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Notes

'In most countries, including the United States, control is not contestable. When control is not exerted through control blocks, anti-takeover devices like poison pills, classified boards and anti-takeover laws limit the scope for control challenges through markets. The United Kingdom, where such challenges are possible, is an exception' (Gugler, 2001).

Only slope dummies have been used. Sector dummies cannot be used. The use of both sector dummies and firm specific dummies as in panel data estimates causes the collapse of the estimation process because of collinearity

The variance inflation factor is computed by regressing each of the independent variables in the regression equation on the remaining repressors. If the value of the



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