

Online Appendix  
Evolution of Bilateral Capital Flows to Developing Countries at Intensive and  
Extensive Margins

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**Abstract**

This document is intended to supplement the main text of ‘Evolution of Bilateral Capital Flows to Developing Countries at Intensive and Extensive Margins’. In particular, we analyze expanding network of capital flows and other data facts in Section 1. On the methodology side, we cover several aspects of econometrics that has been employed to estimate empirical models in Section 2. Section 3 is devoted for a number of robustness checks. In particular, Section 3.2 covers copulae based methodology, which admits flexible specifications for unobservables in the extensive and intensive margin equations. Section 3.3 deals with negative values in flows whereas stability and crisis period are analyzed in Section 3.4. A persistence in extensive margin is explored in Section 3.5; we also use the size adjusted capital flows to explore if our results are consistent with the theory and robust to general expenditure generated heteroskedasticity, see Section 3.6. All data and codes are available upon request from the authors.

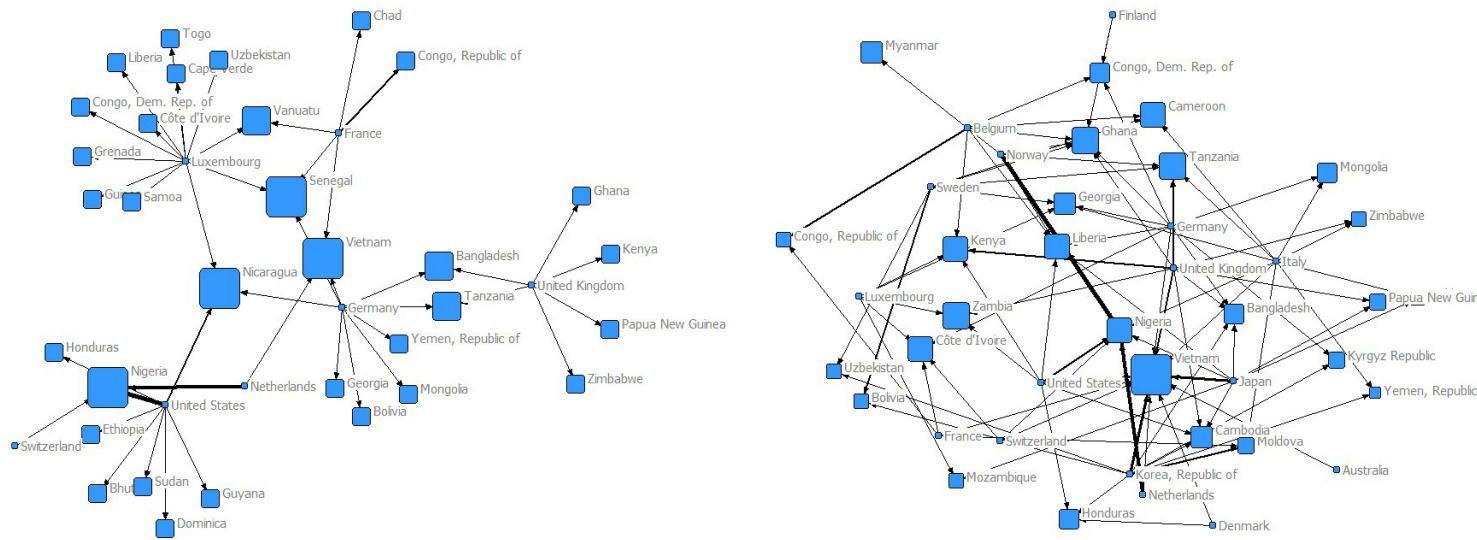


Fig. 1: Network Structure of Capital Flows to LICs in 2002 and 2010

## 1 Data Facts

In addition to the trends in developing countries, reported in the main text of the paper (net and gross flows, intensive and extensive margins), we provide some further evidence on the changes in capital flows network. Figure 1 demonstrates how capital flows flew from advanced to developing countries in 2002 and 2010. In less than ten years, the network became way denser, with more investors, new receivers and more connections. This calls for further study of capital flow dynamics, in particular, to understand when the link is established and how much is being invested once it is in place. The cross-sectional dependence is also confirmed by a number of statistical tests.<sup>1</sup>

### 1.1 Expanding Network of Capital Flows

Table 1 collects information on aggregate statistics of capital network for both, LICs and MICs. Notice it is exactly for LICs that the average degree has increased - hence, the extensive margin played the most prominent role (the number of links attached to an economy increased). However, both extensive and intensive margins are taken into account once we compute the weighted average degree where the weights (volumes of capital flows) are considered. It is then clear that both LICs and MICs experienced substantial increases in capital flows, with a few economies receiving very large flows. Also, the core members have increased in number and changed identity. The emerging markets – such as Brazil, India and China (BIC) – emerged as core members in 2010 as compared to 2002.

<sup>1</sup>Available upon request.

Tab. 1: Aggregate Statistics of the Network of Capital Flows in 2002 and 2010 for LICs and MICs

	Average Degree	Weighted Average Degree	Core Membership
LIC 2002	7.335	21.736	Netherlands, Nigeria, United States
LIC 2010	9.819	103.046	Nigeria, Netherlands, Norway
MIC 2002	95.105	602.331	Mexico, United States
MIC 2010	30.597	2600.767	Brazil, China, India, Japan, Luxembourg, Switzerland, United States

Average Degree refers to the sum of edges of a vertex. Weighted Average Degree is the average of sum of weights of the edges of nodes.

## 2 Econometric Methodology

### 2.1 Estimating Relations

We first need to connect decisions made by firms and agents into one estimable setting. Recall that we denote total income (GDP) by  $E$ , a cost of composite input bundle by  $v$ , composed of wages,  $w$ , and capital rental rate,  $r$ , variables that capture the extensive margin for FDI and portfolio flows by  $Z^{FDI}$  and  $Z^I$ , respectively, information frictions by  $\gamma(\tau)$ , where  $\tau$  enters multiplicatively into the expression of variance (this applies to the portfolio investment and captures frictions of not actually residing in the market where investment takes place), and inward and outward multilateral resistance terms,  $P$ ,  $\Pi$  (for FDI),  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\Pi$  (for portfolio investment).

Merging theories for the horizontal FDI and multinationals, and drawing from Helpman, Melitz, and Rubinstein (2008), along with the ideas put forward by Okawa and van Wincoop (2012) for the households, we proceed with the following log-linear specification:

$$\ln M_{in,t}^{FDI} = \beta_0^{FDI} + \beta_1^{FDI} \ln r_{nt} + \beta_2^{FDI} \ln w_{nt} + \beta_3^{FDI} \ln P_{nt} + \beta_4^{FDI} \ln \Pi_{it} \quad (1a)$$

$$+ \beta_5^{FDI} \ln E_{it} + \beta_6^{FDI} \ln E_{nt} + \beta_7^{FDI} \ln Z_{in,t}^{FDI} + \varepsilon_{in,t}^{FDI}, \quad (1b)$$

$$\ln M_{in,t}^I = \beta_0^I + \beta_1^I \ln \gamma_{in,t}(\tau_{in,t}) + \beta_2^I \ln \mathcal{P}_{it} + \beta_3^I \ln \Pi_{nt} + \beta_4^I \ln E_{it} + \beta_5^I \ln E_{nt} + \beta_6^I \ln Z_{in,t}^I + \varepsilon_{in,t}^I, \quad (1c)$$

The two types of investment will be interlinked not only through observables (for instance, aggregate income (GDP) but also unobservables,  $\varepsilon_t^{FDI}$  and  $\varepsilon_t^I$ . We set out by analyzing the extensive margin of investment.

### 2.2 Probit Specification

We start with the bilateral FDI value and the variable  $Z_{in,t}^{FDI}$ . The log-linearized version of a latent variable is denoted by  $\mathbf{z}_{in,t}$ , and it indicates whether a company finds it optimal to invest into a foreign market ( $Z_{in,t}^{FDI} > 1$  when the investment is profitable):

$$\mathbf{z}_{in,t} = \gamma_0 - \phi_i - \phi_n - \sigma \ln v_{nt} + \gamma_1 \ln startup_{in,t} + X_{nt} + \eta_{in,t}, \quad (2)$$

where bilateral investment costs are modeled by the source and destination effects, i.e.,  $\phi_i$  is an investor's fixed effect, whereas  $\phi_n$  is a destination country's fixed effect; what is more,  $X_{nt}$  is captured by the cross-sectional averages in the Mundlak Chamberlain specifications (we omit the parameters in front of  $X_{nt}$  as they are nuisance from our perspective),  $v_{nt}$  reflects input costs in the destination market, and  $\ln startup_{in,t}$  stands for the log of startup costs (the cost to establish a company). The composite error term  $\eta_{in,t} \equiv \varepsilon_{in,t} + v_{in,t} \sim N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_v^2)$  is *i.i.d.* (yet correlated with the error term  $\varepsilon_{in,t}$  in the gravity equation at the intensive margin). These fixed effects are expected to control for the country-specific and the time-invariant part of multilateral resistance terms. Note that  $\mathbf{z}_{in} > 0$  when  $i$  invests to  $n$ , and  $\mathbf{z}_{in} = 0$

when it does not. Scaling  $z_{in}$  by the standard deviation  $\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}$ , we obtain the probability  $\rho_{in}$  that  $i$  decides invest to  $n$ , conditional on the observed variables,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{in,t} &= \Pr \left( z_{in,t}^* > 0 \mid \text{observed variables} \right) \\ &= \Phi \left( \gamma_0^* + \phi_i^* + \phi_n^* - \sigma^* \ln v_{nt} + \gamma_1 \ln \text{startup}_{in,t} + X_{nt}^* \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where the starred variables refer to original ones divided by  $\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}$  and  $\phi_i^*$ ,  $\phi_n^*$  denote the fixed effects.<sup>2</sup> Normalization is justified since the coefficients of a probit can only be estimated up to a scale. Moreover, the probit equation can be used to derive consistent estimates of  $Z_{in,t}^{FDI}$  (which is crucial to avoid an omitted variable problem that biases the estimates).

In what follows we will omit the time subscript for brevity reasons as, in our short panel applications, we do not model temporal dependence above and beyond cross-sectional averages (though refer to the Section 3.5 on the dynamic extension). Note that inverse Normal maps estimated probability to the latent variable  $z_{in}$ ,  $\hat{z}_{in}^* = \Phi^{-1}(\hat{\rho}_{in})$ . Note that  $\eta_{in}/\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}$  has a unit normal distribution, therefore, in principle, a consistent estimate is obtainable from the inverse Mills ratio (selection hazard). We can generate it from the estimation of a probit model where the error term follows a standard normal distribution. Hence, the approximate estimate of  $\mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)$  is simply  $\phi(\hat{z}_{in}^*)/\Phi(\hat{z}_{in}^*)$ . However, this method works only under homoskedasticity, a requirement rarely met in practice with bilateral flows data. As a result, Silva and Tenreyro (2009) claim that conditional expectation of  $\frac{\eta_{in}}{\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}} \equiv \frac{\varepsilon_{in} + v_{in}}{\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)$  is inappropriately corrected.<sup>3</sup> As is obvious from (4),  $\eta_{in}^*$  is replaced by the conditional expectation and parameter  $\beta_{\varepsilon\eta} = \rho_{\varepsilon,\eta} \frac{\sigma_{\varepsilon}}{\sigma_v}$ . The reason lies in Jensen's inequality, i.e., for any non-linear function  $f(\cdot)$ ,  $f(\mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)) = f(\phi(z_{in}^*)/\Phi(z_{in}^*)) \neq \mathbb{E}(f(\eta_{in}^*) \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)$ . Therefore,  $f(\phi(\hat{z}_{in}^*)/\Phi(\hat{z}_{in}^*))$  is not a consistent estimator. However, the approximation is justified if deviation from the conditional mean,  $\eta_{in}^* - \phi(z_{in}^*)/\Phi(z_{in}^*)$ , is linear in the random term because it would be absorbed by the error of the equation. Notably, this approximation is likely to be reasonably accurate in many empirical studies.

Fortunately, it is possible to test for heteroskedasticity in the probit specification. Note that  $\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}$  is proportional to the standard deviation of the error in (3). Hence, adding additional regressors  $z_{in}^{*2}$  and  $z_{in}^{*3}$  to the probit specification and checking for the joint significance would resemble a special case of White's test for heteroskedasticity. The test is analogous to a two-degrees-of-freedom RESET test (Ramsey, 1969), is also particularly interesting in that it can be interpreted as a normality test (see Newey, 1985). Therefore, this simple test provides a direct check for the validity of the main distributional assumptions required for consistent estimation of the model of interest. RESET test (based on a linear index) for the probit model should first be applied for the the validity of the results obtained with the two-stage estimators.<sup>4</sup> We skip full numerical results in the interest of space.

Substituting estimates into the log-linear FDI gravity equation leads to (here  $\mathbf{X}$  entails all covariates and shall not be confused with  $X_n$  above)

$$\ln M_{in}^{FDI} = \beta' \mathbf{X} + \ln \left\{ \exp \left( \sigma_{\varepsilon+v} \left( \hat{z}_{in}^* + \mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0) \right) \right) - 1 \right\} + \beta_{\varepsilon\eta} \mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0) + e_{in}, \quad (4)$$

where  $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_{in} \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0) = \beta_{\varepsilon\eta} \mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)$ ,  $\beta_{\varepsilon\eta} = \rho_{\varepsilon,\eta} \frac{\sigma_{\varepsilon}}{\sigma_v}$  and  $e_{in}$  is an *iid* error term, such that  $\mathbb{E}(e_{in} \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0) = 0$ . Note that when  $\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}$  increases, the following approximation improves:

$$\ln \left\{ \exp \left( \sigma_{\varepsilon+v} \left( \hat{z}_{in}^* + \mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0) \right) \right) - 1 \right\} \approx \sigma_{\varepsilon+v} \left( \hat{z}_{in}^* + \mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0) \right).$$

<sup>2</sup>In empirical trade gravity literature, fixed effects are interpreted as controlling for multilateral resistance terms (which embody trade costs across trading partners). Whereas in the regional science literature, the fixed effects are treated as the 'repulsive' and 'attractive' forces of the exporter and the importer, see, for example, Roy (2004). In our application, fixed effects control for the system-wide time-invariant barriers of investment whereas  $X_{nt}$

<sup>3</sup>Notably,  $\eta_{in}^*$  enters the model non-linearly that further complicates analysis – an estimator that is robust to incidental distributional assumptions is non-existent. More importantly, since  $\sigma_{\varepsilon+v}$  depends on  $\sigma_{\varepsilon}$  and  $\sigma_v$ , if either of the random components of the model is heteroskedastic, this makes the whole term a function of the regressors, which will then enter the model in a much more complex form.

<sup>4</sup>Presence of heteroskedasticity highly complicates the identification of the effects of the covariates in the intensive and extensive margins as pointed out by Silva and Tenreyro (2009).

Hence, in this case the terms enter (4) approximately linearly. Helpman, Melitz, and Rubinstein (2008) estimate (4) using nonlinear least squares as parameters enter nonlinearly in the estimating expression. The use of  $\mathbb{E}(\eta_{in}^* \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)$  to control for  $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_{in} \mid \cdot, z_{in}^* > 0)$  is the Heckman (1979) correction for sample selection. Notice, however, that the unobserved firm-level heterogeneity is corrected by the additional control  $\hat{z}_{in}^*$ . At first, (2) is estimated, then proceeded to (4). To avoid reliance on the normality assumption for the unobserved capital frictions, valid excluded variables for the second stage are needed. Observe that  $\hat{z}_{in}^*$  enters both (3) and (4). The exogenous source of variation that enters only (3) and helps breaking collinearity problem is  $\ln startup_{in}$ . Economically, this exclusion restriction concerns fixed investment costs which have bearing on variable transaction costs. In other words, we need variables which correlate with the  $z_{in}$  but not with the residual of the second stage equation.

Note that the statistical implications of the log transformation of multiplicative models was well understood at least from Teeken and Koerts (1972). Recently, Jia and Rathi (2008) proposed an anti-log transformation which reduces the biases of exponentiation in the models with heteroskedastic errors.<sup>5</sup>

## 2.3 Tobit Specification

We deviate from the standard approach, and consider a tobit specification. It is especially suited for international investment when we allow for investor's decisions at both margins to be correlated. In other words, we introduce a possibility for the intensive and extensive margins, after controlling for covariates, to be driven by common factors.

### 2.3.1 Two-Part Model

However, the standard tobit does not suit as it restricts the selection mechanism to be from the same model as that generating the outcome variable. Moreover, failure of homoskedasticity and Normality in the tobit model has serious consequences. The part models are more flexible and less prone to deviations from these assumptions.<sup>6</sup> The statistical problem, acknowledged by Felbermayr and Kohler (2006) in their corner-solutions version of the gravity equation, is that the conditional mean of actual flow  $\mathbf{m}_{in} \equiv \ln M_{in}$  cannot be linear in explanatory variables, because there is a positive probability mass at  $\mathbf{m}_{in} = 0$ . One of the possible solutions -- nonlinear least squares (NLS) -- are imperfect because of potential heteroskedasticity (corner outcomes) in which case NLS are inefficient. More importantly, the coefficients obtained by NLS estimation of a model for  $\mathbb{E}(\ln M_{in} \mid \cdot)$  are hard to give an adequate interpretation. NLS do not allow us to empirically identify the intensive and extensive margins of world investment patterns.

Let's first start with the observation that the observed capital flows can be treated as continuously distributed, non-negative latent variable. Given the fixed costs of accessing foreign economies, the decision

<sup>5</sup>Under the error term's normality, let  $\mathbf{m}_{in} \equiv \ln M_{in}$  such that  $\mathbf{m}_{in} = \mu_n + \beta' \mathbf{x}_{in} + \varepsilon_{in}$ , where  $\varepsilon_{in} \sim N(0, \sigma_n^2)$ . We then have  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{m}_{in}) = \exp\left(\tilde{\mu}_n + \tilde{\beta}' \mathbf{x}_{in} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{2}\right)$ . Note that the variables with tilde must be consistent for  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{m}_{in})$  to be also consistent. However, this expression over-estimates the expected value because of convexity of exponential function. However, ignoring correlations between  $\tilde{\mu}_n$ ,  $\tilde{\beta}_n$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_n^2$ , one can write:  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{m}_{in}) = \exp(\tilde{\mu}_n) \prod_{n=0}^I \exp \tilde{\beta}_n \mathbf{x}_{in} \exp\left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{2}\right)$  where  $\mathbb{E} \exp(\tilde{\mu}_n) = \exp\left(\mu_n + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{2}\right)$  and  $\mathbb{E} \exp(\tilde{\beta}_n \mathbf{x}_{in}) = \exp\left(\beta_n \mathbf{x}_{in} + \frac{(x_{in} \tilde{\sigma}_n \tilde{\beta}_n)^2}{2}\right)$ , therefore,  $\mathbb{E}(\widetilde{\mathbf{m}_{in}}) = \exp\left(\tilde{\mu}_n - \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_n^2}{2}\right) \prod_{n=0}^I \exp\left(\tilde{\beta}_n \mathbf{x}_{in} - \frac{(x_{in} \tilde{\sigma}_n \tilde{\beta}_n)^2}{2}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{2}\right)$ , where the adjustment for  $\exp(\sigma_n^2/2)$  is omitted for simplicity.

<sup>6</sup>Flexibility comes from the fact that tobit is just a probit model combined with a truncated regression model, with the coefficient vectors in the two models restricted to be proportional to each other. The second stage can be modeled using  $\mathbb{E}(\ln M_{in} \mid \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0)$  where the crucial assumption being linearity in  $\mathbf{X}_{in}$  (alternatively, full maximum likelihood can be used for efficiency reasons but this requires that errors are jointly normally distributed). Given the interest concentrates on the conditional expectation only, the log of capital can be estimated as exponential using quasi-MLE without further distributional assumptions. Moreover, as the theoretical motivation purports, the set of variables affecting decision to invest and the volume are not identical. This makes results more robust as identification strategy does not rest entirely on distributional assumptions and the nonlinearity of the inverse of the Mills ratio.

of investing will be determined by the latent variables  $Z_{in}^{FDI}$  or  $Z_{in}^I$ . Let's first start with the assumption employed by Felbermayr and Kohler (2006) that intensive and extensive margins are independent conditional on all explanatory variables  $\mathbf{X}_{in}$ , denoted by  $D(M_{in}^* | Z_{in}, \mathbf{X}_{in}) = D(M_{in}^* | \mathbf{X}_{in})$  where  $D(\cdot | \cdot)$  is the conditional distribution, we end up with the two-part or hurdle model, see Wooldridge (2010). A truncated normal hurdle model by Cragg (1971) with the latent variable (positive capital flows in our analysis) is assumed to have a truncated normal distribution. Since we are mainly interested in recovering  $\mathbb{E}(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0)$ , we may not make distributional assumptions. One method is the smearing estimate by Duan (1983). However, a direct method would be to estimate  $\mathbb{E}(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0)$  as

$$\mathbb{E}(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0) = \exp(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta),$$

and this contains  $M_{in}^* = \exp(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \varepsilon)$ . A quasi-MLE is (Fisher) consistent given the conditional mean is correctly specified. Note that capital flows need not correspond to the chosen density, what only needed is the same range in the conditional mean as allowed in the chosen density of linear exponential family (LEF). For every QMLE in LEF there is an asymptotically (or  $\sqrt{N}$ ) equivalent weighted non-linear least squares (WNLS) estimator if the conditional mean is well specified despite the conditional variance. Hence, we first estimate a probit  $\Pr(M_{in} > 0 | \mathbf{X}_{in}) = \Phi(\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma)$ , then obtain QMLE estimates of  $\mathbb{E}(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0) = \exp(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta)$ . Finally, we can estimate  $\mathbb{E}(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}) = \Phi(\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma) \exp(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta)$ .

### 2.3.2 Correlation Between The Margins

As mentioned, the assumption of independent mechanisms generating intensive and extensive margins seems to be theoretically unjustified. We employ the type II Tobit model which allows for common unobserved factors thereby extending type I Tobit model. Let  $M_{in}^* = \exp(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \varepsilon)$  and  $\{\Pr(M_{in} > 0 | \mathbf{X}_{in})\} = 1(\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma + v > 0)$ , and allow  $\varepsilon$  and  $v$  be correlated. That is, let correlation be  $\rho = Cov(\varepsilon, v) / \sigma$  where  $\sigma = \sqrt{Var(\varepsilon)}$ . Moreover, let  $D(\ln(M_{in}^*)) = N(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta, \sigma^2)$ . To find the density  $f(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0)$ , we, as in Wooldridge (2010), use the change-of-variables formula, leading to

$$f(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0) = g(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0) / M_{in},$$

where  $g(\cdot | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0)$  is the conditional density of  $M_{in}^*$ . By Bayesian rule,

$$\Pr(M_{in} > 0 | \mathbf{X}_{in}) g(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0) = \Pr(M_{in} > 0 | \mathbf{m}_{in}, \mathbf{X}_{in}) h(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}),$$

where  $h(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in})$  is the conditional density of  $\ln(M_{in})$ . Let  $\mathbf{1}(\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma + v > 0) = \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma + (\rho/\sigma)\varepsilon + e > 0)$  where  $v = (\rho/\sigma)\varepsilon + e$ ,  $\varepsilon = \mathbf{m}_{in} - \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta$  and  $e | \mathbf{X}_{in}, \varepsilon \sim N(0, 1 - \rho^2)$ . This leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(M_{in} > 0 | \mathbf{m}_{in}, \mathbf{X}_{in}) &= \frac{\Pr(M_{in} > 0 | \mathbf{X}_{in}) g(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0)}{h(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in})} \\ &= \Phi\left([\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma + (\rho/\sigma)(\mathbf{m}_{in} - \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta)] (1 - \rho^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Recalling that  $h(\mathbf{m}_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}) \sim N(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta, \sigma^2)$  leads to

$$\begin{aligned} &f(M_{in} | \mathbf{X}_{in}) \\ &= \Phi\left([\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma + (\rho/\sigma)(\mathbf{m}_{in} - \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta)] (1 - \rho^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \phi((\mathbf{m}_{in} - \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta) / \sigma M_{in}). \end{aligned}$$

Combining with the density for  $M_{in} = 0$ , we obtain the log-likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} l_i(\theta) &= 1[M_{in} = 0] \ln[1 - \Phi(\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma)] + 1[M_{in} > 0] \\ &\times \left\{ \ln \left[ \Phi\left([\mathbf{X}_{in}\gamma + (\rho/\sigma)(\mathbf{m}_{in} - \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta)] (1 - \rho^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \right] + \ln[\phi((\mathbf{m}_{in} - \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta) / \sigma)] - \ln \sigma - \mathbf{m}_{in} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\rho = 0$  yields a standard lognormal hurdle model. The challenge with this model, in which  $(\varepsilon, v)$  is independent of  $\mathbf{X}_{in}$  and jointly normal, is the identification. Given the set of explanatory variables in

$M_{in}^* = \exp(\mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \varepsilon)$  are the same as in  $\{\Pr(M_{in} > 0 \mid \mathbf{X}_{in})\} = 1(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma} + v > 0)$ . Note that the latter term is a function of  $(\mathbf{X}_{in}, v)$ , the law of iterated expectations yields

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{m}_{in} \mid \mathbf{X}_{in}, v) &= \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon \mid \mathbf{X}_{in}, v) = \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon \mid v) = \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \rho\sigma v, \\ \mathbb{E}(v \mid \mathbf{X}_{in}, 1(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma} + v > 0) = 1) &= \lambda(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma}) \equiv \frac{\phi(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma})}{\Phi(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma})}, \\ \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{m}_{in} \mid \mathbf{X}_{in}, 1(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma} + v > 0) = 1) &= \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \rho\sigma\lambda(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma}), \\ \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{m}_{in} \mid \mathbf{X}_{in}, M_{in} > 0) &= \mathbf{X}_{in}\beta + \rho\sigma\lambda(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma}).\end{aligned}$$

If  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$  can be consistently estimated, then the last equation can be nominally identified. However, the nonlinearity of  $\lambda(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma})$  can act as a poor identification strategy, in particular over linear ranges. With unrestricted  $\beta$ ,  $\lambda(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma})$  is a function of  $\mathbf{X}_{in}$ , arbitrarily close to linear if we relax a probit model on  $\Pr(M_{in} > 0 \mid \mathbf{X}_{in})$ . If the identification is entirely based on  $\mathbb{E}(M_{in} \mid \mathbf{X}_{in})$ , the lognormal hurdle (note that  $\rho\sigma$  is not separately identified by  $\mathbb{E}(M_{in} \mid \mathbf{X}_{in})$  since  $\mathbf{X}_{in}$  includes a constant) and the ET2T models with the same set of regressors yield no differences. Hence, ET2T is more convincing when the covariates determining the participation decision strictly contain those affecting the amount decision. Then the model is

$$M_{in} = 1[\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma} + v \geq 0] \times \exp(\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{in}\tilde{\beta} + \varepsilon),$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{in} \subset \mathbf{X}_{in}$  and both include unity as the first element. Given at least one exclusion restriction,  $\tilde{\beta}$  and  $\rho\sigma$  are better identified because  $\lambda(\mathbf{X}_{in}\boldsymbol{\gamma})$  is not an exact function of  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{in}$ . Note that a linear rather than exponential type II Tobit model allows for negative outcomes on  $M_{in}$ .

Tab. 2: Pooled and Panel Results of Bilateral FDI Ignoring the Extensive Margin

Variables	LIC			MIC			Overall Sample		
	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)
Log Destination	-1.08	-0.80**	-1.07	-1.28**	-1.28***	-1.28**	-1.18**	-1.14***	-1.18***
GDP	(0.852)	(0.344)	(0.880)	(0.564)	(0.570)	(0.482)	(0.477)	(0.418)	(0.483)
Log Source	3.66***	4.14***	3.68***	5.26***	5.32***	5.26***	4.99***	5.080***	5.00***
GDP	(1.153)	(0.958)	(1.191)	(0.744)	(0.744)	(0.752)	(0.634)	(0.638)	(0.642)
Log Lending	-1.11***	-1.03***	-1.10***	-0.23**	-0.27***	-0.24**	-0.30***	-0.32***	-0.30***
Rate	(0.365)	(0.157)	(0.377)	(0.110)	(0.090)	(0.111)	(0.106)	(0.071)	(0.108)
Log Labor	3.36***	2.38***	3.32**	2.51***	2.56***	2.51***	2.51***	2.48***	2.51***
Productivity	(1.288)	(1.005)	(1.330)	(0.640)	(0.508)	(0.647)	(0.574)	(0.416)	(0.581)
Observations	736	736	736	3209	3209	3209	3945	3945	3945
Within $R^2$		0.15	0.15		0.20	0.20		0.19	0.19
Between $R^2$			0.56			0.64			0.64
Overall $R^2$			0.47			0.56			0.57

Note: time coverage is 2002-2010. Pooled OLS refer to pooled least squares where any time-specific effects are assumed to be fixed and the individual affects are centered around a common intercept; cluster robust standard errors are reported, also directional fixed effects (source and destination countries) are included. FE stands for fixed effects with the reported Driscoll-Kraay standard errors which help controlling for spatial (cross-sectional) dependence. RE (GLS) for random effects generalized least squares estimator (effectively a weighted average of within and between estimators which are not reported separately), also directional fixed effects (source and destination countries) are included. Robust Hausman test has been conducted which works under clustered standard errors therefore not making a claim of RE being efficient (see Wooldridge (2010) for the procedure). Fixed effects are preferred. Standard errors in parentheses; \*, \*\*, \*\*\* denote significance at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively. All specifications include a constant term.

### 3 Further Robustness Checks

#### 3.1 Models without Extensive Margin

Since variables that describe extensive margin do not necessarily enter the DGP for intensive margin, we replicate the same tables as in the main text of the paper, just taking startup costs and contract risk out of the set of regressors as, given theory, they should generate the extensive margin (see Tables 2 and 3).

#### 3.2 Copulae-based Heckman Method

As a robustness check, we resort to the recent contribution by Hasebe and Vijverberg (2012). Parametric approach is criticized for its sensitivity to the distributional assumption. The alternative involves a copula, where a multivariate distribution is constructed from separately specified marginal distributions. The Generalized Tukey Lambda (GTL)-Copula approach inserts more flexible marginal distribution into the copula function. The GTL distribution is a versatile univariate distribution that permits a wide range of skewness of thick- or thin-tailed behavior in the data that it represents and, therefore, is a good candidate distribution for modeling the unobservables in the extensive and intensive margin equations. GTL-copula distribution effectively frees the extensive margin's model from any particular distributional assumption.

What is more, this flexibility is achieved with just a few additional parameters, which is both parsimonious and time-efficient relative to the semi- or non-parametric approaches. The collective set of copulas accommodates diverse dependence structures between two random variables. Unlike the traditional estimator (the normal-Gaussian estimator), the GTL-copula estimator is much less dependent on the presence of an instrument in the selection equation that fulfills the exclusion restriction, no longer making it problematic that the extensive margin equation contains the same explanatory variables as the capital volume equation.

Effectively, we deal with the flexible Heckman model, where we allow for the different distributions to



Tab. 3: Panel Results of Bilateral Portfolio Ignoring the Extensive Margin

Variables	Overall Sample		
	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)
Log Destination	0.0729**	0.0866***	0.0837***
GDP	(0.0325)	(0.0159)	(0.0322)
Log Source	0.9831***	1.083***	1.032***
GDP	(0.0836)	(0.0572)	(0.0828)
Log Contract	0.4795*	0.4252	0.4762*
Risk	(0.2722)	(0.3421)	(0.2575)
Observations	2,738	2,738	2,738
Within $R^2$		0.1898	0.1897
Between $R^2$			0.7773
Overall $R^2$	0.6687		0.6659

Note: time coverage is 2002-2010. Pooled OLS refer to pooled least squares where any time-specific effects are assumed to be fixed and the individual affects are centered around a common intercept; robust standard errors are reported, also directional fixed effects (source and destination countries) are included. FE stands for fixed effects; we report Driscoll-Kraay standard errors which help control for spatial (cross-sectional) dependence. RE (GLS) - random effects generalized least squares estimator (effectively a weighted average of within and between estimators which are not reported separately), also directional fixed effects are included. Standard errors in parentheses; \*, \*\*, \*\*\* denote significance at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively. All specifications include a constant term.

be used, using a copula, in the intensive and extensive margins. In our application, the extensive margin is still a probit but an intensive margin contains a  $t$ -distribution, and all the errors are clustered at the dyad level. Note that we control only for the destination fixed effects in the intensive margin for FDI and all directional fixed effects in the extensive margin.<sup>7</sup> Therefore, results should be treated with some care (and they should be compared to the Exponential Type II Tobit which is a less flexible counterpart of the below applied model).

Our main predictions, reported in Table 4, are in line with the previous results. It is worth mentioning that capital tends to flow from richer countries to countries with larger income (except for LICs), after conditioning on other theory implied variables. This is line with the theory and the largest difference from other regressions. Other variables follow previous findings: investor's income pins down the intensity of direct investment, whereas startup costs are negatively affecting only LICs' extensive margin. Labor productivity, as before, is crucial for attracting capital (in the copula case, however, result prevails in one, extensive, margin only).

### 3.3 Negative Values

In these sets of tables we introduce a method, developed in Eaton and Tamura (1994), where we estimate a new model, such that a dependent variable becomes  $\ln(M_{in} + a)$ , where  $a = -\min\{M_{in}\} + \text{small number}$ , thus taking negative values into account. The interpretation now changes since we lose all zeroes, and instead interpret values close to  $\min\{M_{in}\}$  as reflecting no capital flow. Economic mechanisms generating negative values are potentially very different from the proposed theory but it is of interest to learn how results change under this new setting.

<sup>7</sup>This is because of convergence and multicollinearity issues. That is why we do not report portfolio flows results since, once fixed effects have been included, the Hessian was not negative semidefinite, which is needed for an optimum.

Tab. 4: Copula-based Capital Flows Models

	LIC	MIC	Overall Sample
Variables	Copulae		
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Destination Income	-1.489 (1.326)	1.443*** (0.482)	0.950** (0.459)
Log Source Income	0.347*** (0.099)	0.527*** (0.047)	0.525*** (0.044)
Log Lending Rate	-0.689 (0.655)	-0.155 (0.199)	-0.262 (0.189)
Log Labor Productivity	4.198 (2.619)	-0.130 (0.960)	0.578 (0.902)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.102* (0.061)	0.022 (0.050)	-0.024 (0.038)
Log Lending Rate	-0.021 (0.185)	-0.146 (0.092)	-0.140* (0.084)
Log Labor productivity	1.184*** (0.433)	1.002*** (0.243)	0.992*** (0.211)
Log $\sigma$	0.6549*** (0.1178)	0.6554*** (0.0510)	0.6266*** (0.0440)
Ancillary $\theta$	-0.6031 (0.4194)	-0.8973*** (0.1191)	-0.6599*** (0.1149)

Note: time coverage is 2002-2010.  $\theta$  refers to the dependence parameter in the copula framework. Robust standard errors in parentheses. \*, \*\*, \*\*\* denote significance at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively. All specifications include a constant term.

### 3.3.1 FDI Regressions

Refer to Tables 5-7.

Tab. 5: Lognormal Hurdle for FDI

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	Lognormal Hurdle	Lognormal Hurdle	Lognormal Hurdle
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Destination GDP	-1.410 (1.266)	-1.540** (0.648)	-1.533*** (0.576)
Log Source GDP	2.369 (1.468)	5.297*** (0.883)	5.000*** (0.766)
Log Lending Rate	-1.066** (0.445)	-0.075 (0.155)	-0.155 (0.150)
Log Labor Productivity	5.035*** (1.772)	2.438*** (0.770)	2.650*** (0.727)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.200** (0.087)	-0.262*** (0.084)	-0.228*** (0.059)
Log Lending Rate	0.184 (0.236)	0.138 (0.125)	0.125 (0.107)
Log Labor Productivity	1.139** (0.558)	1.605*** (0.409)	1.426*** (0.320)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 6: Exponential Type 2 Tobit for FDI

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	ET2T	ET2T	ET2T
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Destination GDP	-2.096* (1.252)	-1.082* (0.653)	-1.191** (0.585)
Log Source GDP	1.964 (1.483)	4.674*** (0.884)	4.377*** (0.775)
Log Lending Rate	-0.544 (0.624)	-0.184 (0.186)	-0.271 (0.184)
Log Labor Productivity	6.542*** (1.995)	1.885** (0.813)	2.421*** (0.773)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.070 (0.049)	-0.159*** (0.044)	-0.122*** (0.032)
Log Lending Rate	-0.307*** (0.113)	-0.140* (0.078)	-0.252*** (0.065)
Log Labor Productivity	-0.087 (0.093)	-0.326*** (0.100)	0.207*** (0.052)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 7: Mundlak-Chamberlain Panel for FDI

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	M-C Panel	M-C Panel	M-C Panel
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Destination GDP	-1.153	-1.284***	-1.182***
	(0.962)	(0.481)	(0.428)
Log Source GDP	3.608***	5.259***	4.989***
	(1.104)	(0.577)	(0.511)
Log Lending Rate	-1.122***	-0.230**	-0.297***
	(0.342)	(0.099)	(0.095)
Log Labor Productivity	3.519***	2.504***	2.509***
	(1.341)	(0.548)	(0.503)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.200**	-0.262***	-0.227***
	(0.086)	(0.084)	(0.058)
Log Lending Rate	0.150	0.156	0.140
	(0.244)	(0.117)	(0.105)
Log Labor Productivity	1.129**	1.619***	1.437***
	(0.502)	(0.358)	(0.283)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

### 3.3.2 Portfolio Flows

Due to limited data, we concentrate on the Mundlak-Chamberlain specification in the context of portfolio flows, see Table 8.

Tab. 8: Mundlak-Chamberlain Panel for Portfolio Investment

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	M-C Panel	M-C Panel	M-C Panel
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Contract Risk	0.425	0.463**	0.481**
	(1.410)	(0.235)	(0.232)
Log Destination GDP	0.290	0.070***	0.083***
	(0.235)	(0.026)	(0.026)
Log Source GDP	0.127	1.067***	1.024***
	(0.338)	(0.064)	(0.063)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Contract Risk	-0.066	0.114	0.057
	(0.351)	(0.181)	(0.159)
Log Startup Costs	-0.305***	-0.212*	-0.238***
	(0.112)	(0.111)	(0.079)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

### 3.4 Stability: Crisis Period

We explore parameter stability by including dummies for crisis period, 2008, not only as levels but also as interactions with all the already included variables. As reported in Table 9 and confirmed by a sequence

of Chow tests (mentioned in the main text), there is no convincingly systematic evidence of visible change in the main parameter coefficients. We also reproduce tables for our preferred, correlated Mundlak-Chamberlain panel (under the heading of Corr. MC Panel), method. As is seen, crisis does not play an important role even when we account for all, intercept and slope, changes.

### 3.4.1 Simple Panel FDI and Portfolio Flows

Refer to Tables 9 and 10.

### 3.4.2 Mundlak-Chamberlain and Crisis: FDI

Though not reported, the cross-sectionally averaged source incomes turn out to be significant for intensive margin among all country groups. For the results on the margins, refer to Tables 11 and 12.

Tab. 11: Crisis and Mundlak-Chamberlain Panels for FDI: Intensive Margin

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	MC Panel	MC Panel	MC Panel
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Destination GDP	-0.992	-1.339***	-1.225***
	(0.976)	(0.485)	(0.432)
Log Source GDP	3.544***	5.313***	5.028***
	(1.152)	(0.592)	(0.526)
Log Lending Rate	-1.146***	-0.247**	-0.313***
	(0.343)	(0.102)	(0.097)
Log Labor Productivity	3.280**	2.551***	2.545***
	(1.358)	(0.552)	(0.505)
Log Destination GDP x Crisis	-0.202	0.034	0.006
	(0.129)	(0.046)	(0.039)
Log Source GDP x Crisis	-0.106	0.026	0.004
	(0.096)	(0.043)	(0.039)
Log Lending Rate x Crisis	0.035	0.131	0.122
	(0.387)	(0.138)	(0.130)
Log Labor Productivity x Crisis	0.222	0.081	0.082
	(0.217)	(0.147)	(0.088)
Crisis	-0.444	-1.491	-1.145
	(2.020)	(1.582)	(0.929)
<i>N</i>	736	3209	3945

Standard errors in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

### 3.4.3 Mundlak-Chamberlain and Crisis: Portfolio

Refer to Tables 13 and 14.

## 3.5 Persistence in Extensive Margin

Provided fixed costs constituted a substantial part of total costs, we should observe a persistence in extensive margin. In other words, conditioning on the previous period's existence of an investment relationship, should affect decision for the current investment. Therefore, we use a dynamic probit to explore the temporal effects. If the margin at time zero is correlated with unobserved heterogeneity,

Tab. 9: Crisis and Panel Results of Bilateral FDI

	LIC			MIC			Overall		
	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)
Log Destination GDP	-0.927 (0.863)	-0.666 (0.370)	-0.920 (0.997)	-1.339** (0.569)	-1.331** (0.523)	-1.337*** (0.487)	-1.225** (0.481)	-1.191** (0.446)	-1.221*** (0.434)
Log Source GDP	3.607*** (1.249)	4.185*** (1.118)	3.622*** (1.175)	5.310*** (0.763)	5.355*** (0.907)	5.313*** (0.593)	5.029*** (0.656)	5.120*** (0.721)	5.034*** (0.528)
Log Lending Rate	-1.131*** (0.376)	-1.055*** (0.183)	-1.130*** (0.351)	-0.249** (0.109)	-0.286** (0.114)	-0.253** (0.102)	-0.314*** (0.107)	-0.338*** (0.089)	-0.316*** (0.098)
Log Labor Productivity	3.130** (1.321)	2.134* (0.993)	3.106** (1.386)	2.553*** (0.645)	2.616*** (0.542)	2.558*** (0.554)	2.545*** (0.576)	2.520*** (0.445)	2.543*** (0.507)
Log Dest. GDP x Crisis	-0.214 (0.163)	-0.254*** (0.073)	-0.215 (0.132)	0.034 (0.041)	0.031** (0.013)	0.034 (0.046)	0.006 (0.033)	0.001 (0.010)	0.005 (0.039)
Log Source GDP x Crisis	-0.103 (0.092)	-0.084 (0.054)	-0.102 (0.098)	0.026 (0.042)	0.026 (0.031)	0.026 (0.043)	0.004 (0.038)	0.004 (0.030)	0.004 (0.039)
Log Lending x Crisis	0.011 (0.360)	-0.128 (0.194)	0.007 (0.395)	0.131 (0.121)	0.127*** (0.018)	0.131 (0.138)	0.122 (0.115)	0.100*** (0.027)	0.121 (0.130)
Log Labor Productivity x Crisis	0.227 (0.163)	0.291** (0.118)	0.229 (0.221)	0.083 (0.186)	0.098 (0.054)	0.083 (0.147)	0.082 (0.084)	0.103** (0.037)	0.084 (0.088)
Crisis	-0.403 (2.191)	-0.569 (1.118)	-0.409 (2.059)	-1.506 (1.999)	-1.606** (0.503)	-1.506 (1.586)	-1.148 (0.876)	-1.262*** (0.328)	-1.156 (0.931)
N	736	736	736	3209	3209	3209	3945	3945	3945

Robust standard errors for pooled OLS, Driscoll-Kraay standard errors for FE, Directional fixed effects (source and destination countries) as well as constants are included.

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 10: Crisis in Simple Panel Specifications

	Pooled OLS	FE	RE (GLS)
Log Destination GDP	0.068** (0.032)	0.081*** (0.016)	0.078** (0.032)
Log Source GDP	0.998*** (0.084)	1.099*** (0.053)	1.048*** (0.083)
Log Contract Risk	0.477* (0.273)	0.419 (0.344)	0.468* (0.257)
Log Destination GDP x Crisis	-0.070 (0.056)	-0.087*** (0.023)	-0.079 (0.053)
Log Source GDP x Crisis	0.099 (0.067)	0.043** (0.021)	0.075 (0.067)
Log Contract Risk x Crisis	-1.182 (0.753)	-0.457 (0.446)	-0.632 (0.682)
Crisis	1.039 (1.127)	1.194** (0.531)	0.879 (1.048)
<i>N</i>	2738	2738	2738
<i>R</i> <sup>2</sup>	0.671		

Robust standard errors for pooled OLS, Driscoll-Kraay standard errors for FE.

Directional fixed effects (source and destination countries) as well as constants are included.

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 12: Crisis and Mundlak-Chamberlain Panels for FDI: Extensive Margin

	LIC MC Panel	MIC MC Panel	Overall MC Panel
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.180** (0.085)	0.059 (0.066)	-0.027 (0.050)
Log Lending Rate	0.166 (0.222)	-0.101 (0.103)	-0.073 (0.094)
Log Labor Productivity	0.910 (0.555)	0.858*** (0.275)	0.750*** (0.241)
Log Startup Costs x Crisis	-0.061 (0.092)	0.042 (0.059)	0.026 (0.048)
Log Lending Rate x Crisis	0.001 (0.237)	0.165 (0.144)	0.121 (0.119)
Log Labor Productivity x Crisis	-0.182 (0.126)	0.153 (0.123)	0.090 (0.066)
Crisis	1.781 (1.643)	-1.794 (1.310)	-1.065 (0.824)
<i>N</i>	2375	5170	7800

Clustered standard errors in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 13: Crisis and Mundlak-Chamberlain Panels for Portfolio Investment: Intensive Margin

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	MC Panel	MC Panel	MC Panel
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Destination GDP	0.301	0.066**	0.077***
	(0.229)	(0.026)	(0.026)
Log Source GDP	0.361	1.076***	1.040***
	(0.345)	(0.064)	(0.063)
Log Contract Risk	1.417	0.441*	0.474**
	(1.442)	(0.234)	(0.231)
Log Destination GDP x Crisis	-0.150	-0.100	-0.078
	(0.189)	(0.063)	(0.053)
Log Source GDP x Crisis	0.306*	0.050	0.079
	(0.176)	(0.065)	(0.059)
Log Contract Risk x Crisis	-4.775	-0.017	-0.698
	(3.684)	(0.911)	(0.734)
Crisis	2.154	0.561	0.884
	(3.049)	(1.303)	(1.034)
<i>N</i>	147	2591	2738

Standard errors in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$ 

Tab. 14: Crisis and Mundlak-Chamberlain Panels for Portfolio Investment: Extensive Margin

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	Corr. MC Panel	Corr. MC Panel	Corr. MC Panel
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Contract Risk	-0.157	-0.019	-0.014
	(0.254)	(0.113)	(0.102)
Log Startup Costs	-0.183**	0.012	-0.052
	(0.072)	(0.053)	(0.043)
Log Contract Risk x Crisis	-0.384	-0.047	-0.073
	(0.420)	(0.274)	(0.199)
Log Startup Costs x Crisis	-0.066	-0.002	0.208***
	(0.133)	(0.093)	(0.066)
Crisis	-0.114	-1.750***	-2.068***
	(0.796)	(0.421)	(0.326)
<i>N</i>	1117	4916	6035

Clustered standard errors in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$



Tab. 15: Dynamic Probit Model for the Investment Decision

Variables	LIC		MIC		Overall Sample	
	No DFE	With DFE	No DFE	With DFE	No DFE	With DFE
Lagged Dummy for FDI	1.693*** (0.0677)	0.958*** (0.0807)	1.250*** (0.0405)	0.632*** (0.0482)	1.439*** (0.0341)	0.752*** (0.0409)
Log Lending Rate	-0.144** (0.0697)	0.145 (0.284)	-0.0602 (0.0407)	-0.0722 (0.0996)	-0.105*** (0.0339)	-0.0667 (0.0940)
Log Labor productivity	-0.0416 (0.0532)	0.468 (0.534)	-0.195*** (0.0453)	0.783*** (0.285)	0.111*** (0.0265)	0.528** (0.244)
Log Startup Costs	-0.0362 (0.0315)	-0.116 (0.0873)	-0.0489** (0.0209)	0.128* (0.0665)	-0.0450*** (0.0169)	0.0350 (0.0514)
Observations	2266		4609		6875	
Log likelihood	-971.63	-776.92	-2582.19	-2159.61	-3638.61	-2982.78
Pseudo $R^2$	0.27	0.36	0.17	0.31	0.2361	0.37

Note: time coverage is 2002-2010. DFE refers to the directional (source and destination) fixed effects. The estimation method is random effects dynamic probit model, estimated by the maximum likelihood. Integrals are evaluated using Gaussian–Hermite quadrature points. Standard errors in parentheses; \*, \*\*, \*\*\* denote significance at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively. All specifications include a constant term.

inconsistent estimators are obtained (an example of the so-called initial conditions problem). In the Table 15, we report the first stages (probit) estimates after we allow for the investment probability to depend on the decision in the previous period. As opposed to Table 1 and Table 2 in the main text, here the extensive (not the intensive) margin is considered. The results indicate that persistence is found to be quite significant and robust across country groups.<sup>8</sup> However, having a short unbalanced panel, we stick to less computationally intensive methods whose results are testable in a more straightforward manner and which correspond to the static theory more closely.<sup>9</sup> We interpret the finding of persistence as suggesting that empirically fixed and startup costs need to be included in the static (steady state) specifications for the decision to invest (extensive margin).

### 3.6 Size-adjusted Capital Flows

As pointed out by Santos-Silva and Tenreyro (2007), potential heteroskedasticity in the intensity equation may yield, inconsistency results due Jensen’s inequality. In addition to Poisson results, as reported in the Section on Baseline Results of the main text, we further explore how results change if, instead of regressing capital flows on all the theory implied variables, we first divide them by source and destination income. These variables are purported to be the main channels of heteroskedasticity. This procedure helps to alleviate heteroskedasticity, and, by that argument, should be more reliable. Results are reported in Tables 16-19.

### Main results

To ease comparison with the results in the main paper, we report main tables from the paper. Refer to Tables 20 and 21.

<sup>8</sup>For the methodological issues on how to estimate a dynamic probit model, see Stewart (2006, 2007).

<sup>9</sup>Not only initial condition problem needs to be addressed but also multivariate normal probability functions of order  $T$  are required. One possibility is to resort to simulated likelihood method and estimate a simulated multivariate random effects probit. Relying on underlying assumptions and imposed structure, we feel a static specification is better suited for the data at hand.

Tab. 16: Lognormal Hurdle for Size-adjusted FDI

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	Lognormal Hurdle	Lognormal Hurdle	Lognormal Hurdle
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Lending Rate	-0.323 (0.431)	-0.153 (0.159)	-0.156 (0.154)
Log Labor Productivity	2.636*** (0.820)	1.589*** (0.495)	1.625*** (0.453)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.189** (0.085)	0.061 (0.066)	-0.029 (0.049)
Log Lending Rate	0.153 (0.220)	-0.073 (0.101)	-0.060 (0.093)
Log Labor Productivity	0.894 (0.551)	1.036*** (0.272)	0.882*** (0.238)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 17: Exponential Type 2 Tobit for Size-adjusted FDI

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	ET2T	ET2T	ET2T
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Lending Rate	-0.669 (0.556)	-0.162 (0.186)	-0.234 (0.181)
Log Labor Productivity	2.155** (0.853)	0.945*** (0.366)	1.092*** (0.350)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.073 (0.051)	-0.159*** (0.044)	-0.122*** (0.032)
Log Lending Rate	-0.312*** (0.113)	-0.141* (0.079)	-0.252*** (0.065)
Log Labor Productivity	-0.104 (0.092)	-0.325*** (0.100)	0.207*** (0.052)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 18: Mundlak-Chamberlain Panel for Size-adjusted FDI

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	M-C Panel	M-C Panel	M-C Panel
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Lending Rate	-1.063*** (0.331)	-0.274*** (0.097)	-0.337*** (0.093)
Log Labor Productivity	1.743*** (0.588)	1.727*** (0.209)	1.714*** (0.197)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Startup Costs	-0.188** (0.085)	0.061 (0.066)	-0.028 (0.049)
Log Lending Rate	0.151 (0.220)	-0.061 (0.101)	-0.047 (0.093)
Log Labor Productivity	0.893 (0.550)	1.040*** (0.273)	0.888*** (0.238)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 19: Mundlak-Chamberlain Panel for Size-adjusted Portfolio Investment

	LIC	MIC	Overall
	M-C Panel	M-C Panel	M-C Panel
<b>Intensive Margin</b>			
Log Contract Risk	0.214 (0.334)	0.429*** (0.138)	0.393*** (0.128)
<b>Extensive Margin</b>			
Log Contract Risk	-0.176 (0.257)	0.105 (0.106)	0.081 (0.099)
Log Startup Costs	-0.117* (0.070)	0.329*** (0.048)	0.208*** (0.042)

Clustered standard errors for extensive margin in parentheses

\*  $p < 0.10$ , \*\*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.01$

Tab. 20: Panel Bilateral FDI at Extensive and Intensive Margins

Variables	LIC						MIC						Overall Sample																											
	Lognormal		Exponential		Mundlak		Lognormal		Exponential		Mundlak		Lognormal		Exponential		Mundlak																							
	Hurdle	Type II	Tobit	Type II	Tobit	Panel	Hurdle	Type II	Tobit	Type II	Tobit	Panel	Hurdle	Type II	Tobit	Type II	Tobit	Panel																						
<b>Intensive Margin of Log FDI</b>																																								
Log Destination GDP	-1.41 (1.266)	-1.872 (1.262)	-1.153 (-0.962)	-1.54** (0.648)	-1.143* (0.65)	-1.284*** (0.481)	-1.53*** (0.576)	-1.230** (0.583)	-1.182*** (0.428)	Log Source GDP	2.37 (1.468)	1.965 (1.484)	3.608*** (1.104)	5.30*** (0.883)	4.673*** (0.885)	5.259*** (0.577)	4.373*** (0.776)	4.989*** (0.511)	Log Lending Rate	-1.07** (0.445)	-0.992* (0.542)	-1.122*** (0.342)	-0.07 (0.156)	-0.17 (0.187)	-0.230** (0.0993)	-0.156 (0.150)	-0.243 (0.181)	-0.297*** (0.0954)	Log Labor productivity	5.03*** (1.772)	6.582*** (2.038)	3.519*** (1.341)	2.44*** (0.770)	2.047** (0.805)	2.504*** (0.548)	2.650*** (0.727)	2.522*** (0.773)	2.509*** (0.503)		
<b>Extensive Margin of FDI</b>																																								
Log Startup Costs	-0.189** (0.0854)	-0.185** (0.0886)	-0.188** (0.0854)	0.0614 (0.0658)	0.0586 (0.0657)	0.0613 (0.0659)	-0.0287 (0.0493)	-0.0305 (0.0493)	-0.0281 (0.0493)	Log Lending Rate	0.153 (0.22)	0.154 (0.22)	0.1506 (0.2205)	-0.0726 (0.101)	-0.0722 (0.101)	-0.0611 (0.101)	-0.0574 (0.0931)	-0.0465 (0.093)	Log Labor productivity	0.894 (0.551)	0.92 (0.566)	0.893 (0.55)	1.036*** (0.272)	1.041*** (0.273)	1.040*** (0.273)	0.882*** (0.238)	0.891*** (0.238)	0.888*** (0.238)	Observations	687/2375	687/2375	687/2375	3649/7800	3649/7800	Log likelihood	-4748.95	-22304.34	-21720.51	-27168.72	-26459.18

Note: time coverage is 2002-2010 The difference in observations in ET2T arises because all negative flows are excluded whereas in other estimations they are truncated as zeroes, potentially carrying information on the existence of a link but absence of a positive capital flow. Mundlak Chamberlain method includes time averages of relevant explanatory variable. Time averages of startup costs and labor productivity are omitted in the first stage due to collinearity. Clustered standard errors in parentheses. \*, \*\*, \*\*\* denote significance at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively. All specifications include a constant term and directional fixed effects (source and destination countries).

Tab. 21: Panel Bilateral Portfolio Investment at Extensive and Intensive Margins

Variables	LIC		MIC		Overall Sample		
	Lognormal	Hurdle	Lognormal	Hurdle	Lognormal	Hurdle	Mundlak Chamberlain Panel
<b>Intensive Margin of Log Portfolio</b>							
Log Destination	0.290		0.059*		0.073**		0.0825***
GDP	(0.235)		(0.032)		(0.032)		(0.026)
Log Source GDP	0.127		1.034***		0.983***		1.024***
	(0.338)		(0.085)		(0.082)		(0.063)
Log Contract Risk	0.425		0.469**		0.480*		0.481**
	(1.410)		(0.275)		(0.269)		(0.232)
<b>Extensive Margin of Portfolio</b>							
Log Startup Costs	-0.117*		0.329***		0.208***		0.208***
	(0.070)		(0.048)		(0.0417)		(0.0417)
Log Contract Risk	-0.176		0.105		0.0807		0.0807
	(0.257)		(0.106)		(0.0987)		(0.0987)
Observations	147		2591		2738		4932

Note: time coverage is 2002-2010. Clustered standard errors in parentheses. \*, \*\*, \*\*\* denote significance at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively. All specifications include a constant term and directional fixed effects (source and destination countries). ET2T extensive margin is the same as that of Normal hurdle due to collinearity of time averages of startup costs and contract risk.

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