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A Novel Dynamic <mark>Grey</mark> Action Quantity GM(1,1,b) Model And Its Application							
Abstract: The classical GM(1,1) model treats the grey action quantity as an invariant constant, but changes have occurred within the system as time and space change. If the fixed grey action quantity is still used for modeling, the model will have errors. Aiming at this shortcoming, this paper proposes a GM(1,1,b) model in which the grey action quantity can be dynamically changed. Starting from the background value formula, the model solves the grey action quantity at different time points by the development coefficient, and fits the sequence with the DGM(1,1) model, then brings the obtained time response sequence into the classical GM (1, 1) to replaces the grey action quantity. Finally, the model is applied to the example of China's rural residents' consumption index. The numerical example shows that the GM(1,1,b) model and verifies the effectiveness and practicability of the improved model. Key words: Rural residents' consumption level index; Grey action quantity; GM(1,1,b); Prediction accuracy							
1 Introduction							

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23 As one of the main driving forces for China's economic growth, consumption has affected the 24 growth and speed of China's economy to a certain extent. Under the background of the 25 continuous development of China's social economy, the consumption level of residents can 26 effectively promote the growth of China's economy on the one hand, and the mutual influence 27 with China's economic growth on the other. Both have a relationship of promotion and 28 causality. At the same time, with the universal application of the Internet and the deepening of 29 national policies in recent years, the quality of life of rural residents in China has been 30 improved, and the level of consumption has also undergone significant changes. Therefore, 31 scientific and reasonable prediction and analysis of China's rural residents' consumption level 32 index can provide theoretical guidance for the macro-control of rural residents' consumption 33 level. 34

In the prediction of the consumption level index, many scholars have conducted research. 35 Among them, Meng [1] predicted the national consumption level index of China from 2010 to 36 2014 by establishing ARIMA model and residual autoregressive model. The results show that 37 the ARIMA (2,2,0) model can achieve high prediction accuracy in short-term prediction. Li [2] 38 used regression analysis to predict the consumption level of urban residents in Inner Mongolia, 39 and applied computer to analyze the data. Wei [3] of Jilin university combined trend 40 extrapolation method and exponential smoothing method, took the consumption level of 41 urban residents in China from 1978 to 2007 as the analysis object, and comprehensively 42 predicted the consumption level of urban residents by using deterministic time series analysis,

43 and adopted the method of equal weight combination to improve the prediction accuracy. Ma 44 et al. [4] improved a traditional PCA method and established a new evaluation model and 45 applied it to the study of Qinghai urban residents' consumption level index, which can better 46 evaluate the consumption level of residents. Li [5] used SAS software to construct ARIMA 47 model for time series analysis and short-term forecast of rural residents' consumption level in 48 China. The forecast results show that the consumption level of rural residents in China will be 49 further improved rapidly, and then propose a development strategy that takes into account 50 overall planning. Li et al. [6] used the GM (1,1) model and the buffer operator axioms, 51 combined with qualitative analysis, to predict the development prospects of China's 52 consumption level from 2000 to 2005. Cheng [7] believes that the ordinary grey prediction 53 model can't accurately predict the consumption level index of rural residents in China, so an 54 improved GM (1,1) model based on initial value correction is proposed to predict the 55 consumption level index of rural residents in China in the future, and the model is validated 56 with 2012 data. 57

Since the introduction of the grey system theory by the famous Chinese scholar Deng [8] in 58 1982, after more than 30 years of development, the grey prediction model has been widely 59 used in economic, agricultural, military, ecological and other fields [9-13]. The grey prediction 60 model has good performance in predicting "small sample" and "poor information" data 61 sequences. It is an important part of the grey theory. The most classical prediction model is 62 GM(1,1), where the first "1" represents the first-order differential equation and the second "1" 63 represents a variable. The improvement of the GM(1,1) model has never stopped, mainly in 64 the following five aspects: (1) preprocessing of raw data [14-16]; (2) improvement of 65 background value [17-19]; (3) initial value improvement [20]; (4) parameter improvement of 66 the model [21-22]; (5) combination improvement of the above method [23]. 67

In summary, there are not many literatures on the consumption index of rural residents, and there are no systematic methods and models. Starting from the classical GM (1,1) model, this paper proposes a novel GM (1,1) model with dynamic features. The discrete DGM(1,1) model is used to model and predict the grey action quantity sequence, which further improves the prediction accuracy of the GM(1,1) model and broadens the application range of the model. It provides a new modeling idea for the prediction of rural residents' consumption level index.

- 73 **2 Basic model**
- 74 **2.1. GM (1,1) model**

Let $X^{(0)} = (x^{(0)}(1), x^{(0)}(2), \dots, x^{(0)}(n))$ as a non-negative raw sequence. Grey differential equations can be established for sequences satisfying smooth conditions. After a one-order accumulated, $X^{(1)} = (x^{(1)}(1), x^{(1)}(2), \dots, x^{(1)}(n))$ is generated. $X^{(1)}$ is 1 - AGOsequence of $X^{(0)}$, where

$$x^{(1)}(k) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x^{(0)}(i)(k=1,2,\cdots,n).$$
(1)

And $Z^{(1)} = \left(z^{(1)}(1), z^{(1)}(2), \dots, z^{(1)}(n)\right)$ is the sequence mean generated of consecutive

- 80 neighbors of $X^{(1)}$, where $z^{(1)}(k) = 0.5(x^{(1)}(k) + x^{(1)}(k-1)), \quad k = 2, 3, \dots, n.$ (2)
- 81 Thus, the grey differential equation is defined as
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$$x^{(0)}(k) + az^{(1)}(k) = b, k = 2, 3, \cdots, n,$$
(3)

where, *a* is the development coefficient and *b* is the grey action quantity. If $\hat{u} = [\hat{a}, \hat{b}]^{T}$ is a parameter column and there is

$$Y_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} x^{(0)}(2) \\ x^{(0)}(3) \\ \vdots \\ x^{(0)}(n) \end{pmatrix}, B_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} -z^{(1)}(2) & 1 \\ -z^{(1)}(3) & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ -z^{(1)}(n) & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
(4)

85 Then the least squares parameter estimate of equation (3) satisfies

$$\hat{u} = \left(B_{1}^{T}B_{1}\right)^{-1}B_{1}^{T}Y_{1}.$$
(5)

If B_1, Y_1, \hat{u} satisfies equations (4) and (5), the corresponding whitening differential equation is

$$\frac{dx^{(1)}(t)}{dt} + ax^{(1)}(t) = b.$$
(6)

Let $x^{(0)}(1) = \hat{x}^{(0)}(1)$, get the time response sequence of the GM(1,1) model as

$$\hat{x}^{(1)}(k+1) = \left(x^{(0)}(1) - \frac{b}{a}\right)e^{-ak} + \frac{b}{a}, \quad k = 1, 2, \cdots, n-1, \cdots.$$
(7)

89 After restoration, the predicted value $\hat{x}^{(0)}$ of $x^{(0)}$ is

$$\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1) = \hat{x}^{(1)}(k+1) - \hat{x}^{(1)}(k) = \left(1 - e^{a}\right) \left(x^{(0)}(1) - \frac{b}{a}\right) e^{-ak}, \quad k = 1, 2, \cdots, n-1, \cdots.$$
(8)

90 **2.2 DGM (1,1) model**

Let the non-negative sequence $X^{(0)}$ and the 1 - AGO sequence $X^{(1)}$ as described in the above definition, called

$$\hat{x}^{(1)}(k+1) = \beta_1 \hat{x}^{(1)}(k) + \beta_2, \qquad (9)$$

as a DGM (1,1) model, or as a discrete form of the GM (1,1) model [24]. The DGM(1,1)
model is similar to GM(1,1), where the first "1" also represents the first-order differential
equation, and the second "1" also indicates that there is a variable.

96 If $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = [\boldsymbol{\beta}_1, \boldsymbol{\beta}_2]^T$ is a sequence of parameters; and

$$Y_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} x^{(1)}(2) \\ x^{(1)}(3) \\ \vdots \\ x^{(1)}(n) \end{pmatrix}, B_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} x^{(1)}(1) & 1 \\ x^{(1)}(2) & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x^{(1)}(n-1) & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (10)

97 Then the least squares estimation sequence of parameters $\hat{\beta} = [\beta_1, \beta_2]^T$ of the discrete grey 98 prediction model $\hat{x}^{(1)}(k+1) = \beta_1 \hat{x}^{(1)}(k) + \beta_2$ satisfies

$$\hat{\beta} = \left(B_2^T B_2\right)^{-1} B_2^T Y_2.$$
(11)

99 Let $\hat{x}^{(1)}(1) = x^{(0)}(1)$, get the recursive function as

$$^{(1)}(k+1) = \beta_1^k \left(x^{(0)}(1) - \frac{\beta_2}{1-\beta_1} \right) + \frac{\beta_2}{1-\beta_1}, k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1, \dots$$
(12)

Restore value is $\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1) = \hat{x}^{(1)}(k+1) - \hat{x}^{(1)}(k)$

$$= \left(\beta_{1}-1\right)\left(x^{(0)}\left(1\right)-\frac{\beta_{2}}{1-\beta_{1}}\right)\beta_{1}^{k}, k = 1, 2, \cdots n-1, \cdots$$
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3 Dynamics of grey action quantity b and construction of GM(1,1,b)

102 **model**

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Regarding the optimization and improvement of the GM(1,1) model, the optimization of the 103 104 grey action quantity is rare. The grey action quantity is mined from the background value, 105 which is exactly grey, which reflects the relationship of the data sequence. The traditional GM 106 (1,1) model regards the grey action quantity b as an invariant constant, that is, the external 107 disturbance is regarded as constant, so the purpose of the processing is to facilitate the solution of the subsequent model and simplify the calculation of the model. process. However, 108 109 as can be seen from the literature [25-31], the amount of grey action quantity will change with time and space. If it is regarded as an invariant constant, this will inevitably lead to errors in 110 the GM(1,1) model. The prediction accuracy of the model has a certain impact. 111

In general, when the original sequence $X^{(0)}$ changes from the first data $x^{(0)}(1)$ through time $t = 1, 2, \dots, n$ to the *nth* data $x^{(0)}(n)$, at this stage the environment of the entire system may have changed greatly with time. It can be seen from the grey differential equation $x^{(0)}(k) + az^{(1)}(k) = b, k = 2, 3, \dots, n$ of the classical GM (1,1) model that the classical GM (1,1) model lacks dynamic adjustment of the grey action quantity, which causes the model to not dynamically adapt to changes in the system over time. This is also one of the key reasons for the low accuracy of GM(1,1) model fitting and predicting.

119 Starting from the grey differential equation of the GM(1,1) model, when k = 2, 3, ..., n is 120 considered, the grey action quantity of GM(1,1) model is respectively

$$k = 2, b^{(0)}(1) = x^{(0)}(2) + az^{(1)}(2), \qquad (14)$$

$$k = 3, b^{(0)}(2) = x^{(0)}(3) + az^{(1)}(3),$$
(15)

$$k = n, b^{(0)}(n-1) = x^{(0)}(n) + az^{(1)}(n).$$
(16)

The grey action quantity sequence $B = (b^{(0)}(1), b^{(0)}(2), \dots, b^{(0)}(n-1))$ can be obtained by 121 the above formulas (14), (15), and (16). Where, a is the development coefficient of the GM 122 (1,1) model, and $z^{(1)}(k)$ is the sequence mean generated of consecutive neighbors of $X^{(1)}$. 123 Since the grey action quantity sequence $B = (b^{(0)}(1), b^{(0)}(2), \dots, b^{(0)}(n-1))$ is also a time 124 series, so the grey action quantity sequence $B = (b^{(0)}(1), b^{(0)}(2), \dots, b^{(0)}(n-1))$ is used as 125 the raw data sequence to establish a discrete DGM(1,1) model for fitting the grey action 126 quantity sequence and predicting the change trend of the grey action quantity. Let 127 $\hat{b}^{(1)}(1) = b^{(0)}(1)$, then the recursive function is 128

$$\hat{b}^{(1)}(k+1) = \beta_1^k \left(b^{(0)}(1) - \frac{\beta_2}{1-\beta_1} \right) + \frac{\beta_2}{1-\beta_1}, k = 1, 2, \cdots, n-2, \cdots.$$
(17)
solution is

129 Restore value is

$$\hat{b}^{(0)}(k+1) = \hat{b}^{(1)}(k+1) - \hat{b}^{(1)}(k)$$

$$= (\beta_1 - 1) \left(b^{(0)}(1) - \frac{\beta_2}{1 - \beta_1} \right) \beta_1^k, k = 1, 2, \cdots, n - 2, \cdots.$$
(18)

130 The fitted values obtained by the above formula (18) and the predictive values $\hat{b}^{(0)}(k)$ are

brought into the above equations (7) and (8) to achieve dynamic change of the grey action quantity.

$$\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1) = (1-e^{a}) \left(x^{(0)}(1) - \frac{(\beta_{1}-1)\left(b^{(0)}(1) - \frac{\beta_{2}}{1-\beta_{1}}\right)\beta_{1}^{k}}{a} \right) e^{-ak},$$

$$k = 1, 2, ..., n, \cdots.$$
(19)

The above formula (19) is a GM (1, 1, b) model in which the grey action quantity obtained by combining the GM (1, 1) model and the DGM (1, 1) model can be dynamically changed. The model implements a dynamic change of grey action quantity that allows the model to adapt to changes in the external environment. In theory, the model should have better prediction accuracy than the static grey action quantity.

4 Example application and analysis

In order to verify the validity and practicability of GM(1,1,b) model established in this paper. The consumption level index of rural residents' in China from 2002 to 2013 was obtained from the Statistical Yearbook of China, and used as an example to analyze the data for modeling and prediction analysis. Compare the fitted and predicted accuracy of the proposed GM(1,1,b) improved model and the classical GM(1,1) model. The raw data is shown in the following Table 1.

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Table 1: China's 2002-2013 Rural Residents Consumption Level Index (1978=100)

Year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	421.10	440.50	457.80	488.90	524.70	570.40
Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	610.30	666.90	716.00	808.60	880.40	955.80

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In this paper, the consumption level index of rural residents from 2002 to 2008 was selected as the fitting modeling data, and the consumption level index of rural residents from 2009 to 2013 was used as the predictive comparison data to establish the classical GM(1,1) model and GM(1,1,b) model respectively. After calculation, the estimated parameter of GM(1,1) model is

$$\hat{u} = (\hat{a}, \hat{b})^T = (-0.0685, 387.7236)^T.$$
 (20)

From the above estimated parameter column \hat{u} , the time response sequence of the GM(1,1) model can be obtained as

$$\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1) = \left(1 - e^{-0.0685}\right) \left(x^{(0)}(1) + \frac{387.7236}{0.0685}\right) e^{0.0685k}, \qquad (21)$$

$$k = 1, 2, \cdots, n, \cdots$$

156 The grey action quantity sequence

$$B = [396.59, 381.1, 383.51, 385.93, 388.38, 390.83, 393.31, 395.8, 398.3, 400.82, 403.36]$$

158 can be calculated by the development coefficient \hat{a} , and the DGM(1,1) model of the grey 159 action quantity amount is established by using the sequence to fit and predict the grey action 160 quantity amount. After calculation, the estimated parameters of the DGM(1,1) model is

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\beta_1, \beta_2)^T = (1.0063, 378.585)^T.$$
 (22)

161 From the estimated parameter column $\hat{\beta}$ of the above DGM(1,1) model, the DGM(1,1) 162 model recursive function can be calculated as

$$\hat{b}^{(1)}(k+1) = 1.0063^{k} \left(b^{(0)}(1) + \frac{378.585}{0.0063} \right) - \frac{378.585}{0.0063}, \qquad (23)$$

$$k = 1, 2, \cdots, n-2, \cdots.$$

163 Restore value is

$$\hat{b}^{(0)}(k+1) = 0.0063 \left(b^{(0)}(1) + \frac{378.585}{0.0063} \right) 1.0063^{k}, \\ k = 1, 2, \cdots, n-2, \cdots.$$
(24)

Bring the equation (24) into equation (21) to obtain the GM (1,1,b) model time response sequence as

$$\hat{x}^{(0)}(k+1) = \left(1 - e^{-0.0685}\right) \left(x^{(0)}(1) + \frac{0.0063 \left(b^{(0)}(2) + \frac{378.585}{0.0063} \right) 1.0063^{k}}{0.0685} \right) e^{0.0685k}, \quad (25)$$

$$k = 1, 2, ..., n, \cdots.$$

In order to compare and analyze the GM (1,1) model and the GM (1,1,b) model, $MPAE_{pred}$ and $MAPE_{tol}$ are used as evaluation indicators of the model. Where $MPAE_{pred}$ is the mean absolute percentage error of the extrapolated predicted value and $MAPE_{tol}$ is the total mean absolute percentage errors. The calculation formula are as follows

$$MAPE_{tol} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left| \frac{x^{(0)}(k) - \hat{x}^{(0)}(k)}{x^{(0)}(k)} \right| \times 100\%,$$
(26)

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$$MPAE_{pred} = \frac{1}{n-N} \sum_{k=N+1}^{n} \left| \frac{x^{(0)}(k) - \hat{x}^{(0)}(k)}{x^{(0)}(k)} \right| \times 100\%.$$
(27)

- 171 Where n represents the total number of sample data and N represents the number of data used 172 to fit the model.
- 173 The fitted and raw data and relative errors of the GM(1,1) and GM(1,1,b) models are shown
- 174 in Table 2. The five-steps extrapolated prediction and prediction errors for the two models are
- 175 shown in Table 3 below.
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Table 2: GM(1,1) and GM(1,1,b) model fitted and relative error comparison (%)						
Year	Raw data	GM(1,1)	Relative error	GM(1,1,b)	Relative error	
2002	421.10	421.10	0.00	421.10	0.00	
2003	440.50	431.14	2.12	440.32	0.04	
2004	457.80	461.69	0.85	438.30	4.26	
2005	488.90	494.40	1.13	494.57	1.16	
2006	524.70	529.43	0.90	535.24	2.01	
2007	570.40	566.95	0.61	579.07	1.52	
2008	610.30	607.12	0.52	626.31	2.62	

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Table 3: Comparison of GM(1,1) and GM(1,1,b) model prediction and prediction errors (%)								
Year	Raw data	GM(1,1)	Relative error	GM(1,1,b)	Relative error			
2009	666.90	650.14	2.51	677.21	1.55			
2010	716.00	696.20	2.77	732.05	2.24			
2011	808.60	745.53	7.80	791.15	2.16			
2012	880.40	798.36	9.32	854.83	2.90			
2013	955.80	854.93	10.55	923.44	3.39			
$MPAE_{pred}$		6.5902	Y	2.4471				
$MAPE_{tol}$		3.2566		1.9873				

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181 It can be seen from Table 3, $MPAE_{pred}$ and $MAPE_{tol}$ of the GM (1,1,b) model are only 2.4471%

and 1.9873%, while $MPAE_{pred}$ and $MAPE_{tol}$ of the GM (1,1) model are as high as 6.5902%

and 3.2566%, which is obviously higher than the GM (1,1,b) model proposed in this paper.

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Fig.1 Comparison of fitted and predicted values of GM(1,1) and GM(1,1,b) models



Fig.2 Prediction error of GM(1,1) and GM(1,1,b) models

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Fig.1 visually compares the fitted and predictive values of the GM (1,1) and GM (1,1,b)models, and Fig.2 compares the prediction error of the GM (1,1) and GM (1,1,b) models. The above two figures clearly show that the GM(1,1,b) model proposed in this paper is superior to the classical GM(1,1) model.

190 **5 Conclusion**

191 This paper starts from the classical GM(1,1) model, aiming at the shortcoming that GM(1,1)192 model ignores the change of external environment and regards grey action quantity as a constant. By studying the dynamic change property of grey action quantity, the DGM(1,1)193 194 model was used to simulate and predict the grey action quantity. Based on this, a novel 195 GM(1,1,b) model with dynamic grey action quantity can be proposed and applied to the 196 prediction of rural residents' consumption level index. The results show that the proposed 197 GM(1,1,b) model has higher prediction accuracy than the classical GM(1,1) model, which 198 verifies the practicability and effectiveness of the GM(1,1,b) model. At the same time, it also provides relevant theoretical basis for the state to adjust the consumption index of rural 199 200 residents in China.

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