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# Time-frequency Volatility Spillovers of Conventional Stock Markets: Evidence from Developed, Emerging, and Frontier Markets

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## Abstract

This study examines the volatility spillovers and financial connectedness of conventional equity stock markets in developed, emerging, and frontier economies in GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7. Diebold and Yilmaz (DY-12) and Baruník and Krehlík (BK-18) spillover methods are used to analyze the daily data for the period 2012-2021. The findings indicate that the coronavirus pandemic significantly affected return and volatilities in conventional stock markets, surpassing any previous economic instability event, such as the 2014-2015 crude oil crisis. The findings also reveal that conventional stock markets are weakly interconnected in terms of overall return, with the US stock market being the top transmitter of returns and volatility. These findings have significant policy implications for investors, regulators, and policymakers.

**Keywords:** conventional indices, financial connectedness, stock indices return, volatility spillovers

## Introduction

Since the global financial crisis (GFC) of 2008-09 and the European debt crisis (EDC) of 2011-12, the popularity of conventional equities has declined significantly (Bossman, [2021](#)). By measuring both the volatility spillovers and informational efficiency across markets, one can determine the level of performance connected with conventional markets. Additionally, the question that how conventional markets interact with one another during the times of crises is addressed in this study. The results show that the markets do not become more volatile (Ben Rejeb & Arfaoui, [2019](#)).

The total return connectedness index among agricultural commodities and emerging stock indices is 16.2%, indicating that these markets are

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weakly interconnected. Moreover, the total volatility connectedness index is 18.5%, indicating that these markets are more volatile (Babar et al., [2023](#)).

The majority of the existing studies focus on the impact of developed markets on each other, or on the impact of local and regional markets on each other. This research examines the directional co-movement of volatility and connectedness in a wide range of conventional stock markets encompassing developed, emerging, and frontier markets. It investigates the financial connectedness and volatility spillovers of the conventional equity stock markets. There has been no specific research on these regions in terms of conventional indices. Thus, this research fills the gap created by 18 conventional stock indices in these countries.

Overall, net spillovers between BRIC and G7 markets are expected to be significant in the short-term, with France, Germany, and the United Kingdom transmitting the most shocks to BRIC markets. There is no evidence of sporadic volatility in the studied markets during the coronavirus pandemic at any frequency. The findings reveal that in the short to medium term and medium term to long term), France and the United Kingdom (Canada and the United States) comprise the sources of contagion between the BRIC and G7 markets. According to the net-pairwise spillovers, the BRIC index and its members are highly connected. Indeed, BRIC countries are net-pairwise spillover transmitters to all G7 markets excluding Japan (Agyei et al., [2022](#)).

The global financial markets are likely to respond to the uncertainty caused by the pandemic. Bossman ([2021](#)) and Hasan ([2020](#)) discuss how the pandemic has affected asset classes. Bossman et al. ([2022](#)) argue that conventional financial markets are so interconnected that diversifying one's portfolio is difficult. So, it's important to look at how different asset classes work together and interact during financial crises (Bossman, [2021](#)).

Keeping in view the limitations of the widely used spillover framework of Diebold and Yilmaz ([2012](#)), this study employs time-varying parameter vector autoregression (TVP-VAR) model (Antonakakis & Gabauer, [2017](#)). The current study makes a number of significant contributions. Firstly, it estimates the VAR model. Secondly, the spillover index (Diebold & Yilmaz, [2012](#)) for both return and volatility is calculated using a 100 rolling window size. Third, no observations are lost during the estimation process, as in Diebold and Yilmaz ([DY-12](#)) and Baruník and Křehlík ([BK-18](#)).

Fifthly, the connectedness analysis can be applied to data from different frequency bands. Sixthly, this study visualizes the Diebold and Yilmaz (2012) time domain and Baruník and Křehlík (2018) frequency domain connectedness results.

## Literature Review

The impact of the coronavirus pandemic on stock markets worldwide has been substantial, resulting in negative abnormal returns in several countries. This literature review examines studies related to stock market indices and their financial connectedness. Specifically, it focuses on the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC), BRIC, and G7 stock markets. This review provides insights into the dynamic relationships among these markets by analyzing the existing research on volatility spillovers and interconnectedness.

A strong relationship is demonstrated between G7 stock market returns, volatility, and the macroeconomic factors using the spillover index approach and a generalized VAR framework. Notably, the mechanisms of spillover transmission and reception between these markets and macroeconomic fundamentals have changed dramatically following the 2007-08 global financial crisis, revealing altered interdependencies (Abbas et al., 2020).

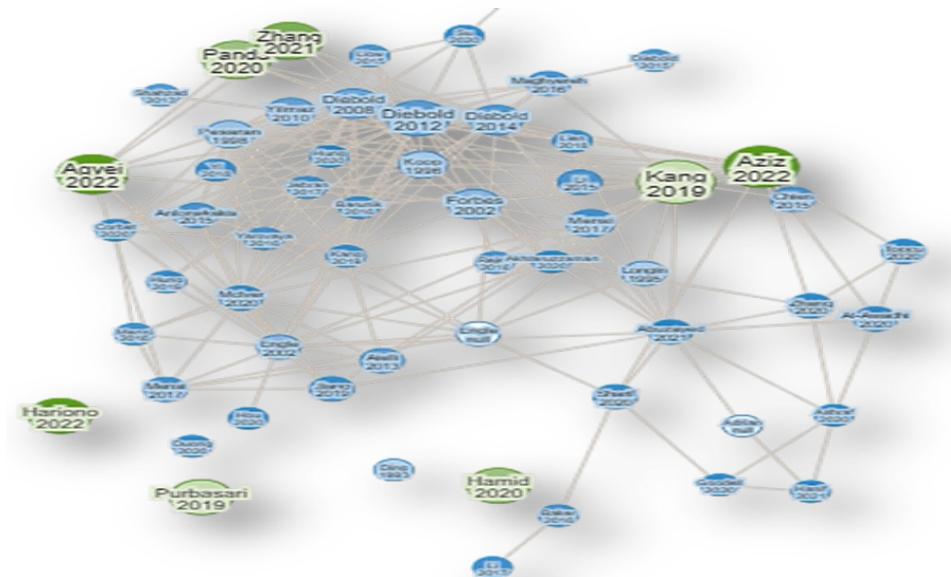
Volatility spillovers among global stock markets have been studied using various models. Zhang et al. (2020) used the BEKK-GARCH model to examine volatility associations and to construct dynamic networks, revealing significant spillovers in G20 equity markets. Panda et al. (2021) analyzed stock indices for 16 BRICS countries using the volatility spillover index, while identifying countries as net senders and net receivers of volatility.

Various studies have explored the impact of volatility spillovers on risk management. Most recently, Agyei et al. (2022) used Baruník and Křehlík spillover index to analyze time-frequency spillovers between BRIC and G7 equity markets. Using a TVP-VAR model, this study reveals a strong interdependence among Eurozone equity markets, with core countries serving as major shock transmitters and new countries being more vulnerable to shocks. The findings highlight the importance of investors closely monitoring developed markets and policymakers strengthening

equity market resilience in order to sustain economic growth (Umar et al., 2023)

The current paper analyzes information transmission in regional energy markets using the Diebold and Yilmaz (2012) and Baruník and Křehlík (2018) models. The study determines that developed regions are net transmitters of spillovers, whereas developing regions are net receivers. It also emphasizes the relevance of policy changes, diverse investment strategies, and regulatory measures in navigating economic crises, which benefits policymakers, investors, and financial institutions (Alawi et al., 2023).

**Figure 1**  
*Literature Visualization*



**Note.** Figure 1 Depicts Literature Visualization of Similar Economic Literature, Although with Different Methods and Techniques (ResearchRabbit).

## Methodology

### Data and Variables

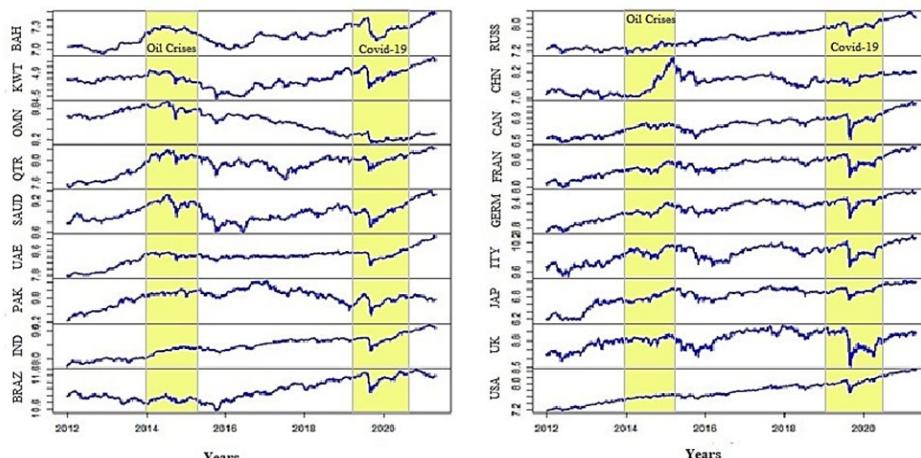
The analysis uses stock indices from GCC, BRIC, SAARC, and G7 equity markets. The data is collected from Thomson Reuters DataStream and investing.com. RStudio software is used for Diebold and Yilmaz (2012)

as well as Baruník and Křehlík (2018) estimation. The results are visualized in Gephi 0.90 software. It estimates spillovers and analyzes connections using logarithm returns and volatility. The analysis covers various events, including oil price crises, economic crises, and the COVID-19 pandemic.

Table 1 displays the return series for conventional stocks, with positive average returns, except for Oman. Non-normal distributions are observed with a non-probability of 0.00 for all series and 0.00 for both. Stationarity variables remain stable at the ADF level. In financial markets, dynamic returns refer to the changing or evolving patterns of investment performance over time. Dynamic volatility, on the other hand, assesses the degree of price volatility or market volatility over a given time period. Fig. 1 illustrates similar studies, although the methodologies, techniques, and variables vary from study to study but these remain interrelated. Green nodes indicate that these studies are referenced in this study, while blue nodes indicate that this study's citations are linked to other economic literature. Fig. 2 shows the daily closing prices of conventional stocks and yellow highlight shows the crises. Fig. 3 shows the log returns of conventional stocks and yellow highlight shows the crises. Fig. 4 shows the log volatilities of conventional stocks and yellow highlight shows the crises. Fig. 5 shows a non-homogeneous analysis of conventional asset prices, with at least 1% positive, negative, or none correlations.

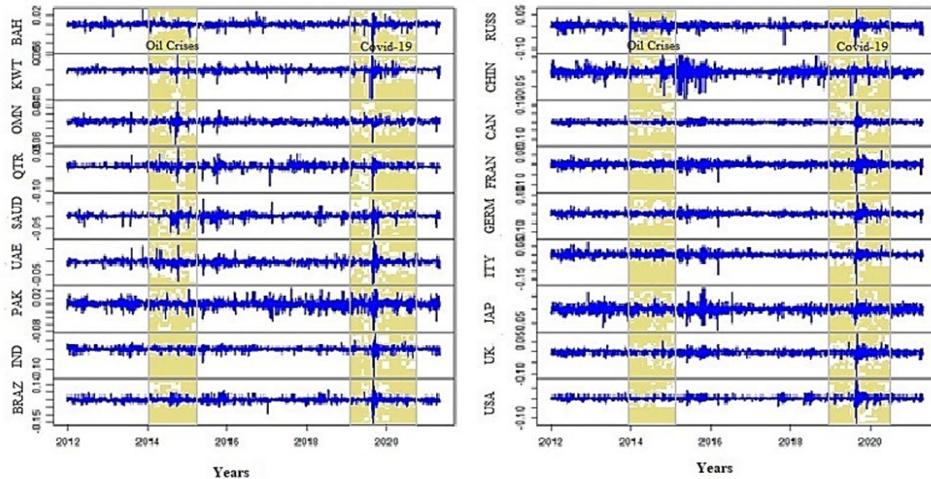
**Figure 2.**

*Time Series Plot for Conventional Stocks*



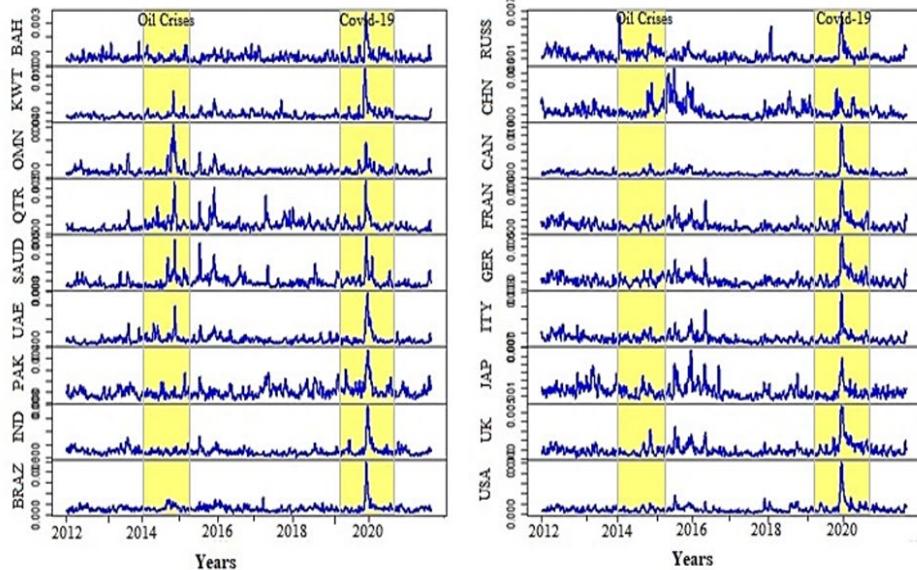
**Note.** Figure 2 describes market prices for the GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7 financial markets of conventional stocks (RStudio).

**Figure 3**  
*Dynamics for Conventional Stocks Returns*



**Note.** Figure 3 describes market returns for the GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7 financial markets of conventional stocks (RStudio).

**Figure 4**  
*Dynamics for Conventional Stocks Volatility*



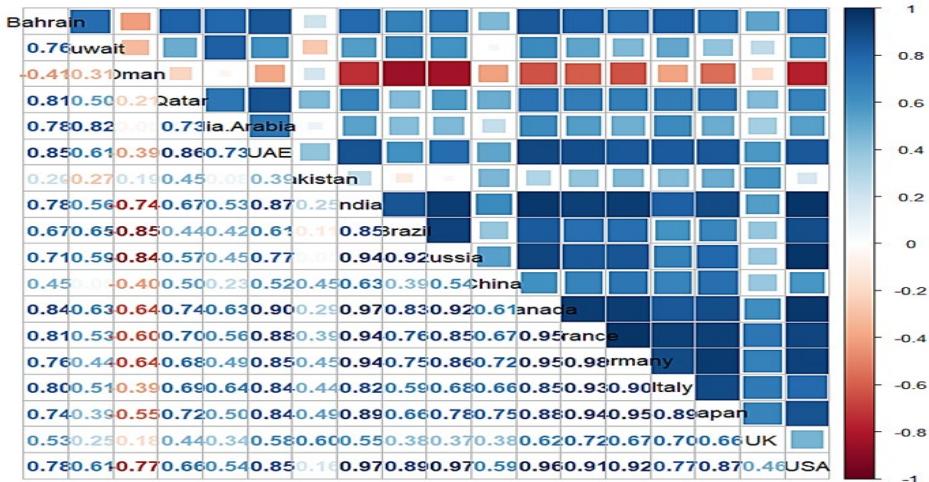
**Note.** Figure 4 describes market volatility for the financial markets of GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7 of conventional stocks (RStudio).

**Table 1**  
*Descriptive Statistics of Conventional Stock Market Indices*

	Mean	Median	Maximum	Minimum	Std. Dev	Skewness	Kurtosis	Jarque-B	ADF
Bahrain	0.00018	0.000133	0.033828	-0.06001	0.004945	-1.08488	18.475	24663.6*	-30.493*
Kuwait	0.00013	0.000294	0.049855	-0.09798	0.008247	-2.15762	29.715	73963.7*	-32.748*
Oman	-0.00014	-0.00004	0.053696	-0.06413	0.00606	-1.07694	20.414	31098*	-28.712*
Qatar	0.00026	0.000314	0.072725	-0.09998	0.00952	-0.80416	16.725	19288.1*	-33.977*
Saudia	0.00023	0.000822	0.085475	-0.08685	0.010865	-0.97195	14.628	14038.7*	-33.557*
UAE	0.00051	0.00056	0.080762	-0.08406	0.010382	-0.17654	16.055	17227.2*	-34.123*
Pakistan	0.00021	0.000090	0.050398	-0.0778	0.011566	-0.44232	7.3443	1985.2*	-33.253*
India	0.00056	0.001071	0.078009	-0.13744	0.010754	-1.31726	20.262	30797.9*	-34.240*
Brazil	0.00024	0.000304	0.130228	-0.15994	0.016199	-0.82393	15.450	15930.5*	-35.192*
Russia	0.00037	0.000426	0.074349	-0.11419	0.011683	-0.77874	12.289	8959.8*	-35.197*
China	0.00021	0.000569	0.056036	-0.08873	0.013348	-0.96111	10.201	5610.7*	-34.906*
Canada	0.00024	0.000683	0.116801	-0.13365	0.009576	-1.48232	49.231	216755.8*	-35.429*
France	0.0003	0.000772	0.080561	-0.13098	0.012167	-0.84325	13.439	11293.7*	-34.024*
Germany	0.00039	0.000883	0.104143	-0.13055	0.012234	-0.65353	13.145	10568.4*	-33.839*
Italy	0.00024	0.000867	0.079994	-0.1791	0.014466	-1.24664	18.088	23622.8*	-34.127*
Japan	0.00041	0.000492	0.081345	-0.0782	0.012454	-0.15833	7.4635	2022.3*	-32.589*
UK	0.00009	0.000469	0.086668	-0.11512	0.010079	-0.70892	16.266	17978.7*	-35.757*
USA	0.00053	0.000692	0.089683	-0.12765	0.010406	-1.03847	25.005	49344.6*	-34.784*

**Note.** Table 1 presents financial market statistics for GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7 in the conventional stock market. It uses Jarque-Bera normality test and ADF stationarity test, with a 1% significance level indicating the rejection of null hypothesis (Eviews).

**Figure 5**  
*Conventional Stocks Correlation*



**Note.** Figure 5 depicts the correlation heat map which displays price correlations for the GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7 in the conventional stock market. The intensity of shaded boxes indicates the magnitude of correlations, with blue indicating positive and red indicating negative correlations. All correlations are significant at a 1% level (RStudio).

**Figure 6**  
*Conventional Stocks Correlation Matrix*

	Bahrain	Kuwait	Oman	Qatar	Saudia	UAE	Pakistan	India	Brazil	Russia	China	Canada	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	UK	USA
Bahrain	1																	
Kuwait	0.75801	1																
Oman	-0.42836	-0.32624	1															
Qatar	0.804513	0.491541	-0.22311	1														
Saudia	0.780325	0.815877	-0.05609	0.725021	1													
UAE	0.848356	0.60601	-0.39622	0.862335	0.727775	1												
Pakistan	0.193933	-0.2816	0.18318	0.443017	0.070472	0.391162	1											
India	0.782928	0.554798	-0.74225	0.569108	0.532438	0.86624	0.249868	1										
Brazil	0.674505	0.653722	-0.85712	0.437832	0.422998	0.608195	-0.11128	0.84981	1									
Russia	0.710441	0.593694	-0.84224	0.567039	0.445633	0.764908	0.031616	0.542398	0.922278	1								
China	0.439162	0.040184	-0.41346	0.493707	0.227586	0.518772	0.446693	0.633471	0.385642	0.539181	1							
Canada	0.84239	0.628536	-0.65081	0.73436	0.629356	0.90241	0.286038	0.968951	0.833564	0.917126	0.602499	1						
France	0.80588	0.521032	-0.61552	0.696304	0.551018	0.884079	0.389286	0.937947	0.75647	0.849601	0.666032	0.948882	1					
Germany	0.756015	0.439748	-0.64515	0.580321	0.482676	0.846188	0.443465	0.941518	0.75295	0.85603	0.722179	0.945179	0.975235	1				
Italy	0.797925	0.504668	-0.40521	0.690679	0.634466	0.836346	0.432276	0.817059	0.590695	0.676373	0.661565	0.847246	0.931801	0.895596	1			
Japan	0.736021	0.387722	-0.55986	0.713695	0.494682	0.840062	0.489903	0.890546	0.654793	0.780308	0.748931	0.882951	0.93881	0.953629	0.890054	1		
UK	0.515248	0.231776	-0.20499	0.4256	0.328082	0.576507	0.596314	0.557299	0.382491	0.374871	0.370867	0.612029	0.723094	0.764452	0.700523	0.662299	1	
USA	0.782506	0.611287	-0.77651	0.662605	0.539484	0.847665	0.159269	0.974884	0.88739	0.971974	0.584565	0.963081	0.911245	0.924669	0.774103	0.867116	0.464386	1

**Note.** Figure 6 depicts correlations matrix for the GCC, SAARC, BRIC, and G7 in the conventional stock market (Microsoft Excel).

## Method

Two methods are applied to analyze the volatility spillover and financial connectedness among four different regions' stock indices.-+

- 1) Diebold and Yilmaz Spillover Index.
- 2) Barunik and Kehlik Spillover Index

### 1. Diebold and Yilmaz (2012) Spillover Index

The current study examines risk spillover in stock markets using the connectedness structure DY-12 (Liu et al., 2022) Based on a forecast generalized variance decomposition (FGVD) procedure in vector auto-regression (VAR) models, this approach can not only measure the spillover index in time domain but also detect the risk contagion direction of this spillover index. The method begins with an N-variate covariance stationary generalized VAR framework with lag p:

$$R_t = \phi_1 R_{t-1} + \phi_2 R_{t-2} + \dots + \phi_p R_{t-p} + \epsilon_t \quad \text{I}$$

The ith coefficient matrix " $\phi_i$ " represents stock market volatility, while  $R_t$  represents market volatility. White noise,  $\epsilon_t \sim N(0, \Sigma \epsilon)$ , and  $R_t$  are stationary covariance procedures with roots outside the unit circle.

$$R_t = \epsilon_t + K_1 \epsilon_{t-1} + K_2 \epsilon_{t-2} + \dots + K_\infty \epsilon_{t-\infty} \quad \text{II}$$

The  $K_h$  matrix is a recursive N-dimensional unit matrix, measuring forecast error variance  $R_j$  on different horizons. The DY method calculates forecast error ratios due to market shocks  $R_k$  at the H-horizon. When  $j \neq k$ , the pairwise directional spillover is denoted by  $(\Xi_H)_{j,k}$ .

$$(\Xi_H)_{j,k} = \frac{\sigma_{kk}^{-1} \sum_{h=0}^{H=1} ((K_h \Sigma \epsilon)_{j,k})^2}{\sum_{h=0}^{H=1} (K_h \Sigma \epsilon K_h')_{j,j}} \quad \text{III}$$

The VAR framework uses  $\sigma_{kk} = (\Sigma)_{kk}$  as the standard error of the kth equation,  $K_h$  as an  $N \times N$  matrix, and  $\Sigma \epsilon$  is non-diagonal covariance matrix of VAR error term  $\epsilon_t$ . The standard pairwise spillover from market "k" to "j" is

$$(\Xi'_H)_{j,k} = (\Xi_H)_{j,k} / \sum_k (\Xi_H)_{j,k} \quad \text{IV}$$

Additionally, the construction of the total volatility spillover index is as follows:

$$Q_H = 100 \frac{\sum_{j \neq k} (\Xi' H)_{j,k}}{\sum (\Xi' H)_{j,k}} = 100 \left( 1 - \frac{Br\{(\Xi' H)\}}{N} \right) \quad V$$

The trace operator, that is, Br {•} calculates the variance in forecast error due to volatility shock spillovers across markets. Market "j" receives directional spillover from the other k markets

$$Q_{H,j \leftarrow \bullet} = 100 \frac{\sum_{k, k \neq j} (\Xi' H)_{j,k}}{\sum (\Xi' H)_{j,k}} = 100 \frac{\sum_{k, k \neq j} (\Xi' H)_{j,k}}{N} \quad VI$$

The directional spillover from the market's "j" to all other markets' "k" is similar.

$$Q_{H,\bullet \leftarrow j} = 100 \frac{\sum_{k, k \neq j} (\Xi' H)_{k,j}}{\sum (\Xi' H)_{k,j}} = 100 \frac{\sum_{k, k \neq j} (\Xi' H)_{k,j}}{N} \quad VII$$

Moreover, the difference between Equations (VI) and (VII) can be quickly determined to establish the net directional spillover of the market "j".

$$Q_{H,j} = Q_{H,\bullet \leftarrow j} - Q_{H,j \leftarrow \bullet} \quad VIII$$

**Table 2**

*Conventional Equity Stock Market Indices*

Regions	Index	Code	Source
Bahrain	Bahrain All Share Index	BAHASI	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Kuwait	Kuwait Price Index	KUWPI	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Oman	MSX 30 Index	MSX30	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Qatar	Qatar All Share Index	QATAI	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Saudi Arabia	Tadawul FF Index	TASI	Thomson Reuters Eikon
UAE	ADX General Index	ADXG	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Pakistan	KSE 30 Index	KSE30	Thomson Reuters Eikon
India	Nifty 200 Index	NIFTY200	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Brazil	Bovespa Index	BVSPI	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Russia	MOEX Russia Index	MOEX	Thomson Reuters Eikon
China	Shanghai Comp Index	SSEC	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Canada	S&P/TSX 60 Index	SPTSE	Thomson Reuters Eikon
France	CAC 40 Index	CAC40	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Germany	DAX Index	DAX	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Italy	Italia All-Share Index	ITLAI	Thomson Reuters Eikon
Japan	Topix 100 Index	TOPX100	Thomson Reuters Eikon
UK	FTSE 100 Index	FTSE100	Thomson Reuters Eikon
USA	S&P 500 Index	SPX	Thomson Reuters Eikon

**Note.** Table 2 shows the countries selected in this study, with index names, codes, and sources of data collection.

## 2. Baruník and Křehlík (2018) Spillover Analysis in the Frequency Domain

Baruník and Křehlík (2018) used the BK-18 (Liu et al., 2022) method to analyze risk spillovers over time horizons, obtaining  $(f(\varpi))_{j,k}$ , representing the ratio of payable shocks in the  $j$ th market's spectrum at frequency  $\varpi$ .

$$(f(\varpi))_{j,k} = \frac{\sigma_{kk}^{-1} |K(e^{-i\varpi})\Sigma|_{j,k}|^2}{(K(e^{-i\varpi})\Sigma K'(e^{+i\varpi}))_{j,j}} \quad \text{IX}$$

The  $j$ th market's frequency share of variance must be weighted into  $(f(\varpi))_{j,k}$  to ensure the forecast error variance decomposition for various frequencies. The definition of the weighting function is as follows:

$$\Lambda_j(\varpi) = \frac{(K(e^{-i\varpi})\Sigma K'(e^{+i\varpi}))_{j,j}}{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (K(e^{-i\lambda})\Sigma K'(e^{+i\lambda}))_{j,j} d\lambda} \quad \text{X}$$

The above equation expresses the influence of something at a specific frequency over all other frequencies in the particular frequency band  $(-\pi, \pi)$ . Therefore, the FEVD on the frequency band  $h = (a, b)$ ,  $a, b \in (-\pi, \pi)$  and  $a < b$  is

$$((\Xi_h))_{j,k} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_h \Lambda_j(\varpi) (f(\varpi))_{j,k} d\varpi \quad \text{XI}$$

In the time domain, Eq. (11) can be transformed into when  $h \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $(\Xi_\infty)_{j,k}$

$$(\Xi_\infty)_{j,k} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \Lambda_j(\varpi) (f(\varpi))_{j,k} d\varpi \quad \text{XII}$$

Further standardization of the GFEVD on the frequency bands  $h = (a, b)$ ,  $a, b \in (-\pi, \pi)$  and  $a < b$  as follows:

$$(\widetilde{\Xi}_h)_{j,k} = \frac{(\Xi_h)_{j,k}}{\sum_k (\Xi_\infty)_{j,k}} \quad \text{XIII}$$

The spillover from the market's "k" to the market's "j" is measured inside the frequency band  $h$  by  $(\widetilde{\Xi}_h)_{j,k}$ . Following this definition, the frequency spillover caused on the frequency band  $h$  is as follows:

$$B_h^F = 100 \cdot \left( \frac{\sum_{j \neq k} (\widetilde{\Xi}_h)_{j,k}}{(\widetilde{\Xi}_h)_{j,k}} - \frac{B_r(\widetilde{\Xi}_h)}{(\widetilde{\Xi}_h)_{j,k}} \right) = 100 \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{B_r(\widetilde{\Xi}_h)}{N} \right) \quad \text{XIV}$$

Similar to how it is done in equations, the directional spillover and net spillover are also computed (VI)-(VIII).

## Results

This section gives the results of DY-12 time-domain connectedness and BK-18 frequency-domain connectedness. The investigation of the returns and volatility spillovers between the global conventional stock markets for short-, medium-, and long-term frequencies is presented.

### **Time-Domain and Frequency-Domain Analysis**

The VAR model calculates return and volatility spillover over time, while the DY-12 methodology uses generalized variance decomposition to build a volatility and spillover table. The spillover table is divided into three frequency bands using the BK-18 frequency domain technique. The dynamic connectivity is evaluated using a 100-day rolling window size and a 100-day forecast horizon, as per Mensi et al. ([2023](#)).

### **Static Connectedness**

Static connectedness in financial markets refers to the degree and nature of relationships or interdependencies between different stock markets at a specific point in time. Tables 3 and 4 present empirical findings for conventional stocks, while Table A shows DY-12 results and Table B-D show BK-18 estimates. Cross-market spillover effects are illustrated and the total spillover index of other variables is presented. Tables B to D show the total frequency connectedness of three frequency bands. Total interconnectivity of returns is 23.83% and 25.5% for volatility, while frequency connectedness for returns is 14.48%, 5.30%, and 4.05%, and frequency connectedness for volatility is 0.74%, 1.76%, and 22.9%. Return spillovers have short-term effects, while volatility spillovers are more pronounced in the long-term.

**Table 3 (a)**  
*Diebold–Yilmaz Spillover Method (DY-12)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM
1Bahrain	892	0.65	0.65	133	0.12	1.97	0.06	0.22	1.34	0.24	0.06	1.26	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.95	0.47	0.78	0.60
2Kuwait	0.08	94.5	0.99	0.89	0.22	0.77	0.19	0.04	0.31	0.09	0.18	0.04	0.12	0.44	0.27	0.33	0.21	0.30	0.30
3Oman	0.27	24.9	91.66	0.73	0.31	0.45	0.24	0.13	1.27	0.21	0.28	0.46	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.45	0.25	0.58	0.46
4Qatar	0.19	1.07	0.93	88.63	1.47	0.46	0.58	0.23	1.22	1.02	0.13	0.31	0.33	0.33	0.19	1.55	0.22	1.15	0.63
5Saudia	1.40	0.51	1.36	3.99	81.66	1.98	0.77	0.36	1.26	0.49	0.12	1.22	0.74	0.80	0.36	0.98	0.96	1.05	1.02
6UAE	1.62	0.89	0.72	6.30	1.68	78.01	0.44	0.29	2.08	0.66	0.20	1.30	0.91	0.82	0.96	0.62	0.62	1.86	1.22
7Pakistan	0.15	0.15	0.71	0.44	0.86	0.70	88.9	0.62	1.58	0.66	0.17	0.52	0.18	0.65	0.37	0.34	0.61	2.41	0.62
8India	0.51	0.26	0.74	0.29	0.35	0.47	0.28	82.38	3.62	1.08	0.13	2.40	0.65	0.94	0.48	0.70	1.03	3.69	0.98
9Brazil	0.52	0.15	0.07	1.27	0.75	0.27	0.22	0.62	83.0	2.81	0.25	0.28	0.23	0.36	0.74	1.31	0.98	6.12	0.94
10Russia	0.07	0.21	0.11	0.44	0.25	0.34	0.25	0.68	2.22	92.55	0.33	0.43	0.15	0.17	0.06	1.36	0.08	0.30	0.41
11China	0.02	0.46	0.17	0.11	0.16	0.07	0.04	0.03	0.15	0.25	96.9	0.09	0.06	0.11	0.10	0.65	0.29	0.30	0.17
12Canada	1.43	0.27	0.71	1.11	0.73	0.47	0.65	1.13	10.1	2.34	0.50	47.91	0.89	1.93	0.99	1.40	1.87	25.59	2.89
13France	0.36	0.14	0.07	0.46	0.17	0.52	0.06	0.83	3.10	1.59	0.21	2.00	41.21	16.59	19.66	0.54	6.24	6.25	3.27
14Germany	0.40	0.19	0.06	0.16	0.78	0.59	0.06	0.81	2.97	1.82	0.37	1.87	14.87	46.15	10.63	0.54	9.41	8.34	2.99
15Italy	0.22	0.27	0.19	0.31	0.13	0.54	0.05	0.55	2.25	1.14	0.25	1.78	21.96	13.07	46.45	0.49	4.60	5.74	2.97
16Japan	0.21	1.01	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.02	0.14	0.43	1.53	1.27	0.34	0.05	0.16	0.06	94.27	0.07	0.13	0.32
17UK	0.74	0.13	0.07	0.27	0.42	0.38	0.19	1.57	5.73	1.97	0.25	3.93	5.27	9.85	3.57	0.94	54.01	10.70	2.56
18USA	0.63	0.65	0.17	1.46	0.56	0.47	0.45	1.28	7.62	2.65	0.27	1.70	0.91	2.71	0.85	1.36	2.75	73.50	1.47
TO	0.49	0.53	0.43	1.09	0.50	0.58	0.25	0.53	2.62	1.14	0.28	1.11	2.65	2.73	2.20	0.81	1.70	4.18	23.83
Net	-0.1	0.23	-0.03	0.46	-0.52	-0.64	-0.37	-0.45	1.68	0.73	0.11	-1.78	-0.62	-0.26	-0.77	0.49	-0.86	2.71	TCH132%

**Note.** Table 3(a) displays (DY-12) conventional return spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO) minus FROM and total spillovers index (TCI) by Total FROM/Number of variables.

**Table 3(b)**

*Barunik-Krehlik Spillover Method (BK-18)—Spillover Band: 3.14–0.79; corresponds to 1 day to 4 days (Short-term)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM_ABS	FROM_WTH
1Bahrain	608 7	0.22	0.21	0.65	0.08	1.05	0.05	0.17	0.94	0.10	0.03	0.52	0.14	0.12	0.10	0.12	0.32	0.69	0.31	0.43
2Kuwait	0.06	65.43	0.51	0.39	0.12	0.59	0.16	0.02	0.20	0.08	0.08	0.04	0.08	0.42	0.13	0.24	0.20	0.26	0.20	0.28
3Oman	0.09	0.63	53.81	0.30	0.30	0.12	0.15	0.09	0.64	0.06	0.10	0.33	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.20	0.14	0.35	0.21	0.29
4Qatar	0.11	0.48	0.21	64.5	0.96	0.30	0.26	0.12	0.55	0.43	0.07	0.19	0.33	0.31	0.17	0.69	0.22	0.54	0.33	0.47
5Saudi	0.63	0.07	0.51	1.10	58.8	1.20	0.20	0.29	0.59	0.14	0.05	0.77	0.58	0.45	0.27	0.10	0.57	0.84	0.46	0.66
6UAE	1.07	0.75	0.31	33.4	0.58	58.45	0.30	0.23	0.59	0.23	0.16	0.47	0.37	0.28	0.29	0.22	0.20	0.99	0.58	0.82
7Pakistan	0.05	0.12	0.32	0.09	0.29	0.20	62.0	0.19	0.80	0.08	0.05	0.29	0.14	0.51	0.31	0.02	0.22	2.02	0.32	0.45
8India	0.33	0.14	0.59	0.15	0.10	0.28	0.16	62.6	1.46	0.49	0.04	1.76	0.27	0.36	0.18	0.07	0.47	2.31	0.51	0.72
9Brazil	0.41	0.09	0.05	1.16	0.49	0.11	0.19	0.45	65.4	1.21	0.06	0.25	0.14	0.32	0.44	0.44	0.81	5.39	0.67	0.94
10Russia	0.07	0.04	0.08	0.33	0.15	0.26	0.23	0.65	0.92	70.4	0.12	0.24	0.10	0.08	0.04	0.33	0.07	0.16	0.22	0.30
11China	0.01	0.39	0.07	0.08	0.16	0.06	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.07	71.8	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.10	0.25	0.28	0.22	0.11	0.16
12Canada	1.19	0.17	0.59	0.62	0.32	0.25	0.58	1.03	64.3	0.68	0.19	38.90	0.63	1.43	0.66	0.34	1.20	20.17	203	287
13France	0.26	0.08	0.04	0.37	0.03	0.40	0.05	0.55	1.27	0.49	0.07	0.77	32.7	9.89	13.76	0.15	3.05	3.07	1.90	2.70
14Germany	0.34	0.12	0.02	0.07	0.64	0.49	0.05	0.40	1.03	0.63	0.17	0.68	11.9	36.56	800	0.13	5.63	4.29	1.92	2.72
15Italy	0.11	0.15	0.10	0.23	0.03	0.47	0.04	0.28	0.87	0.19	0.11	0.80	17.5	8.15	36.84	0.06	2.25	3.16	1.92	2.71
16Japan	0.18	0.48	0.08	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.01	0.09	0.21	0.65	0.51	0.21	0.05	0.07	0.05	6.87	0.07	0.12	0.16	0.23
17UK	0.62	0.07	0.01	0.14	0.29	0.22	0.19	1.07	2.83	0.78	0.08	20.8	4.54	8.30	3.05	0.27	4.38	5.82	1.68	2.38
18USA	0.60	0.59	0.07	1.20	0.29	0.20	0.43	1.05	4.28	1.13	0.11	0.86	0.86	2.40	0.74	0.34	2.18	6.029	0.96	1.36
TO_ABS	0.34	0.25	0.21	0.57	0.27	0.35	0.17	0.37	1.32	0.41	0.11	0.57	2.10	1.84	1.57	0.22	0.99	2.80	14.48	
TO_WTH	0.48	0.36	0.30	0.81	0.38	0.49	0.24	0.53	1.86	0.58	0.16	0.81	2.97	2.61	2.23	0.31	1.41	3.96		20.48
NET	0.03	0.05	0.00	0.24	-0.19	-0.23	-0.15	-0.1	0.65	0.19	0.00	-1.46	0.20	-0.08	-0.35	0.06	-0.7	1.84		

**Note.** Table 3(b) displays (BK-18) short-term conventional return spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO-ABS) minus (FROM-ABS).

**Table 3 (c)**

*Barunik-Krehlik Spillover Method (BK-18)—Spillover band: 0.79–0.31; corresponds to 4 days to 10 days (Medium-term)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM_ABS	FROM_WTH
1Bahrain	17.00	0.19	0.21	0.38	0.02	0.52	0.00	0.03	0.24	0.06	0.01	0.43	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.36	0.08	0.07	0.16	0.87
2Kuwait	0.01	18.1	0.29	0.31	0.06	0.12	0.02	0.01	0.07	0.01	0.06	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.08	0.06	0.01	0.03	0.07	0.37
3Oman	0.10	0.99	22.8	0.22	0.01	0.18	0.05	0.02	0.33	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.14	0.06	0.12	0.14	0.78
4Qatar	0.05	0.28	0.38	15.2	0.29	0.10	0.20	0.06	0.32	0.33	0.05	0.07	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.49	0.00	0.35	0.17	0.94
5Saudia	0.44	0.19	0.47	1.62	14.3	0.46	0.32	0.02	0.30	0.17	0.02	0.27	0.10	0.22	0.05	0.40	0.23	0.11	0.30	1.69
6UAE	0.26	0.04	0.17	1.67	0.57	12.2	0.07	0.04	0.72	0.20	0.01	0.46	0.32	0.33	0.37	0.19	0.23	0.49	0.34	1.92
7Pakistan	0.04	0.02	0.20	0.16	0.28	0.26	17.0	0.22	0.40	0.24	0.05	0.14	0.03	0.09	0.04	0.13	0.22	0.26	0.16	0.88
8India	0.10	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.11	0.10	0.06	12.4	1.07	0.23	0.04	0.40	0.22	0.35	0.16	0.26	0.31	0.73	0.24	1.35
9Brazil	0.07	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.13	0.10	0.02	0.09	10.7	0.87	0.10	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.17	0.43	0.10	0.40	0.15	0.84
10Russia	0.00	0.09	0.02	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.01	0.01	0.78	13.9	0.11	0.13	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.56	0.01	0.09	0.12	0.66
11China	0.00	0.04	0.06	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.10	16.0	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.22	0.01	0.06	0.03	0.19
12Canada	0.12	0.05	0.04	0.22	0.22	0.12	0.05	0.06	2.01	0.86	0.15	5.50	0.16	0.32	0.18	0.53	0.39	3.28	0.49	2.75
13France	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.01	0.14	0.94	0.59	0.07	0.69	5.53	4.33	3.69	0.18	1.94	1.85	0.82	4.61
14Germany	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.22	1.01	0.64	0.11	0.68	1.89	6.26	1.63	0.22	2.34	2.35	0.63	3.55
15Italy	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.15	0.67	0.48	0.08	0.55	2.91	3.20	6.14	0.20	1.43	1.51	0.64	3.59
16Japan	0.03	0.32	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.15	0.55	0.44	0.07	0.00	0.05	0.01	15.9 5	0.00	0.01	0.10	0.54
17UK	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.00	0.27	1.54	0.65	0.08	1.14	0.47	1.03	0.30	0.32	6.54	2.91	0.50	2.83
18USA	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.11	0.14	0.16	0.02	0.12	1.77	0.82	0.08	0.50	0.03	0.21	0.05	0.51	0.34	8.16	0.27	1.55
TO_ABS	0.08	0.14	0.12	0.28	0.12	0.13	0.05	0.08	0.69	0.38	0.09	0.31	0.35	0.57	0.38	0.29	0.43	0.81	5.30	
TO_WTH	0.44	0.80	0.66	1.59	0.66	0.75	0.27	0.47	3.87	2.16	0.48	1.77	1.97	3.24	2.15	1.63	2.41	4.58		29.89
NET	-0.08	0.07	-0.02	0.11	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.54	0.26	0.06	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.19	-0.1	0.54		

**Note.** Table 3(c) displays (BK-18) medium-term conventional return spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO-ABS) minus (FROM-ABS).

**Table 3 (d)**

*Barunik-Krehlik Spillover Method (BK-18)—Spillover Band: 0.31–0.00; corresponds to 10 days to infinite days (Long- term)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM_ABS	FROM_WTH
1Bahrain	1136	0.23	0.22	0.29	0.02	0.40	0.01	0.02	0.16	0.08	0.02	0.31	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.46	0.07	0.02	0.14	1.19
2Kuwait	0.00	1098	0.19	0.19	0.04	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.35
3Oman	0.07	0.87	15.00	0.20	0.00	0.15	0.03	0.02	0.29	0.07	0.09	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.11	0.05	0.11	0.12	1.03
4Qatar	0.03	0.31	0.34	8.93	0.22	0.06	0.12	0.05	0.34	0.26	0.01	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.00	0.26	0.13	1.16
5Saudi	0.34	0.25	0.39	12.7	8.50	0.32	0.25	0.04	0.37	0.18	0.05	0.17	0.06	0.13	0.04	0.48	0.16	0.11	0.25	2.20
6UAE	0.30	0.10	0.24	1.29	0.53	7.35	0.07	0.01	0.78	0.22	0.03	0.38	0.22	0.21	0.30	0.22	0.19	0.38	0.30	2.63
7Pakistan	0.05	0.01	0.20	0.19	0.29	0.23	9.90	0.20	0.39	0.34	0.07	0.10	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.18	0.17	0.12	0.14	1.25
8India	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.14	0.09	0.05	7.41	1.09	0.35	0.04	0.24	0.16	0.23	0.14	0.37	0.26	0.65	0.23	1.99
9Brazil	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.07	0.13	0.06	0.01	0.07	6.87	0.73	0.10	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.12	0.44	0.08	0.33	0.13	1.10
10Russia	0.00	0.08	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.52	8.30	0.10	0.06	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.46	0.00	0.05	0.08	0.71
11China	0.00	0.03	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	9.17	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.18	0.00	0.08	0.02	0.21	
12Canada	0.12	0.05	0.07	0.28	0.19	0.10	0.02	0.04	1.63	0.80	0.16	3.51	0.11	0.17	0.15	0.53	0.27	2.14	0.38	3.29
13France	0.06	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.00	0.14	0.89	0.51	0.07	0.54	3.03	2.37	2.21	0.21	1.25	1.33	0.54	4.70
14Germany	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.06	0.00	0.19	0.93	0.54	0.08	0.51	1.04	3.33	1.00	0.20	1.44	1.70	0.44	3.80
15Italy	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.00	0.13	0.71	0.47	0.06	0.42	1.58	1.72	3.47	0.23	0.91	1.08	0.42	3.64
16Japan	0.00	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.08	0.33	0.32	0.05	0.00	0.03	0.00	9.63	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.51
17UK	0.07	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.00	0.23	1.36	0.54	0.09	0.77	0.26	0.52	0.22	0.36	3.69	1.97	0.37	3.21
18USA	0.01	0.02	0.05	0.15	0.14	0.11	0.01	0.11	1.58	0.71	0.07	0.35	0.02	0.10	0.06	0.51	0.23	5.06	0.24	2.08
TO_ABS	0.07	0.13	0.11	0.24	0.11	0.10	0.03	0.07	0.62	0.35	0.08	0.22	0.20	0.32	0.24	0.30	0.28	0.57	4.05	
TO_WTH	0.61	1.14	0.93	2.04	0.99	0.90	0.29	0.62	5.37	2.99	0.68	1.94	1.72	2.72	2.11	2.56	2.44	4.94	34.98	

NET	-0.07	0.09	-0.01	0.11	-0.14	-0.20	-0.11	-0.16	0.49	0.27	0.06	-0.16	-0.34	-0.12	-0.18	0.24	-0.09	0.33
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**Note.** Table 3(d) displays (BK-18) long-term conventional return spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO-ABS) minus (FROM-ABS).

**Table 4 (a)***Diebold–Yilmaz Spillover Method (DY-12)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM
1Bahrain	93.37	3.74	0.40	0.18	0.18	0.38	0.01	0.33	0.14	0.02	0.02	0.15	0.06	0.19	0.40	0.26	0.15	0.02	0.37
2Kuwait	0.16	92.94	1.01	1.53	0.63	0.05	0.04	0.07	0.51	0.57	0.07	0.11	0.47	0.21	0.52	0.01	0.60	0.49	0.39
3Oman	0.32	0.83	93.40	1.54	1.29	0.17	0.22	0.04	0.54	0.32	0.01	0.04	0.25	0.13	0.21	0.17	0.33	0.17	0.37
4Qatar	0.10	2.25	0.80	93.48	0.50	0.46	0.38	0.30	0.44	0.34	0.00	0.18	0.00	0.03	0.07	0.00	0.17	0.49	0.36
5Saudi	0.14	3.94	1.28	8.48	79.95	0.71	0.20	0.65	0.88	0.59	0.09	0.19	0.17	0.41	0.51	0.36	0.83	0.62	1.11
6UAE	0.43	2.51	0.76	11.49	1.00	77.19	0.07	0.12	0.31	2.12	0.34	0.58	0.45	0.53	0.74	0.65	0.41	0.31	1.27
7Pakistan	0.08	0.11	0.29	2.80	0.65	0.06	94.99	0.66	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.04	0.11	0.09	0.28
8India	0.46	0.29	0.46	0.63	0.68	0.56	0.44	82.68	0.95	0.71	0.90	1.61	0.32	0.31	0.54	5.51	0.67	2.29	0.96
9Brazil	0.14	1.04	0.87	1.12	1.00	0.17	0.01	0.43	78.65	3.14	1.10	1.15	1.03	0.45	0.80	4.90	2.51	1.50	1.19
10Russia	0.08	0.58	0.25	0.16	0.28	0.72	0.00	0.09	1.06	89.41	0.77	1.06	0.60	0.38	0.32	2.60	0.88	0.75	0.59
11China	0.08	0.16	0.01	0.05	0.56	0.01	0.09	0.21	0.10	0.21	96.40	0.15	0.38	0.58	0.16	0.57	0.25	0.07	0.20
12Canada	0.18	1.70	0.20	0.78	0.90	0.58	0.01	0.81	3.91	2.50	1.57	52.32	1.32	1.21	1.74	11.53	3.00	15.74	2.65
13France	0.09	0.76	0.16	0.05	0.34	0.38	0.01	0.45	1.80	2.02	1.47	4.55	28.25	15.48	13.12	6.11	13.86	11.13	3.99
14Germany	0.12	0.72	0.14	0.26	0.43	0.40	0.01	0.46	1.65	2.61	1.87	3.71	9.47	37.88	6.81	6.87	13.14	13.45	3.45
15Italy	0.19	0.69	0.17	0.20	0.39	0.51	0.00	0.45	1.43	2.92	1.02	3.64	13.74	10.04	43.21	5.82	8.05	7.53	3.15
16Japan	0.23	0.09	0.11	0.01	0.15	0.13	0.00	0.38	0.90	0.38	1.76	0.81	0.39	0.89	1.31	91.03	0.62	0.80	0.50
17UK	0.10	1.63	0.21	0.48	0.65	0.28	0.03	0.61	2.64	1.23	1.75	6.36	4.43	4.77	2.99	6.77	49.30	15.77	2.82
18USA	0.04	0.67	0.08	0.57	0.26	0.17	0.00	1.18	3.47	1.71	3.44	7.19	0.46	1.32	0.26	9.51	3.05	66.62	1.85
TO	0.16	1.21	0.40	1.68	0.55	0.32	0.08	0.40	1.15	1.19	0.90	1.75	1.87	2.05	1.69	3.43	2.70	3.96	25.50

NET	-0.21	1.21	0.4	1.68	0.55	0.32	0.08	0.4	1.15	1.19	0.9	1.75	1.87	2.05	1.69	3.43	2.7	3.96	TCI:141%
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**Note.** Table 4(a) displays (DY-12) conventional volatility spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO) minus FROM and total spillovers index (TCI) by Total FROM/Number of variables.

### Table 4(b)

*Barunik-Krehlik Spillover Method (BK-18)—Spillover Band: 3.14–0.79; corresponds to 1 day to 4 days (Short-term)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM_ABS	FROM_WTH
1Bahrain	9.91	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.18
2Kuwait	0.01	6.51	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.21
3Oman	0.02	0.01	6.87	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.14
4Qatar	0.00	0.02	0.01	5.78	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.01
5Saudia	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	5.92	0.04	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.18
6UAE	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.04	5.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.20
7Pakistan	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.00	7.60	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.08
8India	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.04	8.35	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.23
9Brazil	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	8.58	0.06	0.00	0.07	0.07	0.01	0.04	0.06	0.14	0.07	0.04	0.50
10Russia	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.06	7.63	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.29
11China	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	6.77	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.09
12Canada	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.00	5.28	0.07	0.03	0.11	0.02	0.10	0.18	0.03	0.47
13France	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.05	4.39	0.77	1.07	0.00	0.30	0.02	0.13	1.76
14Germany	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	1.03	5.14	0.75	0.02	0.34	0.06	0.13	1.77
15Italy	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.10	1.31	0.70	5.04	0.03	0.23	0.02	0.14	1.91
16Japan	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.04	6.31	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.25
17UK	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.10	0.04	0.01	0.10	0.52	0.48	0.32	0.02	6.11	0.13	0.10	1.38
18USA	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.00	0.20	0.02	0.08	0.02	0.02	0.14	5.32	0.03	0.46

TO_ABS	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.18	0.12	0.14	0.01	0.08	0.03	0.74
TO_WTH	0.12	0.18	0.13	0.16	0.21	0.22	0.08	0.19	0.35	0.21	0.07	0.53	2.41	1.71	1.91	0.21	1.11	0.47	
NET	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.05	-0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	0.00	1025

**Note.** Table 4(b) displays (BK-18) short-term volatility spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO-ABS) minus (FROM-ABS).

**Table 4 (c)**

*Barunik-Krehlik Spillover Method (BK-18)—Spillover Band: 0.79–0.31; corresponds to 4 days to 10 days (Medium-term)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM_ABS	FROM_WTH
1Bahrain	17.12	0.09	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.07	0.00	0.08	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.21
2Kuwait	0.02	11.79	0.03	0.05	0.06	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.02	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.22
3Oman	0.04	0.02	12.43	0.03	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.05	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.02	0.15
4Qatar	0.01	0.05	0.02	10.58	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.17
5Saudi	0.01	0.07	0.04	0.11	10.63	0.07	0.02	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.01	0.03	0.24
6UAE	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.15	0.07	10.60	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.09	0.01	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.27
7Pakistan	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.07	0.02	0.00	13.63	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.09
8India	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.07	14.42	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.09	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.28
9Brazil	0.01	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.04	14.57	0.16	0.02	0.11	0.12	0.03	0.08	0.16	0.27	0.12	0.07	0.57
10Russia	0.00	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.10	0.00	0.01	0.11	13.53	0.02	0.06	0.07	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.05	0.04	0.31
11China	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.02	11.10	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.08
12Canada	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.04	0.14	0.06	0.01	9.03	0.14	0.09	0.22	0.18	0.23	1.09	0.13	0.99
13France	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.15	6.31	2.30	2.22	0.03	1.18	0.24	0.35	2.69
14Germany	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.04	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.08	0.02	0.08	1.75	8.12	1.26	0.06	1.18	0.38	0.28	2.11
15Italy	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.06	0.00	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.00	0.19	2.49	1.66	8.76	0.06	0.69	0.24	0.31	2.40

<b>16</b> Japan	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.10	0.03	0.04	0.08	0.02	0.07	0.09	11.43	0.04	0.07	0.04	0.27
<b>17</b> UK	0.01	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.16	0.06	0.01	0.33	0.95	0.87	0.60	0.07	10.04	0.68	0.22	1.67
<b>18</b> USA	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.05	0.13	0.05	0.03	0.50	0.09	0.20	0.10	0.14	0.33	9.41	0.10	0.74
TO_ABS	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.09	0.32	0.30	0.27	0.05	0.24	0.17	1.76		
TO_WTH	0.12	0.26	0.15	0.27	0.23	0.23	0.08	0.21	0.42	0.33	0.09	0.72	2.47	2.31	2.08	0.40	1.82	1.30		13.46
NET	-0.01	0	0	0.01	0	-0.01	0	-0.01	-0.02	0	0	-0.04	-0.03	0.02	-0.04	0.01	0.02	0.07		

**Note.** Table 4(c) displays (BK-18) medium-term volatility spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO-ABS) minus (FROM-ABS).

**Table 4(d)**

*Barunik-Krehlik Spillover Method (BK-18)—Spillover Band: 0.31–0.00; corresponds to 10 days to infinite days (Long-term)*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FROM ABS	FROM WTH
<b>1</b> Bahrain	6633	3.64	0.32	0.16	0.14	0.28	0.01	0.22	0.12	0.02	0.02	0.11	0.05	0.15	0.32	0.19	0.13	0.02	0.33	0.41
<b>2</b> Kuwait	0.14	74.64	0.97	1.46	0.54	0.04	0.03	0.06	0.43	0.50	0.06	0.09	0.39	0.17	0.44	0.01	0.50	0.42	0.35	0.44
<b>3</b> Oman	0.26	0.79	74.10	1.50	1.22	0.15	0.18	0.04	0.47	0.28	0.01	0.04	0.21	0.12	0.18	0.15	0.29	0.17	0.34	0.42
<b>4</b> Qatar	0.09	2.18	0.77	77.12	0.44	0.39	0.31	0.25	0.38	0.31	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.02	0.06	0.00	0.15	0.41	0.33	0.41
<b>5</b> Saudia	0.12	3.84	1.23	8.36	63.40	0.60	0.18	0.57	0.87	0.55	0.09	0.17	0.16	0.36	0.45	0.35	0.75	0.62	1.07	1.34
<b>6</b> UAE	0.37	2.49	0.74	11.32	0.89	60.69	0.07	0.12	0.30	2.00	0.33	0.52	0.38	0.45	0.64	0.63	0.37	0.30	1.22	1.53
<b>7</b> Pakistan	0.03	0.10	0.25	2.71	0.61	0.05	73.76	0.55	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.10	0.09	0.26	0.33
<b>8</b> India	0.37	0.28	0.46	0.56	0.57	0.54	0.32	59.91	0.89	0.70	0.86	1.52	0.30	0.30	0.48	5.40	0.62	2.20	0.91	1.14
<b>9</b> Brazil	0.12	0.95	0.78	1.04	0.98	0.16	0.01	0.37	55.49	2.91	1.08	0.97	0.84	0.41	0.69	4.67	2.10	1.31	1.08	1.35
<b>10</b> Russia	0.08	0.51	0.20	0.14	0.24	0.58	0.00	0.09	0.89	68.24	0.74	0.98	0.50	0.33	0.29	2.54	0.74	0.67	0.53	0.66

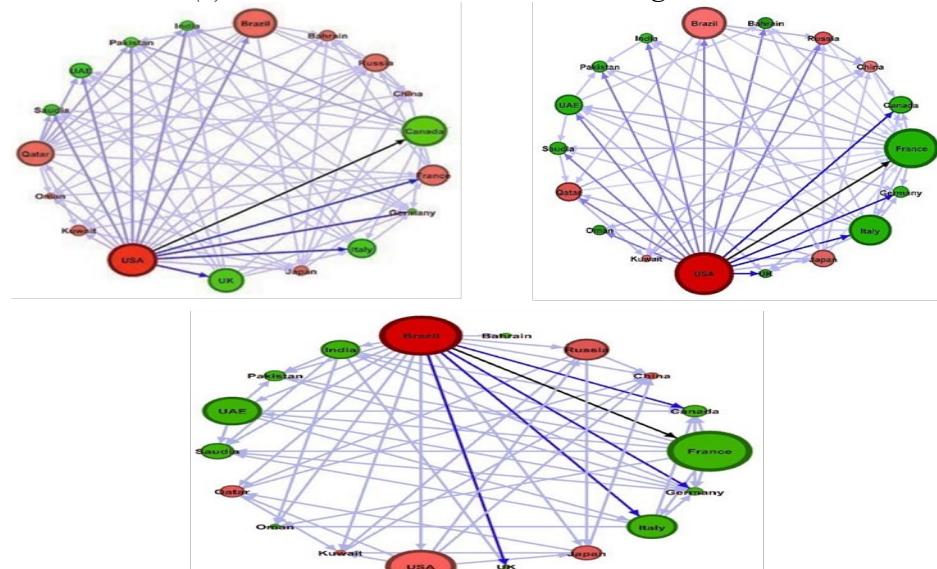
<b>11</b> China	0.02	0.15	0.01	0.05	0.56	0.01	0.09	0.18	0.09	0.18	7853	0.13	0.33	0.52	0.15	0.52	0.23	0.07	0.18	0.23
<b>12</b> Canada	0.16	1.67	0.20	0.75	0.87	0.52	0.01	0.76	3.74	242	156	3802	1.11	1.10	141	1133	267	1447	249	312
<b>13</b> France	0.08	0.71	0.14	0.04	0.33	0.33	0.00	0.44	1.72	1.96	145	436	17.55	1240	983	607	1239	1087	351	440
<b>14</b> Germany	0.10	0.70	0.13	0.25	0.39	0.34	0.00	0.45	1.61	253	184	361	6.69	2462	479	679	11.62	13.01	3.05	3.82
<b>15</b> Italy	0.16	0.63	0.14	0.19	0.34	0.42	0.00	0.42	1.36	284	101	335	994	7.68	2941	5.73	7.13	7.28	2.70	3.39
<b>16</b> Japan	0.19	0.09	0.09	0.01	0.13	0.11	0.00	0.32	0.75	033	170	0.69	0.36	0.79	1.18	7329	0.56	0.70	0.45	0.56
<b>17</b> UK	0.09	1.54	0.18	0.45	0.58	0.25	0.02	0.58	238	1.13	1.73	593	297	342	2.08	6.68	33.16	14.97	250	3.14
<b>18</b> USA	0.04	0.61	0.08	0.50	0.26	0.15	0.00	1.12	331	1.64	341	649	0.34	1.03	0.14	9.35	259	51.89	1.73	217
TO_ABS	0.13	1.16	0.37	1.64	0.50	0.27	0.07	0.36	1.07	1.13	0.88	1.62	1.37	1.63	1.28	3.36	2.38	3.75	22.99	
TO_WTH	0.17	1.45	0.47	2.06	0.63	0.34	0.09	0.46	1.35	1.42	1.11	2.03	1.72	2.04	1.61	4.22	2.99	4.71		28.86
NET	-0.2	0.81	0.03	1.31	-0.57	-0.95	-0.19	-0.55	-0.01	0.6	0.7	-0.87	-2.14	-1.42	-1.42	2.91	-0.12	2.02		

**Note.** Table 4(d) displays (BK-18) long-term volatility spillover from markets in selected regions, calculated by net spillovers (TO-ABS) minus (FROM-ABS).

Table 4 displays volatility spillover analysis for conventional stocks, with higher ‘FROM-ABS’ indicating shocks from other markets to market j.. Higher ‘TO-ABS’ indicating shocks from market j to other markets). We subtract (TO-ABS – FROM-ABS) to determine the net transmitter of shocks to other markets and net receiver of shocks from other markets by its values. The highest positive value shows the top highest transmitter of shocks to other markets and the highest negative value shows the top highest receiver of shocks from other markets. Total connectedness index or TCI can be calculated by the total of FROM-ABS/Total number of variables. TCI shows the return and volatility spillovers variations /in the markets. ‘TO-WITH’ and ‘FROM-WITH’ is unweighted connectivity in conventional stocks. The USA and Brazil are the largest transmitters of spillovers, followed by Japan and Russia. Canada, UK, and Italy are the largest net recipients. The USA and Brazil remain the largest net transmitter, while Canada and UK are the largest receivers. The USA has the most volatility in the US stock market, significantly impacting conventional stock markets, which aligns with the findings of Bossman et al. (2022).

**Figure 7**

(a). Conventional Stock Market (b). Conventional Stock Market Short-term  
Medium-term (c). Conventional Stock Market Long-term

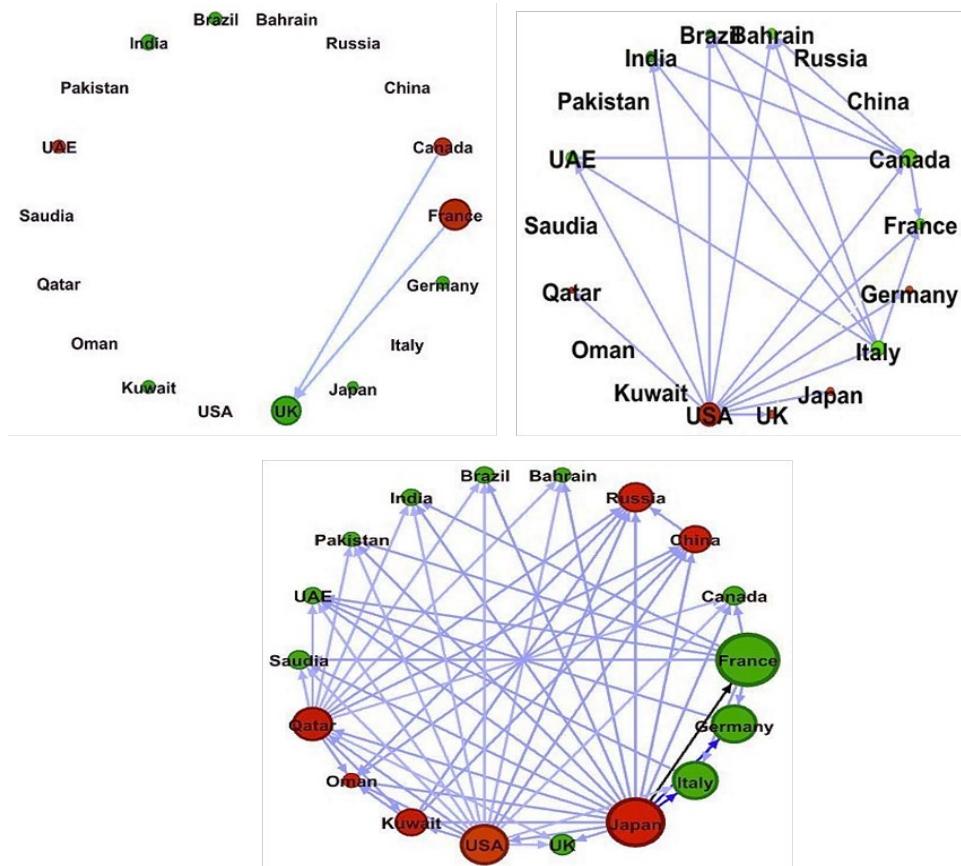


**Note.** Figure 7(a-c) displays BK-18 return spillovers in short-, medium-, and long-term frequency bands. Black edge between USA (top net)

transmitter) and Canada (top net receiver). The red circle represents the highest net transmitter, while the green circle represents the highest net receiver. High spillovers are highlighted, with dark blue indicating high spillovers and light blue indicating low spillovers (Gephi 0.90).

**Figure 8**

(a). Conventional Stock Market (b). Conventional Stock Market Short-term Medium-term (c). Conventional Stock Market Long-term

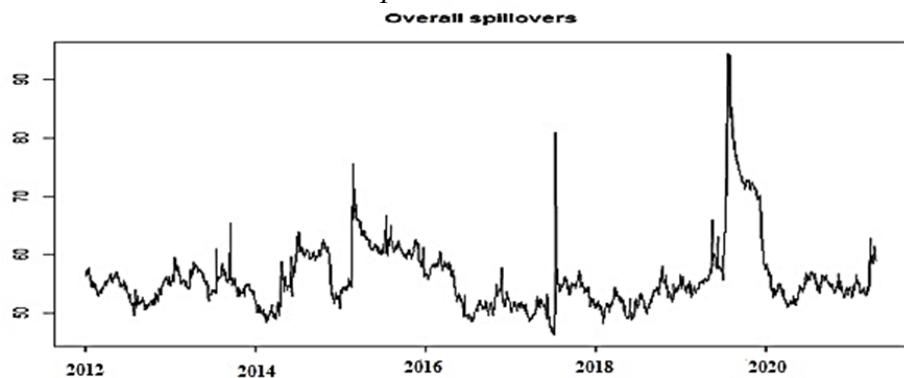


**Note.** Figure 8(a-c) shows BK-18 volatility spillovers in short-, medium-, and long-term frequency bands. Black edge between Japan (top net transmitter) and France (top net receiver). Red circles indicate the highest net transmitter of shocks, while green circles indicate the highest net receiver. High spillovers are highlighted, with dark blue indicating high spillovers and light blue indicating low spillovers (Gephi 0.90).

## Dynamic Returns Spillover

**Figure 9**

*Conventional Stocks Return Spillover*



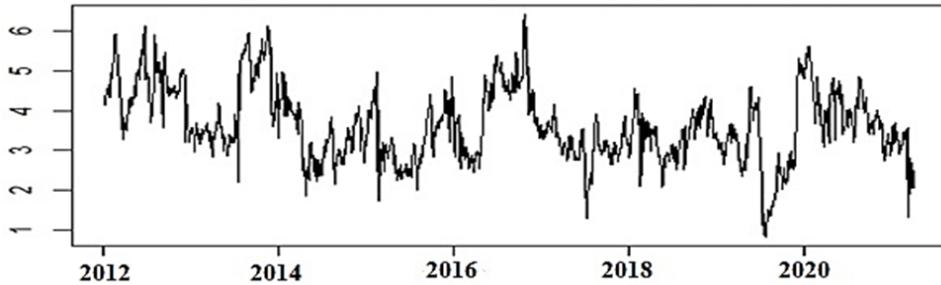
**Note.** Figure 9 shows the dynamic overall return spillovers of conventional stock markets in selected regions (RStudio).

## Dynamic Volatility Spillover

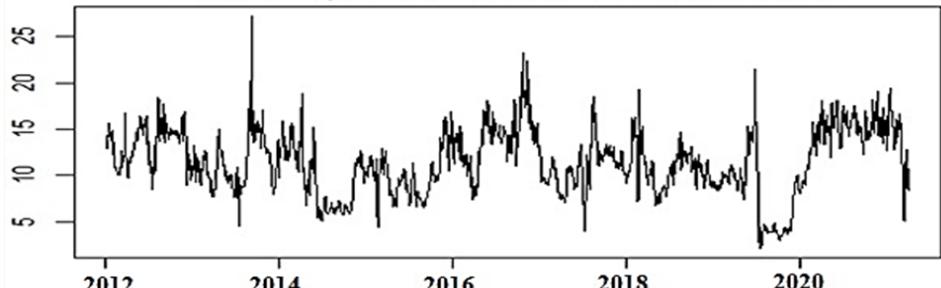
**Figure 10**

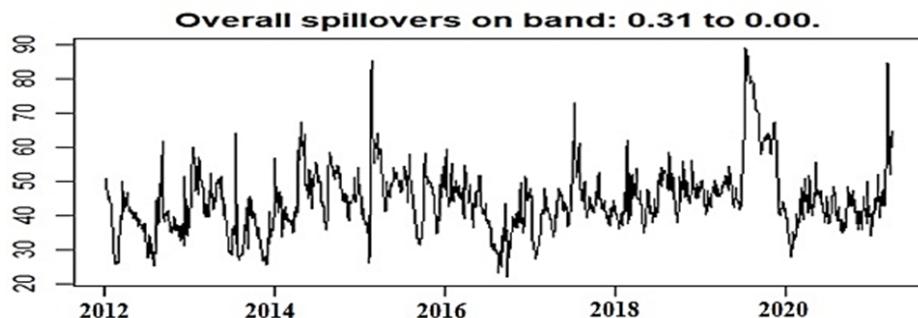
*Conventional Stock Volatility Spillovers*

Overall spillovers on band: 3.14 to 0.79.



Overall spillovers on band: 0.79 to 0.31.





**Note.** Figure 10 shows the dynamic overall volatility spillovers of the conventional stock market in selected regions.

### Conclusion and Policy Implications

The current study analyzes the return and volatility of conventional equity stock markets during two financial crises from 2012 to 2021. It finds a weak interconnectedness of return (1.32%) and volatility is 1.41%, with the USA being the highest net transmitter and Canada being the highest net receiver. Conventional stock market indices have low return TCI (1.32%), as opposed to high volatility TCI (1.41%). Conventional stocks are not safe for investment decisions during crises, making them suitable for portfolio diversification (Babar et al., [2023](#)).

The study reveals lower dynamic overall return spillovers for conventional stocks, but more pronounced volatility spillovers over time. Global events and the USA stock market significantly transmit returns and volatility to other countries, supporting the findings of Aziz et al. ([2022](#)) and Baker et al. ([2020](#)).

Between 2014 and 2015, crude oil prices dropped 60% due to US production of oil and technological innovation. Countries heavily reliant on oil, such as Saudi Arabia, Oman, UAE, and Kuwait, experienced higher losses. On the other hand, G7 countries must reduce oil consumption and develop renewable energy sources to combat inflation (Alqattan & Alhayky, [2016](#); Khan et al., [2019](#); Malik, [2016](#); Wen et al., [2021](#)). Coronavirus has significantly impacted returns and volatility in conventional stock markets, with the pandemic causing greater impact, again supporting the findings of Aziz et al. ([2022](#)).

The results of this study have a significant impact on the financial economics literature. The study concludes that conventional markets are

weakly interconnected and not safe for investment decisions. Portfolio managers can use this information regarding stock connection when predicting future co-movements, while policymakers need data and evidence on stock volatility during financial, energy, and health crises (Ali et al., 2022; Miniaoui et al., 2015).

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