

Discussion of

**Money and Banking
in Emerging Economies**

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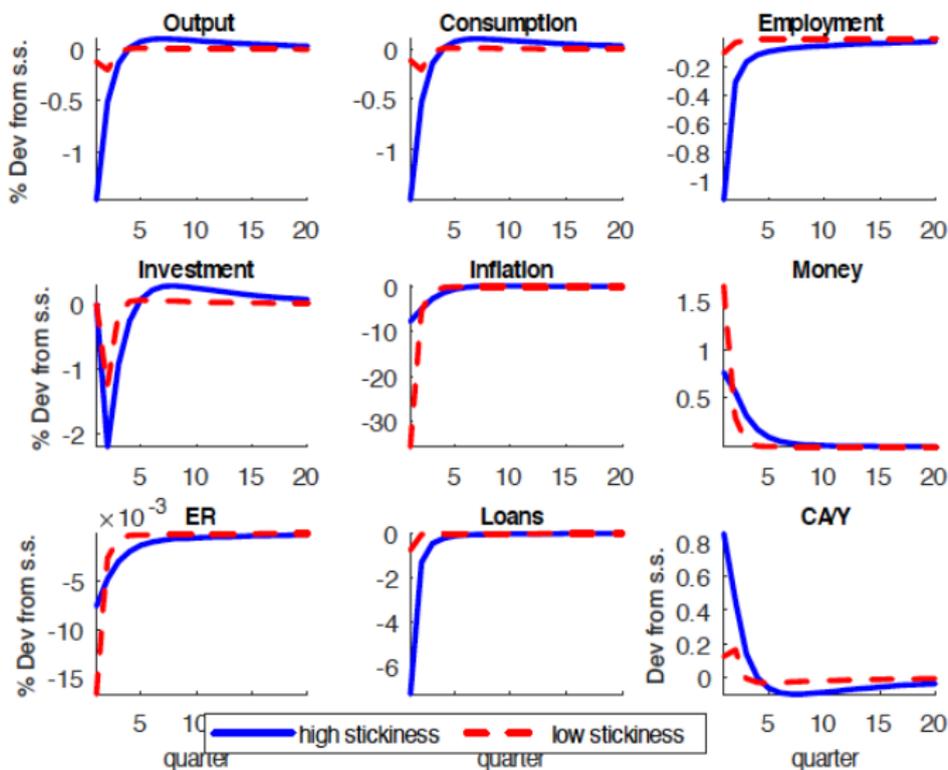
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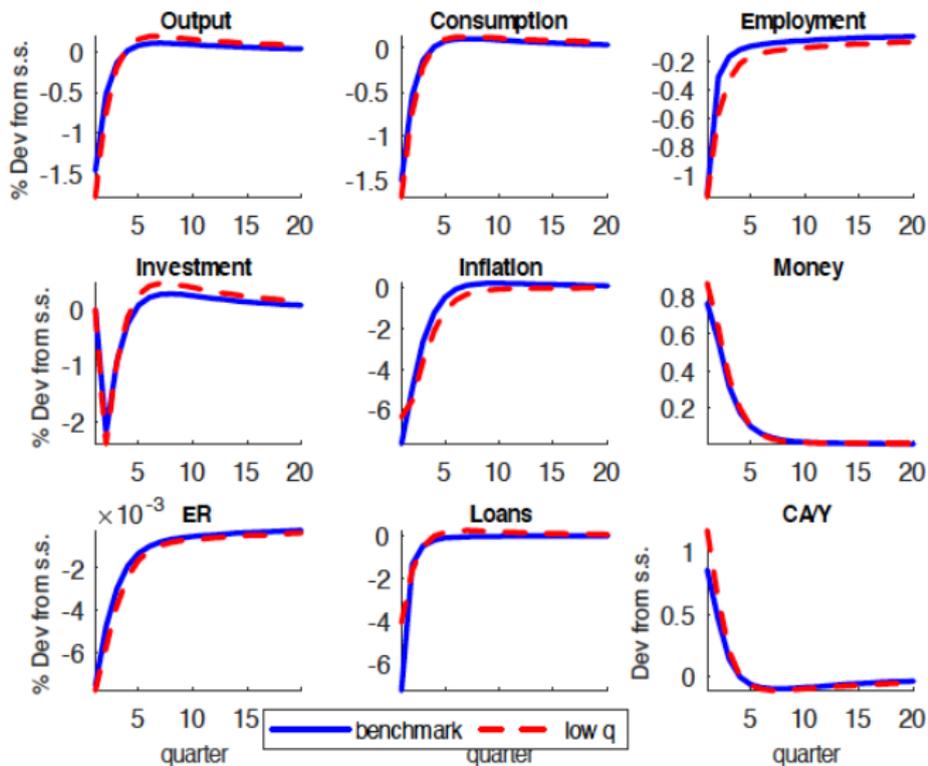
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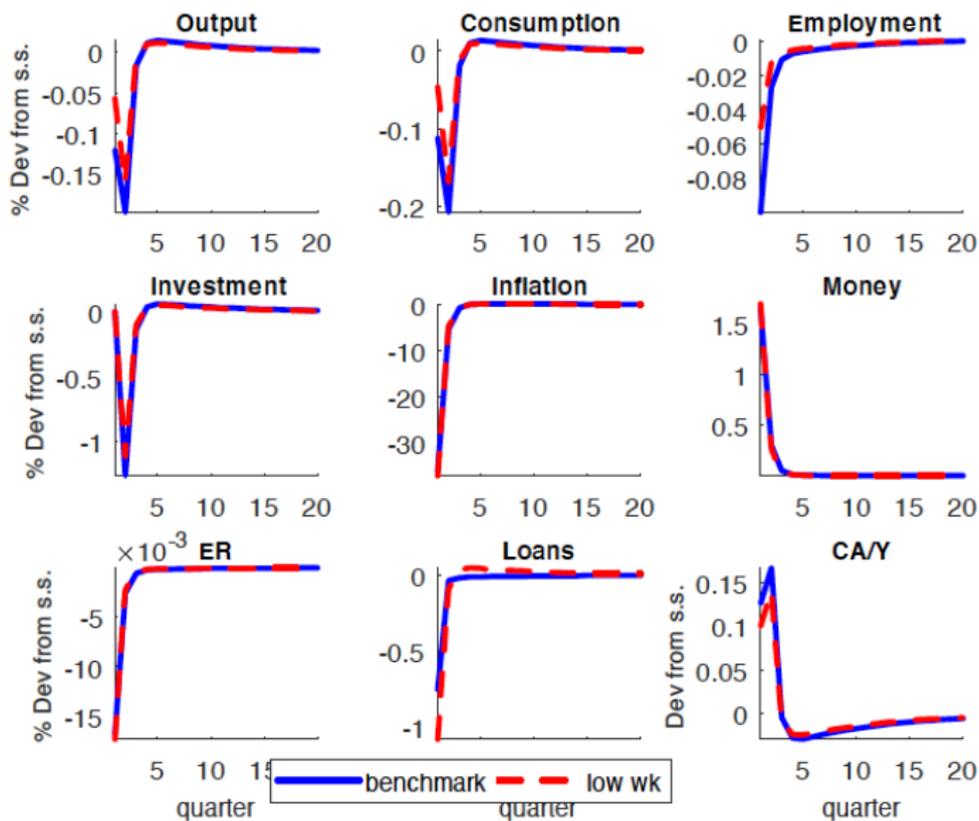
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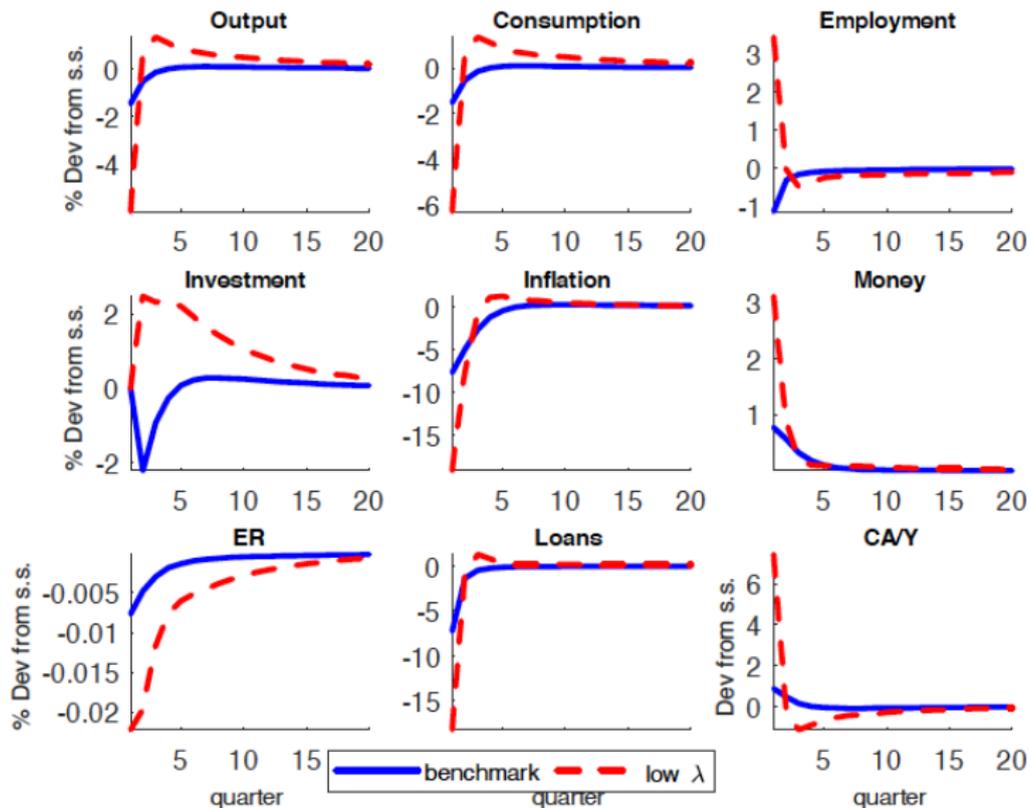
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- Which underlying assumption fails in this model?
 - acyclical income risk (cyclical profits)
 - acyclical liquidity (international borrowing)
 - while fail in most HANK models, the deviations are quantitatively small

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- **free capital mobility** \Rightarrow the UIP holds (Itskhoki-Mukhin'17)
- **no original sin** \Rightarrow gov't can borrow internationally in LC
- **no collateral constraint** \Rightarrow no sudden stops (Bianchi'11)

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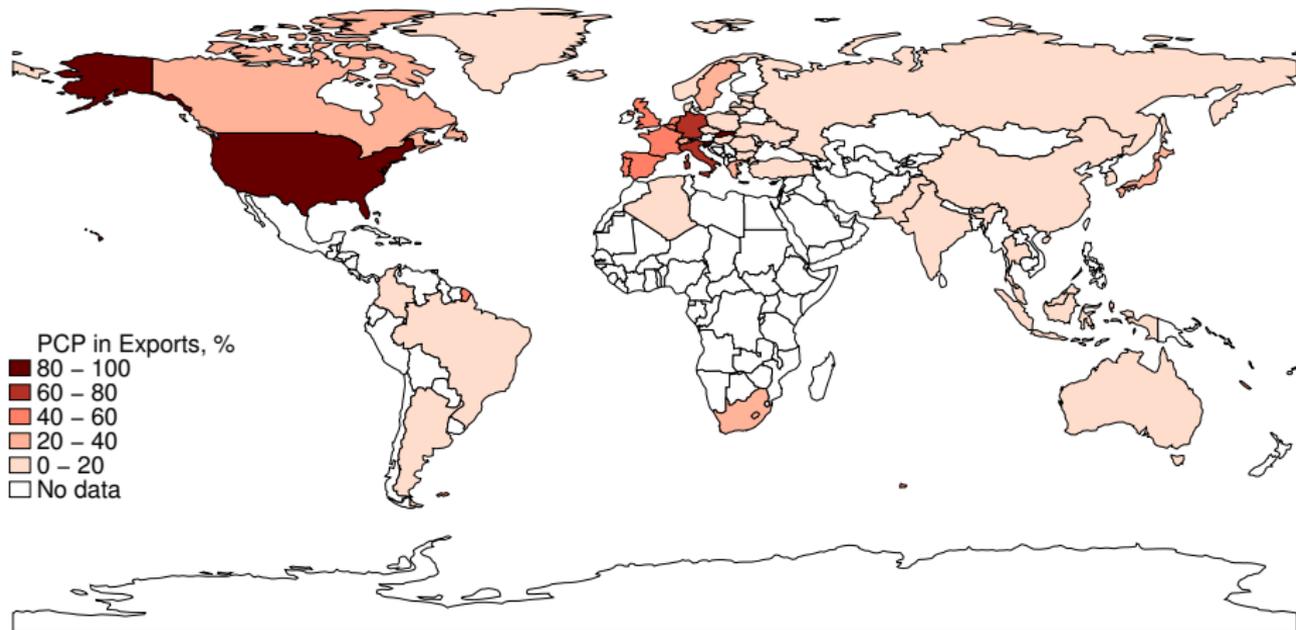
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- Horserace against simpler models
 - which **frictions** are really crucial?
 - which **shocks** drive business cycles?

Minor Comments

- Is consumption of entrepreneurs part of the aggregate demand?
- Is microfounded CSV really crucial?
- Why do banks charge no risk premium? Is there no aggregate uncertainty about loan returns?
- Given exogenous taxes and gov't spendings, what ensures that the gov't budget is balanced?
- Include other commodities when calibrating oil input share
- Can one drop money and consider the cashless limit?
- Does the calibration of Calvo parameter take into account price indexation?
- Include wealthy hand-to-mouth in the calibration
- Does the approximation of equilibrium conditions take into account the non-zero steady-state inflation?

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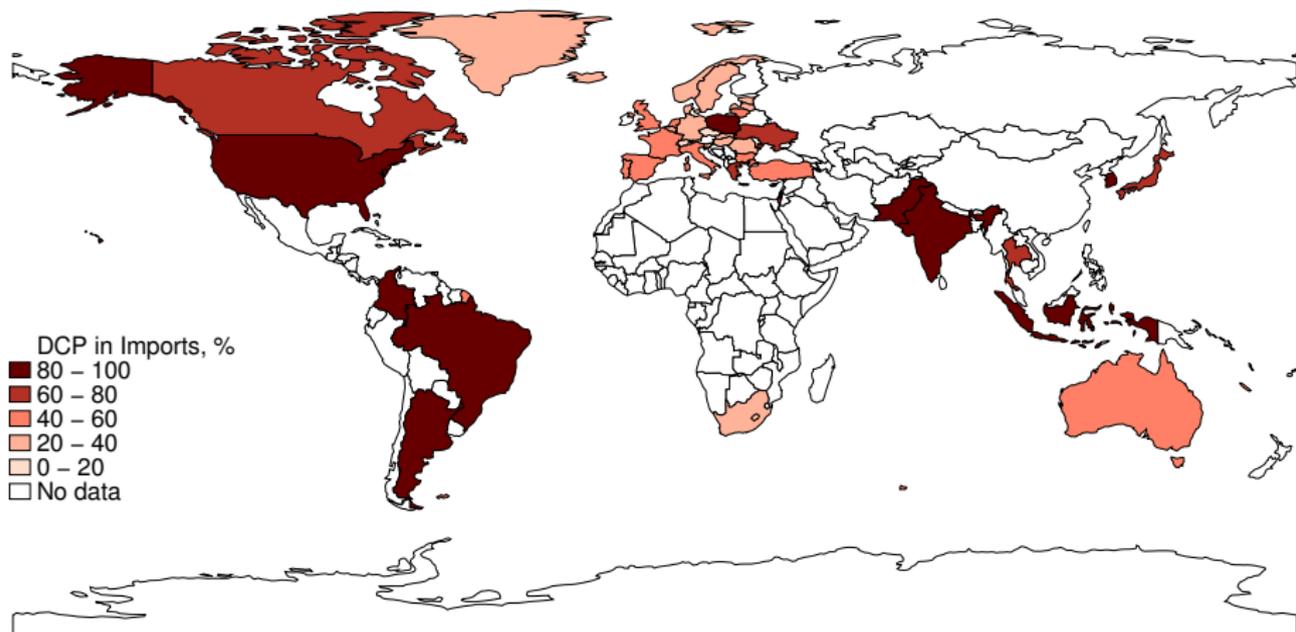
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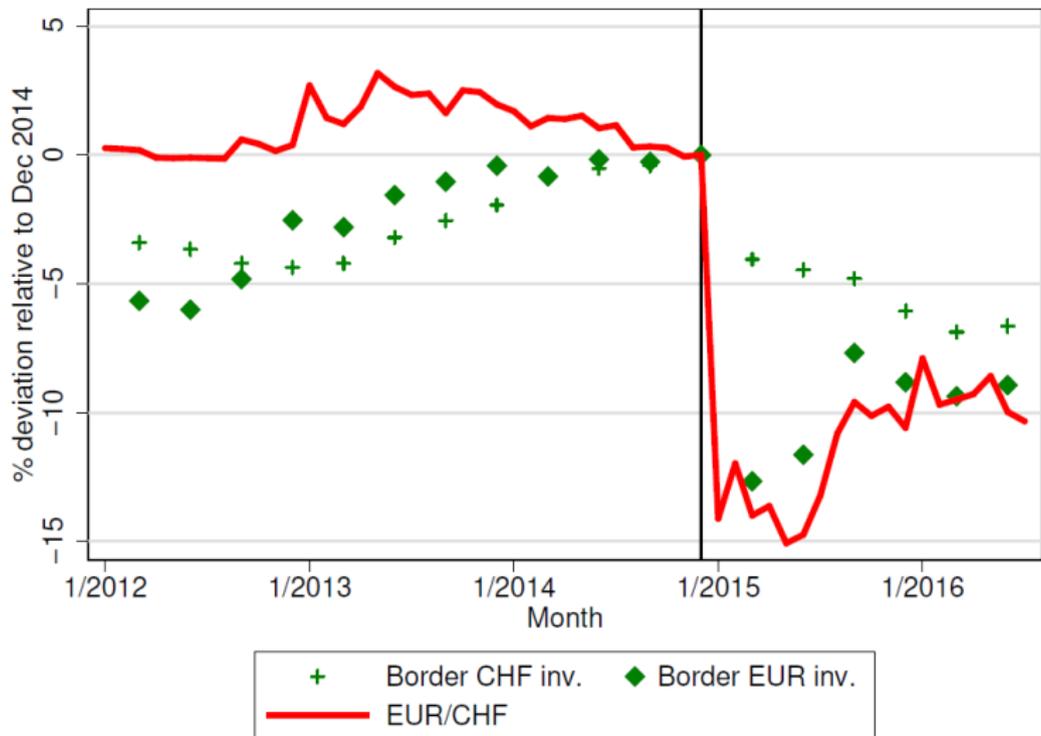
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Currency Choice and the Pass-Through



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