

# Research

Prof. Dr. Sylvia Kaufmann  
Deputy Director  
Study Center Gerzensee,  
Foundation of the Swiss National Bank  
Dorfstrasse 2, 3115 Gerzensee, Switzerland  
sylvia.kaufmann@szgerzensee.ch

June 2025

## Publications in refereed journals

Bayesian (non-)unique sparse factor modeling, *Econometrics and Statistics: Special issue on Bayesian Methods*, 2025, forthcoming, jointly with Markus Pape.

Bayesian dynamic tensor regression, *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics* 41, 2023, 429-439, jointly with Monica Billio, Roberto Casarin and Matteo Iacopini.

Covid-19 outbreak and beyond: A retrospect on the information content of short-time workers for GDP now- and forecasting, *Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics* 159, 2023, Article 2.

Reduced-form factor augmented VAR - Exploiting sparsity to include meaningful factors, *Journal of Applied Econometrics* 36, 2021, 989-1012, jointly with Simon Beyeler.

Bank lending in Switzerland: Driven by business models and exposed to uncertainty, *International Review of Financial Analysis* 78, 2021, Article 101927, jointly with Toni Beutler, Matthias Gubler and Simona Hauri.

Portfolio rebalancing in times of stress, *Journal of International Money and Finance* 113, 2021, Article 102360, jointly with Andreas M. Fischer, Rafael P. Greminger and Christian Grisse.

The cyclical component of labor market polarization and jobless recoveries in the US, *Journal of Monetary Economics* 116, 2020, 334-347, jointly with Paul Gaggli.

Covid-19 outbreak and beyond: The information content of registered short-time workers for GDP now- and forecasting, *Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics* 156, 2020, Article 12, <https://doi.org/10.1186/s41937-020-00053-x>.

Constrained interest rates and changing dynamics at the zero lower bound, *Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics & Econometrics* 24, 2020, Issue 2, jointly with Gregor Bäurle, Daniel Kaufmann and Rodney W. Strachan, Best Paper Award in 2020.

Bayesian estimation of sparse dynamic factor models with order-independent identification, *Journal of Econometrics* 210, 2019, 116-134, jointly with Christian Schumacher.

Identifying relevant and irrelevant variables in sparse factor models, *Journal of Applied*

*Econometrics* 32, 2017, 1123-1144, jointly with Christian Schumacher.

$K$ -state switching models with time-varying transition distributions – Does credit growth signal stronger effects of variables on inflation?, *Journal of Econometrics* 187, 2015, 82-94.

The role of credit aggregates and asset prices in the transmission mechanism: A comparison between the Euro Area and the US, *The Manchester School* 78, 2010, 345-377, jointly with Maria T. Valderrama.

A monetary real-time conditional forecast of euro area inflation, *Journal of Forecasting* 29, 2010, 388-405, jointly with Peter Kugler.

Dating and forecasting turning points by Bayesian clustering with dynamic structure - A suggestion with an application to Austrian data, *Journal of Applied Econometrics* 25, 2010, 309-344.

Financial systems and the cost channel transmission of monetary policy shocks, *Economic Modelling* 26, 2009, 40-46, jointly with Johann Scharler.

Does money matter for inflation in the euro area? *Contemporary Economic Policy* 26, 2008, 590-606, jointly with Peter Kugler.

Structural breaks in Austrian foreign trade with Eastern Europe during the early 1970s, *Empirica* 35, 2008, 465-479, jointly with Jarko Fidrmuc and Andreas Resch.

Bank lending in Germany and the UK: Are there differences between a bank-based and a market-based country? *International Journal of Finance and Economics* 13, 2008, 266-279, jointly with Maria T. Valderrama.

Model-based clustering of multiple time series, *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics* 26(1), 2008, 78-89, jointly with Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter.

A Switching ARCH Model for the German DAX Index, *Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics & Econometrics* 10(4), 2006, Article 3, jointly with Martin Scheicher.

How do changes in monetary policy affect bank lending? An analysis using Austrian bank data, *Journal of Applied Econometrics* 21(3), 2006, 275-305, jointly with Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter.

Do customer information programs reduce household electricity demand? - The Irish program, *Energy Policy* 32(8), 2004, 1025-1032, jointly with Uwe Dulleck.

Bayesian analysis of switching ARCH models, *Journal of Time Series Analysis* 23(4), 2002, 425-458, jointly with Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter.

The Austrian current account: Driven by twin deficits or by intertemporal expenditure allocation?, *Empirical Economics* 27(3), 2002, 529-542, jointly with Johann Scharler and Georg Winckler.

Is there an asymmetric effect of monetary policy over time? A Bayesian analysis using Austrian data, in *Advances in Markov-Switching Models. Applications in Business Cycle Research and Finance*, eds. James D. Hamilton and Baldev Raj, *Empirical Economics* 27(2), 2002, 277-297.

Measuring business cycles with a dynamic Markov switching factor model: An assessment using Bayesian simulation methods, *The Econometrics Journal* 3(2), 2000, 39-65.

Permanent components in Swiss macroeconomic variables, *Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics* 132(4), 1996, 539-562.

## Book contributions, comments

Invited discussion on: Sparse Bayesian Factor Analysis When the Number of Factors Is Unknown, by Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter, Darjus Hosszejni, Hedibert Freitas Lopes, *Bayesian Analysis* 20, 2025, 274-282, jointly with Christian Aßmann and Markus Pape.

Hidden Markov models in time series, with applications in economics, in *Handbook of Mixture Analysis*, Eds. Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter, Gilles Celeux and Christian Robert, CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group, 2019, 309-341.

Editorial introduction on Complexity and big data in economics and finance: Recent developments from a Bayesian perspective, Annals issue in honor of John Geweke, *Journal of Econometrics* 210, 2019, 1-3, jointly with Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter and Herman K. van Dijk.

Book review: The Econometric Analysis of Recurrent Events in Macroeconomics and Finance, Don Harding and Adrian Pagan, Princeton University Press 2016, *Journal of Economics and Statistics* 237, 2017, 453-455.

Comment on: The role of monetary aggregates in the policy analysis of the Swiss National Bank, by Jürgen Wolters and Gebhard Kirchgässner, *Swiss Journal of Economics and Statistics* 146, 2010, 255-267.

The cross-sectional and the time dimension of the bank lending channel: The Austrian case, in: *Monetary Policy Transmission in the Euro Area*, eds. I. Angeloni, A. Kashyap and B. Mojon, Cambridge University Press, December 2003.

Der Transmissionsprozess in kleinen, offenen Volkswirtschaften (Österreich, Schweiz), in: *Transmissionsmechanismen der Geldpolitik*, ed. E. Baltensperger, Schriften des Vereins für Socialpolitik, Neue Folge Band 264, Duncker und Humblot, 1999, jointly with Georg Winckler.

*Permanente Komponenten makroökonomischer Variablen in der Schweiz*, Paul Haupt, 1994.

## Other publications

Währung ist Vertrauenssache, *Schweizer Monat* 1095, April 2022.

Capturing the link between M3 growth and inflation in the euro area - An econometric model to produce conditional inflation forecasts, *Monetary Policy and the Economy*, Q2/07, 2007, Oesterreichische Nationalbank.

Dating turning points for Austria: A suggestion, *Workshop Proceedings* No. 5, 2005, Oesterreichische Nationalbank.

The role of bank lending in market-based and bank-based financial systems, *Monetary Policy and the Economy*, Q2/04, 2004, Oesterreichische Nationalbank, jointly with Maria T. Valderrama.

The monetary transmission mechanism - Its various channels and evidence on the credit channel in Austria, *Focus on Transition* 4, 2001, Oesterreichische Nationalbank.

Asymmetric transmission of monetary policy through bank lending. Evidence from Austrian bank balance sheet data, *Focus on Austria* 3/4, 2001, Oesterreichische Nationalbank, jointly with Sylvia Frühwirth-Schnatter.

Die Entwicklung der österreichischen Leistungsbilanz: Intertemporale Betrachtung, in:

*Zahlungsbilanz: Einst und Jetzt*, eds. C. Burger und H. Handler, Bundesministerium für Wirtschaftliche Angelegenheiten, Sektion Wirtschaftspolitik, 2000, jointly with Johann Scharler and Georg Winckler.

Von der politischen zur wirtschaftlichen Emanzipation der Frau, in: *Der rote Börsenkrach*, Wien, Sonderausgabe Dezember 1999.

## **Working papers (since 2020)**

A geometric approach to factor model identification, *Study Center Gerzensee*, Working Paper No. 24.06R, January 2025, revised version of No. 24.06, November 2024, jointly with Markus Pape.

Bayesian (non-)unique sparse factor modelling, *Study Center Gerzensee*, Working Paper No. 23.04R, October 2024, revised version of No. 23.04, December 2023, jointly with Markus Pape.

Dynamic factor models with common (drifting) stochastic trends, *Study Center Gerzensee*, Working Paper No. 24.02, January 2024, jointly with Rodney W. Strachan.

Covid-19 outbreak and beyond: A retrospect on the information content of registered short-time workers for GDP now- and forecasting, *Study Center Gerzensee*, Working Paper No. 22.02 and 22.02R, February and July 2022.

Portfolio rebalancing in times of stress, *CEPR*, Discussion Paper 15777, February 2021, jointly with Andreas M. Fischer, Rafael P. Greminger and Christian Grisse.

Bank lending in Switzerland: Capturing cross-sectional heterogeneity and asymmetry over time, *Study Center Gerzensee*, Working Paper No. 20.04, August 2020, and *Swiss National Bank*, Working Paper No. 2020-12, July 2020, jointly with Toni Beutler, Matthias Gubler and Simona Hauri.

Covid-19 outbreak and beyond: The information content of registered short-time workers for GDP now- and forecasting, *Study Center Gerzensee*, Working Paper No. 20.03, May 2020.

Bayesian dynamic tensor regression, arXiv:1709.09606v3 [stat.ME], July 2019, jointly with Monica Billio, Roberto Casarin and Matteo Iacopini.