}) = A_f$ . It makes no difference to multiply  $(1 + e)^n$  to  $A_f$  or divide  $A_l$  by  $(1 + e)^n$ . This means those DMUs have inputs and (or) outputs influenced by time value of money should be compared on equal terms with one another. Thus it is necessary to make these changes first and then consider the observations and compare them to the efficient frontiers. As said before in order to make these values equal it is possible to make the changes in either side of the equation. Consider  $f = t$  and  $l = t + 1$ ; in this case  $n = t + 1 - t$ ; thus the value of money will be  $A \times (1 + e)$  in time  $t + 1$ . As in Malmquist Productivity Index times  $t$  and  $t + 1$  are compared with each other thus always  $n = 1$ .

For clarity consider the following example. If one has 12\$ in time  $t$  and 14\$ in time  $t + 1$ , while all the factors, specially time value of money, are the same in these two time periods, thus progress had happened. But, if the value of 12\$ in time  $t$  is equal to the value of 15\$ in time  $t + 1$ , therefore a regress had happened. Thus, it is necessary to consider time value of money for those factors which is impressive while evaluating the progress or the regress of units.

It should be noted that if productivity is calculated in successive months the interest rate has been computed on basis of months.

This procedure will be performed for those factors on which time value of money is impressive.

Therefore, consider a situation in time  $t$  in which from the  $x$  units of inputs, with the interest value of  $e$ ,  $y$  units of outputs have been produced. In this situation, certainly, in time  $t + 1$  with the interest value of  $\acute{e}$  the inputs ( $x$ ) and the outputs ( $y$ ) are not the same as those of in time  $t$ . Thus, considering the time value of money for those factors on which it leaves impression, the results may be different to those acquired without regarding the time value of money. As a result, at first, the interest rate of money is expected to be accounted for them, and efficiency variations and technological variations

should be calculated. For those factors on which interest value is not impressive, such as number of personals and equipment, there is no need to be dealt with like this, and they should be treated similar to the precedent.

Consider the previously-mentioned discussion with the time value of money is being incorporated into the analysis, the following four LPs will be presented for assessing Modified Malmquist Productivity Index.

Under constant returns to scale, the LP for  $D^t(x_i^t, y_i^t)$ , with  $m$  inputs and  $s$  outputs, is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{D}^t(x_i^t, y_i^t) = \min \theta \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_{ij}^t \leq \theta x_{il}^t, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_{rj}^t \geq y_{rl}^t, \quad r = 1, \dots, s, \\ \lambda_j \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Similarly, the other three LP problems become

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{D}^{t+1}(x_i^t, y_i^t) = \min \theta \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_{ij}^{t+1} \leq \theta x_{il}^t, \quad i \in I_1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_{rj}^{t+1} \geq y_{rl}^t, \quad r \in R_1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_{ij}^{t+1} \leq \theta(1+e)^1 x_{il}^t, \quad i \in I_2, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_{rj}^{t+1} \geq (1+e)^1 y_{rl}^t, \quad r \in R_2, \\ \lambda_j \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where  $I_1$  and  $R_1$  show the subsets of inputs and outputs, respectively for which time value of money the nonimpressible and  $I_2$  and  $R_2$  shows the subsets of inputs and outputs, respectively, for which is the time value of money is influential. It also should be mentioned that  $I = \{1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $R = \{1, \dots, s\}$  and  $I = I_1 \cup I_2$ ,  $R = R_1 \cup R_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{D}^{t+1}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}) = \min \theta \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_{ij}^{t+1} \leq \theta x_{il}^{t+1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_{rj}^{t+1} \geq y_{rl}^{t+1}, \quad r = 1, \dots, s, \\ \lambda_j \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{D}^t(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}) = \min \theta \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j x_{ij}^t \leq \theta x_{il}^{t+1}, \quad i \in I_1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_{rj}^t \geq y_{rl}^{t+1}, \quad r \in R_1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j (1+e)^1 x_{ij}^t \leq \theta x_{il}^{t+1}, \quad i \in I_2, \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j (1+e)^1 y_{rj}^t \geq y_{rl}^{t+1}, \quad r \in R_2, \\ \lambda_j \geq 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

In model (7) subsets of inputs and outputs are the same as what has been discussed previously.

It is noteworthy of attention that in models (6) and (8) time value of money is not included. Time value of money does not influence the procedure since two similar periods are being compared with each other and since time value of money is fixed in a period. Moreover, according to the aforesaid formula  $(1+e)^n$ , when  $n$  is equal to zero, one is multiplied to the input and output parameters. But, in models (7) and (9), which are considered in various periods, the time value of money, for the indexes under the influence of it, is calculated by "single payment compound" factor. The Modified Malmquist Productivity Index is calculated like the preceding classic analysis through the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{M}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}, x_i^t, y_i^t) \\ = \frac{\bar{D}^{t+1}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1})}{\bar{D}^t(x_i^t, y_i^t)} \left[ \frac{\bar{D}^t(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}) \bar{D}^t(x_i^t, y_i^t)}{\bar{D}^{t+1}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}) \bar{D}^{t+1}(x_i^t, y_i^t)} \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Considering the aforesaid discussion, in regards of (10) it can be concluded that  $\bar{M}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}, x_i^t, y_i^t) > 1$  indicates productivity gain,  $\bar{M}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}, x_i^t, y_i^t) < 1$  indicates productivity loss, and  $\bar{M}(x_i^{t+1}, y_i^{t+1}, x_i^t, y_i^t) = 1$  means no change in productivity from time  $t$  to time  $t+1$ .

#### 4. Application

In early work in this field, productivity change was explained in terms of technical change, and efficiency change but in this paper according to the mentioned discussion it has been convinced that present time value of money plays an influential role in showing the progress or regress of an entity; thus this factor should also be accounted for.

Here an application of the methodology to the Iranian banks in the period of 2006 to 2009 has been examined. Employing the Malmquist Productivity Index which is calculated based on data envelopment analysis' models,

TABLE 1: Description.

Index	Status
Input	
Asses quality ( $I_1$ )	Nonimpressible
Rate of deposit growth ( $I_2$ )	Nonimpressible
Total possessing ( $I_3$ )	Impressible
Personal costs ( $I_4$ )	Impressible
Interest payment ( $I_5$ )	Impressible
Output	
Profit marginal ( $O_1$ )	Nonimpressible
Rate of revenue growth ( $O_2$ )	Nonimpressible
Received commission ( $O_3$ )	Impressible
Share-holders equity ( $O_4$ )	Impressible
Acquired interest ( $O_5$ )	Impressible
Total revenue ( $O_6$ )	Impressible

productivity measure can be computed. The incorporation of present time value of money is also calculated within the framework of data envelopment analysis as showed in previous section.

Over the last years, the standard structural analysis that has taken place in the productivity measurement has been developed in terms of technical change and efficiency change, but the actuality is that present time value of money should also be incorporated into the analysis. In Table 1 we give a brief explanation about variables. The input-output indexes are listed in Tables 2–5. Also, it is specified as to whether they are under the influence of the time value of money. As you can see, for some indexes like “Asses quality” and “rate of deposit growth” time value of money is not influential and they are indicated as “nonimpressible” and for some other as “total possessing” and “personal costs”, it is observable and it should be considered into the analysis. These indexes are indicated as “impressible.”

According to the presented models and aforesaid discussions, the present time value of money is also incorporated into the analysis within the framework of data envelopment analysis. As shown in previous section, Modified Malmquist Productivity Index has been calculated and the results of these two analysis are gathered in Tables 6–10.

As it was shown in the following tables MMPI model yields different results in comparison to those of MPI. On regards of the interest rate in 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008-2009 it can be found out that on basis of the first wrong picture which shows a progress in some of the banks, all of them in the first period of analysis have made regress. That means that those banks have shown lower performance in contrast to that of classic model. Thus, one of the influential factors which should be incorporated while progress and regress of organizations are being analyzed is to calculate the interest rate and time value of money. It is worthy of attention that in developing countries interest rate has a great amount, and its effect on economics transactions has a significant role. In this application the interest rates of 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008-2009 are 16%, 18.4%, and 12.5%, respectively.

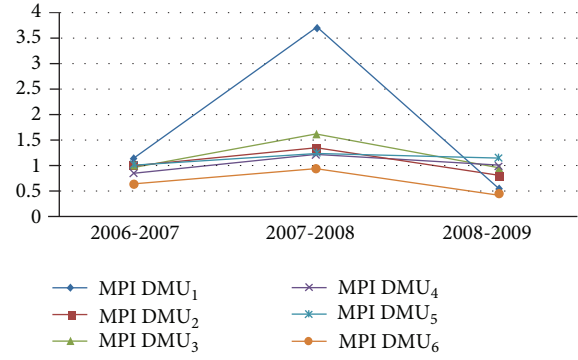


FIGURE 1: Malmquist Productivity Index.

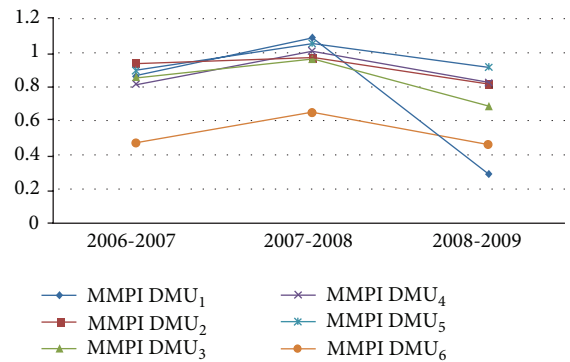


FIGURE 2: Modified Malmquist Productivity Index.

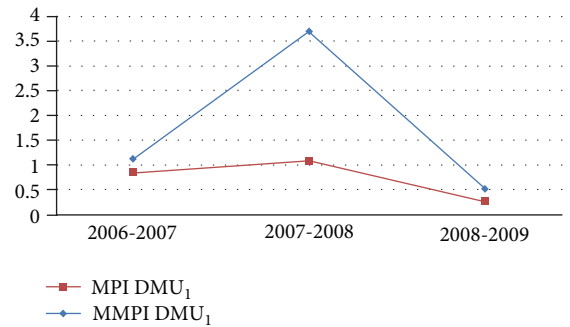


FIGURE 3: Malmquist changes for DMU<sub>1</sub>.

In the second period due to the reduction of interest value and corresponding variations of time value of money, the performance of banks has been improved somehow. But, while the acquired results have being compared to those obtained from classic model, which shows five banks has made progress, in modified analysis only three banks have progressed.

Considering the acquired results from modified analysis in the third period it has been revealed that all banks have regressed. By inclusion of the interest rate in modified model for those banks which are under evaluation, a warning bell rings which shows the weak performance of Iranian banks in successive periods while this factor has been considered.

TABLE 2: Inputs and outputs (2006).

DMUs	$I_1$	$I_2$	$I_3$	$I_4$	$I_5$	$O_1$	$O_2$	$O_3$	$O_4$	$O_5$	$O_6$
1	0.824	0.350	90906777	1546117	3733535	0.021	0.359	474259	2314028	5456846	6242343
2	0.916	0.381	42765690	761666	1531782	0.039	0.381	147729	1227237	2986501	3281831
3	0.848	0.297	61415068	1012123	2713555	0.037	0.364	172220	2192410	4774258	5165554
4	0.914	0.280	31843148	562000	1322229	0.027	0.417	136994	1116026	2109188	2380064
5	0.857	0.419	39809905	612876	1580745	0.028	0.397	188265	1323499	2583767	2862649
6	0.882	0.360	9190113	209150	322760	0.056	0.854	42873	650130	772256	860719

TABLE 3: Inputs and outputs (2007).

DMUs	$I_1$	$I_2$	$I_3$	$I_4$	$I_5$	$O_1$	$O_2$	$O_3$	$O_4$	$O_5$	$O_6$
1	0.845	0.259	106959115	2045491	4746010	0.016	0.272	460303	2292258	6279449	7943232
2	0.912	0.240	52281855	988163	2202181	0.029	0.227	215136	1125702	3568242	4026108
3	0.866	0.240	66852215	1267093	3450791	0.027	0.106	178679	1962481	5209039	5711620
4	0.915	0.273	38858011	719412	1737239	0.030	0.323	181317	1234487	2815229	3148523
5	0.956	0.361	66933174	987139	2039642	0.027	0.328	222179	2262840	3456352	3802313
6	0.887	0.735	13969634	317444	329968	0.060	0.376	76364	998289	1025285	1184574

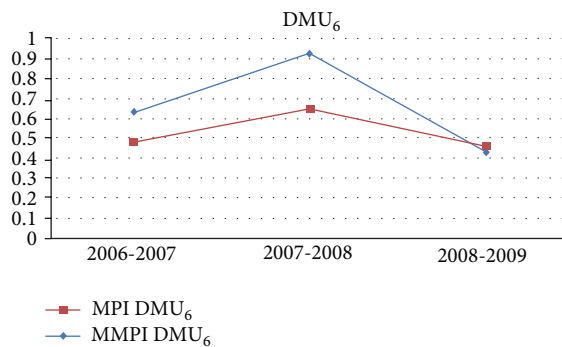


FIGURE 4: Malmquist changes for DMU<sub>6</sub>.

While the increasing interest rate is being incorporated, in the event that the technology has not changed, banks encountered a regress, and this difficulty should be prevented and an immediate action must be taken.

In the following, performance of each bank is being compared to that of itself in different periods. It can also be discussed that if the performance in 2006 is being compared to that of 2009 in the corresponding model  $n$  should be replaced with 3; that means a computation of three periods for interest rate.

As it can be seen in the following figures, variations in classic and Modified Malmquist Productivity Indexes have major differences. In classic analysis, except DMU<sub>1</sub>, other DMUs have similar variations, but in that of modified one variations have various procedures. Variations in classic Malmquist Productivity Index are described in Figure 1.

Also, variations in Modified Malmquist Productivity Index are depicted in Figure 2. In the following, variations in classic and Modified Malmquist Productivity Indexes will be specifically discussed for two DMUs (DMU<sub>1</sub> and DMU<sub>6</sub>).

For the first bank (DMU<sub>1</sub>), variations of Malmquist Productivity Index is as what has been seen in Figure 3. The progress that DMU<sub>1</sub>, in classic models, has made is totally different from that of the modified analysis, and the variance of variations in the modified approach is more rationale. That means, all of the under-assessment banks in years of analysis do not have significant technological variations. Thus, the corresponding Malmquist Index has a more stable procedure. This fact in modified analysis is considerable. Now, consider Figure 4 which shows variations in classic and modified approaches for DMU<sub>6</sub>. Modified Malmquist Productivity Index in the third period has revealed a lower regress in comparison to that of second period. Whereas, in classic analysis it witnessed an intense decrease while being compared to the second period. As a consequence of considering the present time value of money according to the aforesaid discussion it has been shown that regarding the modified analysis has led to different results while Malmquist Productivity Index is being calculated.

### 5. Conclusion

Classic Malmquist Productivity Index, in different periods, without considering the present value of money, shows regress and progress of a DMU while considering efficiency and technology variations. This shortcoming would yield biased results which can affect the correct interpretation since a currency in last year in not equal to the that of this. Noted that performance assessment with inaccurate inputs would lead to biased results of efficiency. This shortcoming would affect Malmquist Productivity Index which is used to compute the progress and regress of entities in successive periods. Thus it is obvious that it would not be fair enough to merely consider efficiency and technological variations. The index developed here has been defined in terms of Modified Malmquist Productivity Index (MMPI) model, which can calculate progress and regress by using the factor of present

TABLE 4: Inputs and outputs (2008).

DMUs	$I_1$	$I_2$	$I_3$	$I_4$	$I_5$	$O_1$	$O_2$	$O_3$	$O_4$	$O_5$	$O_6$
1	0.838	0.268	16281551	2622188	6131088	0.025	0.494	716748	8012504	9522348	11869855
2	0.922	0.498	94278569	1240252	3380231	0.030	0.617	330604	3972909	5549420	6509109
3	0.787	0.406	128550383	1903395	4582403	0.041	0.728	595662	5648607	8656018	9870337
4	0.940	0.327	62867728	990467	2241437	0.034	0.461	328427	2365168	3985100	4600389
5	0.960	0.326	88157665	1258469	2891489	0.026	0.464	384005	2267367	4916408	5567726
6	0.790	0.464	20262710	491521	732181	0.056	0.606	110347	1088278	1691760	1902707

TABLE 5: Inputs and outputs (2009).

DMUs	$I_1$	$I_2$	$I_3$	$I_4$	$I_5$	$O_1$	$O_2$	$O_3$	$O_4$	$O_5$	$O_6$
1	0.872	0.243	215200038	3624698	8301843	0.014	0.319	2189673	6770928	11133284	15660622
2	0.967	0.388	146756030	1688724	4416677	0.037	0.307	470243	4327269	7275909	8507807
3	0.823	0.188	149243454	2223659	5216403	0.035	0.166	756999	5142175	10133005	11504037
4	0.933	0.226	83332310	1124923	3350167	0.026	0.416	501502	2639362	5286830	6512891
5	0.971	0.245	114430158	1516034	3951486	0.024	0.327	701409	2940119	6342139	7387085
6	0.853	0.385	27618519	651419	1256218	0.031	0.221	154685	1136311	2005444	2323583

TABLE 6: Malmquist index comparison of 2007 to 2006.

DMUs	MPI	MPI status	MMPI	MMPI status	Differences
1	1.134	Progress	0.864	Regress	Changed
2	0.988	Regress	0.935	Regress	Equable
3	0.997	Regress	0.855	Regress	Equable
4	0.844	Regress	0.816	Regress	Equable
5	1.025	Progress	0.897	Regress	Changed
6	0.634	Regress	0.480	Regress	Equable

TABLE 7: Malmquist index comparison of 2008 to 2007.

DMUs	MPI	MPI status	MMPI	MPI status	Differences
1	3.704	Progress	1.090	Progress	Equable
2	1.338	Progress	0.967	Regress	Changed
3	1.609	Progress	0.963	Regress	Changed
4	1.199	Progress	1.010	Progress	Equable
5	1.243	Progress	1.056	Progress	Equable
6	0.927	Regress	0.649	Regress	Equable

TABLE 8: Malmquist index comparison in 2009 to 2008.

DMUs	MPI	MPI Status	MMPI	MMPI Status	Differences
1	0.530	Regress	0.289	Regress	Equable
2	0.804	Regress	0.816	Regress	Equable
3	0.944	Regress	0.687	Regress	Equable
4	0.996	Regress	0.828	Regress	Equable
5	1.150	Progress	0.917	Regress	Changed
6	0.430	Regress	0.461	Regress	Equable

TABLE 9: Malmquist Productivity Index.

DMUs	MPI (2006-2007)	MPI (2007-2008)	MPI (2008-2009)
1	1.134	3.704	0.530
2	0.988	1.338	0.804
3	0.997	1.609	0.944
4	0.844	1.199	0.996
5	1.025	1.243	1.150
6	0.634	0.927	0.430

TABLE 10: Modified Malmquist Productivity Index.

DMUs	MMPI (2006-2007)	MMPI (2007-2008)	MMPI (2008-2009)
1	0.864	1.090	0.289
2	0.935	0.967	0.816
3	0.855	0.963	0.687
4	0.816	1.010	0.828
5	0.897	1.056	0.917
6	0.480	0.649	0.461

factors on which the time value of money is impressible are mainly financial ones that are under the influence of the interest rate. Thus while considering Time Value of Money, further investigations of other concepts relevant to DEA can also be considered from this point of view.

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time value of money. It should be noted that the incorporation of present time value of money is also calculated within the framework of data envelopment analysis. In the case study presented here the major concentration is showing the true progress and regress of bank branches. Moreover, those

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