



## INTRODUCTION

External sector is “the rest of the world”: non-residents of an economic

- economic transactions
- financial claims
- financial liabilities

## INTRODUCTION

### Inter-temporal Decisions

How much to borrow (lend) from (to) the rest of the world?

### Intra-temporal Decisions

Where to buy/produce: at home or in the rest of the world?

**Are these decisions sustainable over time?**

## INTRODUCTION

### The Balance of Payments

- economic transactions
- with the rest of the world
- during a *period* of time

### The International Investment Position

- stock of financial assets and liabilities
- on and to the rest of the world
- at a *point* in time

# OBJECTIVES

- Identify and explain the main items in the BOP and IIP, how these are recorded, and how these are related
- Compute key economic indicators from the BOP and IIP
- Analyze developments in these indicators
- Give an economic interpretation to these developments

# OUTLINE



BOP accounting



IIP accounting



Balances



Analysis



External and  
other sectors



## External Sector

### 1. Principles of BOP accounting (I)

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#### THE BOP

The BOP records:

- the transactions of an economy...
- with the rest of the world
- during a specific period of time

Flows  
associated to transactions

## RECORDED TRANSACTIONS

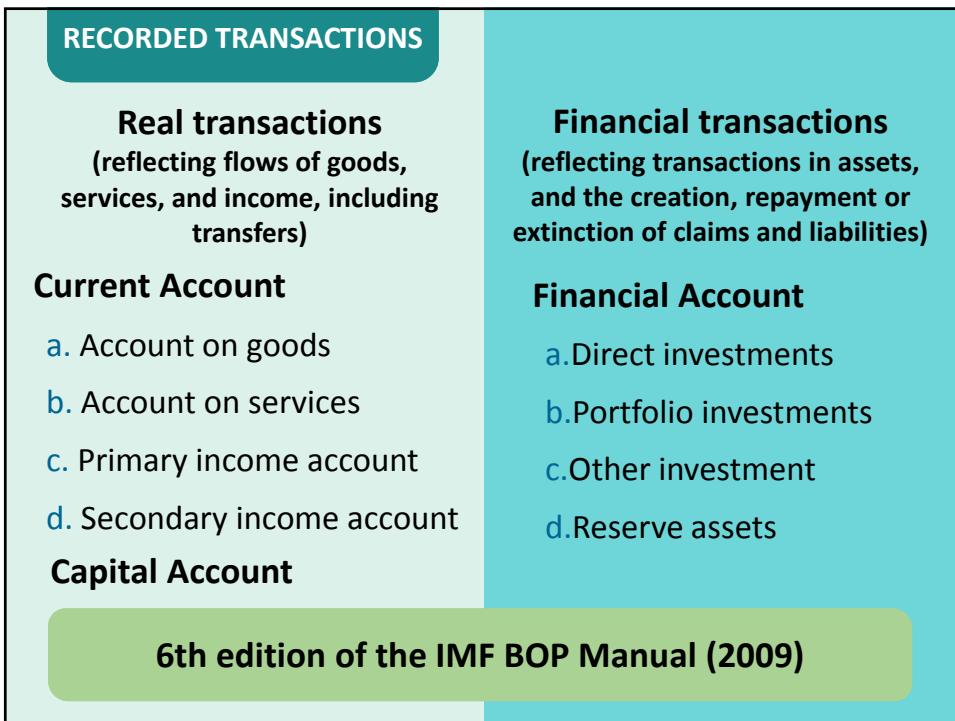
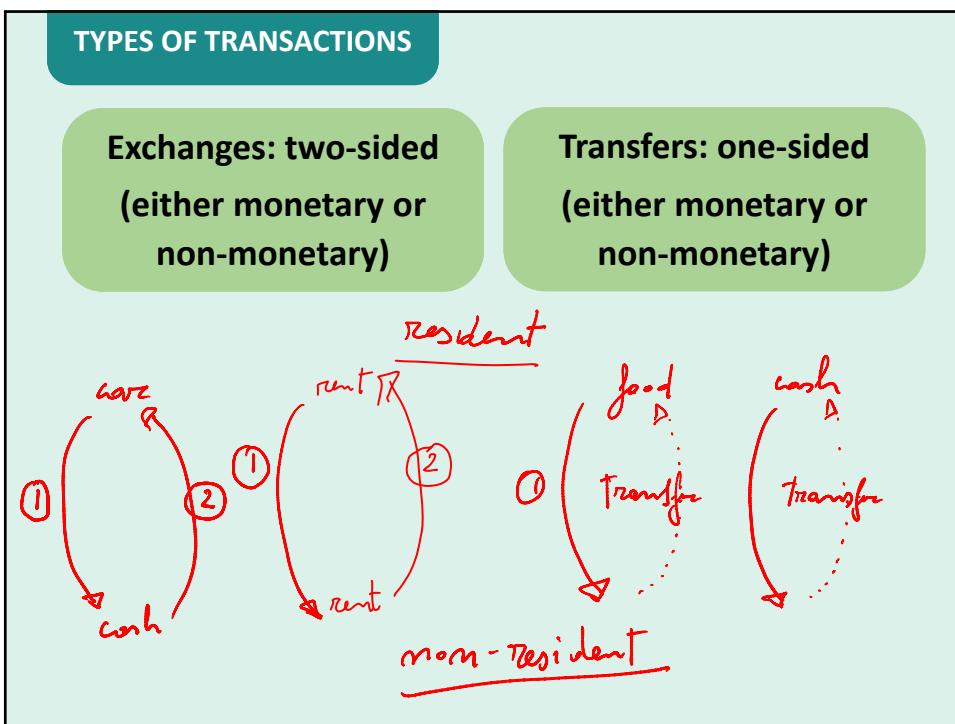
- Goods *cars, food, energy, commodities*
- Services *legal, transportation, fin. intermediation*
- Factors of production *labour, fin. capital, land  
or nat. resources*
- Non-produced non-financial assets *property rights,  
stocks & bonds*
- Financial assets and liabilities *gold & claims: currency, bonds, credit, securities  
loan*

Must occur between residents and non-residents

## RESIDENCY

Residency is based on center of predominant economic interest (not on citizenship)

- Households and individuals *reside for one year  
or longer*
- Enterprises *significant amount of production*
- The government of a country *(by default) resident*
- Non-profit organizations *resident of country where  
they are legally created &  
recognized*
- International organizations



## UNIT OF ACCOUNTING

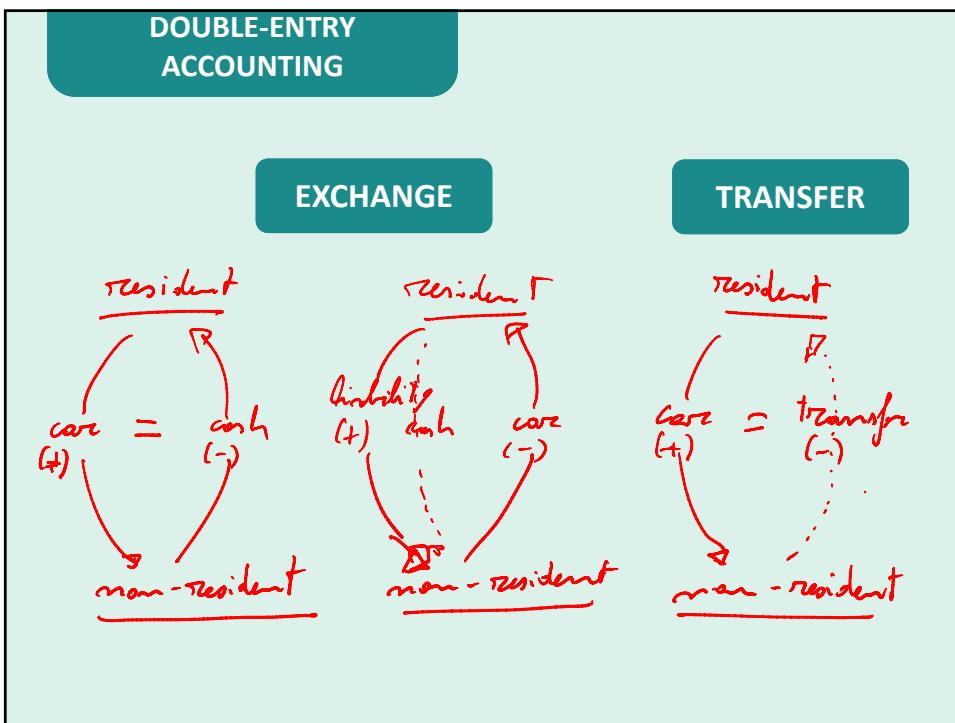
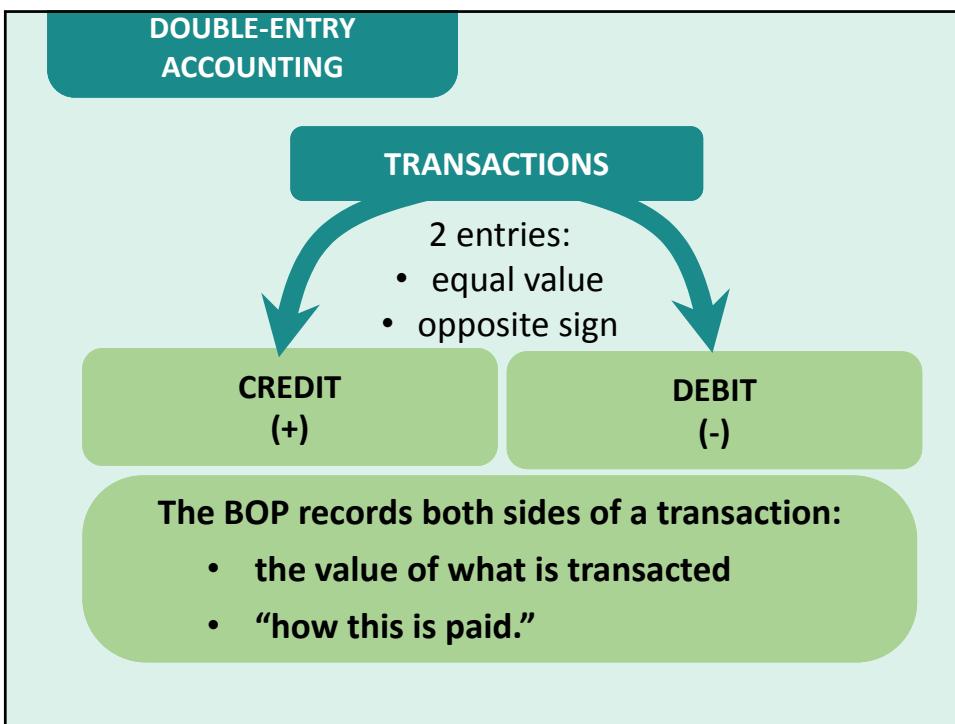
The BOP is generally reported:

- in domestic currency
- in a foreign currency

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### 2. Principles of BOP accounting (II)

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## DOUBLE-ENTRY ACCOUNTING

### Credits (+)

- Exports of goods & services
- Return accrued for providing labor, financial assets, and natural resources to non-residents
- Disposal of assets (gold and claims) on the world
- Incurrence of liabilities to the world
- Donations received

### Debits (-)

- Imports of goods & services
- Return payable for using labor, financial assets, and natural resources of non-residents
- Acquisition of gold and claims on the world
- Decrease in liabilities to the world
- Donations made

## ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

**IN PRACTICE**  
Sum of credits  $\neq$  sum of debits

“Errors and omissions” restore the balance, with opposite sign but equal value to the overall residual

$$\text{sum of credit} - \text{sum of debit} + \text{HEO} = 0$$



#### EXAMPLE 1

Goods of value 100 are imported. These are paid by drawing down 10 of foreign currency deposits, and obtaining trade credit for 90

	Credit	Debit
Goods (imports)		100
Assets, currency and deposits	10	
Liabilities, trade credit	90	
	100	100

### EXAMPLE 2

The economy receives a donation in goods (medicines) for a value of 20. It also donates foreign currency to a third country for a value of 50.

	Credit	Debit
Goods (imports)		20
Current Transfers	20	50
Assets, currency and deposits	50	$\cancel{70} = 70$

### EXAMPLE 3

200 of repayment of long-term debt fall due; 50 is paid using foreign currency deposits, and 150 is paid by borrowing short term

	Credit	Debit
Assets, currency and deposits	50	
Liabilities, long term loans		200
Liabilities, short term loans	150	$\cancel{200} = 200$

## ERRORS & OMISSIONS

	Credit	Debit
(goods)		100
(Liabilities)	80	
Errors and omissions	+ 20	

	Credit	Debit
(goods)	80	
(Assets)		100
Errors and omissions	20	

$$80 - 100 + 20 = 0$$

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### 4. Principles of BOP accounting (III)



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## TIME OF RECORDING

### Accrual basis

- Goods and services: when change of ownership and provision occurs
- Primary income: when claim arises or becomes due
- Secondary income: when made
- Financial: when ownership changes, claim created, liabilities when incurred, repayments when due



## VALUATION

Transactions are recorded at the value and exchange rate of the day when they accrue.



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### 5. The Current Account

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#### CURRENT ACCOUNT

##### Current Account

- a. Goods and Services account
  - Goods
  - Services
- b. Primary income account
- c. Secondary income account

## GOODS AND SERVICES

*Transaction in goods*

### Goods

- Exports
- Imports

*F.o.B.*

*Transaction in services*

### Services

- Manufacturing
- Maintenance and repairs
- Transport
- Travel
- Other

## PRIMARY INCOME

*Returns for providing labor, financial assets, and natural resources*

### Primary Income

- Compensation of employees
- Investment income
  - Of which: Dividends  
Reinvested earnings  
Interest
- Other primary income
  - Of which: Rent  
Taxes/subsidies on products

## SECONDARY INCOME

*Current transfers*

### Secondary income

Of which:

Personal transfers

Taxes on income, wealth

International cooperation

Social benefits and contribution

→ Transfers  
not

## CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE

**Current Account Balance**

=

Balance on Goods and Services = +

X Total Credit (exports) -

M Total Debit (imports)

PIB Balance on Primary income +

SIB Balance on Secondary income

$$CAB = \underline{X - M + PIB + SIB}$$

↳



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### 6. The Capital Account

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#### CAPITAL ACCOUNT

*Acquisition/disposal of non-produced non-financial assets and capital transfers*

##### Capital Account

- Acq./disposal of non-produced non-financial assets
- Capital transfers  
Of which: debt forgiveness

## CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT BALANCE

Current Account Balance +

Capital Account Balance =

$< 0$  paid in cash  $\Rightarrow$  assets ↓  
borrowing  $\Rightarrow$  liabilities ↑  
net acquisition of foreign assets  $< 0$   
net incurrence of liabilities  $> 0$

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## FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

### Financial Account

- a. Direct Investment
- b. Portfolio Investment
- c. Financial Derivatives (other than reserves) and Employee Stock Options
- d. Other Investment
- e. Reserves

## CLASSIFICATION OF CREDIT AND DEBT ENTRIES

### Credits (+)

- Disposal of assets (gold and claims) on the world
- Incurrence of liabilities to the world

### Debits (-)

- Acquisition of gold and claims on the world
- Decrease in liabilities to the world

net acq. of assets = acq. - (debit - disposal credit)

net. incurrence of liab. = inc. - (credit - decrease debit)

## DIRECT INVESTMENT

*Investment reflecting long lasting interests in an enterprise*

### Direct investment

- Equity and investment fund shares
  - Equity other than reinvested earnings
  - Reinvested earnings
- Debt instruments

## PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT

*Transaction in equity and debt securities that are not direct investment*

### Portfolio investment

- Equity and investment fund shares
- Debt Securities

## DERIVATIVES AND OPTIONS

*Transaction in financial derivatives and employee stock options*

### Financial Derivatives and Employee Stock Options

## OTHER INVESTMENT

*Other claims/liabilities on the rest of the world (loans/borrowing)*

### Other investments

- Net acquisition of assets ...
- Net incurrence of liabilities
  - Trade credit and advances
  - Loans
  - Currency and deposits
  - Others

## RESERVE ASSETS

Reserves assets consist of assets that are:

- under the control of the central bank
- readily available
- usable for direct financing of payments imbalances

### Reserves

- Monetary gold
- SDR
- Reserve position in the IMF
- Foreign exchange assets
- Other assets

## FINANCIAL ACCOUNT BALANCE

$CAB$  Current Account Balance +

$KAB$  Capital Account Balance =

< 0

FAB

< 0 Financial account balance =

↓ net acq. of fin. assets -

↑ net incurrence of liabilities

$CAB +$

$KAB =$

$FAB -$

NEO

$CAB +$

$KAB -$

$FAB +$

NEO =

0



### THE IIP

The International Investment Position (IIP) records:

- external assets (gold and claims on the rest of the world)
- liabilities to the rest of the world
- outstanding at the end of the period
- at value prevailing at the end of the period
- in the same currency as the BOP is recorded

Stocks

## STRUCTURE

### Assets

- Direct investment
- Portfolio investment
- Financial derivatives and E.S.O.
- Other investment
- Reserve assets

### Liabilities

- Direct investment
- Portfolio investment
- Financial derivatives and E.S.O.
- Other investment

## NET IIP

$$NII_{IIP_t} = A_t - L_t$$

$$NII_{IIP_t} > 0 \implies A_t > L_t$$

$$< 0 \implies L_t > A_t$$

*net creditor*

The net IIP indicates if a country is a net creditor  $> 0$  or borrower to the rest of the world

$< 0$

## CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

$$\frac{A_t}{L_t} = Q_t \cdot P_t \cdot C_t$$

$\frac{A_{t+1}}{L_{t+1}}$

$\Delta Q_{t+1}, \Delta P_{t+1}, \Delta C_{t+1}$

*Transactions*      *other*

Change in net IIP = transactions + valuation changes + other volume changes

## EXAMPLE 1

A country reports its IIP in US\$.

	Position at end-2008	Transactions	Valuation change	Position at end-2009
Holdings of Euros	1 bn	0.5 bn	...	1.5bn
Reserves (US\$)	1.39	0.68	0.21	2.28
US\$ per Euro	End 2008: 1.39			
	Average 2009: 1.36			
	End 2009: 1.52	+ 0.89		

## EXAMPLE 2

Loans are written-off entirely. The central bank purchases 15 of foreign currency from residents.

	IIP end 2008	BOP	Other vol. changes	IIP end 2009
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Other investment	110	0	80	
Currency and deposits	100	0	55	
Loans	70	0	-15	55
Reserves	30	0	-30	0
	10	0	+15	25
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	0	0		0

## RELATION WITH BOP

$$\begin{aligned}
 N\text{IIP}_t &= A_t - L_t \\
 \underline{\Delta N\text{IIP}_{t+1}} &= \underline{\Delta A_{t+1}} - \underline{\Delta L_{t+1}} \\
 &= \text{Transactions in } A - \\
 (L_{t+1} - L_t) &\quad \text{Transactions in } L + \quad \text{VC} + \text{OVC} \\
 &= \text{NAA} - \text{NIL} \\
 \underline{\Delta N\text{IIP}_{t+1}} &= \underline{\text{FAB}_{t+1}} + \text{VC}_{t+1} + \text{OVC}_{t+1}
 \end{aligned}$$



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### 9. Standard and analytic presentation



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#### ANALYTIC PRESENTATION

The analytic presentation re-organizes some items. It is designed to focus on the management of reserves and other related financing items.

The analytic presentation identifies “below the line”:

- reserves assets
- loans and credit from the IMF
- exceptional financing

## EXCEPTIONAL FINANCING

Exceptional financing includes:

- debt forgiveness and intergovernmental grants
- debt/equity swaps
- borrowing for BOP support
- debt rescheduling/refinancing
- debt prepayment and buyback
- accumulation/repayment of arrears
- debt-for-development swap

## ANALYTIC PRESENTATION

- a. Current account
- b. Capital account
- c. Financial account
  - Direct investments
  - Portfolio investments
  - Other investments
- d. Errors and omissions
- e. Overall balance

### Total Financing

- Reserves assets
- IMF credit and loans
- **Exceptional Financing**
  - Forgiveness of obligation of current period
  - Exceptional financing items

$$\text{Total Financing} = \text{CAB}^* + \text{KAB}^* - \text{FAB}^* + \text{Neto}$$



### THE TRADE BALANCE

$$\begin{aligned} GDP &= (C + I) + X - M \\ GDP - (C + I) &= X - M \end{aligned}$$

$\geq 0$        $\geq 0$        $< 0$

**Trade balance = GDP minus absorption**

|| Is domestic production sufficient to meet the overall demand for consumption and investment goods? ||

CURRENT ACCOUNT  
BALANCE

$$GDP = C + I + X - M$$

$$\underbrace{GDP + PIB + SIB}_{GNDI} = \underbrace{C + I + X - M}_{CAB} + \underbrace{PIB + SIB}_{S-I}$$

$$GNDI = CAB$$

$$GNDI - (C + I) = CAB$$

$$\underbrace{S - I}_{S-I} = CAB$$

**CA BALANCE = S - I**

Is the country a net saver or borrower?

- If  $CAB \geq 0$  the country is a net saver
- If  $CAB \leq 0$  the country is a net borrower

CURRENT ACCOUNT  
BALANCE

$$CAB + KAB - FAB + NEO = 0$$

$$FAB = CAB + \overbrace{KAB} + \overbrace{NEO}$$

$$\Delta NIIP = FAB + \overbrace{VC} + \overbrace{OVC}$$

$$\Delta NIIP \approx CAB$$

**CAB is almost equal to change in net IIP**

- If  $CAB + KAB \geq 0$  the country is a net saver and its net foreign assets increase
- If  $CAB + KAB \leq 0$  the country is a net borrower and its net foreign assets decrease

## OVERALL BALANCE

$$CAB + KAB - FAB^* + NEO = \boxed{RES + CLIMF + EFIM}$$

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### Overall balance

Are capital flows sufficient to finance the current account or does the country need to use the central bank reserves?



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### 11. The IIP and the BOP



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## IIP AND BOP

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Table 3. INTERNAL POSITION

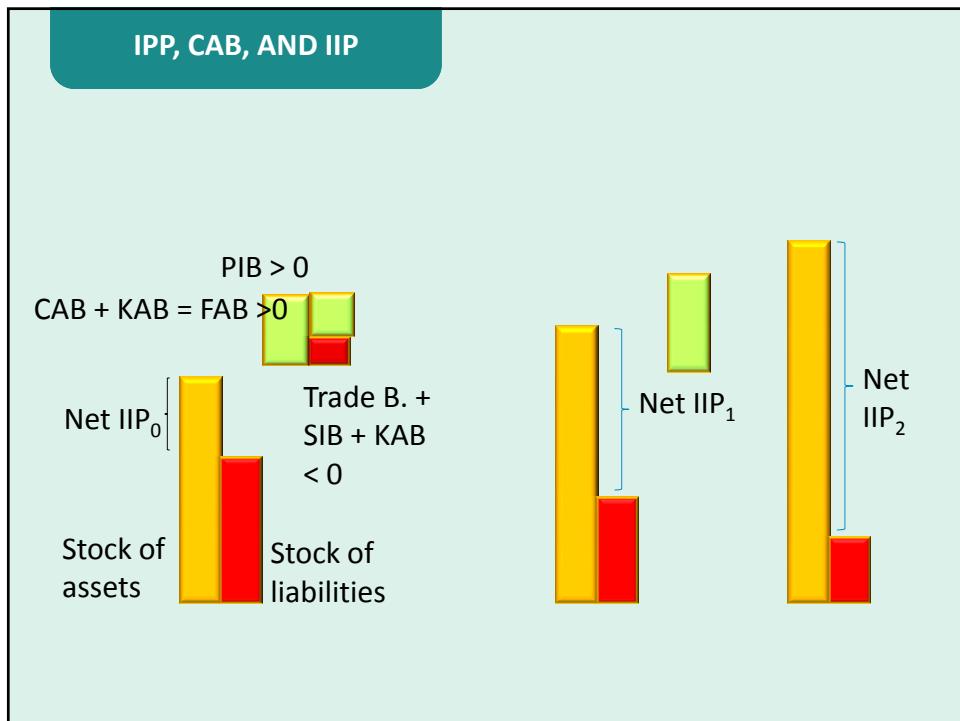
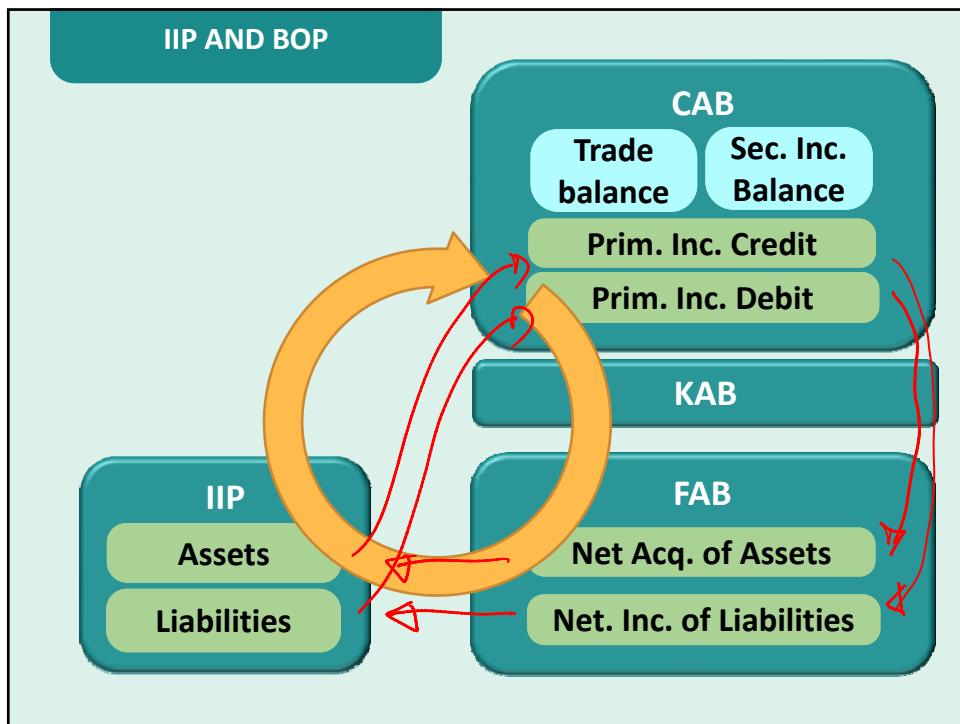
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DIEnt in direct investor (reverse investment).....	
Between fellow enterprises.....	
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<b>FINANCIAL ACCOUNT</b> .....	
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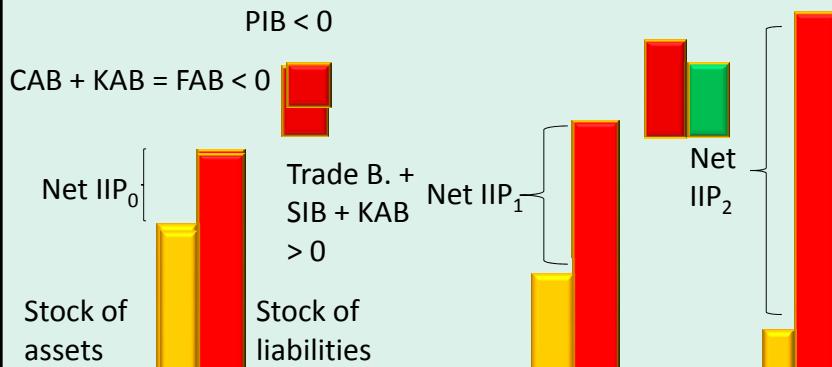
## IIP AND BOP

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General government.....	
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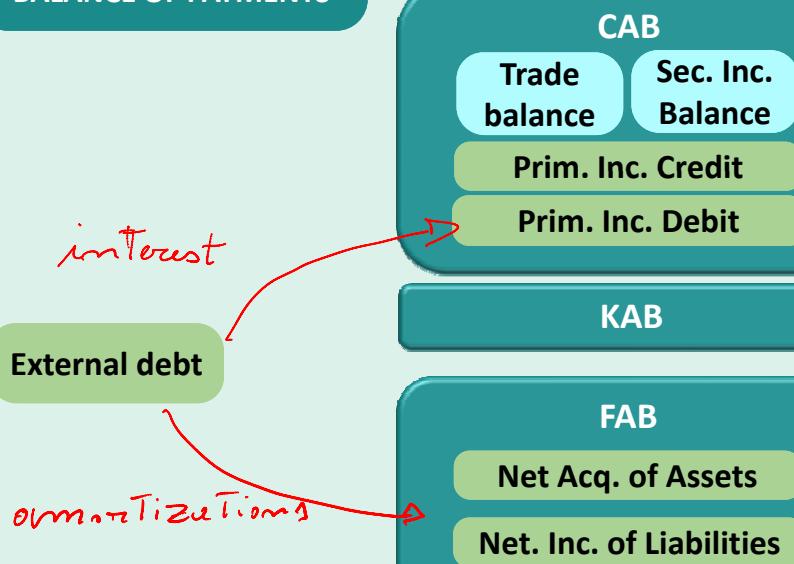
<b>PRIMARY INCOME</b> .....	
Total credit.....	
Total debit.....	
<b>Compensation of employees, credit</b> .....	
<b>Compensation of employees, debit</b> .....	
<b>Investment income, credit</b> .....	
Direct investment income.....	
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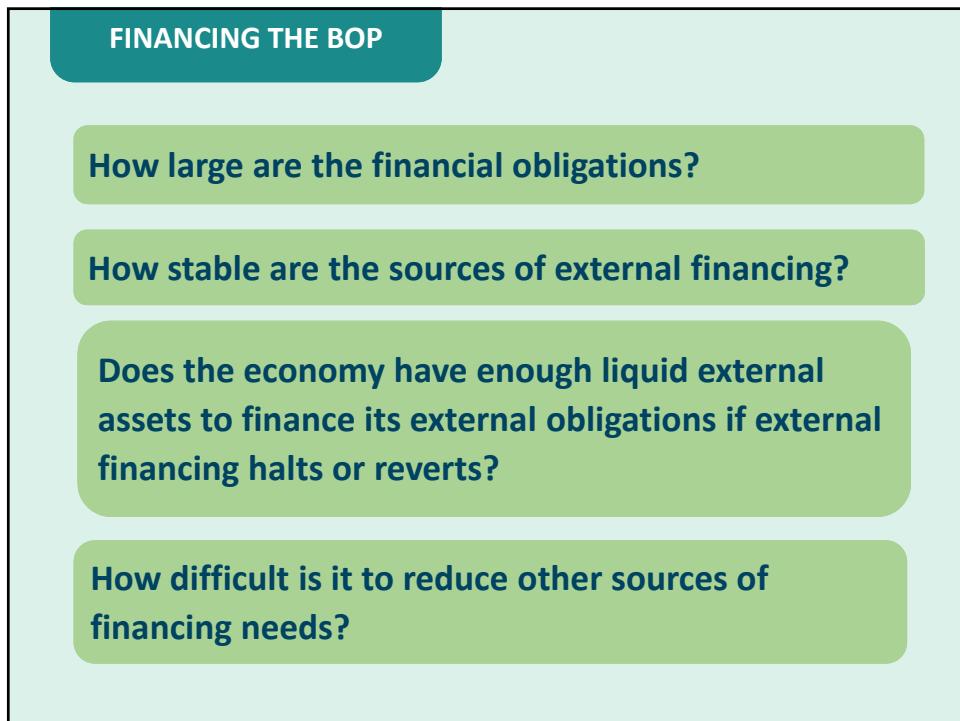
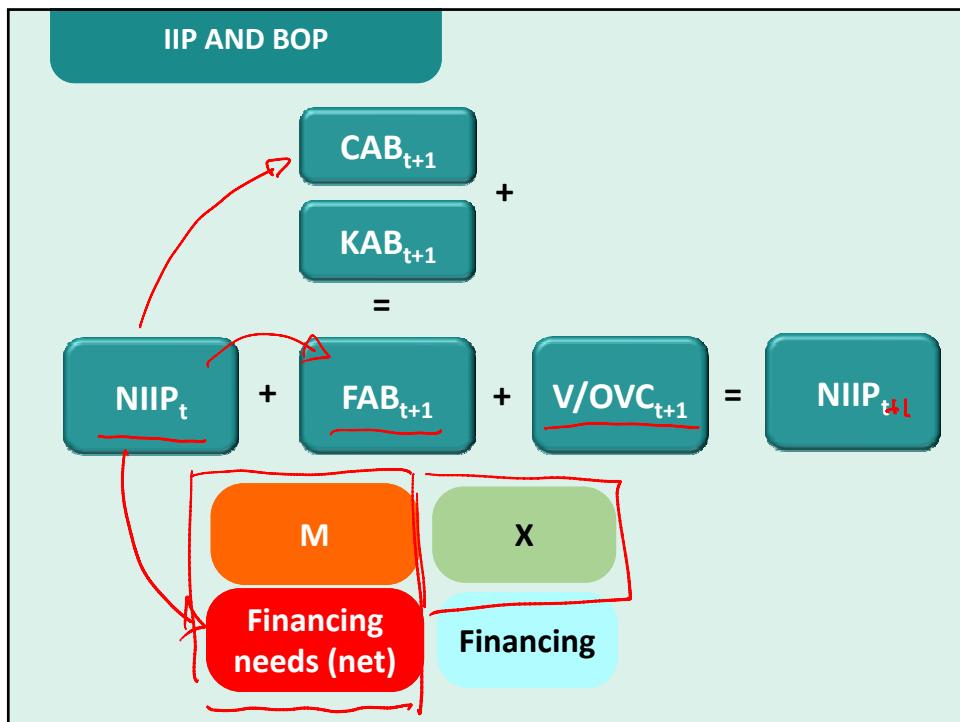


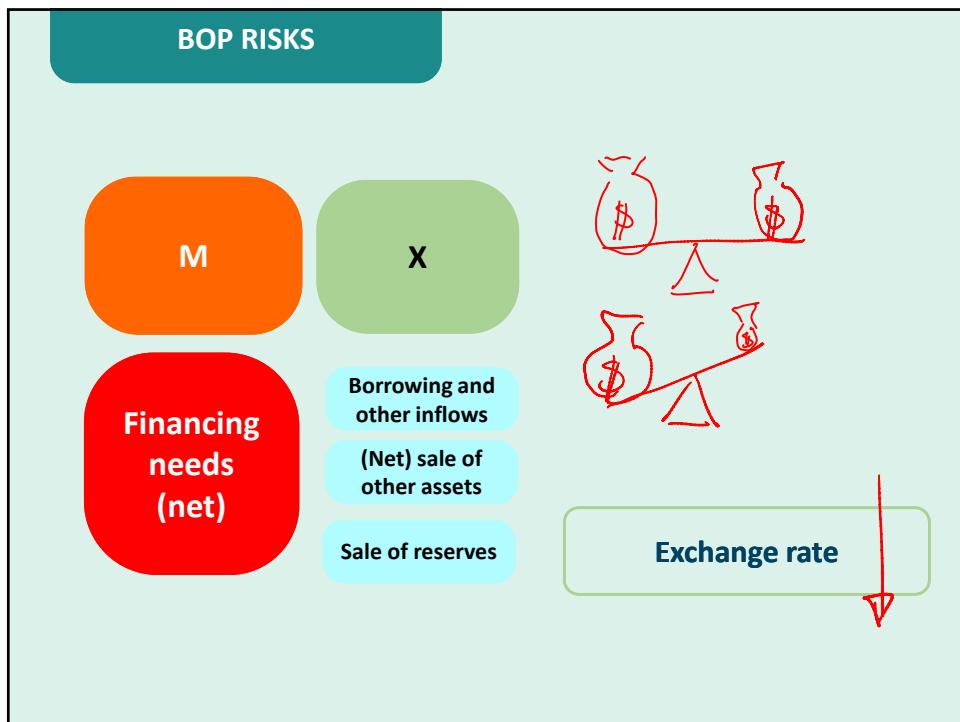
## IPP, CAB, AND IIP



## IIP AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS







## FINANCING THE BOP

How large are the financial obligations? 

How stable are the sources of external financing?

Does the economy have enough liquid external assets to finance its external obligations if external financing halts or reverts? 

How difficult is it to reduce other sources of financing needs?

## STOCK INDICATORS

- Net IIP position (in percent of GDP)
- Stock of external debt (in percent of GDP or exports)
- Debt service (in percent of GDP or exports)
- Reserves (in months of imports or in percent of short term debt at remaining maturity)

$$S_{t+1} + \text{am}_t$$

**OTHER INDICATORS  
RELATED TO DEBT**

$$\text{Implicit interest rate}_t = \frac{\text{interest payments}_t}{\text{average stock of debt}_{t-1,t}}$$

$$\text{Average maturity}_t = \frac{\text{Stock of debt}_{t-1}}{\text{Amortization}_t}$$

$$\text{Roll-over rate}_t = \frac{\text{Disbursement}_t}{\text{Amortization}_t} \%$$



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**13. Analysis of the trade balance**



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## PRICES AND VOLUMES

The change in the value of exports (imports) reflect the change in both prices (P) and quantities (Q)

$$\frac{X_t}{X_{t-1}} = \frac{Q_t P_t}{Q_{t-1} P_{t-1}}$$

$$\% \Delta \text{Value} = \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\% \Delta P}{100} \right) \times \left( 1 + \frac{\% \Delta Q}{100} \right) - 1 \right] \times 100$$

$$\% \Delta Q = \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\% \Delta \text{Value}}{100} \right) / \left( 1 + \frac{\% \Delta P}{100} \right) - 1 \right] \times 100$$

## PRICES AND VOLUMES

- Export and import price indexes
- Export and import volume indexes
- Terms of trade: ratio of export to import prices

These indices take value 100 in a base year (or period) and are updated using the percent change of the underlying variables

## PRICES

- Is the country a price taker or a price maker?
- How diversified is the export/import base?
- How volatile are the prices of the exported and of the imported goods?

## EXPORT VOLUMES

### Supply of exports

- Productive capacity
- Recent economic developments
- Other factors (for example, availability of credit, business cycle)

### Demand for exports

- Relative prices (real exchange rate)
- External demand (income abroad)

#### Important:

- Sensitivity of exports to relative prices
- Sensitivity of exports to Income

## IMPORT VOLUMES

### Supply of imports

- Productive capacity abroad
- Recent economic developments abroad

### Demand for imports

- Relative prices (real exchange rate)
- Domestic demand (disposable income)

#### Important:

- Sensitivity of imports to relative prices
  - Sensitivity of imports to Income



## External Sector

### 14. Trade balance and the exchange rate



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## EXCHANGE RATE

The price of one unit of a currency  
in terms of units of another currency

E: units of the foreign currency per one unit of  
domestic currency (ex.: 0.77 € = 1 US\$)

$$E \uparrow \quad E \downarrow$$

## EXAMPLE 1

Consider the price of a bag of rice produced in the  
domestic economy and in a foreign country

	Price expressed in respective local currency	Exchange rate	Price expressed in foreign currency
Domestic economy	1	E = 2	2
Foreign country	1.5		1.5

Where is it more convenient to purchase rice?

### EXAMPLE 1

	Price expressed in respective local currency	Exchange rate	Price expressed in same foreign currency
Domestic economy	2	E = 0.5	1 2
Foreign country	2		2

Both changes in the exchange rate and changes in domestic and foreign prices determine where, over time, it is convenient to purchase goods and services.

### REAL EXCHANGE RATE

Consider:

- E: exchange rate
- P\*: price level in the foreign country
- P: price level in the domestic economy

$$\text{Real Exchange Rate} = E \frac{P}{P^*}$$

If RER  $\uparrow$  there is a real *appreciation*  
 If RER  $\downarrow$  there is a real *depreciation*

## REAL EXCHANGE RATE

The RER is an index that takes value 100 in a base year (or period)

$$\text{RER}_t = E_t \frac{p_t}{p_t^*} \rightarrow \frac{\text{RER}_t}{\text{RER}_{t-1}} = \frac{E_t \frac{p_t}{p_t^*}}{E_{t-1} \frac{p_{t-1}^*}{p_{t-1}}} = \frac{E_t}{E_{t-1}} \frac{\frac{p_t}{p_t^*}}{\frac{p_{t-1}^*}{p_{t-1}}}$$

$$(1 + \% \Delta \text{RER}_t) = (1 + \% \Delta E_t) \frac{(1 + \% \Delta p_t)}{(1 + \% \Delta p_t^*)} - 1$$

## REAL EXCHANGE RATE AND THE TRADE BALANCE

If RER  $\uparrow$  ( $\downarrow$ ) domestic goods become more (less) expensive (in real terms) relative to foreign goods

Over the medium term

- a RER depreciation is likely to lead to an improvement in the trade balance (external demand for exports increases and domestic demand for imports decreases)
- a RER appreciation is likely to lead to a deterioration in the trade balance

