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The Asymmetric Transmission of Oil Price Fluctuations on the Value added of the Agricultural Sector Using the NARDL Model and the GAS model

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5 **Abstract**

6 Oil as a main source of energy has a significant impact on promoting economic activities. Oil
7 provides a considerable part of the government's revenue sources. The price of oil has always been
8 fluctuating over the years for various reasons including political, social, and economic
9 developments in countries. Since the price of oil affects different sectors of **the economy** including
10 the agricultural sector through the government budget and the revenue sources of the government,
11 this study investigated the effect of increase and decrease fluctuations in OPEC oil prices on the
12 value added of the agricultural sector during 1990-2019. **The Generalized Autoregressive Score**
13 **Model** was used for estimating the OPEC oil price fluctuations and the **Nonlinear Autoregressive**
14 **Distributed Lag** method was used for estimating the long-term relationships between increase and
15 decrease OPEC oil price fluctuations on the value added of the agricultural sector. In addition to
16 OPEC oil price fluctuations, other independent variables such as the consumer price index,
17 employment in the agricultural sector, and the degree of trade openness were examined in the
18 model. Based on the results, the increase and decrease in OPEC oil prices fluctuations in the long
19 term had a negative effect on the value added of the agricultural sector. Furthermore, the degree of
20 trade openness had a positive effect on the value added of the agricultural sector in **the long term**.
21 **result** indicate that oil income is one of the most important issues that decline **the value** added of
22 **the agriculture** sector and **the government** should control this negative relation to develop
23 agriculture as a vital sector of **the economy**.

24 **Keywords:** Oil price fluctuations, Agricultural Sector, GAS model.

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1- Introduction

Oil price fluctuation is one of the most significant factors of the economy's fluctuation in oil-producing countries. Therefore, decreases and increases in oil prices have a large impact on oil export countries economies. For this reason, the unusual fluctuations in the price of this product and the resulting uncertainty increase the price of other products and services and change the production benefits in the national and international markets. Due to the strategic position of oil in the economy of countries, the resulting uncertainty can affect the economic performance of oil-importing and exporting countries in addition to the direct effects caused by price fluctuations (Sartaghi et al, 2013).

Since the price of oil and its fluctuations as one of the main sources of funding is one of the factors affecting the production fluctuations, especially in oil exporting countries, the fluctuations in oil prices can affect macroeconomic variables through different ways such as affecting the foreign exchange earnings. Further, oil revenues as the main source of financial aid and subsidies indirectly affect other economic activities (Brown & Yucel, 2002), (Afarineshfar & Shahnazi, 2015). As a common commodity, it is evident that the oil price is affected by both supply and demand shocks, and the various types of oil price fluctuations will have different impacts on economic activity and that changes in the relationship between oil prices and the macroeconomy reflect the evolution of the components of oil price shocks. Therefore, distinguishing the sources of oil price fluctuations is crucial to evaluate these effects (Zhang et al, 2022). One of the most significant economic characteristics related to oil-rich countries is that a major part of the production and distribution mechanisms in these countries is affected by the amount of oil exports. Most of the OPEC countries as oil exporting countries are almost single products in their export sector. In other words, oil sales in these countries are considered as the most critical export source or at least the most essential economic basis. Iran's economic growth is rapidly damaged by foreign impulses such as the oil sanction due to the sale of crude oil, lack of diversity in the product, government monopoly in the oil sales organization and, monopoly of purchase by customers (Towfigh & Matin, 2016). The agricultural sector as one of the components of revenue and production in the most countries had the maximum share in national production and revenue until 1850. With the advancement of technology and the expansion of the industry and service sectors, the share of the agricultural sector in the national production gradually decreased in 1950 and the share of the agricultural sector in the gross national product decreased to 15-20% in most of the developed countries. However, the

58 agricultural sector is still regarded as one of the most critical economic sectors in some developing
59 countries such as Iran which has a high share of the gross national product (Lohrasbi, 2006).

60 In Iran, the agricultural sector is more stable than other economic sectors and it is a reliable sector
61 to solve one of the most important issues of Iran's economy, which is the Single-product economy.

62 According to the share of each economic sector in the GDP of Iran for ten years from 2011 to 2020,
63 the share of the agricultural sector in the GDP has been increasing year by year without being

64 affected by political issues, weather, and other factors. But on the other hand, the value added by
65 the oil sector has fluctuated every year. due to the high stability of value added of the agriculture

66 sector, it can be a way to get out of the single-product economy through investment in this sector
67 and cause growth in GDP (Central Bank 1400). Regarding the potentials of this sector, the necessity

68 of developing a strategy for the agricultural sector for optimal use of capacity is increasing every
69 day. For this reason, efforts can be made to achieve these goals in this sector after determining the

70 capability of the agricultural sector and its share in the gross domestic product. Generally, while
71 there is a high capacity for product production, capital, employment and entrepreneurship should

72 be created and waste of facilities should be avoided in other areas which have no reasonable returns.
73 For this reason, special attention should be paid to agriculture as the axis of development, and

74 support, investment, technology and planning should aim to assign a significant contribution in the
75 20-year perspective as the best country in the region in trade and export of agricultural products

76 and providing the minimum needs of the countries (Advari, 2010). Agriculture is highly essential
77 in food production, non-oil exports, and job creation for the vast population. Due to the significance

78 of food security and food supply in the future of the planet, all countries should consider this sector
79 and its products since the population of the earth will increase by 50% by 2050 according to the

80 forecast made by the World Bank. According to the reports published by the United Nations, food
81 and water famine will cover many countries of the world due to the destruction and reduction of

82 natural resources during recent years. Today, the food supply for the people and the possibility of
83 cultivation and production of agricultural products in the future depends on the performance and

84 planning of the countries (UN, 2018). The exogenous nature of oil price fluctuations will transform
85 the economy directly by affecting foreign exchange earnings, the government budget, etc. Since

86 the agricultural sector is considered one of the most significant economic sectors in Iran, the
87 fluctuations and oil prices will indirectly affect this sector through government subsidies, input

88 prices, etc. Agriculture is an integral part of human life and its denial is neither possible nor

89 desirable. Furthermore, it is impossible to continue the current process in terms of resources, costs,
90 and environmental health (Weed, 1987). According to the mechanism of oil price fluctuations on
91 the value added of the agricultural sector, this study examined the increase and decrease
92 fluctuations of the oil price on the value added of the agricultural sector in Iran.

93 The oil price indirectly affects the economy of oil-exporting countries. Decrease and increase in
94 oil prices impacted oil revenues (Dutch disease). Also, the risk and uncertainty about oil revenues
95 face the government budget with uncertainty. The increase and decrease in the oil price by affecting
96 the amount of total demand and the price of inputs, increases the cost of production and the price
97 of products (Ghaderzadeh and Ghosseiri, 2016). Therefore, oil price fluctuations can affect the
98 investment in the agricultural sector through the government budget and decrease or increase it. In
99 other words, the government's action to invest in the agricultural sector depends on the
100 government's budget. So, oil in Iran's economy changes the value added of the agricultural sector
101 in different ways; first by influencing the investment in the agricultural sector and secondly, by
102 influencing the price of imported inputs and consequently affecting the price of agricultural
103 products. About these two influencing channels; Based on the study of Dukohaki and Mousavi
104 (2017), who have investigated the fluctuation of oil price on the value added of economic sectors,
105 the relationship between the fluctuation of oil price and the value added of the agricultural sector
106 is negative, it means that by increasing the fluctuation of the oil price, the added value of the
107 agricultural sector decreases. However, according to the study of Tarazkar and Sheikh Zainoddin
108 (2018), in the short term and long term there is a positive relationship between the price of
109 agricultural products and the increase in the oil price. It can be concluded that eventually, the oil
110 price will increase the value added to the agricultural sector with the increase in the price of
111 agricultural products. Therefore, in this study, we will estimate the increase and decrease of oil
112 price fluctuations to check how the increase or decrease in oil price fluctuations affects the value
113 added to the agricultural sector. Does the value added increase by the increase in oil price
114 fluctuations? or not. Also, does the reduction in oil price fluctuation have a positive effect on value-
115 added or not? Because in most of the conducted studies, only the general investigation of oil price
116 fluctuations on the value added of the agricultural sector is discussed or they examine the impact
117 of oil revenues on the value added of the agricultural sector (Dutch disease), while in this study,
118 our aim is investigating both the increase and decrease of oil price fluctuation on the value added
119 of the agricultural sector to be presented to identifying the effect of the proposed policies.

120 Ike, et al (2023). Studied " Oil price movements and agricultural production from heterogeneous
121 sub-sectors: Analysing the Dutch disease in an African resource-rich economy". Their study not
122 only isolates the effect of oil price movements on agricultural production from heterogeneous sub-
123 sectors in Nigeria but also tests for Dutch disease symptoms using annual data from 1970 to 2019.
124 In methodology they employ ARDL dynamic Granger causality techniques. Their results indicated
125 that hat in the long run, oil price booms affect the food sector and the livestock sector
126 heterogeneously. An increase in the oil price undercuts the production performance of the food
127 sector. Also, because of the strong linkage between domestic livestock production and the global
128 livestock market, an increase in domestic production has a weak predictive content for oil price
129 booms. Köse and Ünal (2022) studied "The effects of the oil price and temperature on food inflation
130 in Latin America". They examined via a structural vector autoregression model and panel Granger
131 causality test, using monthly data between January 2003 and December 2020 for Latin American
132 countries. According to the result, the oil price and temperature had an impact on food inflation.
133 All results indicate that both monetary and fiscal policies are essential to control food prices. These
134 countries can accomplish this by conventional policies or by radical institutional changes.
135 Nevertheless, the oil price and temperature are external dynamics, and crucial in creating
136 alternative policies to control food inflation. Esmaili et al. (2021) studied the effect of oil price
137 impulse on the price of agricultural products in the cereal group during the periods of food crisis.
138 The variables used in this study include corn price logarithm, rice price logarithm, soybeans price
139 logarithm, wheat price logarithm, barley price logarithm, real currency rate logarithm, crude oil
140 price logarithm, world oil production logarithm, world real economic activity logarithm and oil
141 safety reserve logarithm and they used PVAR method in their study. The results indicated that the
142 total price of agricultural products oil shocks is indirectly affected by supply and demand shocks
143 in addition to their direct effects. The price reaction of such products to oil shocks, total demand,
144 and commodity markets in terms of direction, intensity, and pattern are similar and positive among
145 oil exporting and importing countries. Umar et al. (2021) evaluated the relationship between oil
146 price shock and agricultural commodity prices. They were estimate Granger causality, static
147 connectedness, and dynamic rolling connectedness between different type of oil price shocks,
148 agricultural commodity returns and volatility for the period of 2002–2020. Based on the results, oil
149 price shocks are mainly caused by changes in the prices of cereals, live cattle and wheat, while
150 supply shocks create more changes in the prices of cereals. Tariq et al. (2020) investigated the

151 effect of oil prices on futures and spot markets in agricultural products in Pakistan. They used 60
152 observations of seven 7 agricultural variables traded in
153 Futures and spot markets of Pakistan during 2012- 2017. Their methodology was Vector Error
154 Correction mode. The findings revealed that the market of agricultural products in Pakistan is
155 sensitive to oil prices. The spot price of rice and sugar is considered representative of the price of
156 agricultural products in future transactions (1 and 2-month futures exchange). The result of this
157 study regarding the rice commodity market indicated that the price of oil considerably affects the
158 future prices of rice and the price of crude oil can forecast the future price of rice in the short term.
159 On the contrary, the price of crude oil has not affected the spot price of rice. Regarding the sugar
160 commodity market, the results reported that oil cannot affect the price of sugar while the spot prices
161 of sugar are greatly influenced by the price of oil. Roman et al (2020). Studied The Linkages
162 between Crude Oil and Food Price. They used the data series covers the period between January
163 1990 and September 2020. The empirical results from the paper indicate that there are long-term
164 relationships between crude oil and meat prices. The linkage of crude oil prices occurred with food,
165 cereal, and oil prices in the short term. Furthermore, the linkages between the analyzed variables
166 increased in 2006–2020. Ben Salah and Zamami (2019) studied the effect of Brent and West Texas
167 Intermediate (WRI) oil prices on international food prices during 1990-2017. They estimate the
168 ARDL model to analyze the impact of the Brent and West Texas Intermediate (WTI) oil prices on
169 international food prices between January 1990 and October 2017. The results showed the presence
170 of an asymmetric relationship since food prices in the long term have only been affected by positive
171 shocks. The price of dairy products has reacted to quickly changes in oil prices while the effect of
172 the increase in oil prices has been higher than the reduction. Asymmetry occurs only in the short
173 term for the price of some agricultural commodities since they only react to the reduction in oil
174 prices. Esmaili et al. (2019) evaluated the effect of exchange rate and oil price fluctuations on the
175 trade balance of the Iranian agricultural sector with its eight trading partner countries using two
176 linear and non-linear ARDL models. The purpose of this study is to investigate the effect of
177 exchange rate and oil price fluctuations on trade balance of Iran's agriculture sector with its 8 major
178 trading partner over the period 1998 to 2017 and examine also the existence of the J Curve in these
179 countries. For methodology linear and nonlinear ARDL models were utilized. The results showed
180 that long-term oil price fluctuations had a positive effect in Turkey, Afghanistan, Germany, and
181 India. The trade balance of Iran's agricultural products in these countries improved by increasing

182 oil price fluctuations. However, the trade balance of the agricultural sector was reduced by
183 increasing oil price fluctuations in Iraq, UAE, China, and Korea. Tarazkar and Sheikh Zainuddin
184 (2019) studied the asymmetric effects of oil shock on the prices of agricultural products in Iran
185 from 1976 to 2011 by using the autoregressive approach with Nonlinear Autoregressive Distributed
186 Lag (NARDL). The NARDL model's examination revealed that agricultural commodity prices
187 exhibit both short-term and long-term asymmetric behavior. This suggests that there is a positive
188 and substantial correlation between the price of agricultural products and the rise in the price of
189 oil, both in the short and long terms. In addition, a positive and significant relationship is the
190 decrease in the price of oil and the price of agricultural products in the short and long term.
191 Furthermore, the positive oil shock has a greater effect on agricultural product prices than the
192 negative shock. Azeez (2018) evaluated the effects of oil price fluctuations on urban and rural food
193 prices in Nigeria during 2000-2016. The variable was oil price volatility spillover effects on the
194 prices of food in both pre-crisis and post-crisis periods. This study therefore adopts the GARCH
195 (1, 1)-TY model to evaluate the impulse response function and variance decomposition of these
196 effects. Based on the results, total food prices and urban food prices react positively to oil price
197 shocks in the post-crisis periods while rural food prices react negatively to oil price shocks.
198 Furthermore, the reaction of urban food prices is more considerable in post-crisis periods since
199 they are rather affected by oil price shocks. Dokohki and Mousavi (2018) evaluated oil price
200 fluctuations on the value added of agriculture, industry, and service sectors during period of 1976-
201 2011 by using the autoregressive distributed lags (ARDL). The results indicated that the
202 consumption variable of petroleum products in the service sector has a negative relationship with
203 the value added of the service sector in the long term. Furthermore, the variable of oil price
204 fluctuations had a positive relationship with the value added of the service sector in the long term.
205 Further, the effect of oil price fluctuations on the value added of the agricultural sector is negative
206 and the value added of the agricultural sector decreased by increasing oil price fluctuations.
207 Shahabi et al. (2016) studied the direct and indirect effects of the growth of the agricultural sector
208 from the abundance of natural resources during 1981-2014 using the method of simultaneous
209 equations. Based on the results obtained from the estimation of the growth pattern in the
210 agricultural sector, the direct effect of the abundance of natural resources on the agricultural sector
211 is negative.

212 The agricultural sector is considered one of the significant sectors of Iran's economy, playing a
 213 key role in food production, non-oil export, import, employment and foreign exchange. In addition,
 214 providing food security and the sustainability of the earth can highly affect the performance of this
 215 sector. For this reason, it is significant to know the factors affecting this sector and the mechanism
 216 of these effects in the planning and policies. As Iran's economy is a single-product economy and
 217 oil has accounted for a large part of the budget and revenue during recent years, the price of oil and
 218 its fluctuations have influenced other productive sectors of the economy, including the agricultural
 219 sector. For this reason, this study focused on the effect of increase and decrease oil price
 220 fluctuations on the value added of Iran's agricultural sector in the long term during 1990-2019.
 221 Innovations included the separation of increase and decrease oil price fluctuations, the
 222 effectiveness of increase and decrease fluctuations using the NARDL method, as well as the
 223 estimation of oil price fluctuations by using a new GAS¹ method.
 224 In the Table 1 summary research background will be present:

225 **Table 1: Summary of research background.**

Num	Names	Subject	Methodology	Variable	Results
1	Ike et al (2023)	Oil price movements and agricultural production from heterogeneous sub-sectors: Analysing the Dutch disease in an African resource-rich economy. (during 1970- 2019)	ARDL dynamic Granger causality techniques	Oil price and food sector	An increase in domestic production has a weak predictive content for oil price booms, it is because of the strong linkage between domestic livestock production and the global livestock market.
2	Köse and Ünal (2022)	The effects of the oil price and temperature on food inflation in Latin America. (during January 2003 and December 2020)	SVAR and panel Granger causality test	Oil price, temperature and food inflation	Oil price and temperature had an impact on food inflation.
3	Esmaili et al. (2021)	The impact of oil Price fluctuation on the price of agricultural products considering the food crisis periods.	PVAR Method	Agriculture product price, real currency rate, crude oil price, world oil production, world real economic activity	The total price of agricultural products is indirectly affected by oil shocks supply and demand shocks in addition to their direct effects.
4	Umar et al (2021)	Return and volatility transmission between oil price shocks and agricultural commodities. (during 2002- 2020)	Granger causality, static connectedness, and dynamic rolling connectedness	Different type of oil price shocks, agricultural commodity returns	Oil price shocks are mainly caused by changes in the prices of cereals, live cattle and wheat, while supply shocks create more changes in the prices of cereals.
5	Tariq et al. (2020)	Oil and Agricultural Commodity Markets of Pakistan: Looking for a Preferable Trading Avenue. (during 2012-2017)	Vector Error Correction model	Oil price and 60 observations of seven 7 agricultural variables traded in Futures and spot markets of Pakistan	The market of agricultural products in Pakistan is sensitive to oil prices. The spot price of rice and sugar is considered representative of the price of agricultural products in future transactions

¹ Generalized Autoregressive Score model

6	Roman et al (2020)	The Linkages between Crude Oil and Food Prices. (during January 1990 and September 2020)	data series	Crude Oil and Food Price	There are long-term relationships between crude oil and meat prices. The linkage of crude oil prices occurred with food, cereal, and oil prices in the short term
7	Ben Salah and Zamami (2019)	Does Oil Price Drive World Food Prices? Evidence from Linear and Nonlinear ARDL Modeling. (during January 1990 and October 2017)	ARDL model	Brent and West Texas Intermediate (WTI) oil prices and international food prices	The price of dairy products has reacted to quickly changes in oil prices while the effect of the increase in oil prices has been higher than the reduction. they only react to the reduction in oil prices
8	Esmaili et al (2019)	the impact of exchange rate fluctuations and oil prices on the trade balance of Iran's agricultural sector: curve approach J. (during period 1998 - 2017)	non-linear ARDL models	exchange rate and oil price fluctuations of Iran and trade balance of Iran's agriculture sector with its 8 major trading partner	Long-term oil price fluctuations had a positive effect in Turkey, Afghanistan, Germany, and India. The trade balance of Iran's agricultural products in these countries improved by increasing oil price fluctuations
9	Tarazkar and Sheikh Zainuddin (2019)	Asymmetric effects of oil shock on prices of agricultural products: application of autoregressive approach with extended non-linear lags (NARDL). (during 1976-2011)	autoregressive approach with Nonlinear Autoregressive Distributed Lag	Oil's price shock, agricultural commodity prices	There is a Positive and substantial correlation between the price of agricultural products and the rise in the price of oil
10	Azeez (2018)	Oil price volatility spillover effects on food price in Nigeria. (during 2000-2016)	GARCH (1, 1)-TY model	oil price volatility spillover and prices of food	Total food prices and urban food prices react positively to oil price shocks in the post-crisis periods while rural food prices react negatively to oil price shocks.
11	Dokohki and Mousavi (2018)	Investigating the impact of oil price fluctuations on the added value of different economic sectors in Iran. (during 1976- 2011)	ARDL model	oil price fluctuations, value added of agriculture, industry, and service sectors	The effect of oil price fluctuations on the value added of the agricultural sector is negative and the value added of the agricultural sector decreased by increasing oil price fluctuations.
12	Shahabi et al. (2016)	Investigating the effects of abundance of natural resources (oil) on the added value of the agricultural sector. (during 1981- 2014).	method of simultaneous equations	Growth of the agricultural sector, abundance of natural resources	Growth pattern in the agricultural sector, the direct effect of the abundance of natural resources on the agricultural sector is negative.

226 Source: research findings.

227 In this part of our study, the literature and the research background were explained. In the next part,
 228 the materials and methods that have been used to evaluate oil price fluctuations and the long-run
 229 relationship between oil price fluctuations and the value added to agriculture will be presented.
 230 After that, the model will be analyzed and the results will be explained. In the last part of the study,
 231 a discussion and conclusion will be presented.

222 2- Materials and Methods

233 In our study evaluated the short-term and long-term effects of increase and decrease fluctuations
 234 in OPEC oil prices, employment in the agricultural sector, degree of trade openness, and the

235 consumer price index on the value added of the agricultural sector by using the autoregressive
 236 distributed lag during 1990-2019. To choose variables and estimate our model, we have reviewed
 237 the study of other researchers such as: Tarazkar and Sheikh zeinodin (2018), Afarineshfar and
 238 Shahnazi (2016) and Dokohaki and Mousavi (2018). Due to our study the general logarithmic
 239 form of which is shown in Eq:

$$LAGri = \alpha + \beta_1 Lopec^+ + \beta_2 Lopec^- + \beta_3 Lbr + \beta_4 LDgree + \beta_5 Lcpi + u_t \quad (1)$$

240 where LAgri represents the value added of the agricultural sector and $Lopec^-$ represents decrease
 241 oil's fluctuation and $Lopec^+$ indicate increase oil fluctuation. In addition, Lbr, LDgree, and Lcpi
 242 indicate the employment in the agricultural sector, the degree of trade openness, and the consumer
 243 price index. The degree of trade openness is obtained from next Eq (Amini & Lotfipour, 2014):

$$Dgree = \frac{IM + EX}{GDP} \quad (2)$$

244 Where, IM shows the amount of import, EX is the amount of export, and GDP indicates the gross
 245 domestic product of the agricultural sector.

246 Based on the available studies, the effect of consumer price index and oil price fluctuations on the
 247 value added of the agricultural sector is expected to be negative in the long term. Furthermore, the
 248 degree of trade openness is expected to have a positive effect on the value added of the agricultural
 249 sector. In this study, the GAS method was used to estimate the increase and decrease in oil price
 250 fluctuations using OXmetrics7 software. In addition, the estimation of the final model of ADRL
 251 and NARDL was conducted in EViews7 software.

2-1. Generalized Autoregressive Score Model (GAS)

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 253 In traditional models, the GARCH method (Bollerslow, 1986) is used to estimate uncertainty and
 254 volatility which is rooted in the ARCH method presented by Engel (1982). One of the weaknesses
 255 of the ARCH method is its sensitivity to outliers (Muller and Yohai, 2008), and its use in defining
 256 table-valued parameter models in a wide variety of multivariate and multivariate time series
 257 settings is considered one of the practical features of the GAS framework. This model is related to
 258 the category of observation-based models, which includes well-known models such as the GARCH
 259 method where the conditional distribution of the ARCH and GARCH methods is used. Assume the
 260 GAS method (p,q) that r_t is a k-dimensional random vector at time t with conditional distribution:
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$$Y_t | Y_{1:t-1} \approx p(Y_t; \theta_t) \quad (3)$$

262 where $Y_{1:t-1} \equiv (Y_1^T, \dots, Y_{t-1}^T)^T$ and Y_{t-1} values represent the **sigma-algebra** created by the time series
 263 up to time t , θ_t shows a vector of time series parameters with density function $p(\cdot)$ depending on
 264 Y_{t-1} . The time series parameters θ_t are created by the conditional distribution scalable score
 265 function and its first-order function are as follows:

$$\theta_{t+1} = k + A s_t + B \theta_t \quad (4)$$

266 Where, k , A , and B are the matrix of coefficients, and the scaling score functions s_t is as follows:

$$s_t = s_t \nabla_t + B \theta_t \quad (5)$$

$$\nabla_t = \frac{\delta \ln p(r_t; \theta_t)}{\delta \theta_t} \quad (6)$$

$$s_t = \eta_t (\theta_t)^{-\gamma} \quad (7)$$

$$\eta_t (\theta_t) = E_{t-1} [\nabla_t \nabla_t^T] = -E_{t-1} \left[\frac{\delta^2 \ln p(r_t; \theta_t)}{\delta \theta_t \delta \theta_t^T} \right] \quad (8)$$

267 Where, γ is a number from the set $\{0, 1.2, \text{ and } 1\}$. The value of s_t changes the time series parameters
 268 from θ_t to θ_{t+1} , which is similar to the well-known Newton-Raphson algorithm (Chen and Zhu,
 269 2019).

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271 **2-2. NARDL method**

272 The Nonlinear Autoregressive Distributed Lag (NARDL) was first proposed by Shin et al. (2011),
 273 and later developed by Shin et al. (2014). The NARDL approach is considered as an extension of
 274 the ARDL model, and is considered as the advantages of this method. In this method, it is possible
 275 to estimate the model regardless of whether all of the variables have a co-integration degree $I(1)$ or
 276 a combination of zero $I(0)$ and one $I(1)$ (Pesaran et al., 2001). This approach can be used in small
 277 samples in addition to the possibility of entering independent and dependent variable intervals in
 278 the model (Pesaran and Shin, 1999; Kapura and Pitt, 2004; Narayan et al., 2004).

279 In addition to the above-mentioned factors, the NARDL approach provides the possibility to
 280 simultaneously study the presence of nonlinear and asymmetric relationships in the short and long
 281 term unlike the ARDL method (Yip and Lin, 2017). Furthermore, asymmetric relationships can
 282 exist only in the long or short term or in both. Hence, the effect of positive and negative shocks of
 283 independent variables on the dependent variable can be evaluated by separating the short and **long-**
 284 **term** (Ariz et al., 2017). The NARDL model can be indicated as follows (Shin et al., 2011):

$$y_t = \beta^+ X_t^+ + \beta^- X_t^- + u_t \quad (9)$$

285 Where, β^+ and β^- represent the long-term coefficients of the model and X_t can be separated into
 286 positive and negative changes in the form of the following equation:

$$x_t = x_0 + x_t^+ + x_t^- \quad (10)$$

287 Where, x_0 shows the initial value of x_t . In addition, x_t^+ and x_t^- represent the partial sums of positive
288 and negative changes in x_t , respectively, which can be presented as follows:

$$x_t^+ = \sum_{i=1}^t \Delta x_t^+ = \sum_{i=1}^t \text{Max}(\Delta x_t, 0) \quad (11)$$

$$x_t^- = \sum_{i=1}^t \Delta x_t^- = \sum_{i=1}^t \text{Min}(\Delta x_t, 0) \quad (12)$$

289 Shin et al. (2011) combined eqs. (3-27) and the linear ARDL (p,q) model presented by Pesaran and
290 Shin (1999) and Pesran et al. (2001) to present the NARDL (p,q) as follows:

$$\Delta y_t = \alpha_0 + \rho y_{t-1} + \theta^+ x_{t-1}^+ + \theta^- x_{t-1}^- + \sum_{i=0}^{\rho-1} \varphi_i \Delta y_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^q (\pi_i^+ \Delta x_{t-i}^+ + \pi_i^- \Delta x_{t-i}^-) + e_t \quad (13)$$

291 Where, $\theta^+ = -\rho\beta^+$ and $\theta^- = -\rho\beta^-$ are established.

292 The model is evaluated by using the NARDL approach as follows. First, NARDL (p,q) is evaluated
293 by using the Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) method and determining the optimal lag based on one
294 of the Akaike or Schwarz -Bayesian criteria. Then, the presence of asymmetric co-integration
295 relationship between independent and dependent variables (x_t^- and x_t^+ and y_t) is assessed. In this
296 regard, it is necessary to use the bound test and the modified value of the F statistic provided by
297 Pesaran et al. (2001) and Shin et al. (2011), namely= $\theta^- = \theta^+ = 0$.

298 This test has two upper and lower critical bounds. If the calculated values of the F statistic are more
299 than the upper bound, there is a long-term equilibrium relationship and a convergence between the
300 variables of the model. If there is a co-integration relationship, it is possible to evaluate whether
301 the relationships are symmetrical or asymmetrical in the short and long terms using the Wald test
302 (Atanasnas et al., 2014). In order to evaluate the presence of asymmetric relationships in the long
303 term, it is necessary to confirm the following null hypothesis:

$$H_0: -\frac{\theta^+}{\rho} = -\frac{\theta^-}{\rho} \quad (14)$$

304 The null hypothesis mentioned below should be confirmed to check the presence of asymmetric
305 relationship in a long term (Tarazkar and Sheikh Zainuddin, 2018):

$$H_0 = \sum_{i=1}^q \pi_i^+ = \sum_{i=1}^q \pi_i^- \quad (15)$$

306 First, oil price fluctuation values were calculated using the GAS method and OXmetrics software.
307 Then, the obtained fluctuation values were considered as an independent variable and its stability

308 and other independent variables were studied. After evaluating the degree of stationary, since it
 309 was proved that the degree of stationary of the variables was zero and one, the ARDL method was
 310 used to estimate the long-term and short-term relationship.

311 **3- Results**

312 **3-1. Estimation of oil price fluctuations**

313 Oil price fluctuations were modeled using the GAS method, the results of which are shown in Table
 314 2. Based on the results, the residual term of the oil price variable is abnormal and has ARCH effects
 315 since the GAS method has no limitation in estimating the fluctuations of abnormal variables, and
 316 the presence of ARCH effects is confirmed (Bagherzade et al, 2020). The evaluation of the
 317 stationary test of variables are in Table 2:

318 **Table 2:** Descriptive results of oil price variable.

variable	Normality test			Std. dev	mean	Arch
	Kurt	skw	jarquebera			
L(Opec)	1.68	5.53 (0.000)	22.16	13.63	-1.89	25.25 (0.000)

319 Source: research findings.

320 In Table 2, the normality of the OPEC oil price has been evaluated, and the result shows the variable
 321 isn't normal. Therefore, the first condition for estimating the GAS model will be accepted. Also,
 322 the arch result indicates that the oil price has fluctuated, so, the second condition is accepted too.
 323 In the next step, the stationary value of the variable is estimated to check whether the oil price is
 324 stationary or not. If it will be stationary in the first difference, all conditions to use GAS will be
 325 met.

326 **3-2. Checking the stationary of variables**

327 If the studied variables are non-stationary, the regression and the statistical inference will be
 328 incorrect. In addition, sometimes it is possible that the R^2 level is high despite the non-stationary
 329 of the variables, in which case the results will be misleading. In order to prevent such an occurrence
 330 of the stationary of the variables, the generalized Dickie-Fuller and Phillips-Perron tests were used.

331 **Table 3:** The results of the Augmented Dickey Fuller Static Test.

Variables	In level	Prob	First diffrence	Prob
L(agri)	-2.78	0.21	-6.19	0.000
L(Opec)	0.72	0.99	-4.13	0.003
L(lbr)	-1.77	0.69	-5.23	0.000
L(dgree)	-4.53	0.007	-	-
L(cpi)	-2.55	0.3	-3.38	0.07

332 Source: research findings.

Table 4: The results of the Phillips-Perron Static Test.

Variables	In level	Prob	First difference	Prob
L(agri)	-0.39	0.89	-6.64	0.000
L(Opec)	-1	0.07	-	-
L(lbr)	-1.75	0.39	-5.24	0.000
L(dgree)	-0.85	0.78	-4	0.004
L(cpi)	-0.78	0.8	-2.16	0.04

Source: research findings

As shown in Tables 3 and 4, some variables are stationary in level and others are stationary in first difference. If variables are stationary at level or get stationary in the first difference, the ARDL method is used to estimate the long-term relationship. Therefore, these variables have this condition. Then, before generalizing long-run, Autocorrelation and heteroscedasticity will be checked.

3-3. Autocorrelation and heteroscedasticity

Before generalizing a long-run model, it is necessary to ensure that the results of the model are correct. To assurance about our model efficiency, Autocorrelation and heteroscedasticity should be checked. Therefore, in Table 5 results of these tests are reported.

Table 5: The results of the Diagnostic Tests

Autocorrelation Test (Breusch-Godfrey)			Heteroscedasticity Test (ARCH Test)		
	statistics	Prob		statistics	Prob
CHSQ	1.98	0.23	CHSQ	3.95	0.46
F (2,5)	10.62	0.68	F (1,21)	4.35	0.49

Source: research findings.

According to the results of Table 5, there aren't Autocorrelation and heteroscedasticity and it confirms the truth of the estimation model.

3-4. Bound test

Bound test or F test examines the presence of a long-term relationship between the independent and dependent variables. Table 6 shows the obtained results of the bound test:

Table 6: The results of the F-Bounds test to estimate the long-run relationship.

F-statistic	Signif	1 %	2.5%	5%	10%
5.29	I(0)	3.06	2.7	2.39	2.08
	I(1)	4.15	3.73	3.38	3

Source: research findings.

Since the calculated F statistic (5.29) is more than the upper limit values, the presence of a long-term relationship is confirmed. The upper and lower bounds are measured by I (0) and I (1), if the

365 obtained value of f is higher than the value of $I(1)$ at all significance levels, the condition of long-
 366 term relationship is accepted, and then it is possible to estimate the long-term relationship.

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 368 **3-5. Estimation of long-term relationship**

369 After confirming the long-term relationship between the independent and dependent variables, the
 370 long-term NARDL model was estimated to evaluate the long-term relationship between the
 371 variables, the results of which are shown in Table 7:

372 **Table 7:** The results of long-run ARDL model estimation.

Variables	coefficient	Std.error	t-statistic	Prob
L(dgree)	0.19**	0.08	0.23	0.04
L(lbr)	0.56***	0.14	4.03	0.001
L(opec_pos)	-0.41***	0.12	-3.42	0.005
L(opec_neg)	-0.33***	0.01	-3.19	0.007
L(cpi)	0.79***	0.25	3.12	0.008
C	2.01**	0.87	2.31	0.03

379 Source: research findings.

380 *, **, *** respectively Significant at 10, 5 and 1 percent.

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 382 As shown, OPEC oil price fluctuations have a negative effect on the value added of Iran's
 383 agricultural sector, the degree of trade openness, and consumer price index, and employment in the
 384 agricultural sector in the long-term, while they have a positive effect on the value added of Iran's
 385 agricultural sector. An increase in the value added of the agricultural sector due to the increased
 386 consumer price index can be justified due to the increasing trend of both variables during the period
 387 under review.

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 389 **3-6. Estimation of ECM error correction pattern**

390 The error correction model can establish a relationship between the short-term and long-term
 391 values of the variables. Further, the ECM coefficient indicates the extent to which the short-term
 392 imbalance is adjusted to the long-term balance in each period. Table 8 represents the results of the
 393 long-term error correction model related to the effect of oil price fluctuations and the value added
 394 of the agricultural sector:

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Table 8: Estimating ECM.

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Variables	Coefficient	Std. error	t-statistic
D(L(agri(-1)))	0.56	0.18	3
D(L(agri(-2)))	0.44	0.17	2.51
D(L(dgree))	-0.49	0.11	-4.29
D(L(dgree(-1)))	-0.44	0.11	-4.01
D(L(lbr))	0.5	0.18	2.75
D(L(cpi))	-0.13	0.13	-1.02
D(L(opec_neg))	0.23	0.04	5.2
D(L(opec_neg(-1)))	0.17	0.03	4.9
ECM(-1)	-0.71	0.24	-5.88
$R^2 = 0.71$	$\bar{R}^2 = 0.58$	D-W=2.4	

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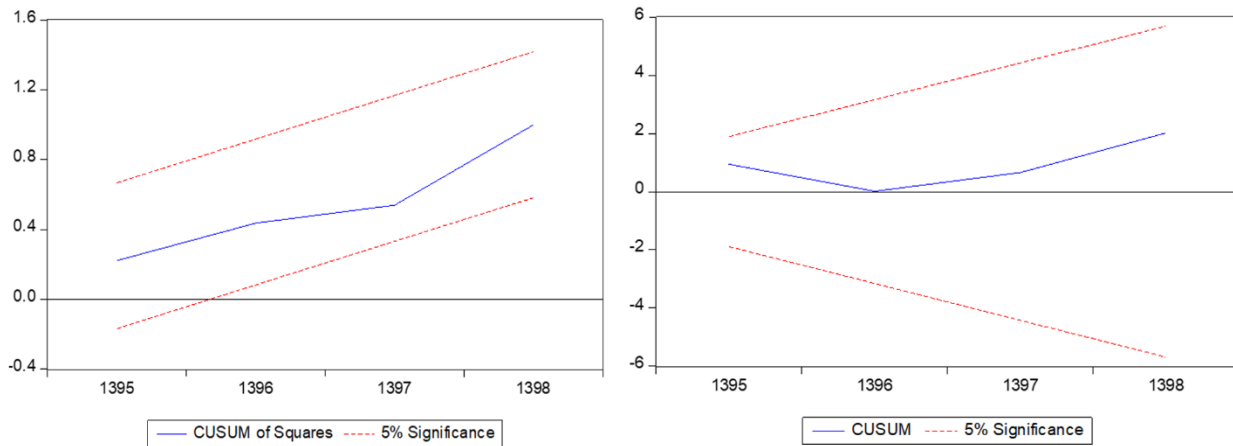
Source: research findings.

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406 As shown in Table 8, the error correction coefficient (ECM) is negative and statistically significant
 407 at the 0.01 level. In addition, the value of the ECM coefficient is equal to -0.71. Based on the
 408 above-mentioned theories, the coefficient value should be between 0 and -1, which is why the result
 409 is acceptable. In other words, 0.57% of the imbalance for one period is adjusted in the next period.

410 The adjustment speed is equal to $\frac{1}{0.71} = 1/4$. In other words, its adjustment will take approximately
 411 17 months.

412 In next step in order to ensure the stability of the regression, should estimate the CUSUM and
 413 CUSUMQ tests. Due to theory, the estimated statistical values are drawn between two critical
 414 values at the 5% level, and if in order not to go beyond these two borders, we accept the null
 415 hypothesis that the regression is stable. The results of these tests are shown below (Fig 1.):



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Fig 1. CUSUM and CUSUMQ Test to estimate the Stability of NARDL model.

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418 According to the results that shows in figures, the null hypothesis is accept and our NARDL model
 419 is stable.

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421 **4- Discussion and Conclusions**

422 Based on the results obtained from the estimates, the degree of trade openness in the long term has
423 a positive effect on the value added of the agricultural sector. In other words, the value added of
424 the agricultural sector increases by 0.19% in the long term with each unit change in the **Trade**
425 **openness**. In addition, a positive relationship was observed between the value added of the
426 agricultural sector and employment in the agricultural sector. In other words, the value added of
427 this sector increases by 0.56% with each unit increase in employment in the agricultural sector in
428 the long term. Further, the obtained results indicated that the consumer price index has a positive
429 relationship with the value added of the agricultural sector. Due to the upward trend of value added
430 in Iran's agricultural sector over the years, as well as the growing trend of the consumer price index,
431 such a result is not far from expected. Moreover, there is an increasing trend between the producer
432 and consumer price index. The consumer price index has surpassed the producer price index in
433 some years. In general, the effect coefficient of the consumer price index is more than the producer
434 price index. Eventually, the results of the relationship between oil price fluctuations and the value
435 added of the agricultural sector indicated that increase and decrease fluctuations of OPEC oil prices
436 have had the same effect on the value added of the agricultural sector in Iran, while it caused the
437 decreased in the agriculture value added in the long term.

438 **One of the ways of effecting oil price fluctuations on the value added of Iran's agricultural sector**
439 **is through clienteles of Iranian agricultural products. Persian Gulf countries are one of the main**
440 **clienteles of Iran's agricultural products, and as oil exporters, they are affected by oil price**
441 **fluctuations. In this way the fluctuation of oil prices has an effect on the income of those countries**
442 **as well as their purchasing power, and this will affect the amount of export and sale of Iran's**
443 **agricultural products and reduce it.** Due to the significance of oil in Iran's economy and its effect
444 on the government budget through oil revenues, oil price fluctuations have caused uncertainty and
445 risk in the revenue sources of the government. In this regard, oil price fluctuations have caused the
446 development and support policies of the government towards the production sectors, including the
447 agricultural sector. In other words, investing in the infrastructure of the agricultural sector such as
448 water transfer projects, reservoirs, power transmission and other infrastructures, policies for the
449 guaranteed purchase of agricultural products, guaranteed prices for agricultural products, technical
450 and credit assistance, subsidies on production inputs, and the like has faced risk and uncertainty.

451 Based on the results, the following suggestions are presented:

452 - The presence of a negative effect of both increases and decreases in oil price fluctuations
453 on the value added of the agricultural sector in the long term shows the large effect of oil
454 on the economy. Considering the high potential of the agricultural sector in food production
455 and the potential to create employment for a large percentage of society, the focus on oil in
456 the agricultural sector which is a stable economic sector and has added value despite the
457 existing political-economic issues should have an ascending trend so that both the risk and
458 uncertainty caused by oil price fluctuation in the government budget can be reduced and
459 the agricultural sector will progress as a domestic production sector which has the least
460 need to import raw materials and inputs from abroad and lead to economic development in
461 the country. Investment in knowledge-based companies is one of the ways to transfer from
462 traditional agriculture to mechanized agriculture. In addition, an appropriate platform for
463 investment in the agricultural sector was provided with the help of knowledge-based
464 companies in different fields of agriculture such as animal husbandry, agriculture, and
465 biotechnology. Consequently, the production in this sector and the value added of the
466 agricultural sector increased which resulted in the improved government budget and
467 economic status.

468 - Since OPEC oil price fluctuations can't be controlled, the government should find a
469 Practical solution to increase the value added of the agricultural sector simultaneously with the
470 decrease and increase of such fluctuations in the OPEC oil price and try to prevent a decline in
471 the value added of the agricultural sector. One of these ways is subsidies and government aid
472 on the import of imported inputs and poisons, etc., to reduce the production costs of farmers
473 and eliminate export tariffs on agricultural products to increase exports.

474 - Considering that one of the export markets of Iran's agricultural products is the oil-
475 exporting countries of the Persian Gulf region, and fluctuations in oil can affect their
476 purchasing power, so it is suggested that agreements be concluded between Iran and the
477 countries of the region, whereby the export can be made. Agricultural goods that have a
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572 **انتقال نامتقارن نوسانات قیمت نفت بر ارزش افزوده بخش کشاورزی با استفاده از مدل NARDL و**
573 **مدل GAS**
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575 نفت به عنوان منبع اصلی انرژی تأثیر بسزایی در ارتقای فعالیت های اقتصادی دارد. نفت بخش قابل توجهی از منابع درآمدی
576 دولت را تأمین می کند. قیمت نفت در طول سالیان متمادی به دلایل مختلف از جمله تحولات سیاسی، اجتماعی و اقتصادی
577 کشورها همواره در نوسان بوده است. از آنجایی که قیمت نفت بر بخش های مختلف اقتصاد از جمله بخش کشاورزی از طریق
578 بودجه دولت و منابع درآمدی دولت تأثیر می گذارد، این مطالعه به بررسی تأثیر افزایش و کاهش نوسانات قیمت نفت اوپک بر
579 ارزش افزوده بخش کشاورزی در طول دوره زمانی 1990-2019 پرداخته است. برای تخمین نوسانات قیمت نفت اوپک از
580 مدل امتیاز خودرگرسیون تعمیم یافته و برای تخمین روابط بلندمدت بین افزایش و کاهش نوسانات قیمت نفت اوپک بر ارزش
581 افزوده بخش کشاورزی از روش خودرگرسیون غیرخطی تاخیر توزیع شده استفاده شد. علاوه بر نوسانات قیمت نفت اوپک،
582 متغیرهای مستقل دیگری مانند شاخص قیمت مصرف کننده، اشتغال در بخش کشاورزی و میزان باز بودن تجارت در مدل
583 مورد بررسی قرار گرفت. بر اساس نتایج، افزایش و کاهش نوسانات قیمت نفت اوپک در بلندمدت تأثیر منفی بر ارزش افزوده
584 بخش کشاورزی داشته است. علاوه بر این، میزان باز بودن تجارت تأثیر مثبتی بر ارزش افزوده بخش کشاورزی در بلندمدت
585 داشت. نتایج حاکی از آن است که درآمد نفت یکی از مهمترین موضوعاتی است که ارزش افزوده بخش کشاورزی را کاهش
586 می دهد و دولت باید این رابطه منفی را کنترل کند تا کشاورزی به عنوان بخش حیاتی اقتصاد توسعه یابد.
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