

Exchange rates and international capital markets

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Preliminary Program and References

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Note: The transparencies used in this course as well as further information are available in **ReaderPlus**. Recommended readings are given in brackets.

1. Introduction

2. The Balance of Payments

- 2.1. The balance of payments (K/O 12, PhH 2, CvM2)
- 2.2. Savings, investment, and the current account (K/O 12, PhH3)

3. Intertemporal Trade and the Current Account

- 3.1. The current account of a small open economy (O/R 1.1, PhH3)
- 3.2. Determining the world interest rate (O/R 1.3, PhH3)

4. Intertemporal Trade: Extensions

- 4.1. Government spending, budget deficits, and the current account (O/R 1.1.6, 1.2.4, 3.1, PhH 4.3)
- 4.2. Country risk: determinants and consequences (O/R 6, PhH 6.3)

5. The Exchange Rate

- 5.1. Basic concepts and definitions (PhH 8, CvM 18-19)

- 5.2. Uncovered interest rate parity and the monetary model of the exchange rate (PhH 8, CvM 21, 24, 26)
- 5.3. The real exchange rate, the law of one price, and purchasing power parity (PhH 7, CvM 20)

6. Monetary and fiscal policy in open economies

- 6.1. The “Keynesian cross” revisited
- 6.2. The Mundell-Fleming model (PhH 9, CvM 25)
- 6.3. The role of the exchange rate regime (PhH 9)
- 6.4. Monetary and fiscal policies in open economies (PhH 9, CvM 31)

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Krugman, Paul R., Maurice Obstfeld, and Marc J. Melitz (2012): *International Economics – Theory and Policy*, 9th edition, Pearson.**(K/O)**
(Previous editions are also fine for our purposes.)

Van Marrewijk, Charles (2007): *International Economics – Theory, Application and Policy*, OUP. **(CvM)**

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