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# The effects of settlement methods on liquidity needs

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# Motivation

- Liquidity risk appears as settlement failure.
- Settlement risk management led to global spread of RTGS.
- Cash saving motivation created hybrid (liquidity saving) RTGS with queue and multi/bilateral netting.
- Measure the effect of hybrid RTGS and expansion of its coverage.

# Expansion of Hybrid-RTGS

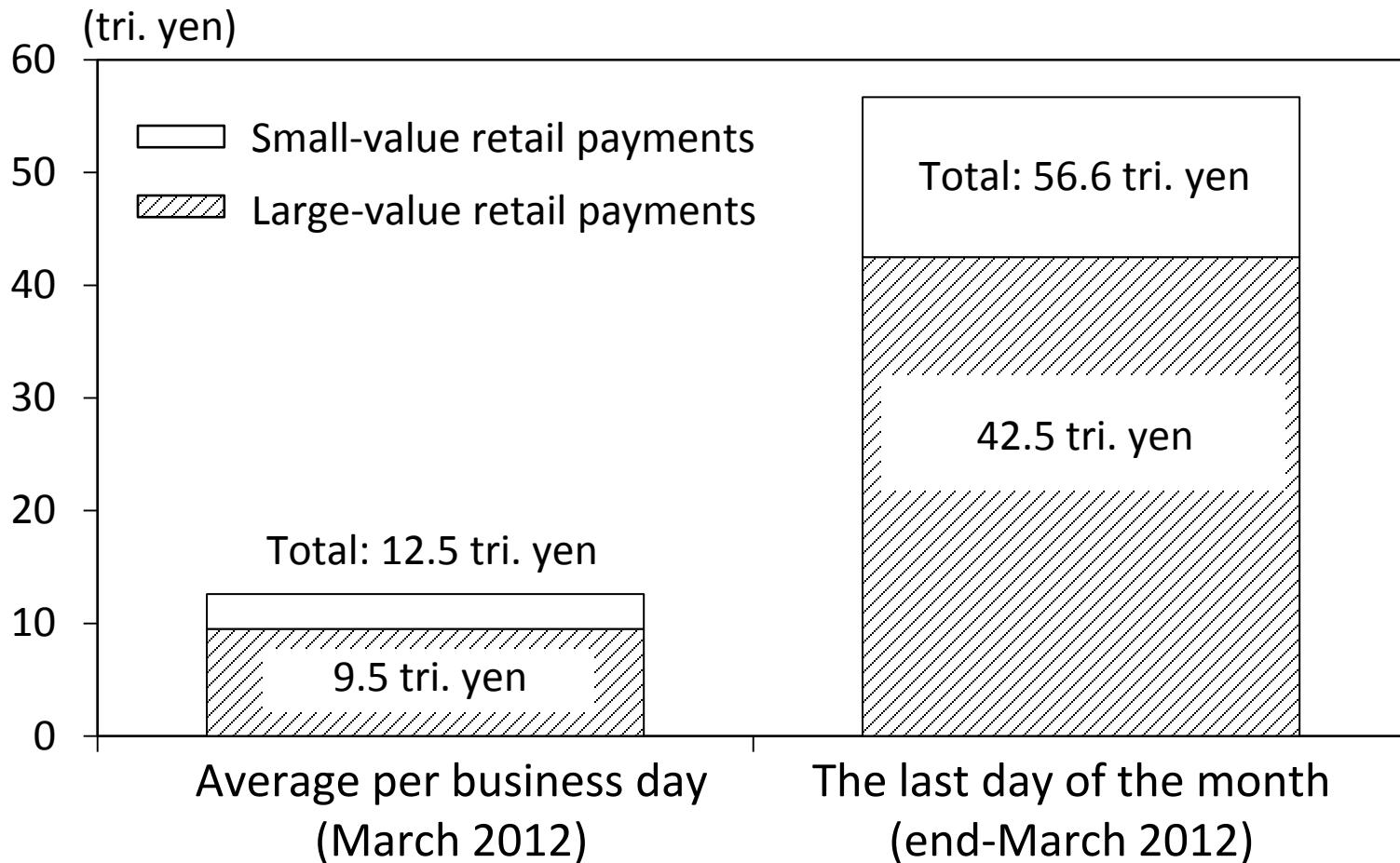
## 2 Step RTGS-XG project (XG: neXt Generation)

	Before RTGS-XG	After Phase 1	After Phase 2
Money market payments	RTGS since 2001	RTGS with LSF since Oct. 2008	RTGS with LSF since Nov. 2011
FX payments (yen side)	DNS	DNS	
Large-value retail payments			

# Retail payment system in Japan

- Run by private association, Zengin Net (Japanese Bank's Payment Clearing Network).
- Clearing system (CCP) to net out fund transfers among member banks.
- It was a pure DNS system and member banks used BOJ-NET to settle the netted payment obligation.
- Large value payments over 100 mil yen shifted to hybrid RTGS using BOJ-NET in RTGS-XG project phase 2.
- Small value payments still under DNS.

# Value of the retail payments



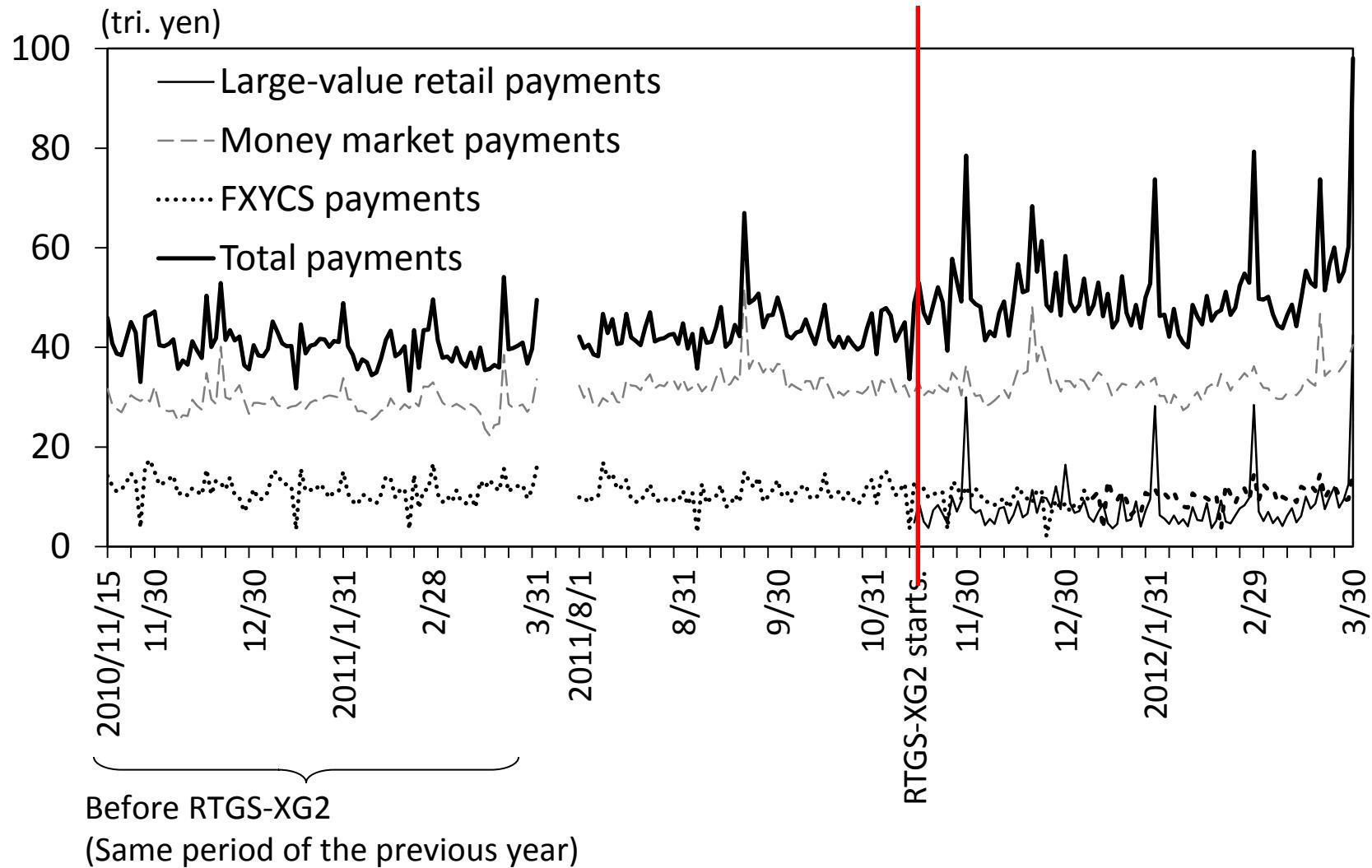
# Increase of liquidity demand by the move from DNS to hybrid RTGS

Daily ave. (tri.yen)	Transaction	Settlement	DNS netting (Settlement/Transaction)
Oct. 2011	10.3	2.2	21%
Dec. 2011	11.0	(8.5)	(77%)
Large value	7.7	(7.7)	----
Small value	3.3	0.8	25%

## Note

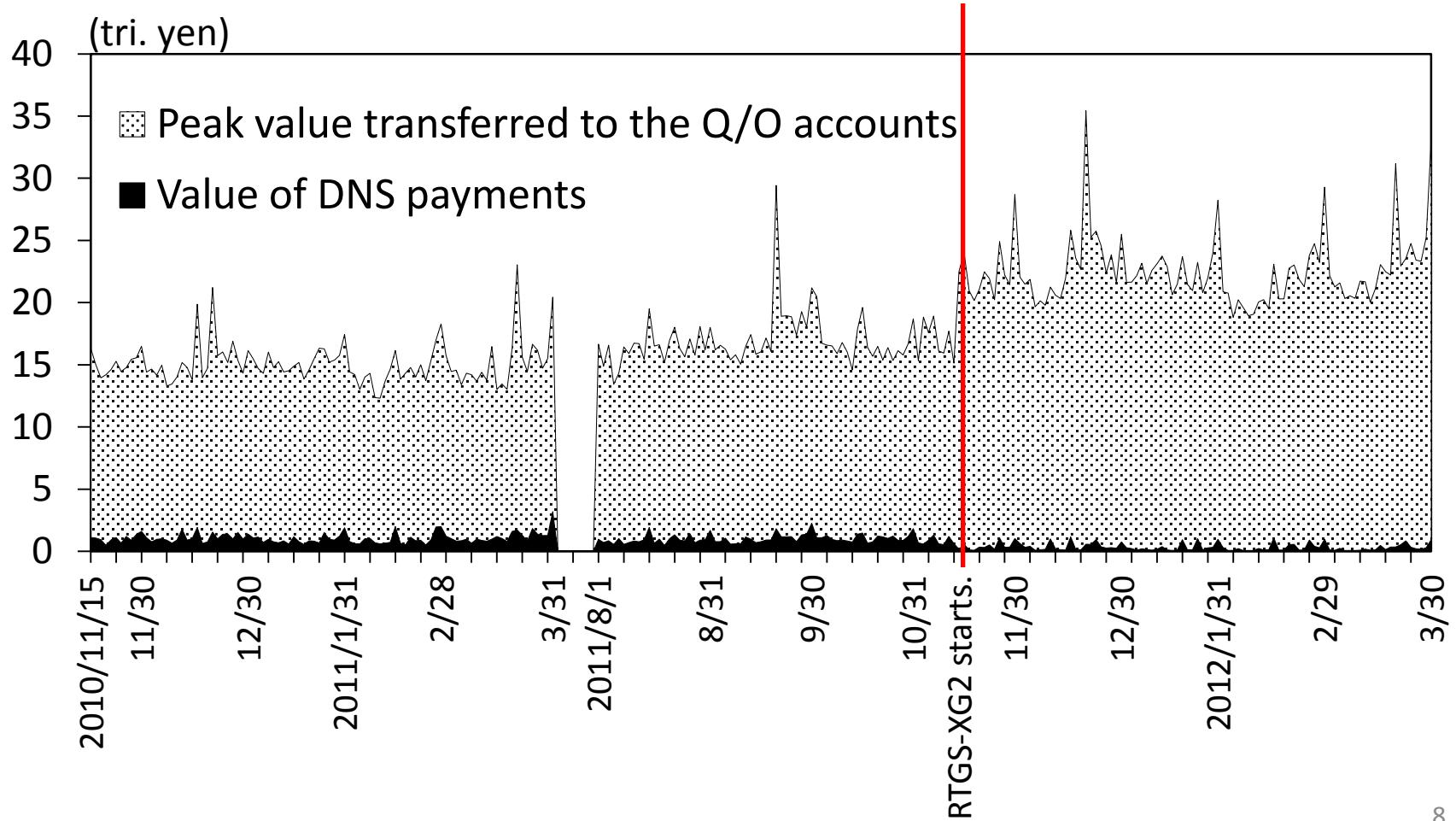
- 1) Assumption of No liquidity saving in large value payment.
- 2) November figures were mixed of DNS and hybrid RTGS due to mid-month movement.

# Developments of payment value

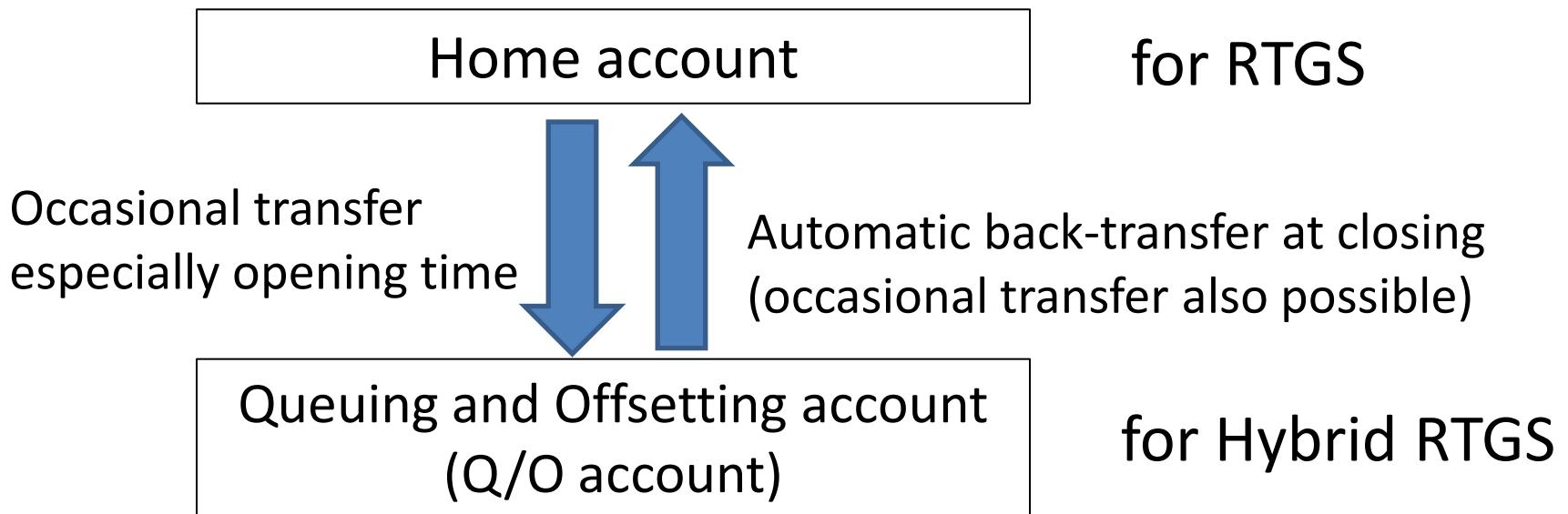


# Simple outcome of the XG project

- Increase in liquidity demand for settlement
- Improvement of settlement risk

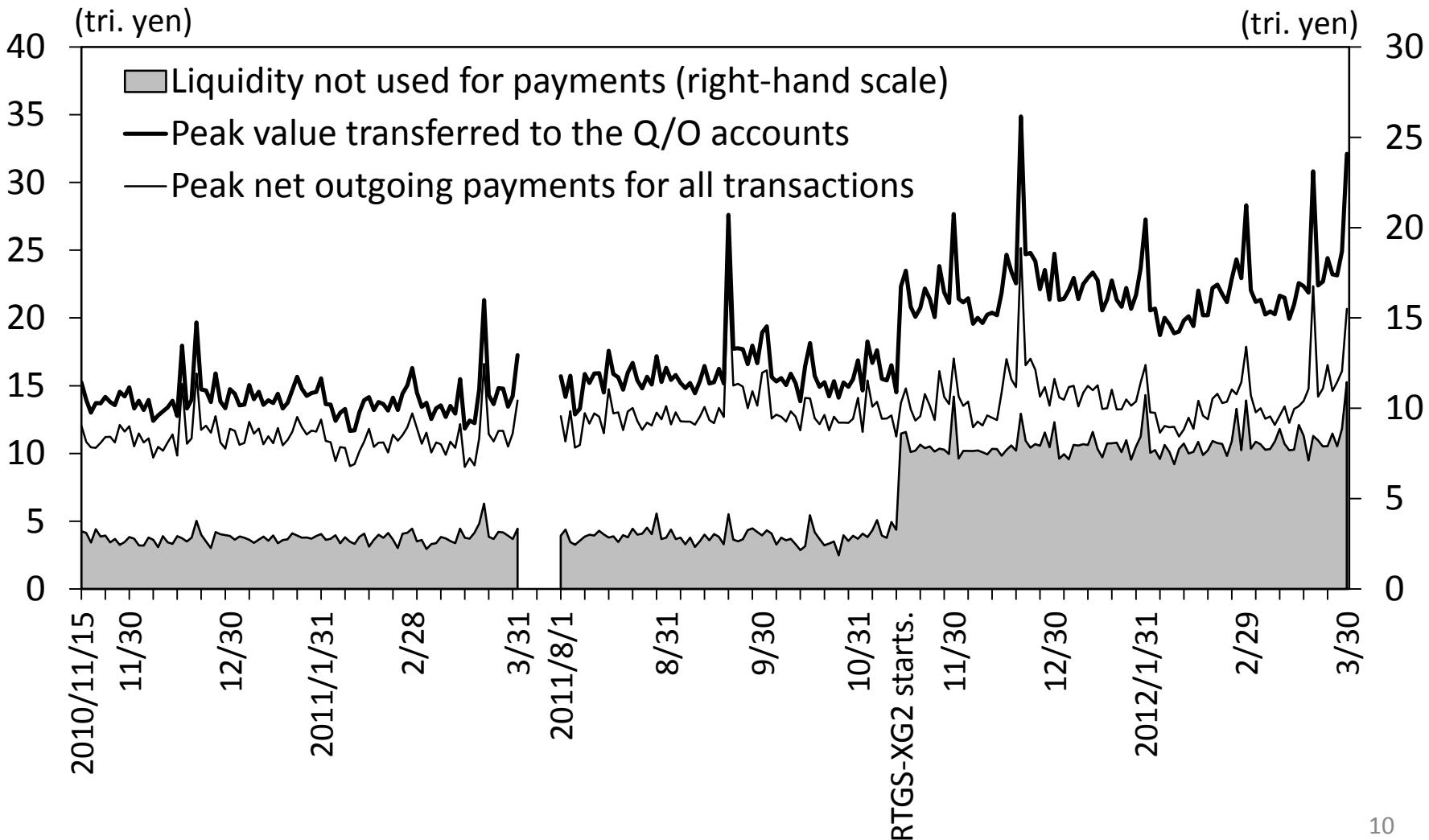


# Two accounts in BOJ-NET



Q/O account was introduced at the XG project phase 1 for the hybrid RTGS of money market and FX payment.

# Peak outstanding of Q/O account v.s. Minimum value to clear intraday peak



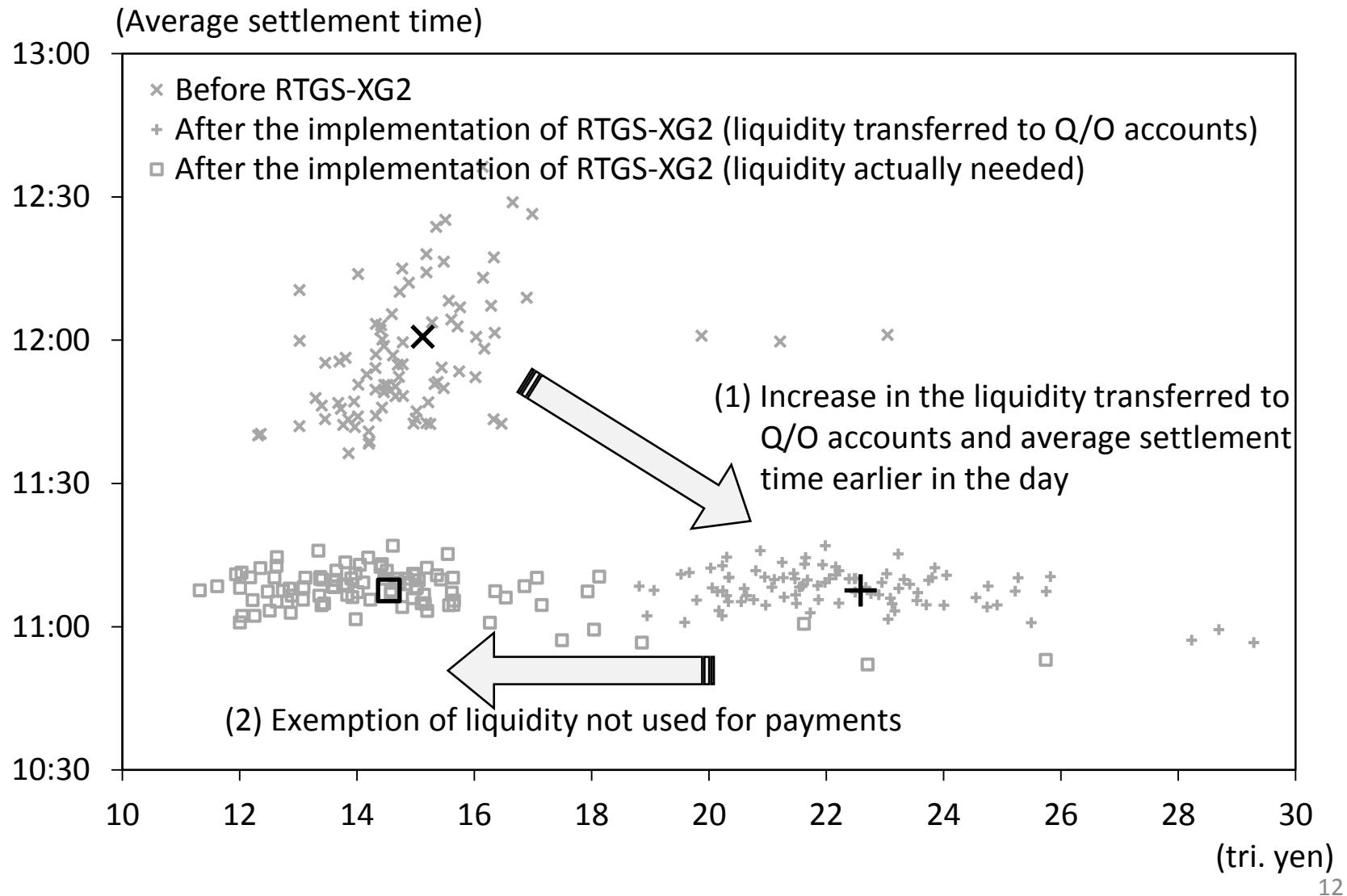
# Why so large liquidity in Q/O

- Accommodative monetary policy reduced cash holding cost in BOJ account.
- Weak incentive to control cash for settlement

## Incidental problem

- Difficulty to measure liquidity saving effect
- Use hypothetical value, e.g. minimum value to clear intraday peak in realized payments

# Potential of the LSF (Tradeoff → better-off)



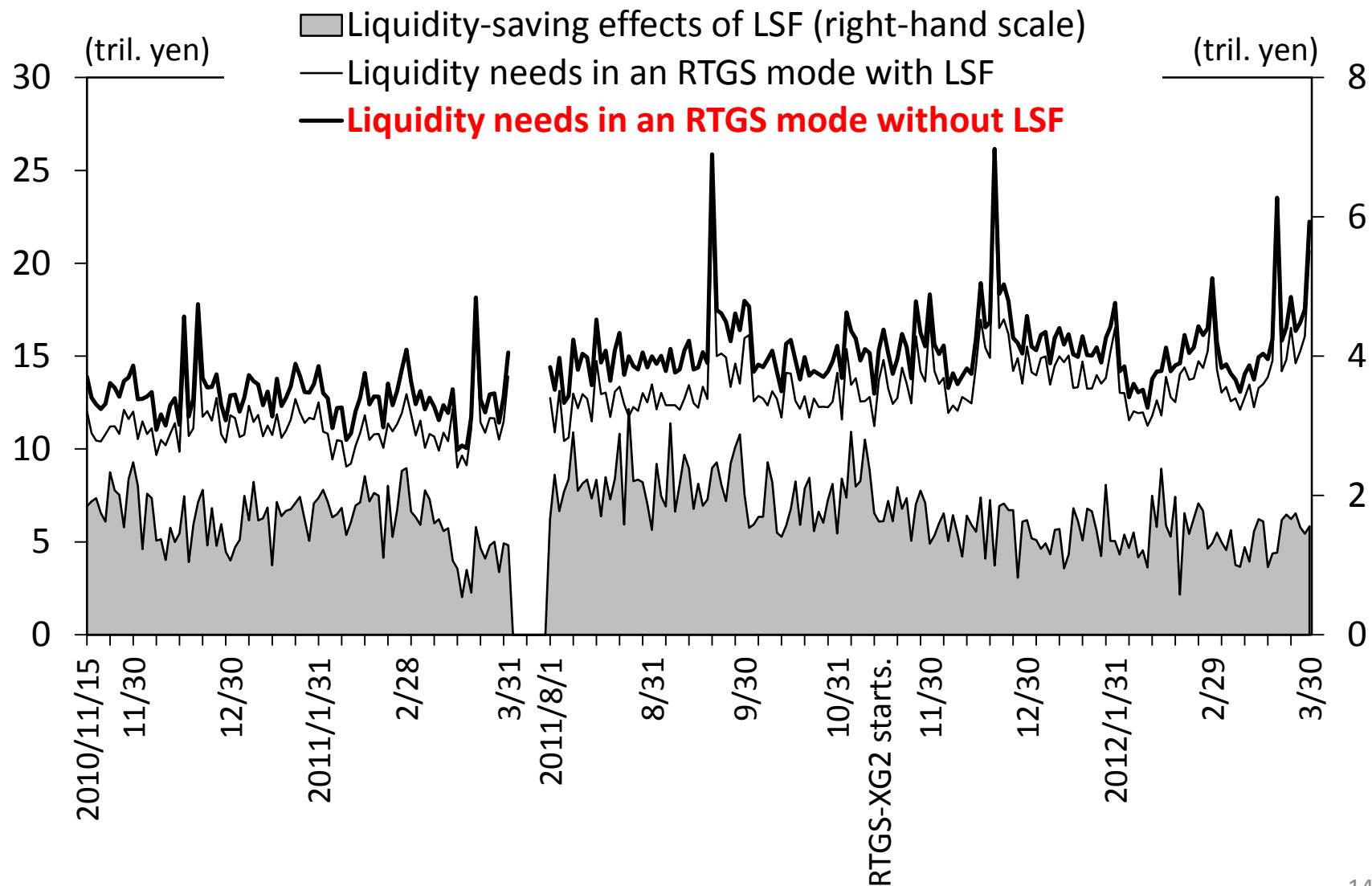
# Sources of liquidity saving

1. Liquidity saving features (LSF) in BOJ-NET
2. Expansion of hybrid RTGS

→ Measure the effects by hypothetical values

- Peak value under pure RTGS is estimated by sending time of payment instruction, while the value in hybrid RTGS is measured by settlement time.
- Sum of peak values separately measured in 1) money market, 2) FX, and 3) Large value retail payments

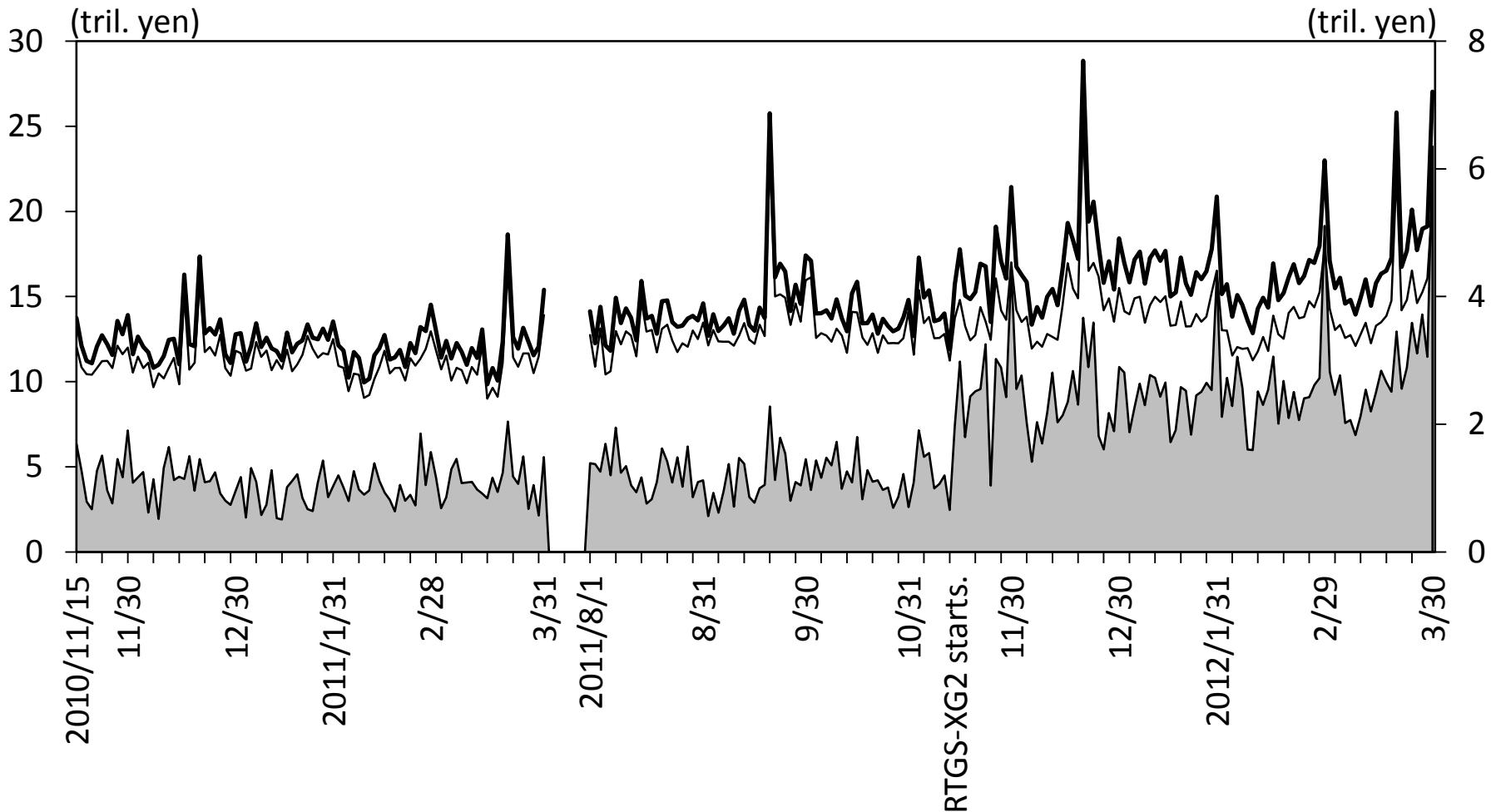
# 1. Direct effect of the LSF



## 2. Expansion of hybrid RTGS

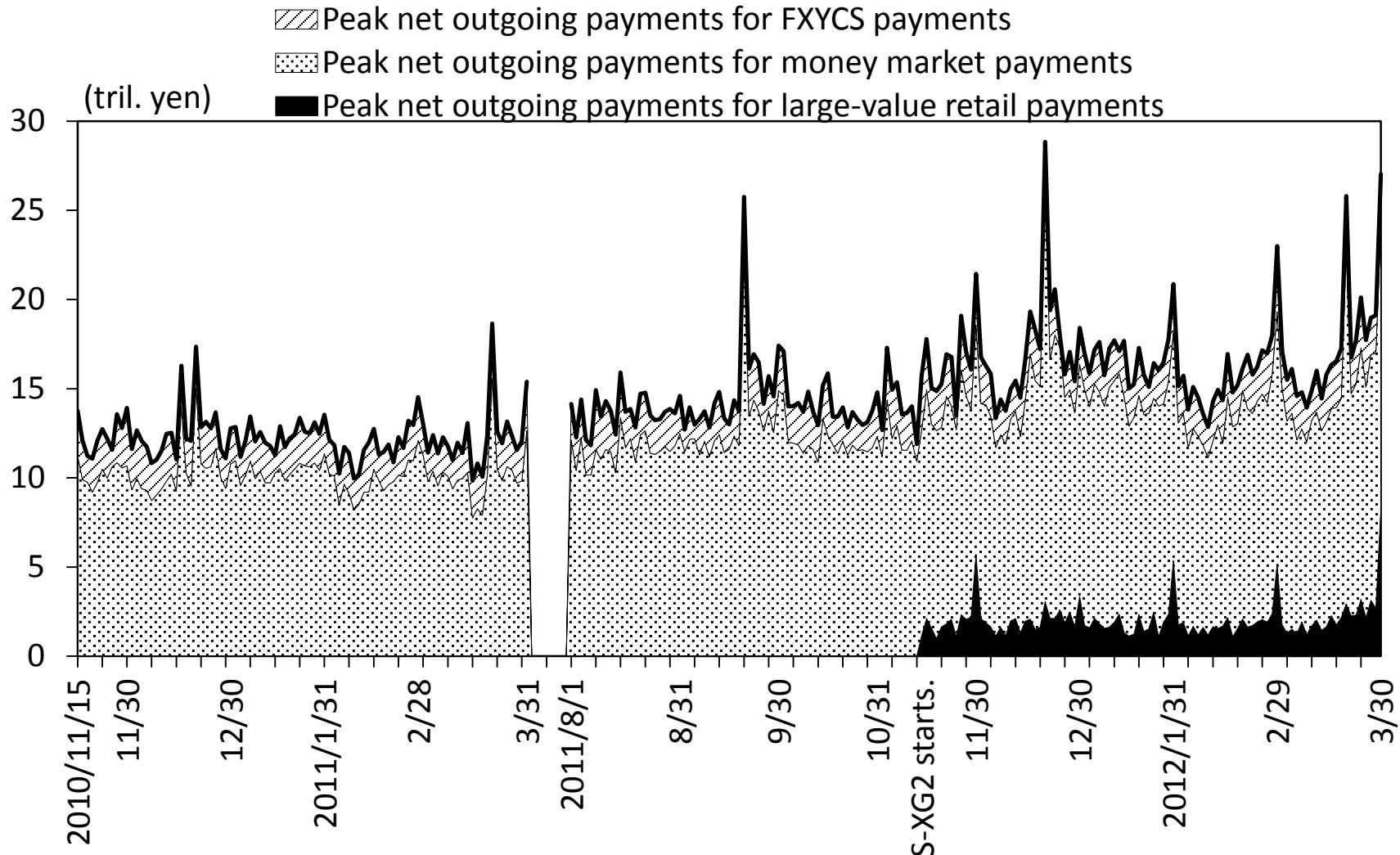
Hypothetical value: Sum of min value to clear three types of payments

1. Money market, 2. FX, 3. Large value retail payment



# Small has a large saving potential

via Bi/Multilateral netting

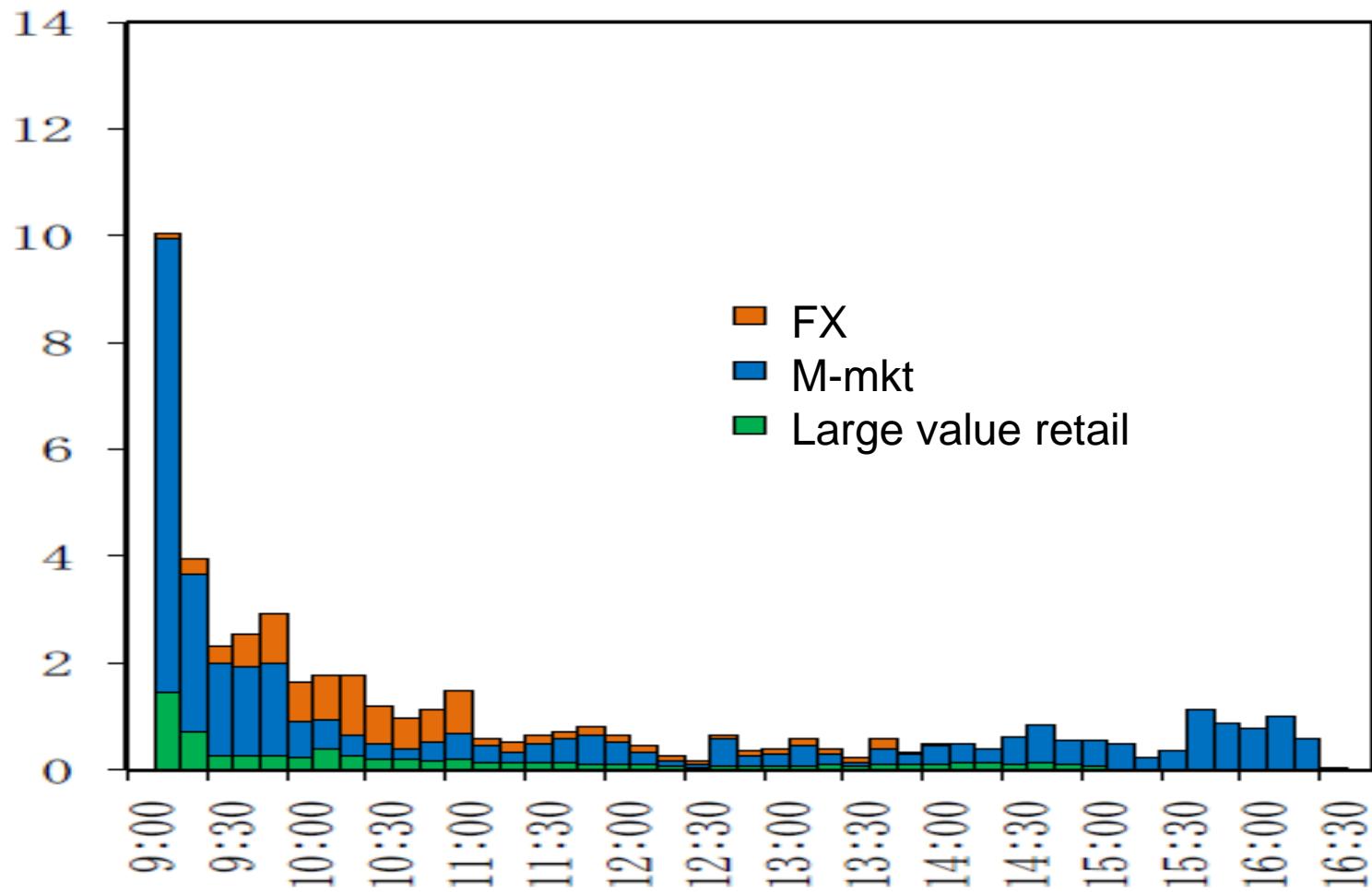


Queue waiting times in M-mkt and FX  
also became shorter.

# Market practices affects the saving

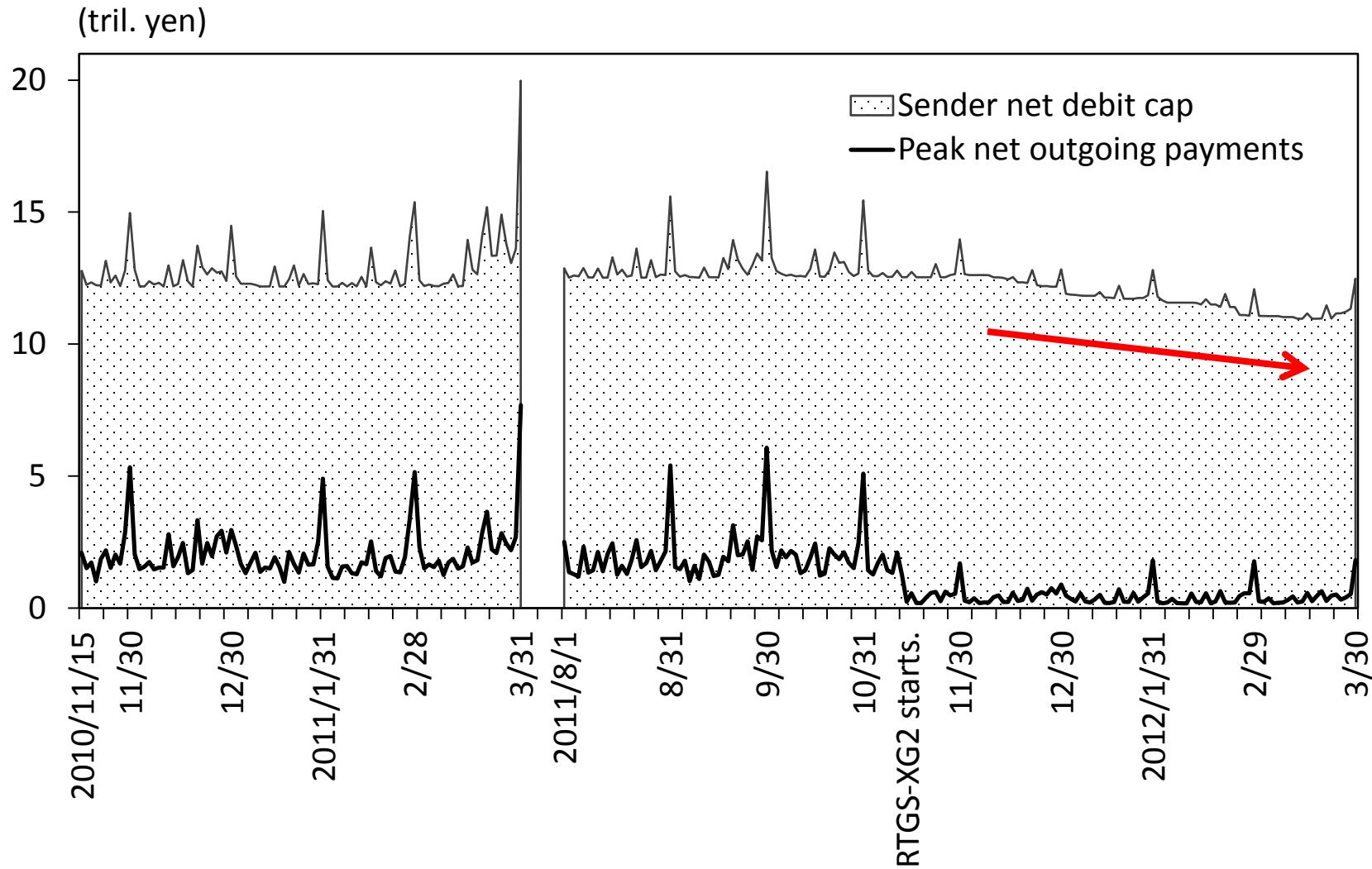
- Repayment-first rule (M-mkt) 9-10am
  - Gap of receive/send increases liquidity demand.
- Payment time guideline (FX) before 11am
  - Simultaneous receive/send
- One hour rule for fund transfer (Retail)
  - M-mkt and large retail payment concentrate in the same time zone, morning period.

# Intraday pattern



# Reduction of collateral cost in DNS

Zengin Net of cash CCP imposes net debit cap to cover counterparty risk.



# Summary

- Expansion of hybrid RTGS resulted in higher demand for liquidity. Trade-off b/w safety & cost
- Much of the liquidity was not used for settlement.  
--> Potential for better-off
- Observe liquidity saving effects even under BOJ's accommodative monetary policy.
  - Due to 1) the LSF and 2) expansion of hybrid RTGS coverage. Market practices enhance them.
- Remaining DNS system gains via decline in collateral; another cost saving.