Capital controls: a normative analysis PRELIMINARY AND INCOMPLETE*

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Abstract

Countries' concerns with the value of their currency have been extensively studied and documented in the literature. Capital controls can be (and often are) used as atool to manage exchange rate fluctuations. This paper investigates whether countries can benefit from using such tool. We develop a welfare based analysis of whether (or, in fact, how) countries should tax international borrowing. Our results suggest that managing exchange rate movements with the use of these taxes can be beneficial for individual countries although it would limit cross-border pooling of risk. This is because while consumption risk-pooling is important, individual countries also care about domestic output fluctuations. Moreover, the results show that countries decide to restrict the international flow of capital exactly when this flow is crucial to ensure cross-border risk-sharing. Our findings thus point to important gains from international coordination in the use of capital controls.

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1 Introduction

Countries' concerns with the value of their currency have been extensively studied and documented in the literature. As detailed in Fry et al. (2000), the majority of central banks around the world actually include the exchange rate as one of their main policy objectives – and the rationale for this has been the topic of a large literature on monetary policy in open economies (Corsetti et al. (2010) and references there in). But apart from traditional monetary policy, capital controls can be (and often are) used as tool to manage exchange rate fluctuations (see survey by Edwards (1999), or more recently, Schmitt-Grohe and Uribe (2012)). The aim of this paper is to shed light on whether countries can in fact benefit from using such tool.

We present a welfare based analysis of whether (or, in fact, how) countries may wish to intervene in the international flow of capital. To do so we lay out a simple two-country model with incomplete financial markets. In the proposed model, controlling capital flows and, thus, fluctuations in exchange rates, may be beneficial for two reasons.

Imperfect risk-sharing across countries introduces a natural role for managing fluctuations in international relative prices. While movements in such prices can automatically ensure cross-border risk-sharing in special circumstances (Cole and Obstfeld (1991)), this is not generally the case. As shown in Corsetti et al. (2008), when domestic demand is not too sensitive to changes in international relative prices (or the trade elasticity is low), movements in these prices are large and can create strong wealth effects that damage risk pooling among countries. Countries may also suffer from insufficient risk-sharing when shocks are persistent and the trade elasticity is large.

But apart from cross-border consumption risk-sharing, individual countries are also concerned with fluctuations in their own output – or the supply of labor by domestic households. Countries' incentives to strategically manage their terms of trade as to affect labor effort has been extensively studied in the monetary literature (e.g. Corsetti and Pesenti (2001), Tille (2001), Benigno and Benigno (2003), Sutherland (2006), De Paoli (2009a)) ¹.

¹The literature has emphasized that, in light of a so-called "terms of trade externality", strategically

In our paper, it is the tug-of-war between these policy incentives that determines countries' desire to intervene in international capital flows. Our results suggest that restricting exchange rate movements with the use of capital controls can improve welfare when the trade elasticity is high. When this elasticity is low, policy should aim at enhancing exchange rate flexibility. But such policy interventions, although optimal from the individual country point of view, critically limit cross-border pooling of risk. In fact, greater risk-sharing would call for opposite policies. Our findings thus point to important gains from international coordination in the use of capital controls.

Here is an illustration of the results. After a fall in productivity a subsidy to international borrowing can help domestic households share the burden of the shock with foreign households. This is particularly the case when domestic demand is too sensitive to changes in relative prices and the borrowing subsidy can enhance the, otherwise small, appreciation in domestic terms of trade. But individual countries actually find it optimal to tax, rather than subsidize, borrowing. With the goal of limiting fluctuations in domestic output and the exchange rate, the country imposes restrictions on capital inflows that augment, rather than mitigate, the adverse effect of the shock on consumption.

Overall, our findings suggest that if capital controls are set in an uncoordinated fashion they can have damaging implications for global risk-sharing and welfare. Ultimately, if countries simultaneously and independently engage in such interventions in the international flow of capital, not only global but individual welfare would be adversely affected.

Other related literature:

Apart from the aforementioned works, our analysis is also related to that of Costinot et al. (2011) who study the role of capital controls in a two-country endowment model with growth. Although in their framework capital controls can be used to manipulate intertemporal prices, the lack of labor supply decisions removes the policy incentives driven by the terms of trade externality described above.

managing the exchange rate may allow countries to reduce their labor effort without a corresponding fall in their consumption levels. This is the case when countries are able to switch consumption towards foreign goods via changes in relative prices.

Another important strand of the normative literature on capital control include the recent contributions by Benigno et al. (2010), Korinek (2011), Bianchi (2011) and Bianchi and Mendoza (2010). Differently from our work, these studies evaluate the role of capital control as a prudential tool – or a tool to reduce the probability of financial crisis.

2 The Model

The framework consists of two-country dynamic general equilibrium model featuring incomplete markets. The baseline framework is a version of Benigno (2009) that abstracts from nominal rigidities and allows for home bias in consumption. As shown in Corsetti et al. (2008) (or CDL, hereafter), introducing a non-unitary trade elasticity and consumption home-bias in incomplete markets models enables them to generate insufficient risk-sharing (and thus better match the empirical regularities documented in Backus and Smith (1993) and Kollmann (1995)). Finally, in order to introduce a tool with which countries can control the international flow of capital, we assume that policymakers set taxes/subsidies on international borrowing/lending.

2.1 Preferences

We consider two countries, H (Home) and F (Foreign). The world economy is populated with a continuum of agents of unit mass, where the population in the segment [0, n) belongs to country H and the population in the segment (n, 1] belongs to country F. The utility function of a consumer in country H is given by:

$$U_{t} = E_{t} \sum_{s=t}^{\infty} \beta^{s-t} \left[U(C_{s}) - V(N_{s}) \right],$$
 (1)

but in what follows we will assume an isoelastic functional form where

$$U(C_s) = \frac{C_t^{1-\rho}}{1-\rho} \text{ and } V(n_s^j) = \frac{(N_s)^{1+\eta}}{1+\eta}.$$
 (2)

Households obtain utility from consumption $U(C^j)$ and supply labor N^j attaining

disutility $V(N_s)$, and C is a C.E.S. (constant elasticity of substitution) aggregate of home and foreign goods, defined by

$$C = \left[v^{\frac{1}{\theta}} C_H^{\frac{\theta-1}{\theta}} + (1-v)^{\frac{1}{\theta}} C_F^{\frac{\theta-1}{\theta}} \right]^{\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}}.$$
 (3)

The parameter $\theta > 0$ is the intratemporal elasticity of substitution between home and foreign-produced goods, C_H and C_F . As in Sutherland (2005), the parameter determining home consumers' preferences for foreign goods, (1 - v), is a function of the relative size of the foreign economy, (1 - n), and of the degree of openness, λ ; more specifically, $(1 - v) = (1 - n)\lambda$.

Similar preferences are specified for the Foreign economy

$$C^* = \left[v^{*\frac{1}{\theta}} C_H^{*\frac{\theta-1}{\theta}} + (1 - v^*)^{\frac{1}{\theta}} C_F^{*\frac{\theta-1}{\theta}} \right]^{\frac{\theta}{\theta-1}}, \tag{4}$$

with $v^* = n\lambda$. That is, foreign consumers' preferences for home goods depend on the relative size of the home economy and the degree of openness. Note that the specification of v and v^* generates a home bias in consumption. Moreover, this home bias specification also enables us to characterize a small open economy setting by taking the limit of the home economy size to zero.

The consumption-based price indices that correspond to the above specifications of preferences are given by

$$P = \left[v P_H^{1-\theta} + (1-v) (P_F)^{1-\theta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\theta}}, \tag{5}$$

and

$$P^* = \left[v^* P_H^{*1-\theta} + (1 - v^*) \left(P_F^* \right)^{1-\theta} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\theta}}.$$
 (6)

As Equations (5) and (6) illustrate, the home bias specification leads to deviations from purchasing power parity; that is, $P \neq SP^*$ For this reason, we define the real exchange rate as $Q \equiv \frac{SP^*}{P}$.

Consumers labor supply condition will imply:

$$w_t = \frac{V_y(N_t)}{U_c(C_t)} \tag{7}$$

$$=N_t^{\eta}C_t^{\rho}.\tag{8}$$

where w_t is the real wage.

2.2 Firms

We assume that there is a continuum of identical firms that take prices as given. Each individual firm produces an equal share of total output in each country. So the demand for domestic and foreign good is given by:

$$Y_t^H = \left[\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t}\right]^{-\theta} \left[nvC_t + (1-n)v^* \left(\frac{1}{Q_t}\right)^{-\theta} C_t^* \right],\tag{9}$$

$$Y_t^F = \left[\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_t}\right]^{-\theta} \left[n(1-v)C_t + (1-n)(1-v^*)\left(\frac{1}{Q_t}\right)^{-\theta}C_t^*\right].$$
 (10)

We can derive the demand for an individual good produced in country H, and the demand for a good produced in country F:

$$Y_t = \left[\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t}\right]^{-\theta} \left[vC_t + \frac{v^*(1-n)}{n} \left(\frac{1}{Q_t}\right)^{-\theta} C_t^* \right],\tag{11}$$

$$Y_t^* = \left[\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_t}\right]^{-\theta} \left[\frac{(1-v)n}{1-n}C_t + (1-v^*)\left(\frac{1}{Q_t}\right)^{-\theta}C_t^*\right].$$
 (12)

In the case of no-home bias (where $\lambda = 1$, as in Benigno (2009)), these reduce to:

$$Y_{t} = \left[\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_{t}}\right]^{-\theta} \left[nC_{t} + (1-n)C_{t}^{*}\right], \tag{13}$$

$$Y_t^* = \left[\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_t}\right]^{-\theta} \left[nC_t + (1-n)C_t^*\right]. \tag{14}$$

Finally, to portray a small open economy setting (where $n \to 0$, as in as De Paoli (2009b)), conditions (11) and (12) can be rewritten as

$$Y_t = \left[\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t}\right]^{-\theta} \left[(1-\lambda)C_t + \lambda \left(\frac{1}{Q_t}\right)^{-\theta} C_t^* \right],\tag{15}$$

$$Y_t^* = \left[\frac{P_{F,t}^*}{P_t^*}\right]^{-\theta} C_t^*. \tag{16}$$

In this case, (15) and (16) show that external changes in consumption affect demand in the small open economy, but the opposite is not true. Moreover, movements in the real exchange rate do not affect the rest of the world's demand.

Given the following production function²

$$Y_t = \xi_t^{\frac{\eta}{\eta+1}} N_t.$$

where productivity shocks are denoted by ξ . Labor demand in the Home economy is, thus, given by

$$\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t} = \xi_t^{-\frac{\eta}{\eta+1}} w_t,$$

and equating labor demand and labor supply, we obtain the following the labor leisure relationship

$$\frac{P_{H,t}}{P_t}C_t^{-\rho} = \xi_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta}.$$

An analogous condition holds for the Foreign economy.

2.3 Asset Markets

We assume that households of both countries trade a real riskless bonds paid in units of the Foreign consumption basket.³ Moreover, we assume that households at Home face quadratic adjustment cost when changing their real asset position. As in Benigno (2009),

²The production function has the power $\frac{\eta}{\eta+1}$ on productivity ξ in order to be consistent with a a Yeoman-farmer version of the model in Benigno (2009).

³The present framework does not include a portfolio problem for households. For recent contributions on optimal international portfolios in incomplete markets settings, see, for example, Devereux and Sutherland (2011) and Evans and Hnatkovska (2005).

the introduction of this cost enables us to pin down the steady state value of the foreign asset position. Moreover, we assume that Home (Foreign) policymakers can impose taxes on international borrowing and these are rebated back to Home (Foreign) households in the form of transfers.

We can therefore write the household's budget constraint at Home as follows:

$$C_t + B_{F,t} \le B_{F,t-1} \frac{Q_t}{Q_{t-1}} R_{t-1}^* (1 + \tau_{t-1}) + p_{H,t} Y_t + p_{H,t} Tr_t - \frac{\delta}{2} B_{F,t}^2, \tag{17}$$

where $B_{F,t}$ denote foreign real bonds⁴, Tr_t are transfers made in the form of domestic goods, $p_{H,t} \equiv P_{H,t}/P_t$ is the relative price of Home goods, R_t^* is a foreign real rate on foreign bond holdings and δ is a nonnegative parameter that measures the adjustment cost in terms of units of the consumption index. The variable τ_t is a tax on international bond holdings. Below we illustrate the role of this instrument:

- $B_{F,t} > 0$ and $\tau_t > 0$: Policy implies a subsidy on international lending or a subsidy on capital outflows
- $B_{F,t} > 0$ and $\tau_t < 0$: Policy implies a tax on international lending or a tax on capital outflows
- $B_{F,t} < 0$ and $\tau_t > 0$: Policy implies a tax on international borrowing or a tax on capital inflows
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Similarly to Equation (17), the budget constraint of Foreign households can be written as follows:

$$C_t^* + B_{F,t}^* \le B_{F,t-1}^* R_{t-1}^* (1 + \tau_{t-1}^*) + p_{F,t}^* Y_t^* + p_{F,t}^* T r_t^*.$$
(18)

where market clearing implies that $B_{F,t}^* = -B_{F,t}$. If, moreover, we assume that the adjustment costs faced by Home households are paid to Foreign households in the form of

⁴Alternatively, one can think of $B_{F,t}$ as the real value of a nominal bond paid in foreign currency. That is, $B_{F,t} \equiv S_t B_{F,t}^N/P_t$, where $B_{F,t}^N$ is a nominal bond paid in foreign currency.

transfers, then the Home and Foreign economy-wide budget constraints can be written as:

$$C_t + B_{F,t} \le B_{F,t-1} \frac{Q_t}{Q_{t-1}} R_{t-1}^* + p_{H,t} Y_t - \frac{\delta}{2} B_{F,t}^2$$
(19)

and

$$C_t^* + B_{F,t}^* \le B_{F,t-1}^* R_{t-1}^* + p_{F,t}^* Y_t^*. \tag{20}$$

Given the above specification, we can write the consumer's optimal intertemporal choice as:

$$U_{C}(C_{t})(1 + \delta B_{F,t}) = R_{t}^{*}(1 + \tau_{t})\beta E_{t} \left[U_{C}(C_{t+1}) \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_{t}} \right],$$
(21)

$$U_C(C_t^*) = R_t^* (1 + \tau_t^*) \beta E_t \left[U_C(C_{t+1}^*) \right], \tag{22}$$

where (21) is the Home Euler equation derived from the optimal choice of foreign bonds and (22) is the Foreign Euler equation derived from the optimal choice of foreign bonds.

3 Economic inefficiencies

Policymakers in each country are motivated to correct two economic inefficiencies: one related to its inability to fully share risk with the rest of the world; and another related to a pecuniary externality. We discuss both of these in turn.⁵

As extensively documented in CDL the lack of risk sharing under incomplete markets can be large even when agents in different countries are allowed to trade bonds. The authors show that the degree of substitutability between domestic and foreign good is an important determinant of risk sharing in such models. Home-bias is also shown to be of relevance. In what follows we present two measures that gauge the degree of market incompleteness in the model.

Figure 1.1 presents a metric of the size of the inefficiencies created by incomplete

⁵Clearly, another form of economic inefficiency present in the model arises from the use of the policy instrument itself. That is, if taxes are rebated to domestic households, fluctuations in such taxes directly cause economic inefficiencies. While the resource constraint of the economy (see equation 19) as a whole is unaffected by such taxes (i.e. they are mere transfers between private and public sector), changes in such taxes affect consumers' intertemporal decision.

markets by showing the level of global welfare⁶ (measured in percentage deviation from steady-state consumption) for our benchmark model and for versions of the model with complete asset markets and financial autarky.

If agents in the model could trade (without any portfolio adjustment cost) a full set of contingent claims to ensure efficient pooling of risk across countries, adjusting for the real exchange rate, intertemporal marginal rates of substitution would be equalized across borders. As discussed in Cole and Obstfeld (1991), under certain conditions, movements in international relative prices may automatically ensure such cross-border risk-sharing regardless of countries' ability to trade financial assets. But, in our incomplete market setting, this is only the case under a knife edge specification of log utility and unitary elasticity of intratemporal substitution. So, Figure 1.2 presents another measure of lack of risk sharing based on the difference in real exchange rate-adjusted intertemporal marginal rates of substitutions across countries:

$$\frac{U_C(C_{t+1})}{U_C(C_t)} \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} - \frac{U_C(C_{t+1}^*)}{U_C(C_t^*)}.$$
 (23)

The calibration used to produce such pictures assumes no active tax policy (i.e. $\tau_t = \tau_t^* = 0$), no home-bias and log utility (see Table 1 for a detailed calibration of all parameter values). Clearly, in the case in which countries can trade bonds, to portray a realistic size of lack of risk sharing and quantify the true costs of market incompleteness, one would need to extend the model and its calibration in the directions highlighted in CDL.⁷ To maintain the simplicity of the model and arrive at informative normative conclusions, we leave such task for future research.

As Figures 1.1 and 1.2 illustrate, risk-sharing falls in our model as the trade elasticity distances itself from unity. Consistent with the results in CDL, when domestic demand is not too sensitive to changes in international relative prices (or when θ is low), movements

⁶A description of how the conditional welfare measure is obtained using second-order perturbation methods is described in Schmitt-Grohe and Uribe (2007). All our numerical simulations use perturbation methods. We use a second-order approximation procedure to obtain theoretical moments. For impulse responses we use a first-order approximation of the model.

⁷For example, the authors show that in order to match stylized facts on risk-sharing, one may need to assume that shocks are nearly permanent. It might also be necessary to introduce a distribution sector that helps generate more realistic deviations from the law of one price.

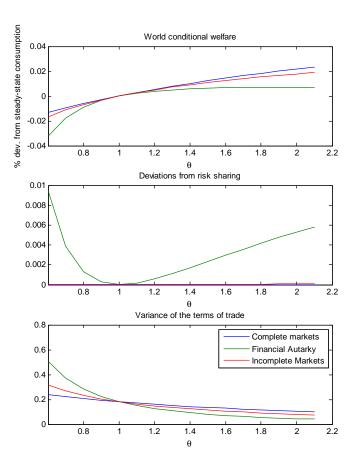


Figure 1: Measuring inefficient risk-sharing: moments of relevant variables under complete markets, financial autarky and incomplete markets.

in international relative prices are large and can create strong wealth effect that damages risk pooling among countries. On the other hand, when demand is very sensitive to changes in relative prices, or θ is high, movements in the real exchange rate – or the terms of trade – are too small relative to the case of complete markets (see Figure 1.3).

But apart from cross-border consumption risk-sharing, individual countries are also concerned with fluctuations in their own output – or the supply of labor by domestic households. As discussed in the introduction and documented in the monetary literature, open economies are affected by a so called terms of trade externality. For individual countries, strategically managing the exchange rate may allow countries to reduce their labor effort without a corresponding fall in their consumption levels. This is particularly the case when the elasticity of substitution between goods is large and having a more appreciated exchange rate can divert consumption towards foreign goods. When the

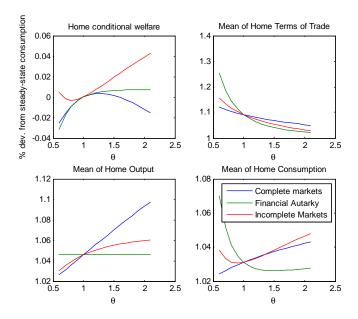


Figure 2: Implications of the terms of trade externality: moments of relevant variables under complete markets, financial autarky and incomplete markets.

trade elasticity is low, a more depreciated exchange rate might increase domestic output and produce an even larger increase in domestic consumption.

As shown in Figure 2.1, the present of such externality can imply that, although global welfare is inferior, domestic welfare may be larger under imperfect risk sharing. When the trade elasticity θ is large, bigger domestic purchasing power under incomplete markets when compared to complete markets (Figure 2.2), allows agent to produce less (Figure 2.3) without a proportional fall in consumption (Figure 2.4). When θ is low, mean welfare is larger under incomplete markets as a more undervalued currency in this setting produces higher levels of consumption, without an equivalent increase in labor effort.

Parameter	Value	Notes:
β	0.99	Specifying a quarterly model with 4% steady-state real interest rate
η	0.47	Following Rotemberg and Woodford (1997)
λ	$[0.4^1, 1^2]$	¹ Set to 0.4 for the small open economy as in De Paoli (2009b)
		² In the 2-country world, we consider different values including no home bias
n	$0^3, 0.2, 0.5^4$	3 Set to 0 for the small open economy as in De Paoli (2009b)
		⁴ In the 2-country world, we consider symmetric and asymmetric country sizes
θ	[0.8, 3]	Allowing domestic and foreign goods to be complements and substitutes
δ	0.01	Following Benigno (2009)
$sdv(\hat{\varepsilon}), sdv(\hat{\varepsilon}^*)$	0.0071	Consistent with Gali and Monacelli (2005) and Kehoe and Perri (2002)
$sdv(\hat{\boldsymbol{C}}^*)$	0.0129	For the small open economy, we follow Lubik and Schorfheide $(2007)^{10}$
$\kappa^{(arepsilon)}, \kappa^{(arepsilon^*)} \kappa^{(C^*)}$	0.66	Following Gali and Monacelli (2005)

Table 1: Parameter values used in the quantitative analysis

4 Optimal taxes under incomplete markets

We now analyze how policymakers would choose to tax international capital flows, in light of the policy incentives described above. In what follows we consider different policy settings: First we assume that the Home policymaker chooses taxes as to minimize domestic social losses, while the Foreign country does not have access to a tool to control capital flows. We then analyze the case in which taxes are determined by a global social planner who minimizes global social losses. Finally, we consider the case in which both countries decide how to set taxes on international bonds, arriving at a Nash equilibrium.

4.1 National optimal policy

In this section we assume that only the Home policymaker has an active policy instrument. That is, while the Foreign policymaker keeps taxes constant ($\tau^* = 0$), the domestic policymaker decides on the evolutions of taxes, τ_t , that maximizes domestic welfare.

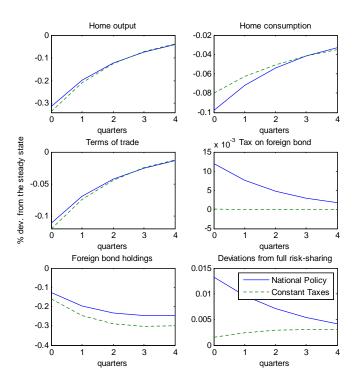


Figure 3: Optimal national policy following a negative Home productivity shock with $\theta = 3$: comparison with the case in which there is no active tax policy.

The Ramsey policy problem and first order conditions are shown in Section 6.1 of the Appendix.

First, we analyze economic dynamics following a negative Home productivity shock under our the assumption that $\theta=3$, i.e. home and foreign goods are imperfect substitutes. As we can see in Figure 3, in response to the shock, home output and home consumption decrease, and the terms of trade appreciate. Domestic households, in order to smooth consumption, would like to borrow from foreign agents. However, the domestic social planner increases taxes on international borrowing. Higher taxes effectively increases an interest rate paid on foreign bond holdings and discourages domestic households from borrowing. The result is an even stronger fall in consumption and a larger deviation from complete risk sharing. The policymaker's action reduces fluctuations in domestic labor supply – or lowers output volatility – at the expense of a further deterioration in financial integration among countries.

Figure 4 considers the case in which domestic and foreign goods are complements.

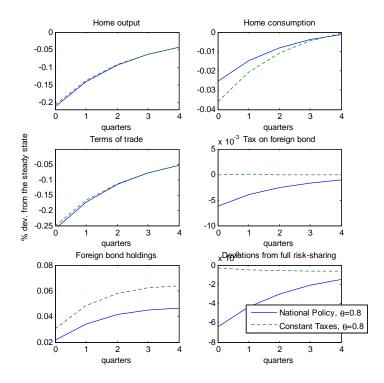


Figure 4: Optimal national policy with $\theta = 0.8$: comparison with the case in which there is no active tax policy.

Under this specification, the strong appreciation in the terms of trade actually introduces a large positive wealth effect at home (as described in CDL) which implies that domestic agents actually become net lenders to foreign households. The optimal policy implies a tax on capital outflow (as it reduces the effective returns to domestic lenders) that, again, limits international risk-sharing. The policy, however, allows for a smaller drop in consumption without a significant change in domestic labor supply.

To better illustrate the scenario in which one country set policy unilaterally, and there is no strategic policy interactions between countries, we also consider the case of a small open economy. Section 6.2 in the appendix presents the details of the policy problem and the first order conditions. Figure 5 shows the moments of relevant variables under the optimal policy and under a constant tax policy. The results are consistent with the ones found for the optimal national policy in the two-country environment: when $\theta > 1$ it is optimal to restrict the flow of capital and fluctuations in international relative prices while when $\theta < 1$, higher exchange rate flexibility leads to higher welfare.¹¹

¹¹The difference in the policy incentives depending on the value of the trade elasticity is a result of

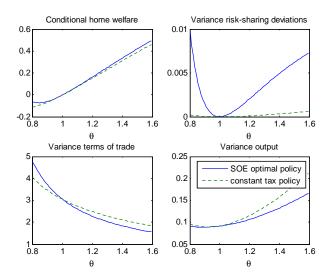


Figure 5: Moments of relevant variables under the optimal policy and constant taxes: the case of a small open economy

4.2 Global optimal policy

We now consider the case in which a global policymaker sets the same instrument, τ_t , in order to maximize global welfare. Details of the optimal policy problem and first order conditions can be found in Section 6.3 in the Appendix.¹²

As shown in Figure 6, the optimal policy that maximizes global welfare has opposing tax prescriptions when compared with the policy designed to maximize national policy. After a negative shock to home productivity, and when domestic and foreign goods are substitutes in the utility, the global social planner lowers taxes in order to promote international borrowing, increase capital flows and enhance cross border risk-sharing. ¹³ In fact, our measure of lack of risk-sharing (given by expression 23) is fully eliminated by the global policy.

But, as Figure 7 shows, while global policy increases global welfare and ensures crossborder risk-sharing, it reduces welfare of the Home economy. As the effect of changes

how international relative prices affect the composition of demand discussed in Section 3. Equivalent results can be found in the monetary policy literature: e.g. Corsetti and Pesenti (2001), Tille (2001), Benigno and Benigno (2003), Sutherland (2006), De Paoli (2009a).

 $^{^{12}}$ Also, in order to simultaneously conduct some sensitivity analysis, we now consider the case of a symmetric country size, but introduce home bias in consumption. In particular, we set $n = 1 - n = \lambda = 0.5$. We find that the different size and home bias specification does not change the conclusions reached in the previous section.

 $^{^{13}}$ Taxes actually rise permanently as to minimize distortions in agents intertemporal decisions.

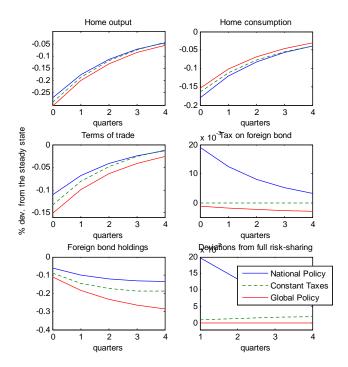


Figure 6: Optimal global and national policy following a negative Home productivity shock with $\theta = 3$: comparison with the case in which there is no active tax policy.

in the terms of trade on the composition of demand increase (or as θ moves away from unity), raising the strength of the terms of trade externality, Home welfare losses under the global optimal policy also increase.

4.3 Nash equilibrium

Finally, we consider a Nash equilibrium in which the Home policymaker chooses the optimal path for domestic borrowing taxes, τ_t , while the Foreign policymaker controls the evolution of τ_t^* . Again, the details of such policy problem and set of first order conditions can be found in Section 6.4 of the Appendix.¹⁴

Figure 8 compares the Nash equilibrium (black line) with the case in which only one policymaker sets taxes actively (blue line), the case of a global central planner (red line), and the case of constant taxes (green line). Note that when illustrating the global optimal policy we assume that there is only one policy instrument available to the global social

¹⁴In our numerical evaluation, we maintain the assumption of two-countries with symmetric size and home bias in consumption.

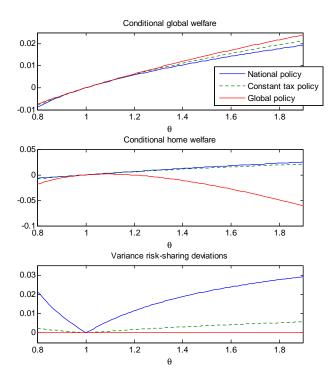


Figure 7: Moments of relevant variables under the optimal global policy, national policy and constant taxes: the two-country case with symmetric home size and consumption home bias.

planner. Adding τ_t^* as an additional tool would not change economic dynamics since it would affect the same margin – namely the cross-border risk-sharing condition (or a combination of Equations 21 and 22) – and, with only one instrument, optimal global policy already implies zero volatility in the variable measuring deviations from full risk sharing (see Figures 8 and 9)

Following a negative productivity shocks, capital flows from Foreign to Home ($B_F < 0$). But instead of subsidizing such flow, Home taxes the capital inflow (as it reduces the domestic incentive to borrow). At the same time, the negative taxes in the Foreign country decrease returns to lenders, working as a tax on capital outflows from the Foreign country. Both policies, at home and abroad, contribute to reducing the flow of capital between countries. Domestic terms of trade are weaker under the Nash equilibrium (when compared with the alternative policy scenarios) in a period of low productivity at Home – consistent with lower cross-border risk-sharing.

Figure 9 shows that the incentives of the Home economy to deviate from the socially

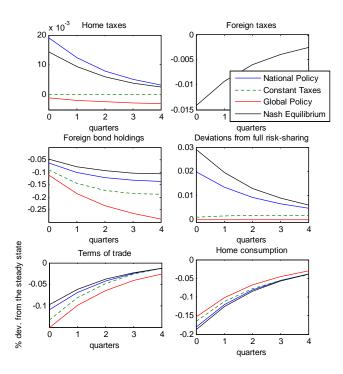


Figure 8: Optimal global and national policy following a negative Home productivity shock with $\theta = 3$: comparison with the Nash equilibrium.

optimal policy (i.e. the difference between Home welfare under the national policy and under the global policy) is the largest exactly when the losses from unilateral decision making (i.e. the difference between global welfare under the national policy and under the global policy) are the biggest. Moreover, if countries simultaneously and independently engage in such interventions in the international flow of capital, not only global but individual welfare would be adversely affected – as illustrated by the fact that Home welfare is smaller in the Nash equilibrium when compared with the constant tax policy. Our findings highlight that there is an important role for international coordination in how capital controls are set in different countries.

5 Concluding remarks

In this paper we analyze the effect of capital controls on domestic and world welfare. We show that countries incentive to limit cross-border flow of capital damages international risk sharing. Such uncoordinated use of capital controls is beggar-thy-neighbor and, thus,

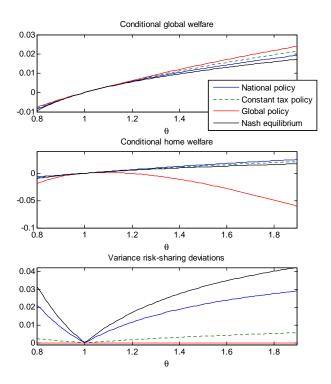


Figure 9: Moments of relevant variables under the Nash equilibrium, optimal global policy and optimal national policy: the two-country case with symmetric home size and consumption home bias.

there is a clear role for international coordination.

Our proposed model is stylized. This allows us to keep the welfare and policy analysis parsimonious and clear. Nevertheless, to quantify the real gains from international coordination, a richer model may be required. Early works in the literature (e.g. Baxter and Crucini (1995)) have shown that the level of risk sharing in incomplete market models (where agents can trade bonds) can be quite large. As shown in CDL, frameworks like ours, may need to feature near-permanent shocks and possibly a distribution sector (that introduces significant deviations from the law of one price) in order to generate an insufficient level of risk-sharing that matches the data. So, a fruitful avenue for this research may be to enrich the model in these directions and move from a qualitative to a quantitative analysis of the effects of capital controls.

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6 Appendix: Optimal policy problem

6.1 Derivation of first order conditions: National optimal policy, two-country model

Period utility function

$$W = \ln C_t - A_t^{-\eta} \frac{Y_t^{\eta + 1}}{\eta + 1} \tag{24}$$

Structural equations:

1. Home demand equation

$$Y_t P_{H,t}^{\theta} = \nu C_t + \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
 (25)

2. Foreign demand equation

$$Y_t^* P_{F,t}^{\theta} = \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} C_t + (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
 (26)

3. Home labor supply

$$P_{H,t}C_t^{-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t}{A_t}\right)^{\eta} \tag{27}$$

4. Foreign labor supply

$$\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t^*}{A_t^*}\right)^{\eta} \tag{28}$$

5. Relative prices (1)

$$P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} = \nu + (1 - \nu) \left(\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_{H,t}}\right)^{1-\theta} \tag{29}$$

6. Relative prices (2)

$$\left(\frac{P_{H,t}}{Q_t}\right)^{\theta-1} = \nu^* + (1 - \nu^*) \left(\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_{H,t}}\right)^{1-\theta}$$
(30)

7. Euler equation (1)

$$R_t^* = \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^*{}^{\rho}}{C_t^*{}^{\rho}} \right) \tag{31}$$

8. Euler equation (2)

$$R_t^*(1+\tau_t) = \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t})$$
 (32)

9. Budget constraint

$$P_{H,t}Y_t + Bf_{h,t-1}R_{t-1}^* \frac{Q_t}{Q_{t-1}} = C_t + Bf_{h,t} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_f Bf_{h,t}^2$$
(33)

First order conditions:

• wrt Y_t

$$-A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta} + P_{H,t}^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - \eta\gamma_{3,t}A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta-1} + \gamma_{9,t}P_{H,t} = 0$$

• wrt Y_t^*

$$P_{F,t}^{\theta} \gamma_{2,t} - \eta \gamma_{4,t} A_t^{*-\eta} Y_t^{*\eta - 1} = 0$$

• wrt $P_{H,t}$

$$\begin{split} &\theta P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} Y_t \gamma_{1,t} + C_t^{-\rho} \gamma_{3,t} + \gamma_{5,t} (\theta-1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} - (1-\nu)(\theta-1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{5,t} \\ &+ (\theta-1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} Q_t^{1-\theta} \gamma_{6,t} - (1-\nu^*)(\theta-1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{6,t} + \gamma_9 Y_t \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt $P_{F,t}$

$$\gamma_{2,t}Y_t^*\theta P_{F,t}^{\theta-1} + \frac{C_t^{*-\rho}}{Q_t}\gamma_{4,t} - (1-\nu)P_{H,t}^{\theta-1}(1-\theta)P_{F,t}^{-\theta}\gamma_{5,t} - (1-\nu^*)P_{H,t}^{\theta-1}(1-\theta)P_{F,t}^{-\theta}\gamma_{6,t} = 0$$

• wrt Q_t

$$\begin{split} &-\theta \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{1,t} \\ &-\theta (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{2,t} - P_{F,t} C_t^{*-\rho} Q_t^{-2} \gamma_{4,t} \\ &+ \gamma_{6,t} P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} (1-\theta) Q_t^{-\theta} \\ &- E_t \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho}}{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_t^2} (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1} + \gamma_{9,t} B f_{h,t-1} R_{t-1}^* \frac{1}{Q_{t-1}} - \beta E_t (\gamma_{9,t+1} Q_{t+1}) B f_{h,t} R_t^* \frac{1}{Q_t^2} \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt C_t

$$\frac{1}{C_t} - \nu \gamma_{1,t} - \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} \gamma_{2,t}
- \rho \gamma_{3,t} P_{H,t} C_t^{-\rho-1}
+ \rho E_t \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{C_{t+1}{\rho} Q_t}{C_t^{\rho+1} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t}
- \rho \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t^{\rho-1} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}{\rho} Q_t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1} - \gamma_{9,t}
= 0$$

 \bullet C_t^*

$$-(1-n)\frac{\nu^*}{n}Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - (1-\nu^*)Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{2,t} - \rho\gamma_{4,t}\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho-1}$$
$$+\rho\frac{1}{\beta}E_t\left(C_{t+1}^*\right)^{\rho}C_t^{*-\rho-1}\gamma_{7,t} - \frac{1}{\beta^2}\rho C_t^{*\rho-1}C_{t-1}^{*-\rho}\gamma_{7,t-1}$$
$$= 0$$

• wrt R_t^*

$$(1+\tau_t)\gamma_{8,t} + \gamma_{7,t} + \beta B f_{h,t} E_t \left(\frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \gamma_{9,t+1}\right) = 0$$

• wrt $Bf_{h,t}$

$$-\gamma_{8,t} E_t \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) \delta_f + \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \right) - \gamma_{9,t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) = 0$$

• wrt τ_t

$$\gamma_{8,t}R_t^* = 0$$

6.2 Derivation of first order conditions: Small open economy optimal policy

Period utility function

$$W_{soe} = \left(\ln C_t - A_t^{-\eta} \frac{Y_t^{\eta + 1}}{\eta + 1} \right) \tag{34}$$

Structural equations:

1. Home demand equation

$$Y_t P_{H,t}^{\theta} = \nu C_t + \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
 (35)

2. Home labor supply

$$P_{H,t}C_t^{-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t}{A_t}\right)^{\eta} \tag{36}$$

3. Relative prices

$$Q_t = \left(\frac{1 - (1 - \lambda)P_{H,t}^{1-\theta}}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\theta}} \tag{37}$$

4. Euler equation

$$R_t^*(1+\tau_t) = \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t})$$
 (38)

5. Budget constraint

$$P_{H,t}Y_t + Bf_{h,t-1}R_{t-1}^* \frac{Q_t}{Q_{t-1}} = C_t + Bf_{h,t} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_f Bf_{h,t}^2$$
(39)

First order conditions:

• wrt Y_t

$$-A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta} + P_{H,t}^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - \eta\gamma_{2,t}A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta-1} + \gamma_{5,t}P_{H,t} = 0$$

• wrt $P_{H,t}$

$$\theta P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} Y_t \gamma_{1,t} + C_t^{-\rho} \gamma_{2,t} + \left(\frac{1 - (1 - \lambda) P_{H,t}^{1-\theta}}{\lambda} \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\theta} - 1} P_{H,t}^{-\theta} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - 1 \right) \gamma_{3,t} + \gamma_{5,t} Y_t = 0$$

• wrt Q_t

$$-\theta \lambda C_{t}^{*} Q_{t}^{\theta-1} \gamma_{1,t} + \gamma_{3,t} - \frac{1}{\beta} E_{t} \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho}}{C_{t}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1 + \delta_{f} B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{4,t}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\beta^{2}} \frac{C_{t}^{\rho} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_{t}^{2}} (1 + \delta_{f} B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{4,t-1} + \gamma_{5,t} B f_{h,t-1} R_{t-1}^{*} \frac{1}{Q_{t-1}} - \beta E_{t} \left(\gamma_{5,t+1} B f_{h,t} R_{t}^{*} \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_{t}^{2}} \right)$$

$$= 0$$

• wrt C_t

$$\frac{1}{C_t} - (1 - \lambda)\gamma_{1,t} - \rho\gamma_{2,t}P_{H,t}C_t^{-\rho - 1} + \rho \frac{1}{\beta}E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho}Q_t}{C_t^{\rho + 1}Q_{t+1}}\right) (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t})\gamma_{4,t} - \rho \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t{}^{\rho - 1}Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}{}^{\rho}Q_t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t-1})\gamma_{4,t-1} - \gamma_{5,t}$$

$$= 0$$

• wrt $Bf_{h,t}$

$$-\gamma_{4,t} \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) \delta_f + \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{5,t+1} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \right) - \gamma_{5,t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) = 0$$

• wrt τ_t

$$\gamma_{4,t}R_t^* = 0$$

6.3 Derivation of first order conditions: Global optimal policy, two-country model

Period utility function

$$W_g = n \left(\ln C_t - A_t^{-\eta} \frac{Y_t^{\eta+1}}{\eta+1} \right) + (1-n) \left(\ln C_t^* - A_t^{*-\eta} \frac{Y_t^{*\eta+1}}{\eta+1} \right)$$
 (40)

Structural equations:

1. Home demand equation

$$Y_t P_{H,t}^{\theta} = \nu C_t + \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
(41)

2. Foreign demand equation

$$Y_t^* P_{F,t}^{\theta} = \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} C_t + (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
(42)

3. Home labor supply

$$P_{H,t}C_t^{-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t}{A_t}\right)^{\eta} \tag{43}$$

4. Foreign labor supply

$$\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t^*}{A_t^*}\right)^{\eta} \tag{44}$$

5. Relative prices (1)

$$P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} = \nu + (1 - \nu) \left(\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_{H,t}}\right)^{1-\theta} \tag{45}$$

6. Relative prices (2)

$$\left(\frac{P_{H,t}}{Q_t}\right)^{\theta-1} = \nu^* + (1 - \nu^*) \left(\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_{H,t}}\right)^{1-\theta}$$
(46)

7. Euler equation (1)

$$R_t^* = \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^*{}^{\rho}}{C_t^*{}^{\rho}} \right) \tag{47}$$

8. Euler equation (2)

$$R_t^*(1+\tau_t) = \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t})$$
(48)

9. Budget constraint

$$P_{H,t}Y_t + Bf_{h,t-1}R_{t-1}^* \frac{Q_t}{Q_{t-1}} = C_t + Bf_{h,t} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_f Bf_{h,t}^2$$
(49)

First order conditions (global policy):

• wrt Y_t

$$-nA_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta} + P_{H,t}^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - \eta\gamma_{3,t}A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta-1} + \gamma_{9,t}P_{H,t} = 0$$

• wrt Y_t^*

$$-(1-n)A_t^{*-\eta}Y_t^{*\eta} + P_{F,t}^{\theta}\gamma_{2,t} - \eta\gamma_{4,t}A_t^{*-\eta}Y_t^{*\eta-1} = 0$$

• wrt $P_{H,t}$

$$\begin{split} &\theta P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} Y_t \gamma_{1,t} + C_t^{-\rho} \gamma_{3,t} + \gamma_{5,t} (\theta-1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} - (1-\nu)(\theta-1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{5,t} \\ &+ (\theta-1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} Q_t^{1-\theta} \gamma_{6,t} - (1-\nu^*)(\theta-1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{6,t} + \gamma_9 Y_t \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt $P_{F,t}$

$$\gamma_{2,t}Y_t^*\theta P_{F,t}^{\theta-1} + \frac{C_t^{*-\rho}}{Q_t}\gamma_{4,t} - (1-\nu)P_{H,t}^{\theta-1}(1-\theta)P_{F,t}^{-\theta}\gamma_{5,t} - (1-\nu^*)P_{H,t}^{\theta-1}(1-\theta)P_{F,t}^{-\theta}\gamma_{6,t} = 0$$

• wrt Q_t

$$-\theta \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{1,t}$$

$$-\theta (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{2,t} - P_{F,t} C_t^{*-\rho} Q_t^{-2} \gamma_{4,t} + \gamma_{6,t} P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} (1-\theta) Q_t^{-\theta}$$

$$-\frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho}}{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t}$$

$$+\frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_t^2} (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1} + \gamma_{9,t} B f_{h,t-1} R_{t-1}^* \frac{1}{Q_{t-1}} - \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1} B f_{h,t} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t^2} \right)$$

$$= 0$$

• wrt C_t

$$\frac{n}{C_{t}} - \nu \gamma_{1,t} - \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} \gamma_{2,t} - \rho \gamma_{3,t} P_{H,t} C_{t}^{-\rho-1}
+ \rho \frac{1}{\beta} E_{t} \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho} Q_{t}}{C_{t}^{\rho+1} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1 + \delta_{f} B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t}
- \rho \frac{1}{\beta^{2}} \frac{C_{t}^{\rho-1} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_{t}} (1 + \delta_{f} B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1} - \gamma_{9,t}
= 0$$

• C_t^*

$$\frac{1-n}{C_t^*} - (1-n)\frac{\nu^*}{n}Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - (1-\nu^*)Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{2,t} - \rho\gamma_{4,t}\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho-1} + \rho\frac{1}{\beta}E_t\left(C_{t+1}^*\right)^{\rho}C_t^{*-\rho-1}\gamma_{7,t} - \frac{1}{\beta^2}\rho C_t^{*\rho-1}C_{t-1}^{*-\rho}\gamma_{7,t-1}$$

$$= 0$$

• wrt R_t^*

$$(1+\tau_t)\gamma_{8,t} + \gamma_{7,t} + \beta B f_{h,t} E_t \left(\frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \gamma_{9,t+1}\right) = 0$$

• wrt $Bf_{h,t}$

$$-\gamma_{8,t} \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) \delta_f + \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \right) - \gamma_{9,t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) = 0$$

• wrt τ_t

$$\gamma_{8,t}R_t^* = 0$$

6.4 Nash equilibrium in a two-country world

Structural equations:

1. Home demand equation

$$Y_t P_{H,t}^{\theta} = \nu C_t + \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
 (50)

2. Foreign demand equation

$$Y_t^* P_{F,t}^{\theta} = \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} C_t + (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta}$$
(51)

3. Home labor supply

$$P_{H,t}C_t^{-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t}{A_t}\right)^{\eta} \tag{52}$$

4. Foreign labor supply

$$\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho} = \left(\frac{Y_t^*}{A_t^*}\right)^{\eta} \tag{53}$$

5. Relative prices (1)

$$P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} = \nu + (1 - \nu) \left(\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_{H,t}}\right)^{1-\theta} \tag{54}$$

6. Relative prices (2)

$$\left(\frac{P_{H,t}}{Q_t}\right)^{\theta-1} = \nu^* + (1 - \nu^*) \left(\frac{P_{F,t}}{P_{H,t}}\right)^{1-\theta}$$
(55)

7. Euler equation (1)

$$R_t^*(1+\tau_t^*) = E_t \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{C_{t+1}^*{}^{\rho}}{C_t^*{}^{\rho}} \right)$$
 (56)

8. Euler equation (2)

$$R_t^*(1+\tau_t) = \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t})$$
 (57)

9. Budget constraint

$$P_{H,t}Y_t + Bf_{h,t-1}R_{t-1}^* \frac{Q_t}{Q_{t-1}} = C_t + Bf_{h,t} + \frac{1}{2}\delta_f Bf_{h,t}^2$$
(58)

Home first order conditions (almost the same as national policy):

Period utility function

$$W = \ln C_t - A_t^{-\eta} \frac{Y_t^{\eta + 1}}{\eta + 1} \tag{59}$$

First order conditions:

• wrt Y_t

$$-A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta} + P_{H,t}^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - \eta\gamma_{3,t}A_t^{-\eta}Y_t^{\eta-1} + \gamma_{9,t}P_{H,t} = 0$$

• wrt Y_t^*

$$P_{F,t}^{\theta} \gamma_{2,t} - \eta \gamma_{4,t} A_t^{*-\eta} Y_t^{*\eta - 1} = 0$$

• wrt $P_{H,t}$

$$\theta P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} Y_t \gamma_{1,t} + C_t^{-\rho} \gamma_{3,t} + \gamma_{5,t} (\theta - 1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} - (1 - \nu) (\theta - 1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{5,t}$$

$$+ (\theta - 1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} Q_t^{1-\theta} \gamma_{6,t} - (1 - \nu^*) (\theta - 1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{6,t} + \gamma_9 Y_t = 0$$

• wrt $P_{F,t}$

$$\gamma_{2,t}Y_t^*\theta P_{F,t}^{\theta-1} + \frac{C_t^{*-\rho}}{Q_t}\gamma_{4,t} - (1-\nu)P_{H,t}^{\theta-1}(1-\theta)P_{F,t}^{-\theta}\gamma_{5,t} - (1-\nu^*)P_{H,t}^{\theta-1}(1-\theta)P_{F,t}^{-\theta}\gamma_{6,t} = 0$$

• wrt Q_t

$$\begin{split} &-\theta \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{1,t} \\ &-\theta (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{2,t} - P_{F,t} C_t^{*-\rho} Q_t^{-2} \gamma_{4,t} \\ &+ \gamma_{6,t} P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} (1-\theta) Q_t^{-\theta} \\ &- \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho}}{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_t^2} (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1} + \gamma_{9,t} B f_{h,t-1} R_{t-1}^* \frac{1}{Q_{t-1}} - \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1} B f_{h,t} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t^2} \right) \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt C_t

$$\frac{1}{C_t} - \nu \gamma_{1,t} - \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} \gamma_{2,t}
- \rho \gamma_{3,t} P_{H,t} C_t^{-\rho-1}
+ \rho \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t^{\rho+1} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t}
- \rho \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t{}^{\rho-1} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}{}^{\rho} Q_t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1} - \gamma_{9,t}
= 0$$

 \bullet C_t^*

$$-(1-n)\frac{\nu^*}{n}Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t} - (1-\nu^*)Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{2,t} - \rho\gamma_{4,t}\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho-1}$$
$$+\rho\frac{1}{\beta}RE_t(C_{t+1}^*{}^{\rho})C_t^{*-\rho-1}\gamma_{7,t} - \frac{1}{\beta^2}\rho C_t^{*\rho-1}C_{t-1}^{*-\rho}\gamma_{7,t-1}$$
$$= 0$$

• wrt R_t^*

$$(1+\tau_t)\gamma_{8,t} + (1+\tau_t^*)\gamma_{7,t} + \beta E_t \left(Bf_{h,t} \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \gamma_{9,t+1}\right) = 0$$

• wrt $Bf_{h,t}$

$$-\gamma_{8,t} \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) \delta_f + \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \right) - \gamma_{9,t} (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) = 0$$

• wrt τ_t

$$\gamma_{8,t}R_t^*=0$$

First order conditions (foreign policy)

Period utility function

$$W = \ln C_t^* - A_t^{*-\eta} \frac{Y_t^{*\eta+1}}{\eta+1} \tag{60}$$

First order conditions:

• wrt Y_t

$$P_{H,t}^{\theta} \gamma_{1,t}^* - \eta \gamma_{3,t}^* A_t^{-\eta} Y_t^{\eta - 1} + \gamma_{9,t}^* P_{H,t} = 0$$

• wrt Y_t^*

$$-A_t^{*-\eta}Y_t^{*\eta} + P_{F,t}^{\theta}\gamma_{2,t}^* - \eta\gamma_{4,t}^*A_t^{*-\eta}Y_t^{*\eta-1} = 0$$

• wrt $P_{H,t}$

$$\begin{split} &\theta P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} Y_t \gamma_{1,t}^* + C_t^{-\rho} \gamma_{3,t}^* + \gamma_{5,t}^* (\theta-1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} - (1-\nu)(\theta-1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{5,t}^* \\ &+ (\theta-1) P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} Q_t^{1-\theta} \gamma_{6,t}^* - (1-\nu^*)(\theta-1) P_{F,t}^{1-\theta} P_{H,t}^{\theta-2} \gamma_{6,t}^* + \gamma_{9,t}^* Y_t \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt $P_{F,t}$

$$\gamma_{2,t}^* Y_t^* \theta P_{F,t}^{\theta-1} + \frac{C_t^{*-\rho}}{Q_t} \gamma_{4,t}^* - (1-\nu) P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} (1-\theta) P_{F,t}^{-\theta} \gamma_{5,t}^* - (1-\nu^*) P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} (1-\theta) P_{F,t}^{-\theta} \gamma_{6,t}^* = 0$$

• wrt Q_t

$$\begin{split} &-\theta \frac{(1-n)\nu^*}{n} C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{1,t}^* \\ &-\theta (1-\nu^*) C_t^* Q_t^{\theta-1} \gamma_{2,t}^* - P_{F,t} C_t^{*-\rho} Q_t^{-2} \gamma_{4,t}^* \\ &+ \gamma_{6,t}^* P_{H,t}^{\theta-1} (1-\theta) Q_t^{-\theta} \\ &- \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho}}{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t}^* \\ &+ \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t^{\rho} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_t^2} (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1}^* + \gamma_{9,t}^* B f_{h,t-1} R_{t-1}^* \frac{1}{Q_{t-1}} - \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1}^* B f_{h,t} R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t^2} \right) \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt C_t

$$-\nu \gamma_{1,t}^* - \frac{n(1-\nu)}{1-n} \gamma_{2,t}^*$$

$$-\rho \gamma_{3,t}^* P_{H,t} C_t^{-\rho-1}$$

$$+\rho \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t^{\rho+1} Q_{t+1}} \right) (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t}) \gamma_{8,t}^*$$

$$-\rho \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{C_t^{\rho-1} Q_{t-1}}{C_{t-1}^{\rho} Q_t} (1+\delta_f B f_{h,t-1}) \gamma_{8,t-1}^* - \gamma_{9,t}^*$$

$$= 0$$

 \bullet C_t^*

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{C_t^*} - (1-n)\frac{\nu^*}{n}Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{1,t}^* - (1-\nu^*)Q_t^{\theta}\gamma_{2,t}^* - \rho\gamma_{4,t}^*\frac{P_{F,t}}{Q_t}C_t^{*-\rho-1} \\ &+ \rho\frac{1}{\beta}E_t(C_{t+1}^*{}^{\rho})C_t^{*-\rho-1}\gamma_{7,t}^* - \frac{1}{\beta^2}\rho C_t^{*\rho-1}C_{t-1}^*{}^{-\rho}\gamma_{7,t-1}^* \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

• wrt R_t^*

$$(1+\tau_t)\gamma_{8,t}^* + (1+\tau_t^*)\gamma_{7,t}^* + \beta B f_{h,t} E_t \left(\frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t}\gamma_{9,t+1}^*\right) = 0$$

• wrt $Bf_{h,t}$

$$-\gamma_{8,t}^* \frac{1}{\beta} E_t \left(\frac{C_{t+1}{}^{\rho} Q_t}{C_t{}^{\rho} Q_{t+1}} \right) \delta_f + \beta E_t \left(\gamma_{9,t+1}^* R_t^* \frac{Q_{t+1}}{Q_t} \right) - \gamma_{9,t}^* (1 + \delta_f B f_{h,t}) = 0$$

• wrt τ_t^*

$$\gamma_{7,t}^* R_t^* = 0$$