

## Chapter 16 : The Long Run Price Levels & Exchange Rates

PPP :

Follows from the 'law of one price'

If all goods traded & no 'transport' costs (or taxes, etc.) then their prices should be the same.

(1) Absolute : levels

(2) Relative : differences

$$(1) P_A^i = P_B^i \cdot E$$

Law of One price for each good  $i$ .

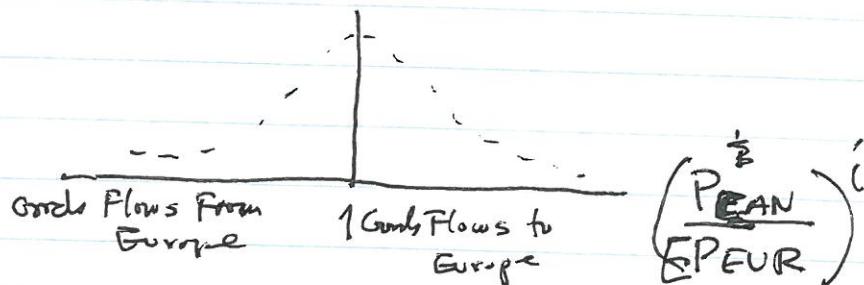
$$E \$/€ = \frac{P_{CAN}^i}{P_{EUR}^i}$$

\* This is a little more subtle than it may appear. It is an equilibrium statement. That is, if  $P_{EUR}^i \cdot E > P_{CAN}^i$ , then goods flow from Europe to Canada (if they are traded.)

PPP asserts that we can use the Price Indexes of countries as if they were single commodities.

$$P_{EUR}^i E \$/€ = P_{CAN}^i$$

< Get a distribution of goods + flows. >



## (2) Relative PPP

$$EP_{EUR} = P_{CAN}$$

\* Aside

$$\frac{E_t - E_{t-1}}{E_{t-1}} = \pi_C - \pi_E$$

$\pi$  = rate of inflation

$$\text{or } \ln E + \ln P_{EUR} = \ln P_{CAN}$$

$$d\ln E + d\ln P_E = d\ln P_C$$

$$\frac{E_t - E_{t-1}}{E_{t-1}} = \pi_C - \pi_E \text{ when } \pi_i \equiv \frac{P_t^i - P_{t-1}^i}{P_{t-1}}$$

for country  $i$ .

Relative PPP suggests that changes in price levels are consistent w/ changing exchange rates + useful since Price indexes always have different baskets in different countries.

Algebraic Aside: Show that the change in  $xz = z$  in percentage form is  $\frac{x-x_{-1}}{x_{-1}} + \frac{y-y_{-1}}{y_{-1}} = \frac{z-z_{-1}}{z_{-1}}$

$$(1) \quad y = e^x \qquad (1') \quad y = e^x$$

$$(2) \quad dy = e^x dx \qquad (2') \quad \ln y = x$$

$$(3) \quad dy = y dx \qquad (3') \quad d\ln y = dx$$

$$(4) \quad \boxed{\frac{dy}{y} = dx}$$

$$\therefore \text{from 4} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{y} = d\ln y$$

## Long-Run Monetary Model + PPP

$$(1) \quad E^{\$}/e = \frac{P_c}{P_E}$$

$$= \frac{M_c}{L(R_c, Y_c)} \Bigg/ \frac{M_E}{L(R_E, Y_E)}$$

$$(2) \quad = \left( \frac{M_c}{M_E} \right) \cdot \frac{L(R_E, Y_E)}{L(R_c, Y_c)}$$

interest rate puzzle, but all else straightforward.  
Need to motivate the interest rate!

$$(3) \quad R_{\$} = R_E + \frac{\bar{E}^{\$}/e - \bar{E}^{\$}/e}{\bar{E}^{\$}/e}$$

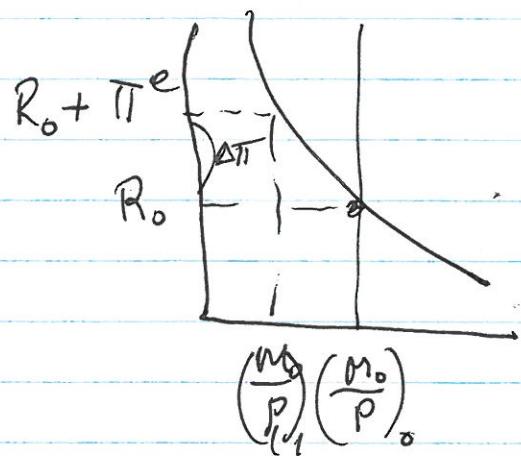
$$\pi^e \equiv \frac{P^e - P}{P}$$

$$(4) \quad \ln E = \ln P_c - \ln P_E$$

$$\frac{\bar{E}^{\$} - E_{-1}}{E_{-1}} = \pi_c^e - \pi_E^e$$

$$(5) \quad R_{\$} - R_E = \pi^e - \pi_E^e$$

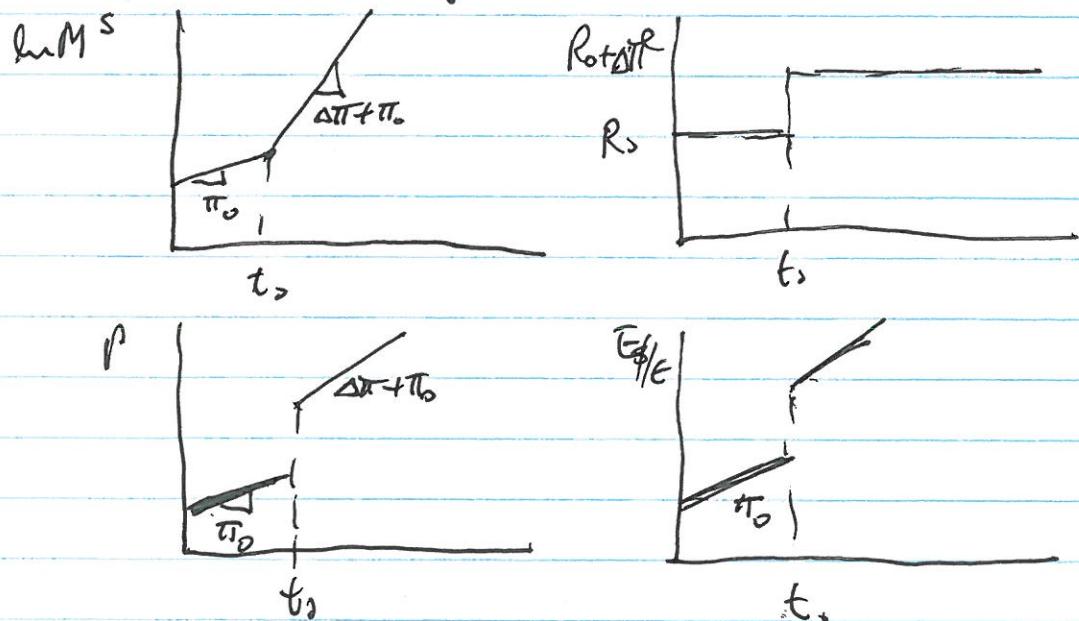
$$R_{\$} - \pi^e = R_E - \pi_E^e$$



The effect of pure expectations  
on the rate of interest.

Since with the change in the rate of growth of the  
money supply, expectations change.

Thus, there is a long run in which the rate of inflation  
equals the rate of growth of the money supply, and a  
depreciation of the dollar, but in addition there is a  
jump in prices and the exchange rate as a consequence  
of the higher opportunity cost of holding money.



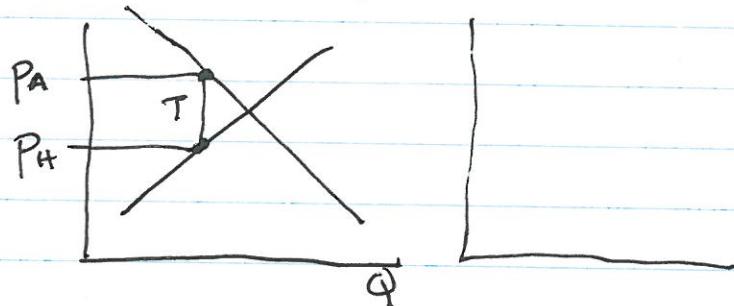
PPP & Empirical Evidence: what helps account for dev. from PPP

Tends to be OK, but not annually - decadally?

Why?

- (1) Transport costs that change systematically
- (2) Market practices especially by govt. ~~Also~~ Tariffs, etc.
- (3) Basket of goods differs among countries.

(1) Transport costs  
or tariffs  $\propto \Delta$



Extreme: non-traded result from transport costs; services

(2) Non-tradables

$$P_T = \theta_H P_T^* + (1-\theta_H) P_{NT}$$

$*$  = world prices

If  $P_{NT} \uparrow$  reduces purchasing power of a country's currency

$$P_F^* = \theta_F P_T^* + (1-\theta_F) P_{NT}$$

So even if  $P_T^*$  is the same for both countries, still

$P_H$  and  $P_F$  can differ both because of  $\theta$ , and changes in  $P_{NT}$

$$\hat{P}_H = \theta_H \hat{P}_T^* + (1-\theta_H) \hat{P}_{NT}^H$$

$$\hat{P}_F = \theta_F \hat{P}_T^* + (1-\theta_F) \hat{P}_{NT}^F$$

$$\hat{P}_H - \hat{P}_F = (\theta_H - \theta_F) \hat{P}_T^* + (\cancel{\theta_H - \theta_F}) (1-\theta_H) \hat{P}_{NT}^H - (\theta_F) \hat{P}_{NT}^F$$

$$\frac{P^*}{P} = \frac{\theta_H \bar{P}_T + (1-\theta_H) P_{NH}}{\theta_F \bar{P}_T + (1-\theta_F) P_{NF}}$$

$\theta$  - tends to be weighted to home products.  
 $\therefore$  will differ significantly

- (1) if  $w_F$  low relative to  $w_H$  will have relatively less expensive non-traded services which rely on more labour.

— Brennan-Samuelson

- (2)  $\frac{P_{NT}}{P_T}$  ↑ as a fn of income

Lipsey-Bhagwati

So if PPP is at best a LR theory, but can we talk about what accs for deviations from the LR?

### The Real Exchange Rate

$$q_{\$/C} = E \cdot \frac{P_C}{P_E}$$

characterizes the trade-off between purchasing baskets.

$$\text{conceptually } P_C \sim \$/\text{basket C}$$

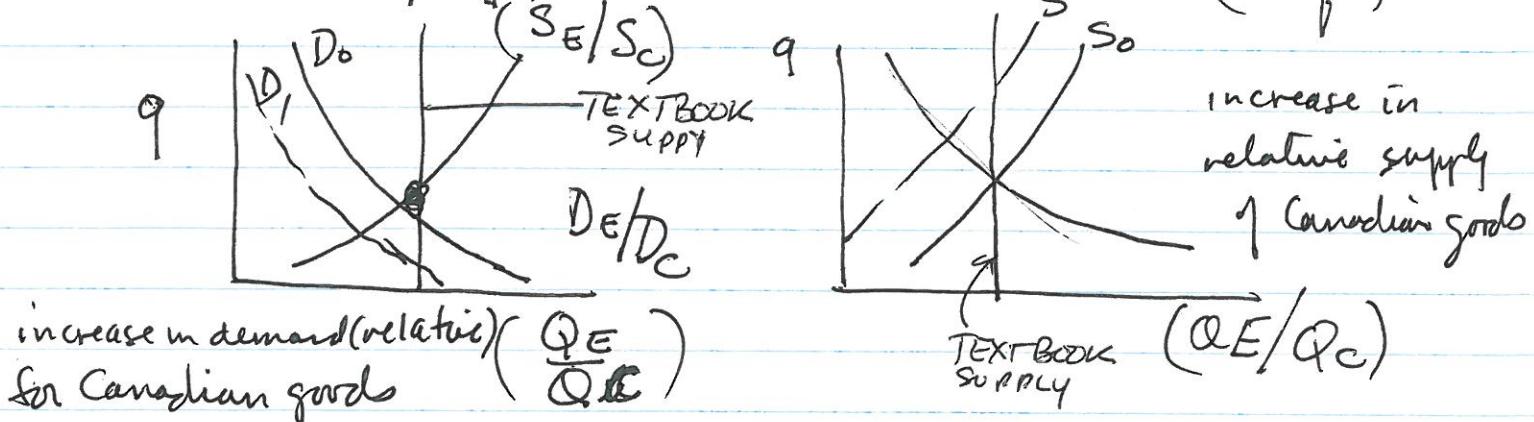
$$P_E \sim €/\text{basket E}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\$}{€}\right) \frac{€/\text{basket E}}{\$/\text{basket C}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{basket C}}{\text{basket E}} \quad \text{Canadian baskets per basket of Europe}$$

$\therefore$  if  $q \uparrow \Rightarrow$  more Canadian bits for European  
which is a real depreciation.

Demand + Supply fn (real) baskets



increase in demand (relative) ( $\frac{Q_E}{Q_{CE}}$ )  
for Canadian goods

$(\Delta q)$

increase in  
relative supply  
of Canadian goods

$(\Delta E/Q_C)$

$$E_{\$/\bar{E}} = \bar{q}_{\$/\bar{E}} \frac{P_C}{P_E}$$

permits (describes) deviations  
from PPP.

$$(1) \quad \frac{M_C}{M_E} \uparrow \Rightarrow E \uparrow \bar{q} \text{ as } P_C \uparrow \bar{P}_E$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Change in [rates of growth] of } M^S$$

$$g_C \uparrow \Rightarrow \pi_C \uparrow \therefore \Delta R_{\$/\bar{E}} = \Delta \pi_C \uparrow$$

$$\text{Further } P_C \uparrow \quad \frac{\bar{q}_{\$/\bar{E}}}{(\frac{P_C}{P_E})}$$

which causes a jump in  $E \uparrow = \bar{q}_{\$/\bar{E}} \frac{P_C}{P_E} \uparrow$   
< all pure monetary >

(3) Relative Output Demands

$$\left[ \frac{D_C}{D_E} \right] \uparrow \rightarrow \bar{q} \downarrow$$

careful as diagram shows  $D_E/D_C$

$$E \downarrow \Leftarrow \bar{q} \downarrow \left( \frac{P_C}{P_E} \right)$$

(4) Relative Output Supply: more complex

### △ Rel Output Supplies

$Q_C \uparrow \Rightarrow q \uparrow$ , but  $\frac{M_C}{P_C} = L(Y_C, R_C) \Rightarrow P_C \downarrow$

$$\frac{E_{\$/E}}{P_E} = q \uparrow \frac{P_C \downarrow}{P_E} \quad \therefore \text{ambiguous}$$

- So the PPP effects flow primarily when the disturbances are monetary in nature.
- Real disturbances leave the exchange rate to find a new equilibrium.

Long-run often invoked when discussing the short run because of changes in expectations.

### How Does the "Real Side" affect interest Parity?

$$R\$ = R_E + \pi_C - \pi_E \quad \text{or} \quad R\$ - R_E = \pi_C^e - \pi_E^e$$

(1) Since  $g\$/E$  is deviation from relative PPP

$$g\$/E = \frac{P_C}{P_E} \Rightarrow \frac{q^e - q}{q} = \frac{E^e - E}{E} - (\pi_C^e - \pi_E^e)$$

(2) Our interest parity is:  $R\$ = R_E + \left( \frac{E^e - E}{E} \right)$

$$(3) \quad \therefore R\$ - R_E = \left( \frac{q^e - q}{q} \right) + (\pi_C^e - \pi_E^e)$$

If PPP(relative) holds, then  $q^e = q$  so that

$$R\$ = R_e = \pi_c - \pi_e$$

### Nominal & Real Interest Rates

$$r^e = R - \pi^e$$

$$r_c^e - r_e^e = (R\$ - \cancel{R_e} - \pi_c^e) - (R_e - \pi_e)$$

$$r_c^e - r_e^e = (R\$ - R_e) + (\pi_e^e - \pi_c^e)$$

$$= \left[ \left( \frac{q^e - q}{q} \right) + \pi_c^e - \pi_e^e \right] + \pi_e^e - \pi_c^e$$

$$r_c^e - r_e^e = \left( \frac{q^e - q}{q} \right)$$

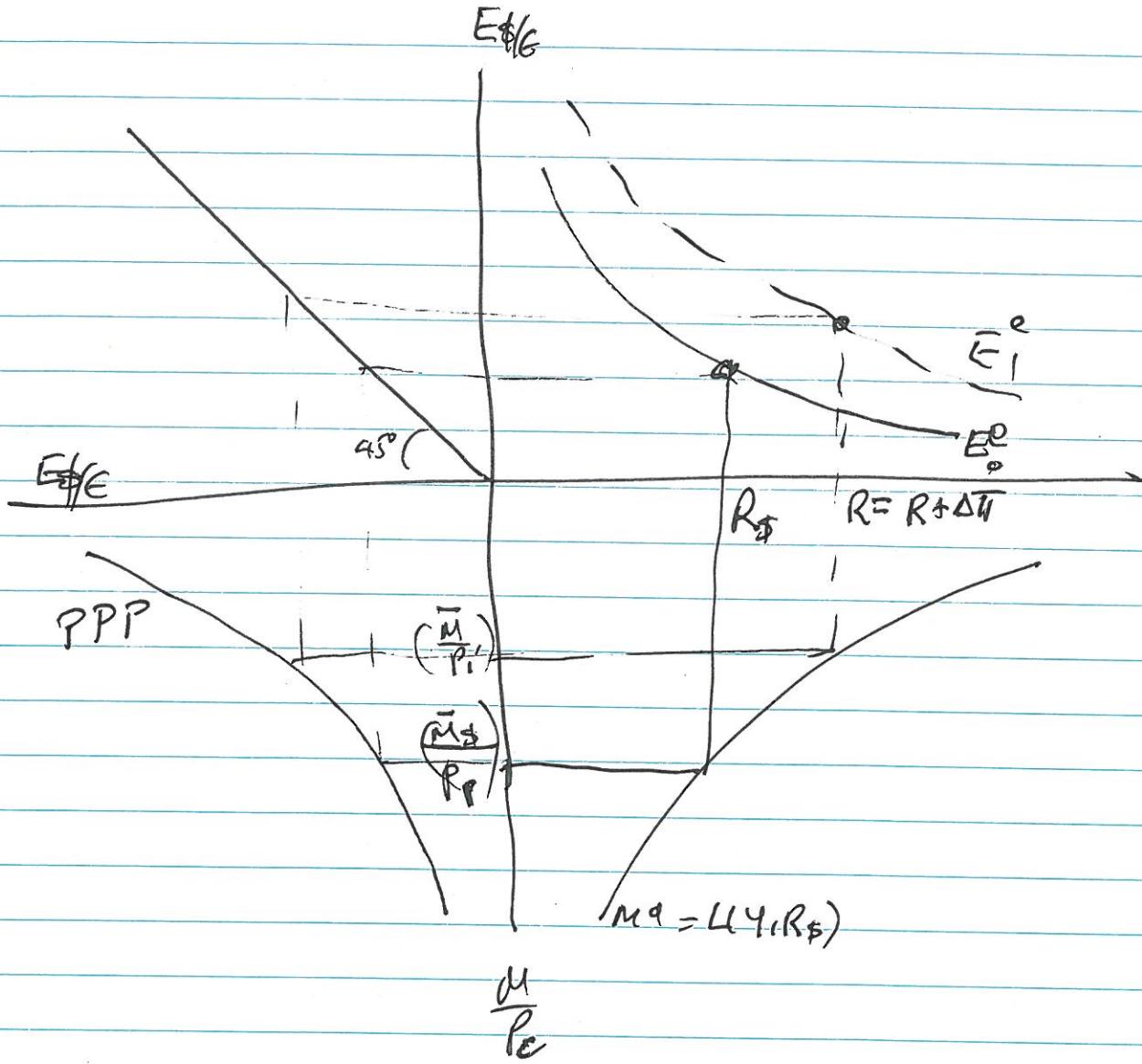
(\*) If PPP holds (relative PPP), then  $r_c^e = r_e^e$

a) Do we expect  $r_c^e = r_e^e$ , possibly but differences again would reflect flows of resources.

b) Our original Nominal Parity tells us how an investor in one place perceives returns at home & abroad.

Two different residents, each in a different country may see things differently if rel. PPP doesn't hold for their consumption basket.

# Integrating Inflation and Exchange Rate Levels



$$E = \frac{P_c}{P_E} = \frac{M^{\$}/P_E}{M^{\$}/P_c}$$