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Should Local Projections be Estimated in Levels or Differences? A Monte Carlo Study
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Within local projection models, there has been much discussion about whether the levels or differences specification should be used. We use a simulation based study to show that the differences specification outperforms the levels specification when you have an externally identified shock.

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We study the impact of monetary and fiscal policy on the unemployment rate during the Great Recession. Using a VAR model, we find that the combined effect of monetary and fiscal policy prevented the economy from falling into a second Great Depression.

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