

1     **Globalization and the Increasing Correlation between Capital**  
2                                     **Inflows and Outflows**

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4     **Abstract**

5         The correlation between capital inflows and outflows has increased substantially over time in  
6 a sample of 127 advanced and developing countries. We provide evidence that this is a result of  
7 an increase in financial globalization (stock of external assets and liabilities). This dominates the  
8 effect of an increase in trade globalization (exports plus imports), which reduces the correlation  
9 between capital inflows and outflows. In the context of a two-country model with 8 shocks we show  
10 that the theoretical impact of financial and trade globalization on the correlation between capital  
11 inflows and outflows is consistent with the data.

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14     **1. Introduction**

15         Broner et al. (2013) document that capital inflows and outflows have become significantly  
16 more correlated in countries of all income levels from the 1980s to the 2000s and are highest  
17 in high-income countries. The objective of this paper is to shed light on what drives this

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18 phenomenon of increasingly correlated inflows and outflows.

19 There has been some discussion in the literature about why capital inflows and outflows  
20 would be positively correlated at all. Broner et al. (2013) argue that one would expect a  
21 negative correlation in a model with time-varying expected returns, as for example in RBC  
22 models with productivity shocks. A higher expected return in the United States should lead  
23 both US and foreign investors to shift their portfolio to the US, leading to larger US capital  
24 inflows and lower outflows. The same negative correlation between inflows and outflows can  
25 be expected when there are changes in the relative riskiness of US assets.

26 Tille and Van Wincoop (2010) provide a broader perspective on the relationship between  
27 capital inflows and outflows from a portfolio perspective. Capital flows have a portfolio  
28 growth component (associated with saving) and a portfolio reallocation component (e.g.  
29 due to changes in expected returns and risk). The portfolio growth component can gener-  
30 ate a positive correlation between inflows and outflows when saving is positively correlated  
31 across countries. Portfolio reallocation generates a negative correlation between inflows and  
32 outflows when domestic and foreign agents face the same portfolio problem and therefore  
33 shift their portfolios in the same direction, as in the examples above. Broner et al. (2013)  
34 therefore emphasize that asymmetries across countries are needed to generate a positive  
35 correlation between inflows and outflows across countries.

36 Many examples of such asymmetries have been developed in the literature, leading to dif-  
37 ferences in expected returns and risk from the perspective of domestic and foreign investors  
38 and contributing to a positive correlation between capital inflows and outflows. Expected  
39 returns may be different across countries due to information asymmetries (Tille and Van Win-  
40 coop (2014), Brennan and Cao (1997)) or to costs associated with investing abroad. Foreign  
41 assets may be perceived to be riskier due to exchange rate risk (Broner et al. (2013)) or  
42 expropriation risk (Gourio et al. (2015)). An increase in global risk or risk-aversion will then  
43 lead to a general retrenchment towards domestic assets, lowering both inflows and outflows.

44 Such a global retrenchment is documented by Milesi-Ferretti and Tille (2011) for the 2008-  
45 2009 global financial crisis.<sup>1</sup> Tille and Van Wincoop (2010) show that inflows and outflows  
46 become positively correlated due to various types of time-varying risk that impact foreign  
47 and domestic investors differently. This may be due to a different optimal hedge against  
48 inflation or future expected returns or non-asset income.<sup>2</sup>

49 The aim of this paper is to shed light on the increasingly positive correlation between  
50 capital inflows and outflows in both developed and developing countries, as well as the  
51 much higher correlation in developed countries. For example, in Table 2 we report that  
52 for industrialized countries the average time series correlation between capital inflows and  
53 capital outflows, normalized by external assets and liabilities, rose from 0.46 during 1975-  
54 1989 to 0.83 during 1990-2015. For the emerging markets the increase was from 0.25 to  
55 0.53.

56 The explanation for this phenomenon does not require larger asymmetries across coun-  
57 tries, as the discussion above might suggest. It also does not require a larger size of the shocks  
58 that are responsible for a positive correlation between capital inflows and outflows, such as  
59 larger global risk shocks. The explanation is much simpler. We argue that it is a simple  
60 corollary of financial globalization, measured as the sum of external assets and liabilities as a  
61 fraction of GDP. We have seen a spectacular take-off of financial globalization, especially in  
62 advanced countries since the early 1990s. As pointed out by Lane and Milesi-Ferretti (2008),

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<sup>1</sup>Further evidence of retrenchment during the global financial crisis is in Giannetti and Laeven (2012) for the syndicated loan market. Rey (2015) casts this more broadly as part of a global financial cycle, with changes in risk or risk-aversion leading to global waves of capital flows. Gourio et al. (2015) provide evidence that an increase in global risk reduces capital inflows and outflows of emerging markets. Forbes and Warnock (2012) find that changes in global risk are associated with extreme capital flow episodes. A sudden stop of capital inflows is increasingly accompanied by reduced outflows (retrenchment). Similarly, large capital flight (outflows) is increasingly accompanied by a surge in capital inflows.

<sup>2</sup>Another, very different, reason for different portfolio shifts of domestic and foreign agents that lead inflows and outflows to be positively correlated is associated with official capital flows. When capital inflows lead to an accumulation of reserves, they are combined with official outflows. We find this to be an important contributor to the correlation between total inflows and outflows of emerging markets. See also Bianchi et al. (2012). Yet another explanation is bank liquidity management, suggested by Davis (2015), where banks reduce outflows to manage liquidity when faced with a drop in inflows.

63 this has been driven by factors such as capital account liberalization, financial deregulation,  
64 falling communication costs as well as financial innovation (e.g. securitization).

65 We confirm this explanation empirically by considering a sample of 127 countries with  
66 annual data from 1970 to 2015. We show both in cross section and panel data that financial  
67 globalization generates a higher correlation between capital inflows and outflows. We show  
68 that trade globalization, measured as exports plus imports as a fraction of GDP, has the exact  
69 opposite effect, but financial globalization has significantly outpaced trade globalization over  
70 the past four decades. We also show in the next section that the correlation between capital  
71 inflows and outflows is directly connected to the volatility of gross capital flows relative to  
72 the volatility of net capital flows. Net capital flows are defined as capital outflows minus  
73 inflows, while gross capital flows are the sum of capital outflows and capital inflows. We  
74 document empirically that financial globalization has indeed raised the volatility of gross  
75 flows relative to net flows, while trade globalization has done the exact opposite.

76 After documenting the empirical evidence, we develop a simple two period, two country  
77 model to shed light on the empirical findings. The objective is to keep the model as simple  
78 as possible in order to obtain clean analytical solutions. The model contains a wide variety  
79 of shocks: saving shocks, investment shocks, expected dividend shocks and portfolio shocks.  
80 Both global and relative shocks are included. There is a single parameter that measures  
81 international financial integration, related to the cost of investing abroad. Similarly, there is  
82 a single parameter measuring trade frictions. We obtain closed form solutions of gross and  
83 net capital flows as a function of the model shocks, with the coefficients depending on the  
84 financial and trade integration parameters.

85 The results in the model are consistent with the data. Financial globalization raises  
86 the volatility of gross flows relative to net flows and therefore raises the correlation between  
87 capital inflows and outflows, while trade globalization does the opposite. When scaled by the  
88 stock of external assets and liabilities, we find that neither financial nor trade globalization

89 affect the volatility of gross capital flows. But trade integration increases the volatility of  
90 net flows, while financial integration reduces the volatility of net flows.

91 The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 presents the stylized facts  
92 in the data. Section 3 describes the model. Section 4 discusses the results implied by the  
93 model. Section 5 concludes.

## 94 **2. Empirical Evidence**

95 In this section we consider the empirical relationship between various capital flow mo-  
96 ments and financial and trade globalization. Financial globalization is measured as the sum  
97 of external assets and liabilities divided by GDP, while trade globalization is measured as  
98 exports plus imports divided by GDP. There are 127 countries in the sample, split into  
99 groups of 21 advanced economies and 106 emerging and developing economies. The full list  
100 of countries is presented in Table 1.

101 In what follows we present results from both panel and cross-sectional regressions. The  
102 cross-sectional regressions use data from the 1990-2015 period, and all 127 countries on the  
103 list are included in the cross-sectional regressions. In the panel data regressions, and when  
104 presenting descriptive statistics, we restrict our attention to countries that have a sufficient  
105 time-series of capital flows data in both the 1975-1989 and 1990-2015 subperiods. This limits  
106 the number of countries in the sample. There are 69 countries in the more restrictive panel  
107 sample, including 15 advanced and 54 emerging market and developing countries. These  
108 countries are listed in bold in Table 1.

109 Capital flow moments are calculated using annual data from 1975 to 2015. Gross capital  
110 inflow and outflow data, as well as export and import data, are from the IMF's International  
111 Financial Statistics database. Data for the stock of external assets and liabilities are from  
112 Lane and Milesi-Ferretti (2007), using their data update through 2015. In addition we will  
113 consider an annual index of capital account restrictions from Chinn and Ito (2006) that has

114 also been updated through 2015.

### 115 2.1. Descriptive statistics

116 We denote  $OF = outflows$  and  $IF = inflows$ . Net outflows are  $NF = OF - IF$  and  
117 gross flows are  $GF = OF + IF$ . Table 2 provides four moments: the time-series correlation  
118 between capital inflows and outflows, the time-series standard deviations of net and gross  
119 capital flows and their ratio. In the top panel of the table, capital outflows and inflows in  
120 each country are normalized by the previous year's sum of external assets and liabilities.  
121 In the bottom panel the same capital flows are normalized by GDP in the previous year.  
122 All moments in Table 2 are first computed for individual countries based on the sample of  
123 annual data and then averaged across countries.

124 The table also presents total external assets and liabilities as a share of GDP, total trade  
125 (exports plus imports) as a share of GDP, and the average value of the Chinn-Ito capital  
126 account restriction index (normalized where 0 denotes no capital account restrictions and 1  
127 denotes a closed capital account).

128 These statistics are presented for the 1975-1989 and 1990-2015 sub-periods for both the  
129 advanced economies and the emerging markets. To ensure that the post-1990 results are not  
130 driven by the 2008 financial crisis, we also present these same statistics calculated over the  
131 1990-2007 subperiod.

132 Turning first to the advanced economy sample, under both normalizations there is a  
133 sizable increase in the correlation between capital outflows and inflows from the pre- to the  
134 post-1990 period. The increase is from 0.46 to 0.83 when scaled by external assets and  
135 liabilities, and from 0.52 to 0.87 when scaled by GDP.

To see how the correlation between capital inflows and outflows is related to the relative

volatility of gross and net capital flows, we can write:

$$OF = 0.5GF + 0.5NF$$

$$IF = 0.5GF - 0.5NF$$

136 From this it is simple to derive:

$$137 \quad corr(OF, IF) = c \frac{\frac{var(GF)}{var(NF)} - 1}{\frac{var(GF)}{var(NF)} + 1} \quad (1)$$

138 where  $c$  is a parameter that depends on the variance of outflows relative to the variance of  
 139 inflows.<sup>3</sup> As we document in the Online Appendix, changes in this correlation are almost  
 140 entirely driven by changes in the ratio on the right hand side of (1), which depends on the  
 141 volatility of gross flows relative to the volatility of net flows. Table 2 indeed confirms that  
 142 together with the sharp increase in the correlation between inflows and outflows there is a  
 143 large increase in the standard deviation of gross flows relative to the standard deviation of  
 144 net flows from the pre- to post-1990 periods.

145 The value of  $Std(GF)/Std(NF)$ , as well its change between sub-samples, is similar  
 146 regardless of how we normalize capital flows. However, the normalization does affect the  
 147 standard deviations of gross and net flows individually. When normalizing by the sum of  
 148 external assets and liabilities, the standard deviation of gross flows barely changes between  
 149 the two sub-samples and there is a sizable fall in the standard deviation of net flows. When  
 150 normalizing by GDP, there is little change in the standard deviation of net flows, but there  
 151 is a sizable increase in the standard deviation of gross flows across the two periods.

152 Emerging markets and developing countries also experienced an increase in the correlation  
 153 between capital inflows and outflows across the sub-samples, though both the level of the  
 154 correlation and its change are smaller than for advanced economies. The same is the case

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<sup>3</sup>Specifically,  $c = \frac{1+\alpha}{2\alpha^{0.5}}$ , where  $\alpha = \frac{var(OF)}{var(IF)}$ . This derivation, and some discussion about the constant  $c$  is presented in the Online Appendix.

155 for the standard deviation of gross flows relative to the standard deviation of net flows.<sup>4</sup>

156 The bottom of Table 2 shows that between the earlier and later periods the stock of  
157 external assets and liabilities as a share of GDP more than tripled in the advanced economies,  
158 whereas it increased by about 60% in the emerging markets. Both country groups saw a  
159 similar, and much smaller, increase in the level of trade as a share of GDP. In addition,  
160 the advanced economies basically eliminated capital account restrictions in the post-1990  
161 period, and the average Chinn-Ito index fell from 0.42 to 0.09. In the emerging markets  
162 there was some capital account liberalization, but not as much, and the Chinn-Ito index fell  
163 from 0.74 to 0.57. There are very few changes to any of the post-1990 statistics when we  
164 instead consider the 1990-2007 subperiod.

165 The results in Table 2 are calculated over a pre-1990 period and a post-1990 period.  
166 Alternatively we can calculate the same moments in a rolling window. Figure 1 presents  
167 the correlation between inflows and outflows, the standard deviation of net flows, and the  
168 standard deviation of gross flows in the advanced economies with a 10-year rolling window.  
169 The window spans the 10 years prior to the date on the horizontal axis, so the first observation  
170 in 1984 calculates moments over the window 1975-1984 and the last observation in 2015  
171 calculates moments over the window 2006-2015. The left-hand column in the figure presents  
172 the results when capital flows are normalized by the stock of external assets and liabilities,  
173 while the right-hand column presents the results when capital flows are normalized by GDP.

174 The figure shows that the correlation has nearly monotonically increased over time. Fur-  
175 thermore, when normalizing by the stock of external assets and liabilities, the standard  
176 deviation of gross flows is nearly constant over the entire sample, but the standard deviation  
177 of net flows is nearly monotonically decreasing. When normalizing by GDP the standard  
178 deviation of net flows is nearly constant over the entire sample period, but the standard  
179 deviation of gross flows is increasing over time.

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<sup>4</sup>Details and results from hypothesis tests to determine the significance of the statistics in Table 2 are presented in the Online Appendix.



180 A possible explanation for the increase in the correlation between capital inflows and  
181 outflows between the pre- and post-1990 periods, as well as the higher correlation in advanced  
182 countries, is the higher degree of financial globalization. The change over time in financial  
183 globalization, trade globalization, and capital account restrictions are illustrated in Figures  
184 2 and 3. Figure 2 compares the two sub-periods for individual countries, while Figure 3  
185 shows the time series for the average of both sets of countries.

186 The top panel of Figure 2 shows that between the pre- and post-1990 periods, there was  
187 a large increase in the stock of external assets and liabilities as a share of GDP in every  
188 advanced country, and while there was an increase in most emerging markets, the gain was  
189 not as dramatic. The middle panel shows that the increase in trade integration in both sets  
190 of countries was much more modest, and trade integration actually fell in some countries in  
191 the sample. The bottom panel shows that in every advanced country the index of capital  
192 account restrictions fell, and in some cases it fell to zero. There was some easing of capital  
193 account restrictions in most emerging market countries, but the change was not as dramatic,  
194 and some emerging market countries actually tightened capital controls between the two  
195 subperiods.

196 The time series plot in Figure 3 shows that the average stock of external assets and  
197 liabilities to GDP in the advanced economies took off in the early to mid 1990s, but there  
198 was no such "take-off" in the emerging markets. The pace of trade integration was much  
199 more modest and was similar in both the advanced and emerging markets. Meanwhile  
200 capital account restrictions were basically cut to zero in the advanced economies. The  
201 emerging markets took steps towards capital account liberalization in the 1990s, but this  
202 trend towards liberalization stalled in the 2000s, and there has been some move towards  
203 tightening capital restrictions in the emerging markets in the wake of the 2008 crisis.

204 Another possible explanation for the increasing correlation between inflows and outflows  
205 is that there was a shift in the composition of capital flows towards more highly correlated

206 types of flows. This explanation cannot be ruled out ex-ante, and certain components of  
 207 capital flows, like banking flows, show a higher correlation between inflows and outflows  
 208 than other components, like FDI.

209 We address this concern in the Online Appendix. We show that there has been an  
 210 increase in the correlation between all the different components of capital flows from the  
 211 pre- to the post-1990 periods. The composition of capital flows has actually shifted from  
 212 highly correlated banking flows to less correlated FDI flows between these two periods. We  
 213 consider a formal decomposition of the correlation between inflows and outflows into the part  
 214 that is driven by a shift in the composition of capital flows and the part that is driven by an  
 215 increase in the correlation between the components of inflows and outflows. We show that  
 216 the observed shift in the composition alone would lead to a decrease in the correlation, and  
 217 that the increase in the correlation between the components of capital inflows and outflows  
 218 explains the increasing correlation between total inflows and outflows.

## 219 2.2. Regression results

220 We now consider regressions of various capital flows moments on measures of financial  
 221 and trade globalization. We consider both cross-sectional and panel data regressions. These  
 222 regression specifications are as follows:

$$\text{Cross-section : } X_i = \alpha_c + \beta_c \log F_i + \gamma_c \log T_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\text{Panel : } X_{i,t} = \alpha_p + \mu_i + \beta_p \log F_{i,t} + \gamma_p \log T_{i,t} + \varepsilon_{i,t}$$

223 where  $X_i$  is either the time-series correlation between inflows and outflows in country  $i$ , the  
 224 time-series standard deviation of gross flows, the time-series standard deviation of net flows,  
 225 or the ratio of the standard deviation of gross flows to the standard deviation of net flows;  $F$   
 226 is a measure of financial globalization in country  $i$ , the stock of external assets plus liabilities

227 as a share of GDP; and  $T_i$  is a measure of trade globalization in country  $i$ , exports plus  
228 imports as a share of GDP. In the cross-sectional regression the two globalization measures,  
229  $F$  and  $T$ , are calculated as the average value over the 1990-2015 period and the moments  
230  $X$  are calculated as time-series moments over the same period. In the panel data regression  
231 there are two values per country, one calculated over the 1975-1989 period and one calculated  
232 over the 1990-2015 period. The panel data regression includes a country fixed effect  $\mu_i$ . The  
233 cross section regressions include the wide set of 127 countries. The panel regressions include  
234 a smaller set of 69 countries, where data of a sufficient length exists over both the pre- and  
235 post-1990 periods.

236 The two regressions use two approaches to answer the same question. Both ask what  
237 is the effect of a higher stock of external assets and liabilities or a greater trade share on  
238 the correlation between capital inflows and outflows or the volatility of gross and net capital  
239 flows. Specifically, the cross-sectional regression asks if across a sample of 127 countries,  
240 countries with a higher stock of external assets and liabilities tend to have more volatile  
241 gross capital flows and a greater correlation between capital inflows and outflows. The panel  
242 data regression with country fixed effects instead asks if within a country, a change in the  
243 stock of external assets and liabilities or a change in the trade share leads to a change in the  
244 capital flow moments.

245 Table 3 presents results from multivariate regressions of the capital flow moments on the  
246 logs of financial and trade globalization. The top half of the table presents the results from  
247 the cross-sectional regression, and the bottom half presents the results from the panel data  
248 regression.

249 We will begin by presenting the results from an OLS regression of capital flow moments  
250 on the stock of external assets and liabilities or the trade share. But the ordinary least  
251 squares regression (OLS) may suffer from endogeneity. There may be a potential reverse  
252 causality. Specifically, an exogenous factor that leads to high correlation between capital

253 inflows and outflows may also have an effect on the stock of external assets and liabilities.  
254 In the theoretical model in the next section, countries are affected by common shocks and  
255 idiosyncratic shocks. An increase in the relative strength of common shocks will lead to  
256 an increase in the correlation between inflows and outflows. But an increase in the share  
257 of common shocks also makes agents less inclined to hold foreign assets since the benefits  
258 from diversification are smaller. Thus the same exogenous factor that leads to a higher  
259 correlation between capital inflows and outflows tends to reduce the stock of external assets  
260 and liabilities. This biases down the OLS regression coefficient.

261 To address such possible endogeneity, we run the same regression with two-stage-least-  
262 squares (2SLS), where the Chinn-Ito capital account openness index is used as an instrument  
263 for the stock of external assets and liabilities. In addition we instrument for trade integration  
264 with a proxy based on gravity variables. We follow the framework laid out in Frankel and  
265 Romer (1999) to create one proxy for aggregate trade integration in a country based on  
266 bilateral gravity variables like distance, population, and land areas. The construction of this  
267 proxy is discussed in the Online Appendix. This proxy for trade integration is based on  
268 non-time varying gravity variables, so it can only serve as an instrument in the cross-section  
269 regression. In the panel data regression we only instrument for the stock of external assets  
270 and liabilities. The results from the first-stage regressions of the stock of external assets and  
271 liabilities or the trade share on the capital account openness index or the gravity based trade  
272 proxy are presented in the Online Appendix.

273 First consider the OLS cross section results. In line with our earlier intuition, financial  
274 globalization has a positive and significant effect on both the correlation between outflows and  
275 inflows and the closely related ratio of the standard deviations of gross flows and net flows.  
276 While the positive impact of financial globalization on the ratio of the standard deviations  
277 of gross and net flows is independent of the normalization of capital flows, the impact on the  
278 standard deviations of gross and net flows individually does depend on the normalization.

279 When capital flows are normalized by the stock of external assets and liabilities, financial  
280 globalization has a negative effect on both the standard deviation of net flows and gross  
281 flows. But taking into account the fact that gross flows are much more volatile than net flows  
282 (almost 6 times in advanced countries), the negative impact on the volatility of net flows  
283 is much larger. When instead capital flows are normalized by GDP, financial globalization  
284 has no effect on the standard deviation of net flows and a positive effect on the standard  
285 deviation of gross flows.

286 Meanwhile, an increase in trade integration has a negative effect on the correlation be-  
287 tween capital inflows and outflows. An increase in the trade share has a positive effect on  
288 the standard deviation of net capital flows, and thus leads to a fall in the correlation between  
289 capital inflows and outflows.

290 To address potential endogeneity, we turn to the 2SLS results. In the cross-section, the  
291 Chinn-Ito capital account openness index and the gravity-based trade proxy from Frankel and  
292 Romer (1999) serve as instruments. In line with our earlier intuition that reverse causality  
293 may bias the coefficient of financial integration downward, in the 2SLS results the correlation  
294 between inflows and outflows depends on financial integration with a coefficient that is even  
295 larger than in the OLS regression and still significant. The coefficient of trade integration is  
296 also larger (in absolute value) when the gravity based trade proxy serves as an instrument  
297 for trade integration.

298 The panel regression results are presented in the bottom half of Table 3. In the panel  
299 data regression the set of countries is smaller, and the sample of countries is skewed towards  
300 the advanced economies (since having a sufficient time series of data available in the pre-  
301 1990 period is a requirement to be included in the panel data regression). Thus financial  
302 globalization tends to be higher in these countries and the correlation between inflows and  
303 outflows closer to one. The nonlinearity of the correlation coefficient when it approaches  
304 one means that standard errors can be high in the panel data regression of the correlation

305 between inflows and outflows. In this panel data regression, it is best to focus on the ratio of  
306 the standard deviation of gross flows and net flows, which is closely related to the correlation  
307 between inflows and outflows and does not suffer from the same nonlinearity. The impact of  
308 financial and trade globalization on this ratio are the same as in the cross-section regression.  
309 An increase in the stock of external assets and liabilities raises this ratio and an increase in  
310 trade integration reduces it.

311 The results continue to hold when addressing potential endogeneity through a 2SLS  
312 regression. The gravity-based trade proxy used as an instrument for trade integration is  
313 time-invariant and thus cannot be used in the panel regression with country-fixed effects. So  
314 in the panel data regression, the only instrument is the financial openness index that is used  
315 as an instrument for the stock of external assets and liabilities.

316 We can summarize the results from this section in the form of a few stylized facts.

317 **Stylized Fact 1** *Financial globalization raises the correlation between capital inflows and*  
318 *outflows and raises the standard deviation of gross flows relative to the standard devi-*  
319 *ation of net flows.*

320 **Stylized Fact 2** *When capital flows are normalized by external assets and liabilities, finan-*  
321 *cial globalization lowers the volatility of net flows while the effect on gross flows is*  
322 *either statistically insignificant or small. When capital flows are normalized by GDP,*  
323 *financial globalization has an effect on net flows that is either statistically insignificant*  
324 *or small, while it raises the volatility of gross flows.*

325 **Stylized Fact 3** *Trade globalization lowers the correlation between capital inflows and out-*  
326 *flows and the ratio of the volatilities of gross flows and net flows.*

327 These results are also consistent with the findings from Table 2. They explain the higher  
328 correlation between capital inflows and outflows of advanced countries and the increase in

329 the correlation over time. Stylized Fact 2 also explains the dependence on normalization of  
330 the changes in gross and net capital flow volatilities reported in Table 2 and Figure 1.

### 331 *2.3. Robustness*

332 In the Online Appendix we present the results from several robustness exercises. First,  
333 instead of using the Chinn-Ito capital account openness index as an instrument for financial  
334 globalization, we use a measure of domestic financial liberalization. Even when using a de  
335 jure measure of capital account openness like the Chinn-Ito index as an instrument, the  
336 regression may suffer from endogeneity. An increase in the relative strength of idiosyncratic  
337 shocks increases the volatility of net capital flows (the current account). To smooth these  
338 fluctuations in the current account, a government may impose capital account restrictions.  
339 And thus the increase in the relative volatility of idiosyncratic shocks would reduce the  
340 correlation between inflows and outflows and also, through a political economy channel,  
341 increase a de jure measure of capital account restrictions.

342 To address this potential endogeneity, instead of using the Chinn-Ito capital account  
343 restrictions index as an instrument we use a measure of domestic financial sector liberalization  
344 from Abiad et al. (2010). This measure captures the financial deregulation that is listed by  
345 Lane and Milesi-Ferretti (2008) as one of the key drivers of financial globalization. The  
346 Abiad et al. measure contains both a domestic and international component of financial  
347 sector liberalization. We restrict our focus to the domestic component. The country coverage  
348 using the Abiad measure is less, and the sample ends in 2005. The Online Appendix shows  
349 that the results are unchanged when we use this domestic financial liberalization index as  
350 an instrument.

351 Next, the we consider other measures of de jure capital account restrictions. Fernandez  
352 et al. (2016) construct separate measures of inflow and outflow restrictions. These capital  
353 control measures are highly correlated with the Chinn-Ito index. But whereas the Chinn-Ito

354 index is just one index capturing all current and capital account restrictions, the Fernandez  
355 et al. measure distinguishes between inflow and outflow restrictions. The country and time  
356 coverage is smaller with the Fernandez et al. measures, and the data only covers the years  
357 1995-2015. Thus we can only use these inflow and outflow restrictions as an instrument in the  
358 cross-sectional, not the panel data regression. The Online Appendix shows that the results  
359 from the cross-sectional regression using the Fernandez et al. measures as an instrument are  
360 nearly identical to the results using the Chinn-Ito index as an instrument.

361 Next, we run the same regressions that were presented in Table 3, but where the sample  
362 is limited to the advanced economies. This severely limits the number of observations in the  
363 regression, to 21 countries in the cross section and 15 countries in the panel, but the results  
364 from the wider set of countries continues to hold in this reduced set of advanced countries.

365 Lastly there is the concern that the results may be affected by the increased correlation  
366 of capital inflows during the 2008 financial crisis. For this reason we consider the regression  
367 results where the sample ends in 2007, before the crisis. The cross section results are based  
368 on the 1990-2007 sample, while the panel results are based on 1975-1989 and 1990-2007  
369 samples. The Online Appendix shows that the regression results are not affected by the  
370 change in the end date.

### 371 **3. The Model**

372 The model aims to shed light on the impact of financial and trade globalization on  
373 the correlation between capital inflows and outflows. There are two countries (Home and  
374 Foreign) and two periods. The extent of financial globalization results from a financial  
375 friction that captures the cost of investment abroad. The extent of trade globalization is  
376 driven by a quadratic trade cost function analogous to Backus et al. (1992). The objective  
377 is to investigate how an increase in financial and trade globalization affects the volatility  
378 of gross and net capital flows in response to various shocks, and therefore the correlation



379 between capital inflows and outflows. There will be a total of 8 shocks (4 types of shocks in  
 380 both Home and Foreign).

381 *3.1. Production and Investment*

There is a single good. Production in period  $i = 1, 2$  is equal to productivity times the capital stock:

$$Y_{Hi} = \theta_{Hi}K_{Hi} \tag{2}$$

$$Y_{Fi} = \theta_{Fi}K_{Fi} \tag{3}$$

We normalize the capital stock to 1 in period 1 in both countries:  $K_{H1} = K_{F1} = 1$ . Capital accumulates due to new investment:

$$K_{H2} = 1 + I_H \tag{4}$$

$$K_{F2} = 1 + I_F \tag{5}$$

There is no depreciation. We also normalize productivity to 1 in period 1:  $\theta_{H1} = \theta_{F1} = 1$ . We abstract from period 1 productivity shocks. If present, they would affect saving, but we already have saving shocks in the form of time discount rate shocks discussed below. Productivity in period 2 is

$$\theta_{H2} = 1 + \varepsilon_{H2} \tag{6}$$

$$\theta_{F2} = 1 + \varepsilon_{F2} \tag{7}$$

382 where  $\varepsilon_{H2}$  and  $\varepsilon_{F2}$  are Home and Foreign productivity shocks with mean 0. Changes in  
 383 the expectations  $E(\varepsilon_{H2})$  and  $E(\varepsilon_{F2})$  will be referred to as expected dividend shocks as they  
 384 affect expected asset payoffs. They are a type of news shock.

385 Capital goods are supplied by competitive installment firms. In the Home country they  
 386 produce  $I_H$  new capital goods in period 1 and sell them to firms at the price  $Q_H$ . Producing  
 387  $I_H$  capital goods requires

$$388 \quad (1 - \varepsilon_H^I)I_H + \frac{\xi}{2}(I_H)^2 \tag{8}$$

389 consumption goods. Let consumption goods be the numeraire. The installment firms there-  
 390 fore maximize

$$391 \quad \Pi_H = Q_H I_H - \left[ (1 - \varepsilon_H^I)I_H + \frac{\xi}{2}(I_H)^2 \right] \tag{9}$$

392 This gives

$$393 \quad I_H = \frac{1}{\xi}(Q_H - 1 + \varepsilon_H^I) \tag{10}$$

394 This is the Tobin Q model of investment. For the Foreign country we have analogously

$$395 \quad I_F = \frac{1}{\xi}(Q_F - 1 + \varepsilon_F^I) \tag{11}$$

396 The shocks  $\varepsilon_H^I$  and  $\varepsilon_F^I$  will be referred to as investment shocks. If positive, they raise  
 397 investment for a given price of capital.

### 398 *3.2. Saving and Portfolio Allocation*

399 Home agents maximize

$$400 \quad \ln(C_{H1}) + \beta_H E \ln(C_{H2}) \tag{12}$$

401 Analogously, Foreign agents maximize

$$402 \quad \ln(C_{F1}) + \beta_F E \ln(C_{F2}) \tag{13}$$

We assume that

$$\beta_H = 1 + \varepsilon_H^\beta \tag{14}$$

$$\beta_F = 1 + \varepsilon_F^\beta \tag{15}$$

403 These time discount rate shocks lead to period 1 saving shocks. A higher time discount rate  
 404 raises saving.

Agents start out with claims on a fraction  $\bar{z}$  of domestic assets and  $1 - \bar{z}$  of foreign assets.  
 The wealth of Home and Foreign investors in period 1 is then

$$W_H = \bar{z}Y_H + (1 - \bar{z})Y_F + \bar{z}Q_H + (1 - \bar{z})Q_F + \Pi_H \quad (16)$$

$$W_F = (1 - \bar{z})Y_H + \bar{z}Y_F + (1 - \bar{z})Q_H + \bar{z}Q_F + \Pi_F \quad (17)$$

405 Here we assume that the profits from the installment firms go to the domestic investors.  
 406 This term drops out in the solution as it is second-order, so this is more of a technicality.

407 The budget constraint for Home agents is

$$408 \quad C_{H2} = (W_H - C_{H1} - 0.5\tau X^2) (R^{p,H} + T_H) \quad (18)$$

409 This budget constraint requires some explanation. In period 1 agents purchase assets equal  
 410 to  $W_H - C_{H1} - 0.5\tau X^2$ . Here  $0.5\tau X^2$  is a trade cost that is quadratic in net exports

$$411 \quad X = Y_{H1} - C_{H1} - (1 + \varepsilon_H^I)I_H - \frac{\xi}{2}I_H^2 - 0.5\tau X^2 \quad (19)$$

412 The quadratic trade cost specification is analogous to Backus et al. (1992).<sup>5</sup> For simplicity  
 413 we assume that this trade cost only applies to period 1 as our focus is on period 1 capital  
 414 flows. The parameter  $\tau$  captures the degree of trade integration.

415 The portfolio return of Home agents is

$$416 \quad R^{p,H} = z_H R_H + (1 - z_H)e^{-\zeta_H} R_F \quad (20)$$

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<sup>5</sup>If trade costs are proportional to trade, the solution is significantly complicated by the fact that trade only takes place when there is a sufficiently large asymmetry across countries. With a quadratic trade cost, the marginal cost is zero when  $X = 0$ , so that any asymmetry that generates trade flows in the absence of trade costs will also generate trade flows with trade costs.

Here  $R_H$  and  $R_F$  are the return from period 1 to period 2 on Home and Foreign assets, which are claims on period 2 output per unit of capital:

$$R_H = \frac{1 + \varepsilon_{H2}}{Q_H} \quad (21)$$

$$R_F = \frac{1 + \varepsilon_{F2}}{Q_F} \quad (22)$$

417 The share invested in Home assets by Home agents is denoted  $z_H$ . The variable  $\zeta_H$  in (20)  
 418 represents a cost of investing abroad, which drives the degree of financial integration. This  
 419 is a commonly used feature in the literature to generate portfolio home bias.<sup>6</sup> This cost does  
 420 not affect resources as the aggregate of the cost is reimbursed to the agents through  $T_H$  in  
 421 (18), which the agents take as given. Therefore

$$422 \quad \tilde{R}^{p,H} = R^{p,H} + T_H = z_H R_H + (1 - z_H) R_F \quad (23)$$

423 Optimal period 1 consumption, taking into account the effect on trade costs, is

$$424 \quad C_{H1} = \frac{1}{1 + \beta_H(1 - \tau X)} (W_H - 0.5\tau X^2) \quad (24)$$

425 The wealth that is invested in assets in period 1 is denoted  $A_H = W_H - C_{H1} - 0.5\tau X^2$ :

$$426 \quad A_H = \frac{\beta_H(1 - \tau X)}{1 + \beta_H(1 - \tau X)} (W_H - 0.5\tau X^2) \quad (25)$$

427 The Euler equation for optimal portfolio choice is

$$428 \quad E \frac{1}{\tilde{R}^{p,H}} (R_H - e^{-\zeta_H} R_F) = 0 \quad (26)$$

429 In terms of logs this is

$$430 \quad E e^{r_H - \tilde{r}^{p,H}} = E e^{r_F - \tilde{r}^{p,H} - \zeta_H} \quad (27)$$

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<sup>6</sup>Examples are Bacchetta and Van Wincoop (2017), Tille and van Wincoop (2010, 2014), Bhamra et al. (2014) and Martin and Rey (2004).

431 Using the linear approximation  $\tilde{r}^{p,H} = z_H r_H + (1 - z_H) r_F$ , defining the excess return  $er =$   
 432  $r_H - r_F$ , and assuming normality of log returns, we can solve for the optimal portfolio:

$$433 \quad z_H = 0.5 + \frac{\zeta_H}{\sigma^2} + \frac{E(er)}{\sigma^2} \quad (28)$$

434 where  $\sigma^2 = var(er)$ .

435 Changes in  $\zeta_H$  imply portfolio shocks. In the absence of such shocks,  $\zeta_H = \bar{\zeta}_H$ . We define  
 436  $\bar{z} = 0.5 + (\bar{\zeta}_H/\sigma^2)$  as the fraction invested in the domestic asset in the absence of shocks.  
 437 We assume that shocks to  $\zeta_H$  imply a portfolio shift of  $1 - z_H$  of the form  $-(1 - \bar{z})\varepsilon_H^z$ , such  
 438 that

$$439 \quad z_H = \bar{z} + \frac{E(er)}{\sigma^2} + (1 - \bar{z})\varepsilon_H^z \quad (29)$$

440 where  $\varepsilon_H^z$  is an exogenous portfolio shifter. The specification implies that portfolio shifts  $\varepsilon_H^z$   
 441 lead to a proportional change in the the fraction invested in the foreign country. It is sensible  
 442 that when agents invest a larger fraction abroad, portfolio shocks are proportionally larger as  
 443 well. While here the portfolio shocks are the result of changes in the cost of investing abroad,  
 444 we will think of them more broadly as any type of financial shocks generating portfolio  
 445 shifts. Depending on the specification, this can take the form of liquidity trade, noise trade,  
 446 time-varying risk (Tille and Van Wincoop (2010,2014)), time-varying risk-bearing capacity  
 447 (Gabaix and Maggiori (2015)), time-varying costs of investment abroad (Bacchetta and  
 448 Van Wincoop (2017)) or time-varying private investment opportunities (Wang (1994)).<sup>7</sup>

Consumption and portfolio choice for Foreign agents is analogous:

$$C_{F1} = \frac{1}{1 + \beta_F(1 + \tau X)} (W_F - 0.5\tau X^2) \quad (30)$$

$$z_F = 1 - \bar{z} + \frac{E(er)}{\sigma^2} - (1 - \bar{z})\varepsilon_F^z \quad (31)$$

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<sup>7</sup>Itskhoki and Mukhin (2017) argue that such financial shocks can explain most puzzles associated with nominal and real exchange rates.

449 Here  $z_F$  is the fraction invested in the Home asset by Foreign investors. A simultaneous  
 450 increase in  $\varepsilon_H^z$  and  $\varepsilon_F^z$  implies global retrenchment to domestic assets and therefore a decrease  
 451 in capital inflows and outflows.

Capital outflows and inflows are equal to

$$OF = (1 - z_H)A_H - (1 - \bar{z})Q_F \quad (32)$$

$$IF = z_F A_F - (1 - \bar{z})Q_H \quad (33)$$

452 These are equal to the value of external positions in period 1 minus the value of these  
 453 positions at the start of period 1, before new assets are purchased.

### 454 3.3. Market Clearing Conditions

The asset market clearing conditions are

$$z_H A_H + z_F A_F = Q_H (1 + I_H) \quad (34)$$

$$(1 - z_H)A_H + (1 - z_F)A_F = Q_F (1 + I_F) \quad (35)$$

455 By Walras' Law, we can ignore the goods market clearing conditions as they are satisfied  
 456 once the asset market clearing conditions hold.

### 457 3.4. Shocks

There are a total of 8 shocks, which are listed in Table 4. For convenience of the analysis, we will rewrite all shocks as global shocks and relative shocks. For example, we transform the saving shocks  $\varepsilon_H^\beta$  and  $\varepsilon_F^\beta$  into a global saving shock and a relative saving shock:

$$\varepsilon^{\beta,A} = 0.5(\varepsilon_H^\beta + \varepsilon_F^\beta)$$

$$\varepsilon^{\beta,D} = \varepsilon_H^\beta - \varepsilon_F^\beta$$

458 Throughout we will use the superscript  $A$  to denote an average across countries and super-  
 459 script  $D$  to denote the difference (Home minus Foreign variable).

460 *3.5. Solution*

461 After substituting the expressions for wealth, investment and portfolio shares, we log  
 462 linearize the asset market clearing conditions around the values that the variables take in  
 463 the absence of shocks. Omitting time subscripts, in the absence of shocks  $Y_H = Y_F = A_H =$   
 464  $A_F = Q_H = Q_F = 1$ ,  $W_H = W_F = 2$ ,  $I_H = I_F = X = 0$  and  $z_H = 1 - z_F = \bar{z}$ . We then take  
 465 the average and difference of the market clearing conditions across countries. Denoting logs  
 466 of variables with lower case letters, we solve for the average asset price  $q^A = 0.5(q_H + q_F)$   
 467 and the relative asset price  $q^D = q_H - q_F$ .

468 We leave all algebraic details to the Online Appendix. The average asset market clearing  
 469 condition can be used to solve for the average asset price as a function of several shocks:

$$470 \quad q^A = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{2}{\xi}} \left( \varepsilon^{\beta,A} - \frac{2}{\xi} \varepsilon^{I,A} \right) \quad (36)$$

471 Intuitively, a global saving shock (positive  $\varepsilon^{\beta,A}$ ) raises global saving and therefore asset  
 472 demand, which raises the average asset price. A global investment shock (positive  $\varepsilon^{I,A}$ )  
 473 raises the global asset supply, which lowers the average asset price. Portfolio shocks do not  
 474 affect the average asset price as they lead to portfolio shifts from one asset to another. The  
 475 same is the case for expected dividend shocks.

476 The Home minus Foreign asset market clearing condition can be used to solve for the  
 477 relative asset price:

$$478 \quad q^D = \frac{4(2 + \tau)}{\sigma^2 D} E(\varepsilon_2^D) + \frac{2(1 - \bar{z})(2 + \tau)}{D} \varepsilon^{z,D} + \frac{2\bar{z} - 1}{D} \varepsilon^{\beta,D} - \frac{2}{\xi D} (1 + \tau(1 - \bar{z})) \varepsilon^{I,D} \quad (37)$$

479 where

$$480 \quad D = 1 + 4(1 + \tau)\bar{z}(1 - \bar{z}) + \frac{4(2 + \tau)}{\sigma^2} + \frac{2}{\xi} (1 + \tau(1 - \bar{z})) > 0 \quad (38)$$

481 The intuition is as follows. An increase in  $E(\varepsilon_2^D)$  implies a higher expected relative return  
 482 of the Home asset, which leads to a portfolio shift to the Home asset and raises its relative  
 483 price. An increase in  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$  implies a portfolio shift to the Home asset as well, again increasing  
 484 its relative price. A rise in  $\varepsilon^{\beta,D}$  implies a relative increase in Home saving. As a result of  
 485 portfolio Home bias ( $\bar{z} > 0.5$ ), this raises relative demand for the Home asset and therefore  
 486 its relative price. Finally, an increase in  $\varepsilon^{I,D}$  raises relative Home investment. This raises  
 487 the relative supply of the Home asset, lowering its relative price.

### 488 3.6. Gross and Net Capital Flows

489 Since capital outflows of one country are the capital inflows of the other country, sym-  
 490 metry of the model implies that capital inflows and outflows have the same volatility. Then  
 491 the parameter  $c$  in (1) is then equal to 1 and the correlation between capital inflows and  
 492 outflows is entirely determined by the volatility of gross flows relative to the volatility of net  
 493 flows. In the analysis that follows we will therefore focus on the determinants of gross and  
 494 net flows and specifically the role of trade and financial integration.

495 Using the solution for  $q^A$ , we have a closed form solution for gross flows  $GF = OF + IF$   
 496 as a fraction of external assets:

$$497 \frac{GF}{External\ Assets} = \frac{2}{2 + \xi} (\varepsilon^{\beta,A} + \varepsilon^{I,A}) - 2\varepsilon^{z,A} \quad (39)$$

498 Three shocks drive gross flows. The first shock,  $\varepsilon^{\beta,A}$ , raises global saving, which raises gross  
 499 capital flows through a portfolio growth effect. Without a change in portfolio allocation,  
 500 higher saving leads to an increase in demand of both domestic and foreign assets. The  
 501 second shock, the global investment shock  $\varepsilon^{I,A}$ , reduces the average asset price  $q^A$ , which  
 502 lowers consumption and therefore also raises global saving. The last shock,  $\varepsilon^{z,A}$ , is a global  
 503 portfolio shift towards domestic assets (retrenchment), which reduces gross capital flows.  
 504 An example of this is a global increase in risk or risk-aversion that leads to a retrenchment  
 505 towards domestic assets. Using the now popular terminology introduced by Rey (2015), one



506 can think of these as shocks to the global financial cycle.

507 Using the solution for  $q^D$ , net capital flows  $NF = OF - IF$  can be solved as

$$508 \quad \frac{NF}{\text{External Assets}} = a_1 E(\varepsilon_2^D) + a_2 \varepsilon^{z,D} + a_3 \varepsilon^{\beta,D} + a_4 \varepsilon^{I,D} \quad (40)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= -\frac{1}{\sigma^2 D} \frac{2(2\bar{z} - 1) + \frac{4}{\xi}}{1 - \bar{z}} \\ a_2 &= -\frac{1}{D} \left( (2\bar{z} - 1) + \frac{2}{\xi} \right) \\ a_3 &= \frac{1}{D} \left( 2\bar{z} + \frac{2}{(1 - \bar{z})\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\xi} \right) \\ a_4 &= -\frac{1}{\xi D} \left( \bar{z} + 0.5 + \frac{2}{(1 - \bar{z})\sigma^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

509 It is immediate that  $a_1 < 0$ ,  $a_2 < 0$ ,  $a_3 > 0$  and  $a_4 < 0$ .

510 The intuition is as follows. An increase in  $E(\varepsilon_2^D)$  raises the expected relative return of the  
 511 Home asset, leading to a portfolio shift to the Home asset. This implies net capital inflows  
 512 for the Home country. Net outflows  $NF = OF - IF$  will then drop. An increase in  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$  also  
 513 implies a portfolio shift to the Home country, lowering net outflows. A rise in  $\varepsilon^{\beta,D}$  raises  
 514 relative Home saving, which raises capital outflows of the Home country due to portfolio  
 515 growth relative to capital outflows of the Foreign country. Home net outflows therefore rise.  
 516 Finally, an increase in  $\varepsilon^{I,D}$  raises relative Home investment. This lowers the relative price of  
 517 the Home asset, which raises its relative expected return. This leads to a portfolio shift to  
 518 the Home country, lowering net outflows  $NF$ .

#### 519 4. Model Implications for Capital Flow Moments

520 We have seen that the correlation between capital inflows and outflows is higher the larger  
 521 the volatility of gross flows and the lower the volatility of net flows. Using the results from  
 522 the previous section, we will now investigate the impact of financial and trade integration

523 on the volatility of gross and net flows and therefore the correlation between capital inflows  
 524 and outflows. The total value of external assets (in the absence of shocks) is  $1 - \bar{z}$ . So a  
 525 lower value of  $\bar{z}$  implies a higher level of financial globalization. Trade globalization is driven  
 526 by  $\tau$ , with a lower value of  $\tau$  implying more trade globalization. In contrast to the data, in  
 527 the model there are only net trade flows since there is only one good. We therefore cannot  
 528 compute an analogue in the model to the empirical measure of trade integration, which is  
 529 exports plus imports divided by GDP. The advantage of capturing trade integration with  $\tau$  in  
 530 the model is that the one-good framework allows for an analytically tractable solution. In the  
 531 Online Appendix we present a version of this model with two traded goods, a home country  
 532 good and a foreign country good, combined in a CES aggregator with a finite elasticity of  
 533 substitution. We obtain analogous results for the impact of trade integration in a two-good  
 534 model. The drawback of this two-good model is that a numerical approach is needed to  
 535 evaluate the role of trade integration. We therefore leave this two-good version of the model  
 536 to the Online Appendix.

537 The first result is immediate from (39):

538 **Result 1** *When gross flows are scaled by external assets, neither financial nor trade global-*  
 539 *ization affect the volatility of gross flows.*

540 (39) shows that gross capital flows do not depend on either  $\bar{z}$  or  $\tau$ . The intuition is as  
 541 follows. First, the trade friction by construction only affects net trade flows, which equals net  
 542 capital flows. Even in the previous draft of this paper referred to above, where trade frictions  
 543 affect both gross trade flows (exports plus imports) and net trade flows, they do not affect  
 544 gross capital flows. Second, financial globalization expands global external positions, but not  
 545 the percentage changes in these positions in response to shocks. Consider for example global  
 546 portfolio growth, due to a rise in global saving. Capital outflows are equal to the fraction  
 547  $1 - \bar{z}$  invested abroad times the increase in saving. The impact of a shock to global saving on  
 548 gross capital flows is therefore proportional to  $1 - \bar{z}$  and therefore proportional to external

549 positions. Scaled by external positions, gross flows therefore do not depend on financial  
 550 globalization. Without scaling, gross flows are proportional to financial globalization and  
 551 therefore the standard deviation is proportional to financial globalization as well.

552 The second result follows from (40):

553 **Result 2** *When net flows are scaled by external assets, financial globalization lowers the*  
 554 *volatility of net capital flows, while trade globalization raises the volatility of net capital*  
 555 *flows.*

556 It is easy to check that  $D$  depends positively on  $\tau$  and negatively on  $\bar{z}$ . It is then  
 557 immediate that all coefficients  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ ,  $a_3$  and  $a_4$  are larger in absolute value when  $\bar{z}$  is larger  
 558 and smaller in absolute value when  $\tau$  is larger. Financial globalization (lower  $\bar{z}$ ) therefore  
 559 reduces the volatility of net flows, while trade globalization (lower  $\tau$ ) does the opposite.

560 In order to provide some intuition behind Result 2, it is useful to realize that the relative  
 561 asset market clearing condition is exactly the same condition as

$$562 \quad \textit{Saving} - \textit{Investment} = \textit{Net Capital Outflows} \quad (41)$$

563 As shown in the Online Appendix, we can write both saving minus investment and net  
 564 capital outflows of the Home country as a linear function of the relative asset price  $q^D$  and  
 565 shocks. Equating them leads to the solution (37) for  $q^D$ . The *Saving – Investment* schedule  
 566 is negatively sloped in  $q^D$  as a rise in  $q^D$  raises relative Home consumption (lowering relative  
 567 saving) and also raises relative Home investment. The *NF* schedule is positively sloped in  
 568  $q^D$ . A rise in  $q^D$  lowers the relative expected return on Home assets, which leads to net  
 569 capital outflows.

As an illustration, consider the two schedules when there are only portfolio shocks  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$ .

In the Online Appendix we show that

$$\frac{NF}{External\ Assets} = \left( \frac{1+\tau}{2+\tau}(2\bar{z}-1) + 1 + \frac{1}{\xi} \frac{\tau}{2+\tau} + \frac{2}{(1-\bar{z})\sigma^2} \right) q^D - \varepsilon^{z,D} \quad (42)$$

$$\frac{Saving - Investment}{External\ Assets} = -\frac{1}{(2+\tau)(1-\bar{z})} \left( \bar{z} - 0.5 + \frac{1}{\xi} \right) q^D \quad (43)$$

570 Now consider a drop in  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$ . For a given relative price  $q^D$ , net outflows scaled by external  
 571 assets change by  $-\varepsilon^{z,D}$ . A drop in  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$  implies a portfolio shift to Foreign assets, which  
 572 results in net capital outflows. As illustrated in Figure 4, the upward shift in the  $NF$   
 573 schedule raises  $NF$  and lowers  $q^D$ . The shift to Foreign assets raises the relative price of  
 574 Foreign assets and therefore lowers  $q^D$ . The drop in  $q^D$  in turn raises Saving-Investment,  
 575 consistent with the net capital outflows. This occurs because a lower  $q^D$  lowers both relative  
 576 Home consumption and investment.

577 The extent to which net capital flows change due to the shock depends on financial and  
 578 trade globalization, which affect the slope of both schedules in Figure 4 through  $\bar{z}$  and  $\tau$ .  
 579 First consider the role of  $\tau$ . An increase in  $\tau$  (less trade integration) makes the  $NF$  schedule  
 580 steeper and the  $Saving - Investment$  schedule less steep. Rather than show this graphically,  
 581 which will not aid the intuition, consider specifically the  $Saving - Investment$  schedule. This  
 582 schedule is identical to net exports  $X$ . In the extreme case where  $\tau \rightarrow \infty$ , net trade flows  
 583 go to zero. When  $\tau$  drops, net trade flows become less costly and the magnitude of net  
 584 trade flows in response to shocks increases. Specifically in the case of a drop in  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$ , which  
 585 induces a drop in  $q^D$ , the decline in consumption and investment will be smaller the larger  
 586 the  $\tau$ . Trade costs lead to a smaller decline in consumption and investment because of the  
 587 net trade flows they generate. A larger drop in  $q^D$  is then necessary for a given decline in  
 588  $\varepsilon^{z,D}$  in order to equate net capital flows to saving minus investment. But a larger drop in  $q^D$   
 589 raises the relative expected return on Home assets. This leads to a reversal of capital flows  
 590 to the Home country and therefore smaller net capital outflows and more so the larger  $\tau$ .

591 Trade frictions therefore reduce the volatility of net capital flows, while trade globalization  
 592 (lower  $\tau$ ) increases the volatility of net capital flows.

593 Next consider the role of financial integration. Result 2 says that financial globalization  
 594 reduces the volatility of net capital flows scaled by external assets.<sup>8</sup> The *Saving–Investment*  
 595 schedule again provides the key insight. A lower  $\bar{z}$  (higher financial globalization) implies that  
 596 saving minus investment is less sensitive to  $q^D$ . Two factors play a role behind this. First,  
 597 it is only to the extent that there is portfolio home bias ( $\bar{z} > 0.5$ ) that a drop in  $q^D$  lowers  
 598 relative wealth of the Home country and therefore relative consumption. A higher level of  
 599 financial globalization implies that relative saving is less affected by the rise in  $q^D$ . Second,  
 600 a higher value of external assets reduces the change in relative saving and investment when  
 601 scaled by external assets. Net capital flows changes by  $-\varepsilon^{z,D}$  for a given  $q^D$ . The smaller  
 602 response of saving minus investment, scaled by external assets, to a change in  $q^D$  implies  
 603 that a larger drop in  $q^D$  is needed to equate saving minus investment to net capital flows.  
 604 But a larger drop in  $q^D$  implies a larger increase in the relative expected return of the Home  
 605 asset, which implies a larger reversal of capital flows back towards the Home country and  
 606 therefore smaller equilibrium net capital outflows.

607 The main result of the paper follows immediately from Results 1 and 2:

608 **Corollary 1** *Financial globalization increases the correlation between capital inflows and*  
 609 *outflows, while trade globalization lowers the correlation between capital inflows and outflows.*

610 The correlation between capital inflows and outflows depends on the volatility of gross  
 611 capital flows relative to the volatility of net capital flows. Financial globalization does not  
 612 affect the volatility of (scaled) gross capital flows, but lowers the volatility of (scaled) net  
 613 capital flows. Trade globalization does not affect the volatility of gross capital flows, but  
 614 raises the volatility of net capital flows.

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<sup>8</sup>Graphically this is hard to see as a drop in  $\bar{z}$  makes both schedules less steep and it is not clear from the graph if this increases or reduces the the size of net capital flows.

615 We have analyzed the capital flow moments after scaling capital flows by external assets,  
 616 which are equal to  $1 - \bar{z}$  in the absence of shocks. If we instead scale by GDP, we would  
 617 simply need to multiply the expressions for gross and net capital flows by  $1 - \bar{z}$ . This  
 618 does not change the relative volatility of gross and net capital flows and therefore does not  
 619 affect the correlation between capital inflows and outflows. But it does affect the impact of  
 620 financial globalization on the volatility of gross and net flows individually. Multiplying the  
 621 expressions (39) and (40) by  $1 - \bar{z}$ , it is immediate that financial globalization increases the  
 622 volatility of gross flows, but the effect on the volatility of net flows depends on the shocks  
 623 and parameters. Net flows may either become less volatile or more volatile with financial  
 624 globalization.<sup>9</sup> This is consistent with the Stylized Fact 2, which says that gross flows scaled  
 625 by GDP will become more volatile due to financial globalization, but the effect of financial  
 626 globalization on the volatility of net flows scaled by GDP is ambiguous. Scaling capital flows  
 627 by external assets has facilitated the analysis as the effect of financial globalization on the  
 628 volatility of gross and net flows scaled by external assets is always unambiguous.

629 We should finally point out that the results are also robust to an alternative way of  
 630 modeling financial globalization. Instead of introducing a cost of investing abroad, in the  
 631 a version of the model in the Online Appendix we introduce native and global investors.  
 632 Native investors only invest in domestic assets, while global investors hold globally diversified  
 633 portfolios. The fraction of wealth held by global investors is then a measure of financial  
 634 globalization. It similarly implies that financial globalization raises the correlation between  
 635 capital inflows and outflows.

636 Overall, the theory is strongly consistent with the Stylized Facts 1-3 documented in the  
 637 empirics. Financial globalization accounts for the increase in the correlation between capital  
 638 inflows and outflows, while the more limited trade globalization seen in the data has actually

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<sup>9</sup>As an illustration, consider portfolio shocks. The new coefficient on portfolio shocks becomes  $(1 - \bar{z})a_2 < 0$ . It is easy to verify that this coefficient becomes larger in absolute size when  $\bar{z}$  falls and  $\bar{z}$  is sufficiently close to 1. But it becomes smaller in absolute size when  $\bar{z}$  falls,  $\bar{z}$  is sufficiently close to 0.5 and  $\xi$  is sufficiently large.

639 operated in the opposite direction.

## 640 **5. Conclusion**

641 We have aimed to explain the rapidly increasing correlation between capital inflows and  
642 outflows seen in the data and the much higher correlation in more advanced countries. Both  
643 empirical evidence and theory point to a clear culprit, the increased level of financial global-  
644 ization measured by external assets and liabilities as a fraction of GDP. Trade globalization  
645 has the exact opposite effect, but has been significantly dominated by financial globalization  
646 in the last several decades.

647 A natural direction for future work is to extend the theoretical framework developed  
648 here to a multi-country setup with countries varying in terms of their extent of financial  
649 and trade integration, their size, and the magnitude of country-specific shocks. This will  
650 allow us to consider additional stylized facts, such as the co-movement of capital flows across  
651 countries (sensitivity to global financial cycle) and the correlation between bilateral inflows  
652 and outflows.

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Table 1: Countries in the study

Advanced	Emerging Market and Developing			
Australia	Albania	Djibouti	Lebanon	Serbia
Austria	<b>Algeria</b>	<b>Dominican Republic</b>	Lesotho	Seychelles
Belgium	Angola	<b>Ecuador</b>	<b>Libya</b>	Slovakia
<b>Canada</b>	Antigua and Barbuda	<b>Egypt</b>	Lithuania	Slovenia
<b>Denmark</b>	<b>Argentina</b>	El Salvador	Macao	Solomon Islands
<b>Finland</b>	Armenia	Equatorial Guinea	Macedonia	<b>South Africa</b>
<b>France</b>	Aruba	Estonia	<b>Malaysia</b>	<b>Sri Lanka</b>
<b>Germany</b>	<b>Bangladesh</b>	<b>Fiji</b>	Maldives	St. Kitts and Nevis
Greece	Belarus	<b>Gabon</b>	<b>Mauritania</b>	St. Lucia
<b>Israel</b>	Belize	Georgia	<b>Mexico</b>	St. Vincent & Grens.
<b>Italy</b>	<b>Bolivia</b>	<b>Ghana</b>	Moldova	<b>Sudan</b>
Japan	Bosnia	Grenada	Mongolia	Suriname
<b>Korea</b>	<b>Botswana</b>	<b>Guatemala</b>	Montenegro	<b>Swaziland</b>
New Zealand	<b>Brazil</b>	<b>Honduras</b>	<b>Morocco</b>	<b>Syria</b>
<b>Norway</b>	Bulgaria	<b>Hungary</b>	Namibia	Tajikistan
<b>Portugal</b>	Cabo Verde	India	<b>Nicaragua</b>	<b>Thailand</b>
<b>Spain</b>	Cambodia	<b>Indonesia</b>	<b>Nigeria</b>	Timor-Leste
<b>Sweden</b>	<b>Cameroon</b>	Iraq	<b>Oman</b>	<b>Trinidad and Tobago</b>
<b>Switzerland</b>	<b>Chile</b>	<b>Jamaica</b>	<b>Pakistan</b>	<b>Tunisia</b>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>China</b>	<b>Jordan</b>	<b>Papua New Guinea</b>	<b>Turkey</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>Colombia</b>	Kazakhstan	<b>Paraguay</b>	Ukraine
	<b>Congo</b>	<b>Kenya</b>	<b>Peru</b>	<b>Uruguay</b>
	<b>Costa Rica</b>	Kosovo	<b>Philippines</b>	<b>Venezuela</b>
	Cote d'Ivoire	Kyrgyzstan	<b>Poland</b>	Vietnam
	Croatia	<b>Laos</b>	Romania	West Bank
	Czech Republic	Latvia	Russia	Yemen
			<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	<b>Zambia</b>

Notes: Data from all countries in the list are included in the cross-sectional regressions, using only data from 1990-2015. Countries in bold are included in the descriptive statics and the panel data regressions, both of which require data from the 1975-1989 period and the 1990-2015 period.

Table 2: Capital Flow Time-Series Moments

Normalize by External Assets and Liabilities						
	Advanced			Emerging Market		
	1975-1989	1990-2015	1990-2007	1975-1989	1990-2015	1990-2007
$Corr(OF, IF)$	0.46	0.83	0.77	0.25	0.53	0.54
$Std(NF)$	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.08	0.05	0.05
$Std(GF)$	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.11	0.09	0.09
$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	2.56	5.73	4.64	1.48	1.98	2.14
Normalize by GDP						
	Advanced			Emerging Market		
	1975-1989	1990-2015	1990-2007	1975-1989	1990-2015	1990-2007
$Corr(OF, IF)$	0.52	0.87	0.88	0.23	0.52	0.55
$Std(NF)$	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.06	0.06
$Std(GF)$	0.07	0.19	0.17	0.08	0.12	0.12
$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	3.05	5.74	6.51	1.56	2.08	2.29
(Ext. Assets+Liab.)/GDP	1.03	3.39	2.67	0.84	1.33	1.29
(Exports+Imports)/GDP	0.55	0.64	0.60	0.55	0.70	0.67
Cap. Acct. Restrictions	0.42	0.09	0.12	0.74	0.57	0.58

Note: The time-series correlations and standard deviations are calculated for each country in the sample. The table reports the simple average of the four reported capital flows moments across the advanced or emerging market group of countries.

Table 3: Impact of Financial and Trade Globalization on Capital Flow Moments

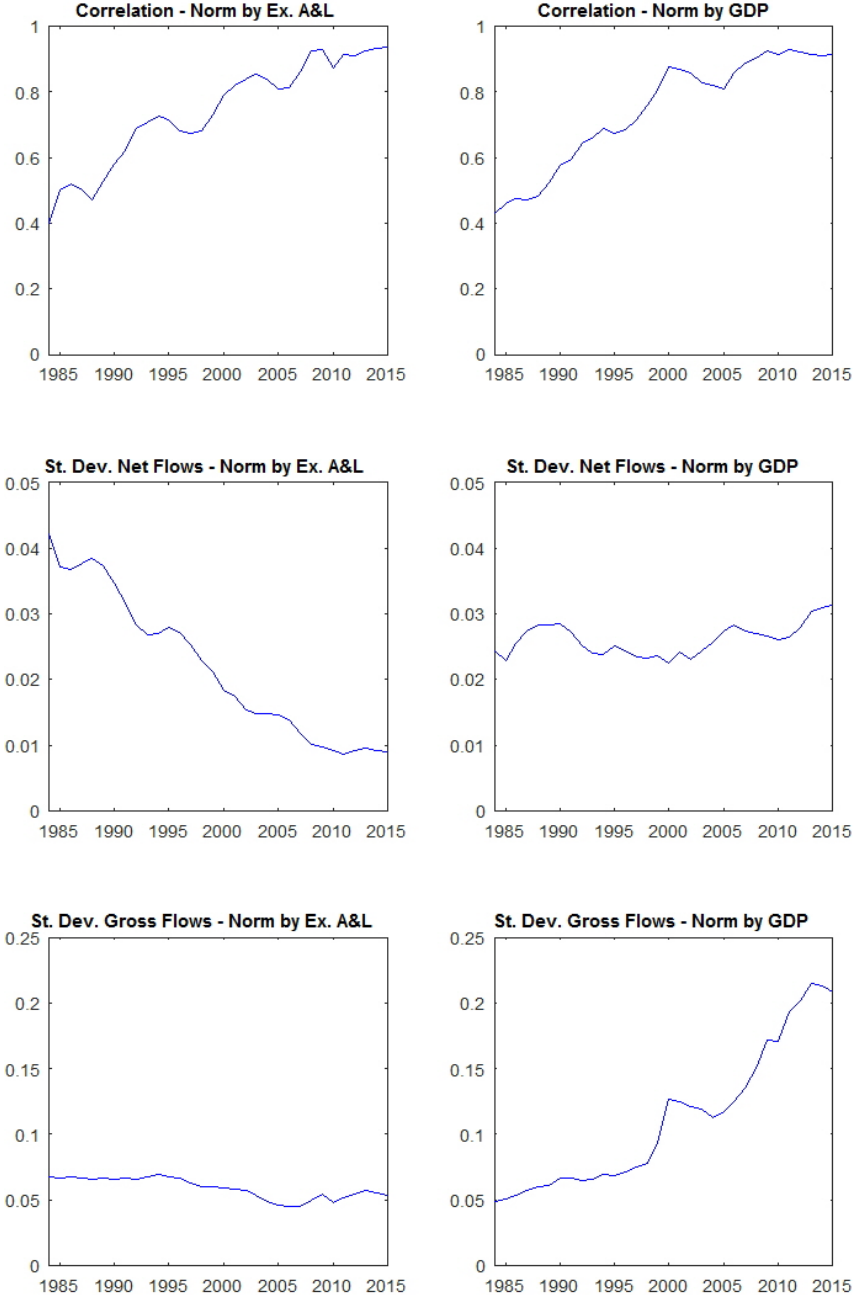
Cross Section									
OLS:	Capital Flows Normalized by External A&L				Capital Flows Normalized by GDP				
	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	
$\ln \frac{External\ A\&L}{GDP}$	0.215*** (0.052)	-0.029*** (0.006)	-0.027*** (0.008)	3.854*** (0.631)	0.217*** (0.055)	0.010 (0.012)	0.127*** (0.016)	3.698*** (0.559)	
$\ln \frac{Exports+Imports}{GDP}$	-0.168*** (0.061)	0.034*** (0.007)	0.045*** (0.009)	-1.219* (0.738)	-0.153** (0.065)	0.051*** (0.014)	0.046** (0.018)	-1.218* (0.654)	
$\bar{R}^2$	0.118	0.234	0.181	0.220	0.104	0.109	0.428	0.249	
2SLS (using capital account openness index and gravity-based trade proxy as instruments):									
	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	
$\ln \frac{External\ A\&L}{GDP}$	0.369*** (0.092)	-0.044*** (0.009)	-0.025** (0.013)	5.733*** (1.106)	0.423*** (0.099)	-0.038* (0.021)	0.106*** (0.027)	5.150*** (0.970)	
$\ln \frac{Exports+Imports}{GDP}$	-0.275*** (0.104)	0.042*** (0.010)	0.040*** (0.014)	-3.017** (1.246)	-0.270** (0.111)	0.084*** (0.024)	0.050 (0.031)	-2.803** (1.094)	
Panel (with cross-section fixed effects)									
OLS:	Capital Flows Normalized by External A&L				Capital Flows Normalized by GDP				
	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	
$\ln \frac{External\ A\&L}{GDP}$	0.394*** (0.106)	-0.029*** (0.009)	-0.006 (0.011)	2.253*** (0.391)	0.363*** (0.115)	0.016** (0.006)	0.119*** (0.017)	2.101*** (0.360)	
$\ln \frac{Exports+Imports}{GDP}$	-0.048 (0.210)	-0.005 (0.018)	-0.018 (0.022)	-1.791** (0.776)	0.053 (0.228)	0.003 (0.013)	-0.072** (0.034)	-1.606** (0.714)	
$\bar{R}^2$	0.243	0.438	0.226	0.646	0.212	0.741	0.609	0.671	
2SLS (using capital account openness index as an instrument):									
	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	<i>Corr (OF, IF)</i>	<i>Std (NF)</i>	<i>Std (GF)</i>	$\frac{Std(GF)}{Std(NF)}$	
$\ln \frac{External\ A\&L}{GDP}$	0.009 (0.256)	0.006 (0.022)	-0.005 (0.024)	4.824*** (1.108)	-0.081 (0.281)	0.024* (0.014)	0.172*** (0.040)	4.163*** (0.941)	
$\ln \frac{Exports+Imports}{GDP}$	0.482 (0.386)	-0.053 (0.034)	-0.018 (0.036)	-5.301*** (1.673)	0.663 (0.425)	-0.009 (0.021)	-0.147** (0.060)	-4.367*** (1.421)	

Note: The table reports coefficients from multivariate regressions of capital flow moments on the log of financial and trade globalization variables. The results in the top panel are from a cross-sectional regression with the moments for each country calculated over the 1990-2015 period and the independent variables averaged over the same period. The results in the bottom panel are from a panel data regression with the moments for each country calculated in the 1975-1989 and 1990-2015 periods and the independent variables averaged over the pre-1990 and post-1990 periods. Standard errors are in parenthesis. \*\*\*/\*\*/\* denotes significance at the 1/5/10% level.

Table 4: Model Shocks

Saving Shocks	$\varepsilon_H^\beta, \varepsilon_F^\beta$
Investment Shocks	$\varepsilon_H^I, \varepsilon_F^I$
Expected Dividend Shocks	$E(\varepsilon_{H2}), E(\varepsilon_{F2})$
Portfolio Shocks	$\varepsilon_H^z, \varepsilon_F^z$

Figure 1: Capital flow moments (10-year rolling windows)



Note: The charts present the simple average of country-specific moments.

Figure 2: Financial and Trade Globalization, 1975-1989 versus 1990-2015.

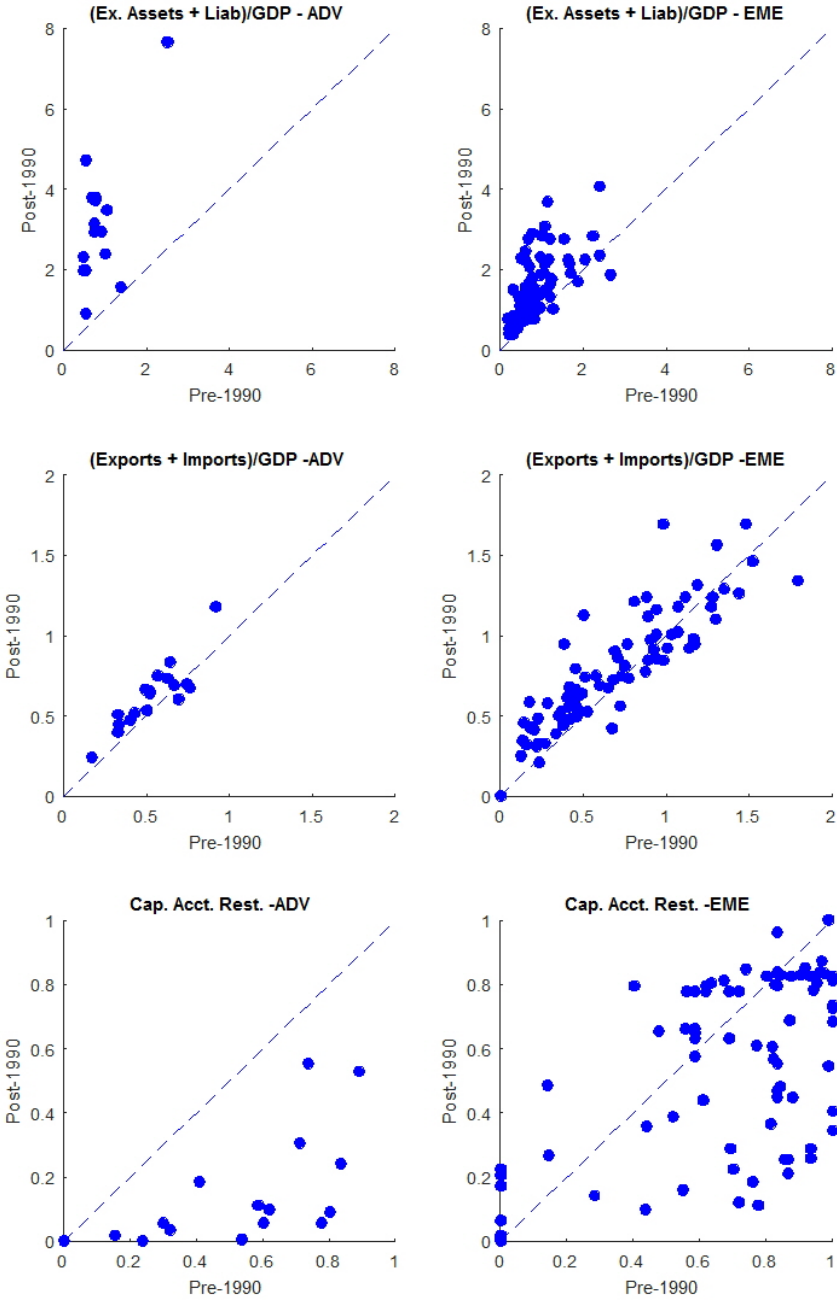
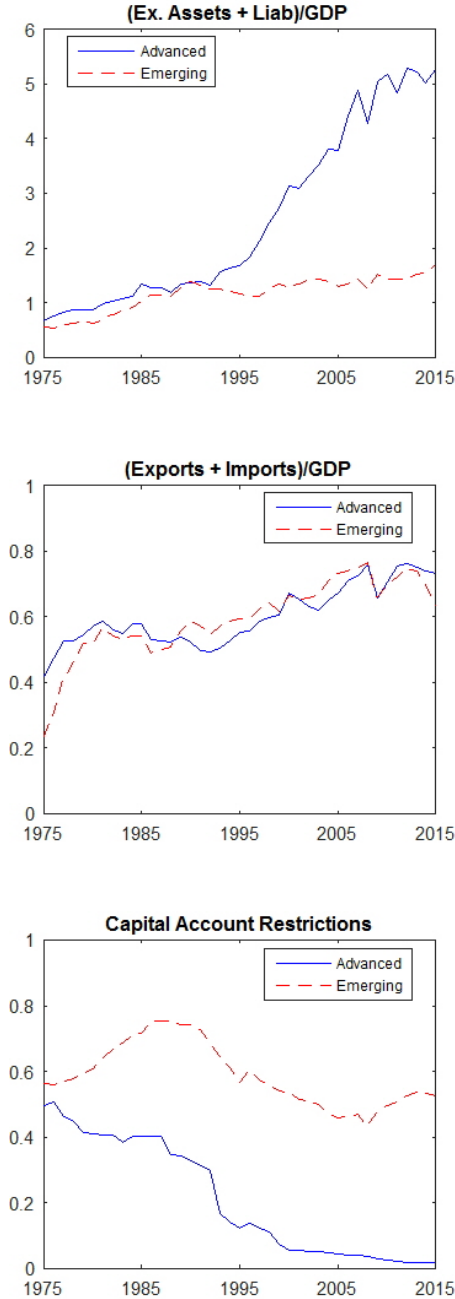


Figure 3: Financial and Trade Globalization, 1975-2015



Note: The charts present the simple average of country-specific moments.

Figure 4: Equilibrium after a portfolio shift towards Foreign assets

