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Fall, 2021   *Introductory Economics for Business Students*, University of Pennsylvania, Head
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Research Papers:
"Population Aging, Fiscal Space and the Interest-Growth Differential" (Job Market Paper)

This study investigates the effects of population aging on fiscal space in a setting where there is asymmetry in demographic trends in two different regions: advanced and emerging economies.
It starts out with a tractable two-country OLG model in order to derive analytical results. It finds that the region of the world that ages later (emerging) is benefited by the earlier aging abroad (advanced), as increased savings and lower investment opportunities in advanced economies drive capital flows towards emerging economies and shrink their interest-growth differential. It also finds that the composition of aging in terms of either a fall in fertility or an increase in longevity matters to assess the impact of aging in an economy's own fiscal space. Aging that is driven more by an increase in longevity will have a lower impact on fiscal space as the increased savings help finance the increase in expenditures with old age.
The analytical results guide the empirical analysis. I then use a panel of 23 advanced and 23 emerging economies to test if the analytical results in the theory are confirmed by the data. In order to estimate the long-run relationship between demographics and fiscal space, I apply an FMOLS approach to a regression where the interest-growth differential is the explained variable as a first step in the analysis and then to a regression where the explained variable is the primary balance that stabilizes the debt-

to-GDP ratio. The empirical evidence confirms the theoretical result that spillovers from aging abroad can have positive fiscal effects on the domestic economy and also that the composition of aging in terms of fall in fertility versus rise in longevity matters. A fall of 1 pp in the working-age population growth leads to an increase of 0.8 pp in the primary balance that stabilizes that debt-to-GDP ratio, whereas an increase of 5 years in life expectancy leads to a fall of 0.4 pp in that same balance. The combination of both effects suggest that the population growth channel is stronger. The rapid population growth decline that emerging economies are going through bodes ill for their fiscal space.

"Demographics and Real Interest Rates Across Countries and Time" (with Carlos Carvalho, Andrea Ferrero and Fernanda Nechio)

We explore the implications of demographic trends for the evolution of real interest rates across countries and over time. To that end, we first develop a tractable two-country general equilibrium model with imperfect capital mobility and country-specific demographic trends. We calibrate the model to study how low-frequency movements in a country's real interest rate depends on its own demographics and on global factors, given a certain degree of financial integration. The more financially integrated a country is, the higher the sensitivity of its real interest rate to global developments, and the less its own real rate determinants matter. We then estimate panel error-correction models relating real interest rates to possible determinants—demographics included—imposing some restrictions motivated by lessons from the structural model. Our empirical evidence supports a meaningful role for life expectancy in determining real interest rates.