Exchange-Rate Dynamics Chapter 10

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Exchange Rates, Order Flows and Macro Data Releases

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10.1 The Macro Perspective

Event-Study Results

Table 1: Event Study Estimates						
Data Release	DEM(E	UR)	GBP	GBP		
	β	R^2	β	R^2		
CPI	3.92	0.00	-5.16	0.00		
Fed Funds Rate	-1.23***	0.20	-0.66***	0.13		
GDP	-13.80***	0.18	-8.15***	0.10		
Housing Starts	-25.13^*	0.02	-15.28	0.01		
Initial Unemployment Claims	-0.16***	0.04	-0.09***	0.02		
Nonfarm Payrolls	-0.13***	0.21	-0.10***	0.21		
PPI	-1.23	0.00	-8.37^*	0.02		
Retail Sales	-14.16***	0.15	-12.12***	0.19		
Trade Balance	-10.09***	0.24	-7.13***	0.20		
Unemployment	57.51***	0.07	48.69***	0.09		

Source: Faust, Rogers, Wang, and Wright (2007) *, **, and *** denote significance at the 10%, 5% and 1% levels, respectively. Coefficient estimates are multiplied by 10,000.

Micro Perspective I: High Frequency Dynamics

Data Releases in the Portfolio Shifts Model

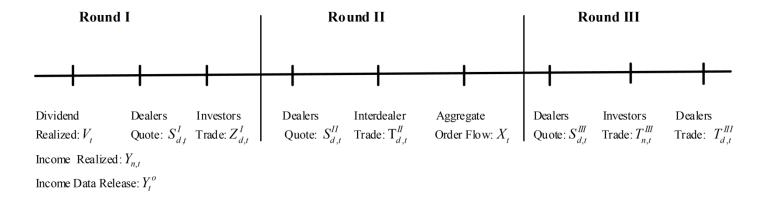


Figure 1: Daily Timing in the Portfolio Shifts Model on Data Release Days

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Empirical Evidence

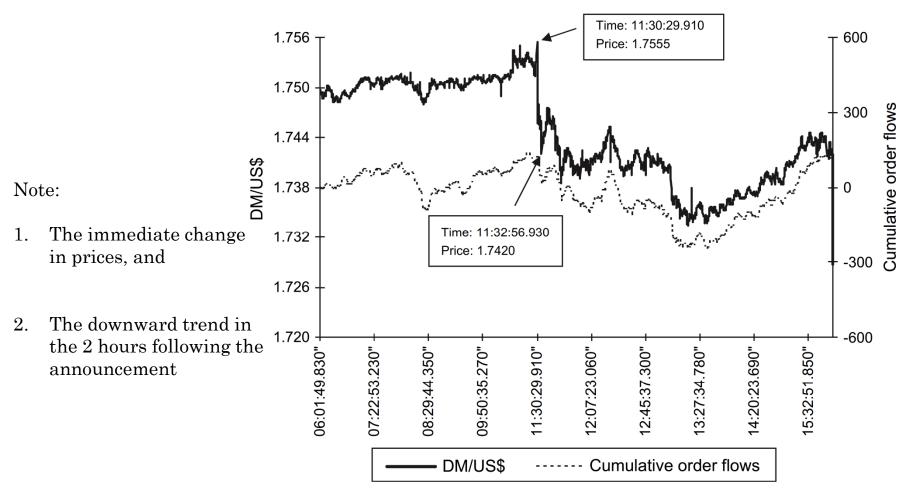


Fig. 1. The price of DM/US\$ and cumulative order flows for Thursday of October 9, 1997.

Micro Perspective I: High Frequency Dynamics

Empirical Evidence

Table 2: Variance	Decompositions
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	Horizon (minutes)			Horizon (minutes)
	5	30	60	5 30 60
	trade intensity: $n=25$			trade intensity: $n = 50$
(i) No News	0.631	0.989	0.758	1.436 2.314 2.118
(ii) News	3.895^{**}	10.280**	11.768*	5.123** 12.137** 13.597**
(iii) Scheduled News	8.271***	16.083**	17.417^*	9.868*** 17.807** 19.067**
trade intensity: $n = 100$		trade intensity: $n = 150$		
(i) No News	3.808	7.475	7.957	7.173 14.862 16.129
(ii) News	7.981**	15.754*	17.101*	11.214** 19.163 20.358
(iii) Scheduled News	13.231***	21.067^*	22.163*	16.679** 24.053 24.980

Notes: The table reports the contribution of dispersed information shocks to variance of k-horizon spot rate changes implied by the model estimates given a constant level of trading intensity n, and the presence or absence of macro news, N. Cases in which the news arrival increases the contribution of dispersed information at the 10, 5 and 1 percent significance levels are indicated by "*", "**", and "***" respectively. Source: Evans and Lyons (2008a)

Micro Perspective II: Low Frequency Dynamics

Daily Effects

Table 3: Daily Variance Decompositions

	Version I	770	Version II	G
	Combined	US	German	Combined
i) Direct	0.139	0.036	0.104	0.140
ii) Indirect	0.224	0.060	0.166	0.226
iii) Total	0.364	0.096	0.270	0.366
iv) Ratio(Indirect/Direct)	1.612	1.642	1.602	1.612

Notes: The table reports elements of the variance decomposition for spot rate changes implied by the GMM estimates of the model in (10.44) - (10.47). Source Evans and Lyons (2008a)

$$Direct = \mathbb{E}[\Sigma_{S}^{2}(\mathcal{N}_{t}^{US}, \mathcal{N}_{t}^{G})] / \mathbb{V}(\Delta S_{t}) \qquad Indirect = \lambda_{X}^{2} \mathbb{E}[\Sigma_{X}^{2}(\mathcal{N}_{t}^{US}, \mathcal{N}_{t}^{G})] / \mathbb{V}(\Delta S_{t})$$

Micro Perspective II: Low Frequency Dynamics

Longer Term Effects

Table 4: Order Flow and Return Variance Contributions

		Days	Days After Announcement			
		0	1	4		
A: Order Flow Variance						
US	Capacity	6.357	2.270	3.438		
	CPI	3.769	3.878	0.868		
	Credit	3.608	4.626	7.038		
	Durables	3.319	3.421	2.930		
	Factory. Orders	4.403	0.606	1.090		
	Fed Funds	1.184	0.004	0.071		
	GDP final.	9.718	6.908	0.148		
	GDP prelim.	13.159	6.556	12.628		
	Leading	3.709	0.212	1.358		
	Nonfarm Payroll	3.605	8.617	6.214		
	Consumption	9.189	3.369	0.116		
	Unemployment	2.982	4.222	2.063		
German	Employment	3.633	2.310	2.703		
	Retail Sales	4.237	1.247	0.158		
	Current A/C	1.146	0.704	0.070		
	Cost of Living.	4.020	0.082	0.540		
	PPI	1.711	1.063	1.162		
	Import Prices	5.228	1.804	5.314		

Micro Perspective II: Low Frequency Dynamics Longer Term Effects

B: Return Variance						
US	Claims	0.723	0.377	0.034		
	Confidence	2.532	0.412	0.054		
	NAPM	3.952	0.503	6.027		
	New Homes	6.453	0.273	1.549		
	Nonfarm Payroll	26.479	2.189	10.174		
	Consumption	4.203	7.534	1.304		
	PPI	2.199	1.872	0.027		
	Trade Balance	4.573	0.919	6.511		
German	rade Balance	3.276	0.577	0.184		
	PPI	1.047	0.11	0.914		

Notes: The table reports the variance of the order flow (panel A) and returns (panel B) due to the news announcement (listed in the right hand column) as a percentage of the variance due to all shocks impacting on order flow and returns, respectively. Source: Evans and Lyons (2005a)