

Top Down Stress Testing for Bank Financial Statements: A Case Study

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Executive Summary

This note shows through a case study how Risk Control's *Stress Controller*TM software may be used to implement top down stress testing of a bank. The calculations are based on the publicly available financial statement and Pillar 3 disclosures of a large UK bank.

We show how the balance sheet, P&L and key financial ratios are affected by scenarios involving recessions in America, Europe and the UK. A set of equations is constructed to describe the evolution of the bank's financial statements.

Changes in the credit quality of the bank's loan book and fluctuations in the value of mark-tomarket exposures affect asset values and income through provisions and mark-to-market asset write-offs. For a base case and for each of the stress scenarios, predictions are supplied for the bank's key variables.

The results show how the bank's impairment provisions rise, and capital, asset growth, returns on equity and profitability are depressed by the different recession scenarios. A UK-based recession has a larger impact than the other recession scenarios but shows a more rapid recovery.

Note that the framework used here may be used either with coarse, public data to perform top down stress testing or with highly granular internal bank data for bottom-up stress testing purposes. The financial statement modeling is highly flexible since equations may be written first in Excel, converted into scripts and then imported into the software for use at run-time to perform calculations.

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Introduction

This note presents the results of an illustrative set of forecasts for the balance sheet of a major bank conditional on several macroeconomic scenarios.

The calculations are performed using Risk Control's software *Stress Controller*TM. This software permits the user to formulate a macroeconomic scenario and then to forecast conditional time paths for a wider set of macroeconomic variables for different geographical regions. The impact of the macroeconomic variable time paths on a bank's portfolio may then be calculated and estimates of provisions may be fed into a model of the bank's financial statements.

As an example bank, we have chosen Barclays Group PLC (hereafter referred to as the bank). The calculations presented here are based entirely on publicly disclosed data and have not been sanctioned or endorsed in any way by the bank. This bank has been selected as the example used in our case study because of its importance as a major UK bank with a strong international presence.

Using publicly available information from the bank's annual report and Pillar 3 risk disclosures, we have:

- 1. Prepared appropriate historical macro data for the geographical regions within which the bank operates (i.e. Europe, UK, the Americas, Africa and the Middle East and Asia),
- 2. Extracted information from the bank's annual report on its historical financial statements,
- 3. Generateda set of user-defined financial statements modeling equations.
- 4. Performed stressed financial forecasting calculations under different scenarios.

The scenarios we analyze are a base case and three stress scenarios. The three stress scenarios consist of 3-year recessions in (i) Europe, (ii) UK and (iii) the Americas respectively. In each case, the recession is specified to be negative shocks to real GDP of 2% and 1% in the first 2 quarters and of 0.5% in the subsequent 10 quarters.

The results are intuitive and convincing with capital ratios and indicators of profitability in the stress scenario cases following paths markedly below the baseline paths and with impairment provisions boosted and loan and deposit growth depressed compared to the base case.

Two important advantages of the software are as follows. First, the calculations presented here illustrate how one may use *Stress Controller*TM to analyze bank financial statements and the vulnerability a bank exhibits with respect to macroeconomic shocks of different types even with relatively simple public data. *Stress Controller*TM may also be used with complex and elaborate bank exposure data (for example, with tens or hundreds of thousands of underlying individual or semi-aggregated exposures) to perform bottom up stress analyses.

Second, the financial statement model employed consists of a set of equations linking balance sheet and P&L quantities (i) to macroeconomic variables, (ii) to provisions and mark-to-market write-offs based on exposures representing the bank's assets, (iii) to user supplied parameters and variables (for example, capital injections and dividend payout rates). These equations may be created by the user of *Stress Controller*TM and then imported as part of the data employed. At runtime, the software uses them to perform calculations. This approach ensures maximum flexibility.

1. Generating Consistent Macroeconomic Scenarios

In devising stress tests, one must first accomplish the (often challenging) task of generating consistent time paths for multiple macroeconomic variables. For example, one may wish to consider the impact of a recession in the US affecting say US GDP. However, this raises the issue of what is the impact on European or Asian GDP and also what happens to interest rates, exchange rates, inflation and commodity prices?

Risk Control's *Stress Controller*TM software contains an embedded macroeconomic model in which one may specify a series of shocks to a particular variable and calculate conditional forecasts of this and other variables into the future. The macroeconomic model employed is a statistical model commonly referred to as a Global Vector Autoregressive or GVAR model. Such models have been extensively used by academics and practitioners in economic forecasting units in central banks and other bodies to forecast macro time series.

It is important to allow for contagion between regions in the propagation of macroeconomic scenarios.GVAR models suppose that for each geographical region there exists a vector of macroeconomic variables which evolve linearly over time as non-stationary but cointegrated time series. The variables in each region are affected by their own lagged values and by weighted sums of variables from other regions.

The GVAR model included in *Stress Controller*TM is highly flexible in that one may readily change the countries and regions. In the exercise reported in this note, we adopt a set of regions consistent with the bank's approach to categorizing its loan exposures. Specifically, we suppose that the regions comprise: (a) UK, (b) Europe (excluding the UK), (c) the Americas (comprising South, Central and North American countries), (d) the Middle East and Africa, and (e) Asia.

To set up scenarios within *Stress ControllerTM*, one operates through the web-based interface. Scenarios are stored within an underlying relational database and repeated calculations may be performed for a given scenario after amendments are made to the scenario itself or after the underlying data has been updated. Figure 1 shows the list of scenarios within the *Stress ControllerTM* web-based interface.

Figure 2 shows a screen shot during the editing of a scenario. Scenarios consist of sequences of period-by-period shocks to macroeconomic variables. Non-interest-rate macro time series are stored in log form. Hence, a shock of negative one unit in a given quarter to a scenario variable such as GDP corresponds to a minus 1% innovation.

*Stress Controller*TM produces time paths of macroeconomic variables such as those shown in Figure 3. These time series are the mean values of the variables in question conditional on the assumed shocks to the scenario variables.

Note that, as an alternative to generating macroeconomic scenarios within *Stress Controller*TM one may import a scenario in the form of a set of time series for different macroeconomic variables. Hence, one may work with scenarios generated by regulators or a bank

economicsdepartment, importing the scenario time series into the application and then performing additional calculations with them.

Figure 1: The *Stress Controller*TM Web Application

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Figure 2: Editing Scenarios - Shocks to GDP

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Macro Overnides	Americas	Debt to GDP Ratio	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Parameters	AfricaAndMiddleEast	Equity Index	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Provision Overrides	Asia	3-month Treasury-Bill Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Figure 3: Results on GDP time paths for different regions



2. The Bank's Loan Portfolio

Loan Data

This section presents a description of the bank's loan books based on its Pillar 3 disclosures as recorded in its annual report. The bank provides information on the breakdown of its loan book by region, sector, credit quality, and asset class. Table 1 shows the matrix of sector and region loan volumes. These figures are taken directly from the bank's 2011report except for small changes. (For example, the division between wholesale to customer and wholesale to bank for the Government and central bank category is based on other data disclosed by the bank.)

Table 2 shows the distribution by credit quality. The figures here reflect our assumption that the breakdown by credit quality of Wholesale to bank, Wholesale to customer and Other retail are the same.

Table 3 contains information about the probability of default (PD) for different asset classes and credit quality groups. These figures are chosen to be representative numbers within PD ranges provided for each category by the bank. The bank provides information on both PDs and loss rates. Using these, we infer the recovery rates specified in the right hand column.

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					Middle		
Industrial sectors	credit class	UK	Europe	Americas	East	Asia	Total
Banks	Wholesale to bank	9,251	13,503	13,349	2,956	5,648	44,707
Other financial institutionsa	Wholesale to customer	18,474	20,059	44,965	2,264	3,888	89,650
Manufacturing	Wholesale to customer	6,185	3,341	1,396	1,439	543	12,904
Construction	Wholesale to customer	3,391	771	32	348	65	4,607
Property	Wholesale to customer	16,230	3,193	869	3,600	212	24,104
Government and central bank	Wholesale to customer	341	2,326	627	2,123	713	6,129
Government and central bank	Wholesale to bank	152	1,039	280	949	318	2,739
Energy and water	Wholesale to customer	1,599	2,448	2,165	818	384	7,414
Wholesale and retail distribution and leisure	Wholesale to customer	10,308	3,008	656	2,073	161	16,206
Business and other services	Wholesale to customer	16,473	4,981	1,584	2,907	355	26,300
Home loans	Home loans	112,260	38,508	566	19,437	501	171,272
Cards, unsecured loans and other personal lending	Cards	27,409	6,417	9,293	6,158	785	50,062
Other wholesale	Wholesale to customer	3,181	2,112	499	2,841	223	8,856
Other retail	Other retail	5,182	3,442	813	4,630	363	14,430
		230,436	105,148	77,094	52,543	14,159	479,380

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Source: the table 'Loans by region and sector' on page 93 of the bank's Annual Report 2011.

Table 2:	Distribution	of credit	quality	of L&A
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Asset classes	Performing strong	Performing satisfactory	Performing higher risk	Past due not impaired	Impaired collectively	Impaired individually	Total
Wholesale to bank	0.6516	0.2490	0.0193	0.0382	0.0033	0.0386	1
Wholesale to customer	0.6516	0.2490	0.0193	0.0382	0.0033	0.0386	1
Home loans	0.7786	0.1502	0.0063	0.0007	0.0620	0.0022	1
Cards	0.2061	0.6575	0.0150	0.0050	0.1062	0.0102	1
Other retail	0.6516	0.2490	0.0193	0.0382	0.0033	0.0386	1

Source: the table 'Credit quality of L&A' on page 104 of the bank's Annual Report 2011.

		PD (%)							
Asset classes	Performing strong	Performing satisfactory	Performing higher risk	Past due not impaired	Impaired collectively	Impaired individually	recovery ratio		
Wholesale to bank	0.01	0.02	0.03	15	20	20	0.99		
Wholesale to customer	0.01	0.6	11	15	20	20	0.6		
Home loans	0.3	2	10	15	20	20	0.7		
Cards	0.6	5	12	15	20	20	0.5		
Other retail	0.4	2	10	15	20	20	0.55		

Table 3: Calibrated PD for different asset class and credit quality groups

Source: the table 'Internal measures of credit quality' on page 105 of the bank's Annual Report 2011.

		calibrated						
		weighted to						
	amount weight	average LGD	target loss	rate from	total loss rate			
Asset classes	of each class	(bps)	rate (bps)	report (bps)	(bps)			
Wholesale to bank	0.099	1.423	1.265	79.060	84.045			
Wholesale to customer	0.409	71.176	69.430					
Home loans	0.357	56.750	50.000					
Cards	0.104	299.733	300.000					
Other retail	0.030	106.326	102.730					

Table 4: Target and calibrated loss rates

In Table 4, we confirm that the calibrated loss rates approximately match the reported loss rates quoted by the bank. To achieve this we adjust the PD and recovery rates in Table 3 to ensure that, for each asset class, the loss given default rate from our model (displayed in second column of Table 4) matches the target loss rate disclosed by the bank (displayed in the third column of Table 4).

Loan Modeling and Sensitivities

One may model loans within *Stress ControllerTM* either as individual rated exposures or as diversified pool exposures with a default rate that evolves over time. For public data analysis such as the exercise reported in this paper, we use diversified pool exposures.

In separate publications, we have shown how to derive simple but rigorous models of the dynamic behavior of loss rates on pools of homogeneous loans. These may be modeled unconditionally or conditional on macroeconomic variables. In the latter case, the default rate evolves as an auto-correlated time series driven by shocks to macro variables like GDP, interest rates or unemployment.

The sensitivities we employ in this case study are sector-specificand asset-class-specific and draw on the estimates we have obtained in a series of past studies of the macroeconomic impact on loan books using data from different banks and a range of public data sources.

3. Modeling Financial Statements

The Bank's Financial Statements

In Figures 4 and 5, the historical consolidated summary financial statements of the bank are presented for the past 5 years. These historical financial statements are imported into *Stress Controller*TM and serve as the starting point for forecasts of future financial statements conditional on macroeconomic scenarios.¹

	Figure 4:	Historical	B/S	from	the	Bank'	s A	Annual	Rep	ort
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As at 31 December	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m	2008 £m	2007 £m
Assets					
Cash, balances at central banks and items in the course of collection	108,706	99.014	83,076	31,714	7,637
Trading portfolio assets	152,183	168.867	151,344	185,637	193,691
Financial assets designated at fair value	36,949	41,485	42,568	121,199	147,480
Derivative financial instruments	538,964	420,319	416,815	984,802	248,088
Available for sale financial investments	68,491	65,110	56,483	64,976	43,072
Loans and advances to banks	47,446	37,799	41,135	47,707	40,120
Loans and advances to customers	431,934	427,942	420,224	461,815	345,398
Reverse repurchase agreements and other similar secured lending	153,665	205,772	143,431	130,354	183,075
Other assets	25,189	23,337	23,853	24,776	18,800
Total assets	1,563,527	1,489,645	1,378,929	2,052,980	1,227,361
Liabilities					
Deposits and items in the course of collection due to banks	92,085	79,296	77,912	116,545	92,338
Customer accounts	366,032	345,788	322,429	335,505	294,987
Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing	207,292	225,534	198,781	182,285	169,429
Trading portfolio liabilities	45,887	72,693	51,252	59,474	65,402
Financial liabilities designated at fair value	87,997	97,729	87,881	146,075	167,128
Derivative financial instruments	527,910	405,516	403,416	968,072	248,288
Debt securities in issue	129,736	156,623	135,902	149,567	120,228
Subordinated liabilities	24,870	28,499	25,816	29,842	18,150
Other liabilities	16,522	15,705	17,062	18,204	18,935
Total liabilities	1,498,331	1,427,383	1,320,451	2,005,569	1,194,885
Shareholders' equity					
Shareholders' equity excluding non-controlling interests	55,589	50,858	47,277	36,618	23,291
Non-controlling interests	9,607	11,404	11,201	10,793	9,185
Total shareholders' equity	65,196	62,262	58,478	47,411	32,476
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	1,563,527	1,489,645	1,378,929	2,052,980	1,227,361

Figure 5: Historical I/S from the Bank's Annual Report

For the year ended 31 December	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Continuing operations					
Net interest income	12,201	12,523	11,918	11,469	9,598
Non-interest income net of claims and benefits on insurance contracts	20,091	18,917	17,205	9,730	11,446
Total income net of insurance claims	32,292	31,440	29,123	21,199	21,044
Credit impairment charges and other provisions	(3,802)	(5,672)	(8,071)	(5,419)	(2,795)
Impairment of investment in BlackRock, Inc.	(1,800)	_	-	-	-
Operating expenses	(20,777)	(19,971)	(16,715)	(13,391)	(12,096)
Other	(34)	268	248	2,747	70
Profit before tax	5,879	6,065	4,585	5,136	6,223
Taxation	(1,928)	(1,516)	(1,074)	(453)	(1,699)
Profit after tax from continuing operations	3,951	4,549	3,511	4,683	4,524
Profit for the year from discontinued operations, including gain on disposal	-	—	6,777	604	571
Profit after tax	3,951	4,549	10,288	5,287	5,095
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Parent	3,007	3,564	9,393	4,382	4,417
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	944	985	895	905	678
	3,951	4.549	10.288	5.287	5.095

¹The calculations are performed on a quarterly basis so the data is imported after converting the annual reports into quarterly data.

Modeling the Bank's Balance Sheet

Detailed description of the equations used in modeling the bank's balance sheet and P&L are provided in the Appendix. Key assumptions of the modeling approach are as follows.

- 1. We view the bank's financial statement as balance-sheet driven. Both sides of the balance sheet are assumed to be directly affected by the macro-economy. The asset side is also affected through the impact of macro shocks on provisions and changes in mark-to-market values.
- 2. Loans and deposits are assumed to be linked to (a) GDP growth in the relevant region, and (b) its own historical trend. The relative importance of (a) and (b) and the sensitivity to macro shocks vary for different loans and deposits. The approach employed in this case study could easily be generalized to include interest rates or other macroeconomic variables such as unemployment rates but we have preferred in this exercise to keep the analysis as simple as possible.
- 3. Marked-to-market assets and liabilities are assumed to be sensitive to relevant macro indicators, in particular to GDP or national equity indices.
- 4. Items such as 'Cash' and 'Others Assets/Liabilities/Expenses' are modeled as moving averages of the previous balances.
- 5. All Balance Sheet items, except 'Cash' and 'Other Assets/Liabilities', have been modeled taking into account inflation.
- 6. Income is modeled based on the forecasted balance-sheet. Both interest and non-interest income are modeled as being affected by the combined changes in loan-type assets and non-loan type assets, but with different weights on different types of assets (e.g. weight of loan-type assets on interest income is 0.8 but on non-interest income is 0.2) and the weights are user-defined parameters. For interest income, the impact from changes of forecasted interest rates is modeled
- The credit impairment charge is calculated as the expected losses of loans and advances to retail and wholesale customers, taking into account the lagged impact of macroeconomic variables on provisions. (Recall that loans are modeled as diversified pool exposures.)
- 8. We view the operating expenses of the bank as controlled by the management rather than reacting passively to changes in the size of the bank's balance-sheet. We therefore allow the user to input the forecasted rate of change of operating expenses.
- 9. To balance the balance sheet at the end of each forecasting, we adjust the gap between forecast 'Total Assets' and 'Total Liabilities and Shareholder Equities', allowing this gap to be absorbed by multiple items employing user-defined weights. The items adjusted to balance assets and liabilities are referred to as the B/S 'balancing items'.

10. We model shareholders' equity changes as influenced by: (i) retained earnings from the forecast Income Statements, (ii) dividend payouts based on user defined 'dividend payout ratios' and (iii) reserve and employee share scheme changes which are also user-defined.

The equations for the financial statements analysis are treated in *Stress Controller*TM as part of the data of the model. They are imported from a 'feeder' Excel workbook. A screenshot of the equations stored in such a workbook is provided in Figure 6.

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Figure 6: Screen shot of Balance Sheet Equations in an Excel workbook.

To take an example, the item 'Trading portfolio assets' is modeled as:

BS_TradingAssets[period_count+1]=(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToGDP[0]*Custom Methods.Average(Europe_GDP_current[0]/Europe_GDP_previous[0]-1,

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Figure 7:ForecastedGDPyear-on-year growth under 4 scenarios











Europe Recession



Americas Recession

Note: In Figure 1 we plot out, in each scenario, the historical year-on-year GDP growth for the past 8 quarters and the forecasted year-on-year GDP growth for the future 12 quarters.

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Before the above equation is executed, all the variables employed in the equation must be declared by importing a user workbook containing the definition of each variable. Further details of how the equations are specified and used within *Stress ControllerTM* are provided in the Appendix.

4. Results

Using the approach described above, we performed an analysis of the impact of several stress scenarios on the bank's financial statements and key risk indicators. We present below results for (i) a base case (i.e., an unconditional forecast), (ii) a European recession, (iii) a UK recession, and (iv) a recession in America.

Figure 7 shows the time paths of real GDP 1-year growth rates for the UK, Europe and America. The time paths are shown for the base case and the three stress cases described above. We display quarterly data up to the end of 2011 followed by projections quarter by quarter until the end of 2014. Note that we start the forecast calculations in Q1 2012 because the financial statement data available is for the end of 2011.

The recession scenarios assume a sequence of shocks to real GDP in the geographical region in question. In all cases, the shocks are -2% in Q1, -1% in Q2 and -0.5% in Q3, Q4,..., Q12. These shocks sum to a cumulative negative shocks of 8% over 3 years.

As one might expect, the impact of a recession is greatest for the region itself. However, recessions in each region have serious implications for outcomes in other regions. Note that the fact that American and European GDP growth rates are affected by a UK recession does not imply a direct causal relationship. Instead, the implication is that when a recession occurs in the UK, on average one would expect recessions of the magnitude shown in the other regions.



Figure 8: Forecasted credit impairment provisions under 4 scenarios (£m)

Note: based on the credit risk modeling of a static credit portfolio, we have also taken into account (a) the variation of the loans over the forecasted period and (b) the lag effect of GDP shock to the provision of credit loans.



Figure 9: Key Performance Indicators under 4 scenarios

Note: We plot out the KPI measure for the previous 5 years and future 12 forecasted quarters.

Base Case	2010	2011	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12
Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets	794,795	905,293	901,894	907,980	914,382	920,548	926,410	932,096	937,563	942,768	947,664	953,655	959,594	965,447
Total Loans	465,741	479,380	482,535	485,911	489,488	493,243	497,160	501,214	505,381	509,642	513,982	518,383	522,833	527,321
Other Assets	229,109	178,854	202,718	204,878	205,730	204,747	201,700	199,846	199,333	200,332	203,031	203,075	202,852	202,494
Total Assets	1,489,645	1,563,527	1,587,148	1,598,769	1,609,600	1,618,538	1,625,270	1,633,155	1,642,277	1,652,742	1,664,677	1,675,113	1,685,279	1,695,261
Deposits	425,084	458,117	451,050	454,604	458,673	462,526	465,923	469,050	471,938	474,577	476,931	480,471	483,984	487,406
Mark-to-Market Liabilities	801,472	869,086	881,228	886,616	891,438	895,583	898,938	902,792	907,190	912,187	917,848	922,650	927,345	932,000
Other Liabilities	200,827	171,128	187,936	188,869	189,042	188,185	186,340	185,382	185,318	186,215	188,173	188,283	188,242	188,137
Total Liabilities	1,427,383	1,498,331	1,520,214	1,530,088	1,539,152	1,546,295	1,551,201	1,557,223	1,564,446	1,572,978	1,582,951	1,591,404	1,599,572	1,607,544
Total Equity	62,262	65,196	66,934	68,681	70,448	72,243	74,069	75,932	77,831	79,764	81,726	83,709	85,707	87,717
Total Liabilities and Equity	1,489,645	1,563,527	1,587,148	1,598,769	1,609,600	1,618,538	1,625,270	1,633,155	1,642,277	1,652,742	1,664,677	1,675,113	1,685,279	1,695,261
UK Recession	2010	2011	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets	2010 794,795	2011 905,293	Q1 898,512	Q2 902,084	Q3 906,901	Q4 911,864	Q5 916,580	Q6 921,152	Q7 925,517	Q8 929,620	Q9 933,405	Q10 938,179	Q11 942,911	Q12 947,562
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans	2010 794,795 465,741	2011 905,293 479,380	Q1 898,512 478,178	Q2 902,084 479,167	Q3 906,901 481,288	Q4 911,864 483,448	Q5 916,580 485,659	Q6 921,152 488,054	Q7 925,517 490,682	Q8 929,620 493,538	Q9 933,405 496,603	Q10 938,179 499,855	Q11 942,911 503,266	Q12 947,562 506,704
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans Other Assets	2010 794,795 465,741 229,109	2011 905,293 479,380 178,854	Q1 898,512 478,178 202,855	Q2 902,084 479,167 204,917	Q3 906,901 481,288 205,643	Q4 911,864 483,448 204,648	Q5 916,580 485,659 201,586	Q6 921,152 488,054 199,713	Q7 925,517 490,682 199,180	Q8 929,620 493,538 200,153	Q9 933,405 496,603 202,824	Q10 938,179 499,855 202,820	Q11 942,911 503,266 202,557	Q12 947,562 506,704 202,171
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans Other Assets Total Assets	2010 794,795 465,741 229,109 1,489,645	2011 905,293 479,380 178,854 1,563,527	Q1 898,512 478,178 202,855 1,579,545	Q2 902,084 479,167 204,917 1,586,169	Q3 906,901 481,288 205,643 1,593,832	Q4 911,864 483,448 204,648 1,599,959	Q5 916,580 485,659 201,586 1,603,825	Q6 921,152 488,054 199,713 1,608,919	Q7 925,517 490,682 199,180 1,615,379	Q8 929,620 493,538 200,153 1,623,311	Q9 933,405 496,603 202,824 1,632,832	Q10 938,179 499,855 202,820 1,640,855	Q11 942,911 503,266 202,557 1,648,734	Q12 947,562 506,704 202,171 1,656,437
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans Other Assets Total Assets Deposits	2010 794,795 465,741 229,109 1,489,645 425,084	2011 905,293 479,380 178,854 1,563,527 458,117	Q1 898,512 478,178 202,855 1,579,545 448,628	Q2 902,084 479,167 204,917 1,586,169 449,990	Q3 906,901 481,288 205,643 1,593,832 452,585	Q4 911,864 483,448 204,648 1,599,959 455,418	Q5 916,580 485,659 201,586 1,603,825 457,882	Q6 921,152 488,054 199,713 1,608,919 460,149	Q7 925,517 490,682 199,180 1,615,379 462,259	Q8 929,620 493,538 200,153 1,623,311 464,191	Q9 933,405 496,603 202,824 1,632,832 465,905	Q10 938,179 499,855 202,820 1,640,855 468,731	Q11 942,911 503,266 202,557 1,648,734 471,567	Q12 947,562 506,704 202,171 1,656,437 474,287
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans Other Assets Total Assets Deposits Mark-to-Market Liabilities	2010 794,795 465,741 229,109 1,489,645 425,084 801,472	2011 905,293 479,380 178,854 1,563,527 458,117 869,086	Q1 898,512 478,178 202,855 1,579,545 448,628 876,543	Q2 902,084 479,167 204,917 1,586,169 449,990 879,859	Q3 906,901 481,288 205,643 1,593,832 452,585 883,662	Q4 911,864 483,448 204,648 1,599,959 455,418 886,773	Q5 916,580 485,659 201,586 1,603,825 457,882 889,134	Q6 921,152 488,054 199,713 1,608,919 460,149 892,013	Q7 925,517 490,682 199,180 1,615,379 462,259 895,438	Q8 929,620 493,538 200,153 1,623,311 464,191 899,453	Q9 933,405 496,603 202,824 1,632,832 465,905 904,114	Q10 938,179 499,855 202,820 1,640,855 468,731 907,946	Q11 942,911 503,266 202,557 1,648,734 471,567 911,634	Q12 947,562 506,704 202,171 1,656,437 474,287 915,252
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans Other Assets Total Assets Deposits Mark-to-Market Liabilities Other Liabilities	2010 794,795 465,741 229,109 1,489,645 425,084 801,472 200,827	2011 905,293 479,380 178,854 1,563,527 458,117 869,086 171,128	Q1 898,512 478,178 202,855 1,579,545 448,628 876,543 187,605	Q2 902,084 479,167 204,917 1,586,169 449,990 879,859 188,188	Q3 906,901 481,288 205,643 1,593,832 452,585 883,662 188,294	Q4 911,864 483,448 204,648 1,599,959 455,418 886,773 187,510	Q5 916,580 485,659 201,586 1,603,825 457,882 889,134 185,637	Q6 921,152 488,054 199,713 1,608,919 460,149 892,013 184,621	Q7 925,517 490,682 199,180 1,615,379 462,259 895,438 184,492	Q8 929,620 493,538 200,153 1,623,311 464,191 899,453 185,315	Q9 933,405 496,603 202,824 1,632,832 465,905 904,114 187,192	Q10 938,179 499,855 202,820 1,640,855 468,731 907,946 187,187	Q11 942,911 503,266 202,557 1,648,734 471,567 911,634 187,089	Q12 947,562 506,704 202,171 1,656,437 474,287 915,252 186,939
UK Recession Cash and Mark-to-Market Assets Total Loans Other Assets Total Assets Deposits Mark-to-Market Liabilities Other Liabilities Total Liabilities	2010 794,795 465,741 229,109 1,489,645 425,084 801,472 200,827 1,427,383	2011 905,293 479,380 178,854 1,563,527 458,117 869,086 171,128 1,498,331	Q1 898,512 478,178 202,855 1,579,545 448,628 876,543 187,605 1,512,776	Q2 902,084 479,167 204,917 1,586,169 449,990 879,859 188,188 1,518,036	Q3 906,901 481,288 205,643 1,593,832 452,585 883,662 188,294 1,524,541	Q4 911,864 483,448 204,648 1,599,959 455,418 886,773 187,510 1,529,701	Q5 916,580 485,659 201,586 1,603,825 457,882 889,134 185,637 1,532,654	Q6 921,152 488,054 199,713 1,608,919 460,149 892,013 184,621 1,536,783	Q7 925,517 490,682 199,180 1,615,379 462,259 895,438 184,492 1,542,189	Q8 929,620 493,538 200,153 1,623,311 464,191 899,453 185,315 1,548,960	Q9 933,405 496,603 202,824 1,632,832 465,905 904,114 187,192 1,557,210	Q10 938,179 499,855 202,820 1,640,855 468,731 907,946 187,187 1,563,864	Q11 942,911 503,266 202,557 1,648,734 471,567 911,634 187,089 1,570,291	Q12 947,562 506,704 202,171 1,656,437 474,287 915,252 186,939 1,576,478
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Table 5: Extracted items from forecasted quarterly balance sheet $(\pounds m)$

Table 6: Extracted items from forecasted quarterly income statements (£m)

	2010	2011												
Base Case	annual	annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12
Total Income	31,440	32,292	8,126	8,181	8,238	8,297	8,357	8,419	8,481	8,544	8,607	8,671	8,735	8,799
Credit Impairment Charge	-5,672	-3,802	-1,003	-988	-962	-923	-883	-843	-804	-770	-741	-719	-704	-695
Total Expenses	-19,703	-22,611	-5,217	-5,274	-5,332	-5,392	-5,453	-5,505	-5,558	-5,612	-5,665	-5,724	-5,783	-5,841
Profit before Tax	6,065	5,879	1,906	1,919	1,944	1,982	2,022	2,071	2,118	2,162	2,201	2,228	2,249	2,263
Profit after Tax	4,549	3,951	1,525	1,535	1,555	1,586	1,617	1,656	1,695	1,730	1,761	1,783	1,799	1,810

	2010	2011												
UK Recession	annual	annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12
Total Income	31,440	32,292	8,064	8,088	8,131	8,176	8,224	8,274	8,325	8,377	8,430	8,483	8,537	8 <i>,</i> 590
Credit Impairment Charge	-5,672	-3,802	-1,157	-1,399	-1,652	-1,892	-1,948	-1,877	-1,759	-1,617	-1,472	-1,338	-1,223	-1,133
Total Expenses	-19,703	-22,611	-5,217	-5,274	-5,332	-5,392	-5,453	-5,505	-5,558	-5,612	-5,665	-5,724	-5 <i>,</i> 783	-5,841
Profit before Tax	6,065	5,879	1,690	1,415	1,147	893	824	892	1,008	1,149	1,293	1,421	1,531	1,615
Profit after Tax	4,549	3,951	1,352	1,132	917	714	659	714	807	919	1,034	1,137	1,225	1,292

Figure 8 shows the path of credit impairment provisions under the four scenarios considered. The impairments are driven by the impact of GDP shocks on the expected losses of the diversified pool exposures included in the software to describe the bank's loan book. These are broken down by sector, credit quality and geographical region.

As one may observe from Figure 8, impairment provisions are slightly downward sloping in the base case but rise significantly in the three recession scenarios, showing particular ly striking growth in the UK recession scenario. In this latter scenario, one may note that provisions start to decline towards the end of the period, reflecting the bounce back in growth that occurs in the UK when the recession is primarily a UK phenomenon (see Figure 7).

Figure 9 presents a series of plots of key financial indicators under the four scenarios. Capital, measured in different ways, is down in all three recession scenarios. Capital recovers towards the baseline path in the UK recession scenario by the end of the period but remains stubbornly low in the Europe and Americas recession scenarios.

The figures for returns on equity and Risk Weighted Assets shown in Figure 9 again show consistent patterns of decline as the recessions emerge. In the case of the UK recession scenario, returns recover towards baseline levels towards the end of the period under consideration.

Tables 5 and 6 and Figures 10 and 11 show selected items from the bank's balance sheet and income statements. Loan and deposit growth are depressed in the recession scenarios. Total income and profits are down, the latter being hit most badly in the UK recession scenario but then recovering relatively quickly in this case.



Figure 10: Extracted items from forecasted quarterly balance sheet (£m)

Figure 11: Extracted items from forecasted quarterly income statements (£m)



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Appendix

Section A.1: Introduction

This Appendix provides information on how one may write a financial statement model for a bank for use in *Stress Controller*TM. We present an illustrative model fora particular bank, namely the Barclays Group PLC. TheAppendix is organized as follows.In section A.2, we give a specific example of how to declare all the variables that will be employed in an example equation. In section A.3, we explain how each balance sheet (B/S) item within the 'Assets' and 'Liabilities' categories are forecast. In section A.4, we illustrate the forecasting of the income statement (I/S) and in section A.5, the forecasting of B/S items within the 'Shareholders' equity' category. Finally, in A.6, we show how one balance the B/S by recalculating the 'balancing items'.

Section A.2: Variables Declaration

Before the equations of financial statements modeling can be executed, variables employed in the equations must be loaded into the database by importing a user workbook in which the definition of each variable is specified.

The definition of each variable is stored in a string consisting of four sections. Each section must adhere to certain rules. The four sections are:

- (1) Major category:
- (2) Name of the variable
- (3) Minor category
- (4) Indicators for database management

The sections are separated by hyphens. (Note that the hyphen symbol is therefore a reserved character that should not be used for other purposes.)

To illustrate the declaration of variables, consider the B/S variable: 'Trading portfolio assets'. This is modeled as:

BS_TradingAssets[t+1]=(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToGDP[0]* CustomMethods.Average(Europe_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1))*BS_TradingAssets[t]*(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToCPI [0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

For the above equation to be valid, the user must declare the variables it includes as follow:

- (1) BS_TradingAssets Group-Trading portfolio assets-BS-1-1-3-0
 - 'Group': this indicates the variable is group level data;
 - 'BS': this indicates the variable is from the B/S;

- 'Trading portfolio assets': this is the name of the variable as it appears in the B/S;
- '1-1-3-0': this code specifies that the variable (i) will be saved in the database, (ii) will be displayed in the interface, (iii) will have the relative position 3 in the interface and (iv) will not be highlighted.

The time series indicator [t+1] implies that this variable has a time dimension, and [t+1] represents the period to be calculated and [t] the first lag.

(2) TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToGDP Parameter-Group TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToGDP-SCALAR-1-1-1-0

'Parameter': this is a user-defined parameter that will be imported from a user-supplied workbook;

'SCALAR': this indicates the parameter is scalar valued (and has no time dimension);

'Group TradingPortfolio': this is the name of the parameter in the user-supplied workbook;

The time series indicator [0] implies that this variable has no time-series dimension.

(3) Europe_GDP Macro-Europe:Real GDP (2005=100)-MACRORESULT-1-1-1-0

'Macro': this indicates the variable is a variable supplied by the macro model;

'MACRORESULT': this item should be fetched from the macro results within *Stress* ControllerTM;

'Europe:Real GDP (2005=100)': this is the name of the macro variable;

The time series indicator [t+1] implies that this variable has time dimension, and [t+1] represents the period to be calculated and [t] its first lag.

Section A.3: B/S-Assets and Liabilities

In this section, we explain the modeling of each B/S item.

Assets

1. Cash, balance at central banks and items in the course of collection

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters.Note that this item may be adjusted in the rebalancing of the balance sheet.

BS_Cash[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_Cash,t,8);

2. Trading portfolio assets

The growth rate of this item is estimated as being sensitive to the GDP growth rates of Europe and Americas, where sensitivity is a user-defined parameter. Modeling has taken

into account inflation changes. Please note that this item might be recalculated for rebalancing the balance sheet.

 BS_TradingAssets[period_count+1]=(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToGDP[0]*Custom Methods.Average(Europe_GDP_current[0]/Europe_GDP_previous[0]-1, Americas_GDP_current[0]/Americas_GDP_previous[0] 1))*BS_TradingAssets[period_count]*(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europ e_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);Financial assets designated at fair value

Same as above, while sensitivity set as a separate parameter. Modeling has taken into account the inflation changes.

BS_FVAssets[t+1]=(1+FVAssets_SensitivityToGDP[0]*CustomMethods.Average(Euro pe_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1))*BS_FVAssets[t] *(1+FVAssets_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

4. Derivative financial instruments assets

As above except that the sensitivity is set as a separate parameter. Modeling has taken into account inflation.

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BS_DerivativeAssets[t+1]=(1+Derivatives_SensitivityToGDP[0]*CustomMethods.Avera
ge(Europe_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-
1))*BS_DerivativeAssets[t]
*(1+Derivatives_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);
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5. Available for sale financial investments

Same as above except that the sensitivity set as a separate parameter. Modeling has taken into account inflation.

BS_ForSaleAssets[t+1]=(1+ForSale_SensitivityToGDP[0]*CustomMethods.Average(Eu rope_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1))*BS_ForSaleAssets[t] *(1+ForSale_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

6. Gross loans and advances to banks

The growth rate of this item is estimated as the weighted average of (1) impact from trend and (2) GDP growth. The weights are user-defined parameters and impact from trend is calculated as the average growth rate of previous 8 quarters. The GDP growth is a regionweighted average where the weights are taken from the bank's annual report but can be user-defined. Modeling has taken into account inflation.

BS_LoanToBanks[t+1]=(Loan_TrendWeight[0]*CustomMethods.GrowAve(BS_LoanTo Banks, t, 8)+(1-

 $Loan_TrendWeight[0])*(Loan_UK_Weight[0]*Loan_UK_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(UK_GE))*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)*(UK_GE)$

DP[t+1]/UK_GDP[t]-

 $1) + Loan_Europe_Weight[0]*Loan_Europe_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Europe_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-$

1)+Loan_Americas_Weight[0]*Loan_Americas_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-

1)+Loan_AfricaAndME_Weight[0]*Loan_AfricaAndME_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Africa AndMiddleEast_GDP[t+1]/AfricaAndMiddleEast_GDP[t]-

1)+Loan_Asia_Weight[0]*Loan_Asia_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Asia_GDP[t+1]/Asia_GD P[t]-1))+1)*BS_LoanToBanks[t]

(1+Loan_SensitivityToCPI[0](Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

7. Less: bank allowance for impairment

This item should be calculated as the balance from last period plus a fraction of the total credit provision estimated for this period minus the write-off occurring in this period.

The total credit provision is estimated based on the provision calculation results from the risk modeling section of *Stress Controller*TM, taking into account (1) the lagged effects of macro-economic shock on the credit quality of loans and (2) changes in the forecast volume of loans. The relative impact and write-offsare user-defined input parameters.

BS_Allowance_Banks[period_count+1]=BS_Allowance_Banks[period_count]+Ave_Cre ditPoolProvision_current*BS_LAToBanks_Scaling/4.0*Credit_Provision_FractionOfBa nk[period_count+1]-

Loan_WriteOff_banks[period_count+1]*(Ave_CreditPoolProvision_current/Ave_Credit PoolProvision_previous);

8. Loans and advances to banks

This is a dependent item.

BS_NetLoanToBanks[t+1]=BS_LoanToBanks[t+1]-BS_Allowance_Banks[t+1];

9. Gross loans and advances to customers

The treatment is similar to that of Gross loans and advances to banks. Modeling allows for inflation changes.

BS_LoanToCustomers[t+1]=(Loan_TrendWeight[0]*CustomMethods.GrowAve(BS_Lo anToCustomers, t, 8)+(1-Loan_TrendWeight[0])*(Loan_UK_Weight[0]*Loan_UK_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(UK_G DP[t+1]/UK_GDP[t]-1)+Loan_Europe_Weight[0]*Loan_Europe_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Europe_GDP[t+1]/E urope_GDP[t]-1)+Loan_Americas_Weight[0]*Loan_Americas_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1)+Loan_AfricaAndME_Weight[0]*Loan_AfricaAndME_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Africa AndMiddleEast_GDP[t+1]/AfricaAndMiddleEast_GDP[t]-1)+Loan_Asia_Weight[0]*Loan_Asia_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Asia_GDP[t+1]/Asia_GD P[t]-1))+1)*BS_LoanToCustomers[t] *(1+Loan_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

10. Less: customers allowance for impairment

The treatment is similar to that of item 7 'Less: bank allowance for impairment'.

BS_Allowance_Customers[period_count+1]=BS_Allowance_Customers[period_count]+ BS_LAToCustomers_Scaling*Ave_CreditPoolProvision_current/4.0*(1-Credit_Provision_FractionOfBank[period_count+1])-Loan_WriteOff_customers[period_count+1]*(Ave_CreditPoolProvision_current/Ave_Cr editPoolProvision_previous);

11. Loans and advances to customers

This is a dependent item.

BS_NetLoanToCustomers[t+1]=BS_LoanToCustomers[t+1]-BS_Allowance_Customers[t+1];

12. Reverse repurchase agreements and other similar secured lending

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Modeling allows for the effect of inflation.

BS_RepoAssets[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_RepoAssets,t,8) *(1+Other_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

13. Other assets

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Please be noted that this item might be recalculated for rebalancing the balance sheet.

BS_OtherAssets[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_OtherAssets,t,8);

14. Total assets

This is a dependent item.

 $BS_TotalAssets[t+1]=BS_Cash[t+1]+BS_TradingAssets[t+1]+BS_FVAssets[t+1]+BS_DerivativeAssets[t+1]+BS_ForSaleAssets[t+1]+BS_NetLoanToBanks[t+1]+BS_NetLoanToCustomers[t+1]+BS_RepoAssets[t+1]+BS_OtherAssets[t+1];$

Liabilities

15. Deposits and items in the course of collection due to banks

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Modeling has taken into account the inflation changes. Note that this item may be recalculated when the balance sheet is rebalanced.

BS_DueToBanks[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_DueToBanks,t,8) *(1+Deposit_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

16. Customer accounts

This item is calculated similarly to the gross loans and advances items. It shares the same region weights that are used in estimating 'Gross loans and advances to banks' and 'Gross loans and advances to customers'. Modeling allows for the impact of inflation. Note that this item may be recalculated when the balance sheet is rebalanced.

BS_Deposits[t+1]=(Deposit_TrendWeight[0]*CustomMethods.GrowAve(BS_Deposits, t, 8)+(1-

Deposit_TrendWeight[0])*(Loan_UK_Weight[0]*Deposit_UK_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(UK_GDP[t+1]/UK_GDP[t]-

1)+Loan_Europe_Weight[0]*Deposit_Europe_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Europe_GDP[t+1] /Europe_GDP[t]-

1)+Loan_Americas_Weight[0]*Deposit_Americas_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Americas_GD P[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-

 $1) + Loan_AfricaAndME_Weight[0]*Deposit_AfricaAndME_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(AfricaAndMiddleEast_GDP[t+1]/AfricaAndMiddleEast_GDP[t]-$

1)+Loan_Asia_Weight[0]*Deposit_Asia_SensitivityToGDP[0]*(Asia_GDP[t+1]/Asia_G DP[t]-1))+1)*BS_Deposits[t]

(1+Deposit_SensitivityToCPI[0](Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

17. Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Modeling allows for the impact of inflation.

BS_RepoLiabilities[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_RepoLiabilities,t,8) *(1+Other_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

18. Trading portfolio liabilities

The growth rate of this item is estimated in the same way as that of item 'Trading portfolio assets': linked to average GDP growth in Europe and Americas. It also shares the parameters of sensitivity to GDP as that used in estimating item 'Trading portfolio assets'. Modeling allows for the impact of inflation.

 $BS_TradingLiabilities[t+1]=(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToGDP[0]*CustomMethods .Average(Europe_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1))*BS_TradingLiabilities[t]$

(1+TradingPortfolio_SensitivityToCPI[0](Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growt h)/2);

19. Financial liabilities designated at fair value

The growth rate of this item is estimated in the same way as that of item 'Financial assets designated at fair value' in that it is linked to average GDP growth in Europe and Americas. It also shares the GDP sensitivity parameters used in estimating item 'Financial assets designated at fair value'. Modeling allows for the impact of inflation.

BS_FVLiabilities[t+1]=(1+FVAssets_SensitivityToGDP[0]*CustomMethods.Average(E urope_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1))*BS_FVLiabilities[t] *(1+FVAssets_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

20. Derivative financial instruments liabilities

The growth rate of this item is estimated in the same way as that of item 'Derivative financial instruments assets': linked to average GDP growth in Europe and Americas. It also share the parameters of sensitivity to GDP as that used in estimating item 'Derivative financial instruments assets'. Modeling has taken into account the inflation changes.

BS_DerivativeLiabilities[t+1]=(1+Derivatives_SensitivityToGDP[0]*CustomMethods.A verage(Europe_GDP[t+1]/Europe_GDP[t]-1, Americas_GDP[t+1]/Americas_GDP[t]-1))*BS_DerivativeLiabilities[t] *(1+Other SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe CPI growth+Americas CPI growth)/2);

21. Debt securities in issue

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Please be noted that this item might be recalculated for rebalancing the balance sheet.Modeling has taken into account the inflation changes.

BS_DebtIssue[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_DebtIssue,t,8) *(1+Other_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

22. Subordinated liabilities

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Modeling has taken into account the inflation changes.

BS_SubDebt[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_SubDebt,t,8) *(1+Other_SensitivityToCPI[0]*(Europe_CPI_growth+Americas_CPI_growth)/2);

23. Other liabilities

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters. Please be noted that this item might be recalculated for rebalancing the balance sheet.

BS_OtherLiabilities[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(BS_OtherLiabilities,t,8);

24. Total liabilities

This is a dependent item.

$$\begin{split} BS_TotalLiabilities[t+1]=BS_DueToBanks[t+1]+BS_Deposits[t+1]+BS_RepoLiabilities[t+1]+BS_TradingLiabilities[t+1]+BS_FVLiabilities[t+1]+BS_DerivativeLiabilities[t+1]\\ +BS_DebtIssue[t+1]+BS_SubDebt[t+1]+BS_OtherLiabilities[t+1]; \end{split}$$

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Continuing operations

25. Net interest income

The growth rate of this item linked to the growth rate of both loan-type and non-loan-type assets. We also model the impact from the changes in the forecasted interest rates.

26. IS_IntIncome[period_count+1]=IS_IntIncome[period_count]*(IntIncome_Weight_On_L oan[0]*LoanAsset_growth+IntIncome_Weight_On_NonLoan[0]*NonLoanAsset_growth)*(1+IntIncome_Sensitivity_IntRate[0]*Average_Int_Change);Noninterest income net of claims and benefits on insurance contracts

The growth rate of this item is linked to both loan-type and non-loan type assets forecasted in B/S.

IS_NonIntIncome[period_count+1]=IS_NonIntIncome[period_count]*(NonIntIncome_ Weight_On_Loan[0]*LoanAsset_growth+NonIntIncome_Weight_On_NonLoan[0]*Non LoanAsset_growth);

27. Total income net of insurance claims

This is a dependent item.

IS_TotalIncome[t+1]=IS_IntIncome[t+1]+IS_NonIntIncome[t+1];

28. Credit impairment charges and other provisions

This item is estimated based on the provision calculation results from the risk modeling section of *Stress Controller*TM, taking into account (1) the lagged effect of macroeconomic shocks on the credit quality of loans and (2) forecast changes in the volume of loans. The sign is then changed and the annual amount is converted into a quarterly amount (Note that the calculation of risk modeling is based on the assumption of annual quantities.).

 $IS_CreditCharges[t+1]=-1*BS_LATotal_Scaling*Ave_CreditPoolProvision_current/4.0;$

29. Impairment of investment in BlackRock, Inc.

This item reports the extraordinary impairment associated with the Blackrock holding.

IS_ExtroImpairment[t+1]=Extrodinary_Impairment[t+1];

30. Operating expenses

The growth rate of this item is user-supplied.

IS_OPExpenses[t+1]=IS_OPExpenses[t]*(1+OperationExpense_growth[t+1]);

31. Other

This item is estimated as the average of the previous 8 quarters.

IS_OtherExpenses[t+1]=CustomMethods.MovAve(IS_OtherExpenses,t,8);

32. Profit before tax

This is a dependent item.

IS_PBT[t+1]=IS_TotalIncome[t+1]+IS_CreditCharges[t+1]+IS_ExtroImpairment[t+1]+I S_OPExpenses[t+1]+IS_OtherExpenses[t+1];

33. Taxation

The average tax rate is a user-supplied parameter. The calculation of this item is then the bigger of zero and the user-supplied tax rate.

IS_Tax[t+1]=-1*CustomMethods.Max(0,1*Tax_AverageRate[0]*IS_PBT[t+1]);

34. Profit after tax from continuing operations

This is a dependent item.

IS_PAT_ConOperation[t+1]=IS_PBT[t+1]+IS_Tax[t+1];

35. Profit for the year from discontinued operations, including gain on disposal

This item will be user-defined.

IS_DisconOperation[t+1]=Discontinued_GainLoss[t+1];

36. Profit after tax

This is a dependent item.

IS_PAT[t+1]=IS_PAT_ConOperation[t+1]-IS_DisconOperation[t+1];

37. Profit attributable to equity holders of the Parent

This item is calculated using the user-supplied profit attribution ratio.

IS_ProfitToEq[t+1]=IS_PAT[t+1]*Profit_Attributable_Ratio[t+1];

38. Profit attributable to noncontrolling interests

This is a dependent item.

IS_ProfitToMI[t+1]=IS_PAT[t+1]-IS_ProfitToEq[t+1];

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Shareholders equity

39. Shareholders equity excluding non-controlling interests

This item is estimated as balance from last period plus any capital injection, which is a user-defined parameter in this case, attribution from profit of this period which has been calculated in the previous steps, dividend payout, reserve changes and employee share scheme changes.

BS_Equity_Control[period_count+1]=BS_Equity_Control[period_count]+Capital_Injecti on[period_count+1]+IS_ProfitToEq[period_count+1]*(1-Dividend_Payout_Ratio[period_count+1])+Reserve_Control_Change[period_count+1]+ Employee_Share_Schemes[period_count+1];

40. Noncontrolling interests

Similar as the above item, the estimate of this items equals the balance from last period plus the contribution from profit of this period and other changes.

BS_Equity_NoControl[period_count+1]=BS_Equity_NoControl[period_count]+IS_ProfitToMI[period_count+1]+MI_Equity_Change[period_count+1];

41. Total shareholders equity

This is a dependent item.

 $BS_TotalEquity[t+1]=BS_Equity_Control[t+1]+BS_Equity_NoControl[t+1];$

42. Total liabilities and shareholders equity

This is a dependent item.

 $BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1]=BS_TotalLiabilities[t+1]+BS_TotalEquity[t+1];$

43. Cash, balance at central banks and items in the course of collection

Dividend is assumed to be cash dividend so deduction is modeled.

BS_Cash[period_count+1]=BS_Cash[period_count+1]-IS_ProfitToEq[period_count+1]*Dividend_Payout_Ratio[period_count+1]; 44. Recalculate 'Total Assets', 'Total Liabilites' and 'Total Liabilities and Shareholder Equities' before rebalancing calculation

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Balancing items

The 'balancing items' are chosen by the user to absorb the gap between total assets and total liabilities and equity generated during the item-by-item forecasting. They are re-calculated based on the results completed after Sections II to IV.

45. Cash, balance at central banks and items in the course of collection

Here, we adopt the 'one-side' absorbing approach, under which the 'balancing items' within the assets category are only updated if total liabilities and equities is higher than he total assets in the period in question. If so, a user-supplied absorbing ratio is employed.

BS_Cash[t+1]=BS_Cash[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1]-BS_TotalAssets[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Asset_Cash[0];

46. Trading portfolio assets

As above.

BS_TradingAssets[t+1]=BS_TradingAssets[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalLiaA ndEquity[t+1]-BS_TotalAssets[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Asset_TradingPortfolio[0];

47. Other assets

As above.

BS_OtherAssets[t+1]=BS_OtherAssets[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalLiaAndE quity[t+1]-BS_TotalAssets[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Asset_Other[0];

48. Deposits and items in the course of collection due to banks

Similar to assets 'balancing items', the 'balancing items' within the liabilities category are only updated if total assets exceed total liabilities and equities in the period in question. If so, a user-supplied absorbing ratio is employed.

 $BS_DueToBanks[t+1]=BS_DueToBanks[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalAssets[t+1]-BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Liability_DueToBanks[0];$

49. Customer accounts

As above

BS_Deposits[t+1]=BS_Deposits[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalAssets[t+1]-BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Liability_CustomerAccount[0];

50. Debt securities in issue

As above

BS_DebtIssue[t+1]=BS_DebtIssue[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalAssets[t+1]-BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Liability_DebtIssue[0];

51. Other liabilities

As above

BS_OtherLiabilities[t+1]=BS_OtherLiabilities[t+1]+CustomMethods.Max(0,BS_TotalAs sets[t+1]-BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1])*GapAbsorb_Liability_Other[0];

52. Total assets

This is a dependent item.

 $BS_TotalAssets[t+1]=BS_Cash[t+1]+BS_TradingAssets[t+1]+BS_FVAssets[t+1]+BS_DerivativeAssets[t+1]+BS_ForSaleAssets[t+1]+BS_NetLoanToBanks[t+1]+BS_NetLoanToCustomers[t+1]+BS_RepoAssets[t+1]+BS_OtherAssets[t+1];$

53. Total liabilities

This is a dependent item.

BS_TotalLiabilities[t+1]=BS_DueToBanks[t+1]+BS_DueToBanks[t+1]+BS_Deposits[t +1]+BS_RepoLiabilities[t+1]+BS_TradingLiabilities[t+1]+BS_FVLiabilities[t+1]+BS_ DerivativeLiabilities[t+1]+BS_DebtIssue[t+1]+BS_SubDebt[t+1]+BS_OtherLiabilities[t +1];

54. Total liabilities and shareholders' equity

This is a dependent item.

BS_TotalLiaAndEquity[t+1]=BS_TotalLiabilities[t+1]+BS_TotalEquity[t+1];

