

# Measures of distance used for the comparison of estimated and true vectors of changes

(online appendix to “Structural decomposition analysis with disaggregate factors within the Leontief inverse”)

Measure	Abbreviation	Formula	Reference
Mean absolute difference	MAD	$\frac{1}{I \times J} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} $	Lahr (2001)
Mean absolute percentage error	MAPE	$\frac{1}{I \times J} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I \frac{ x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} }{ x_{ij}^{true} } \times 100$	Temurshoev et al. (2011)
Mean absolute scaled error	MASE	$\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I \frac{ x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} }{\frac{1}{I \times J} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{true} - \bar{x}^{true} }$	Valderas-Jaramillo et al. (2019)
Mean squared deviation	MSD	$\frac{1}{I \times J} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true})^2$	Steen-Olsen et al. (2016)
Root mean squared error	RMSE	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{I \times J} \left( \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true})^2 \right)}$	Lahr (2001)
Standardized weighted absolute difference	SWAD	$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{true}  \times  x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} }{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{true})^2} \times 100$	Lahr (2001)
Symmetric absolute mean percentage error	SWAPE	$\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I \left( \frac{ x_{ij}^{true} }{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{true} } \right) \frac{ x_{ij}^{est} + x_{ij}^{true} }{ x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} } \times 100$	Valderas-Jaramillo et al. (2019)
Theil's U statistic (square root of Theil's U index of inequality)	Theil	$\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true})^2}{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{true})^2}} \times 100$	Lahr (2001)
Weighted absolute difference	WAD	$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{est} + x_{ij}^{true}) \times  x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} }{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{est} + x_{ij}^{true})}$	Lahr (2001)
Weighted average percentage error	WAPE	$\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I \left( \frac{ x_{ij}^{true} }{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{true} } \right) \frac{ x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} }{ x_{ij}^{true} } \times 100$	Temurshoev et al. (2011)
Weighted absolute scaled error	WASE	$\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I \left( \frac{ x_{ij}^{true} }{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{true} } \right) \frac{ x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true} }{\frac{1}{I \times J} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I  x_{ij}^{true} - \bar{x}^{true} }$	Valderas-Jaramillo et al. (2019)
Weighted average square percentage error	WASPE	$\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I \left( \frac{(x_{ij}^{true})^2}{\sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ij}^{true})^2} \right) \frac{(x_{ij}^{est} - x_{ij}^{true})^2}{(x_{ij}^{true})^2} \times 100$	Rueda-Cantuche et al. (2018)

Note:  $x_{ij}^{est}$  is the  $i, j$ -th element in the estimated matrix and  $x_{ij}^{true}$  is the respective element in the true matrix.  $I$  and  $J$  are the matrix dimensions.

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