Abstract

This study aims to test whether (1) the effects of push and pull factors on bond and equity flows change over time and (2) the effects of push and pull factors on bond and equity flows may vary depending on the size of the flow. We have found that the effects of explanatory variables on bond and equity flows change indeed over time. There is no variable that remain significant in all five periods and in both bond flows and equity flows. Only risk premium consistently has significant effect in almost all time periods. Moreover, quantile regression has illustrated that a variable can have different effect depending on the locations on the conditional distribution of bond flows and equity flows. For example, in the taper tantrum period, quantile regressions suggest that the effect of Msci EM index might only be significant at the middle of the equity flow distribution (25th-75th quantiles). Furthermore, liquidity, yield spread and risk premium have bigger impact at the positive tail of the distribution of bond flows, i.e., their effects are larger for countries with high bond inflow.