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Context

- Chapter 9 introduced the model of aggregate demand and aggregate supply.
- Long run
 - prices flexible
 - output determined by factors of production & technology
 - unemployment equals its natural rate
- Short run
 - prices fixed
 - output determined by aggregate demand
 - unemployment negatively related to output

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Context

- This chapter develops the IS-LM model, the basis of the aggregate demand curve.
- We focus on the short run and assume the price level is fixed (so, SRAS curve is horizontal).
- This chapter (and chapter 11) focus on the closed-economy case.
 Chapter 12 presents the open-economy case.

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The Keynesian Cross

- A simple closed economy model in which income is determined by expenditure. (due to J.M. Keynes)
- Notation:

/ = planned investment

PE = C + I + G = planned expenditure

Y = real GDP = actual expenditure

Difference between actual & planned expenditure
 unplanned inventory investment

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Elements of the Keynesian Cross

consumption function: C = C(Y - T)

govt policy variables: $G = \overline{G}$, $T = \overline{T}$

for now, planned

investment is exogenous: $I = \overline{I}$

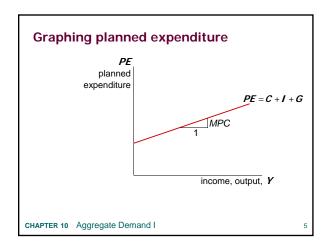
planned expenditure: $PE = C(Y - \overline{T}) + \overline{I} + \overline{G}$

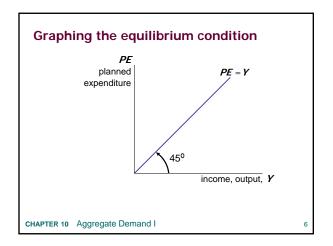
equilibrium condition:

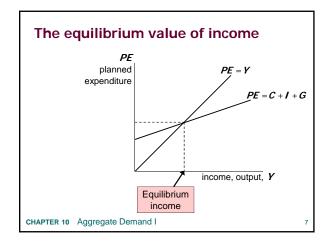
actual expenditure = planned expenditure

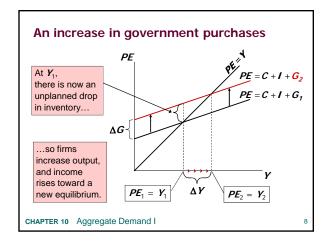
Y = PE

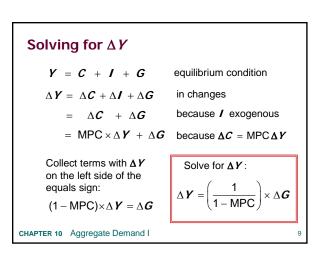
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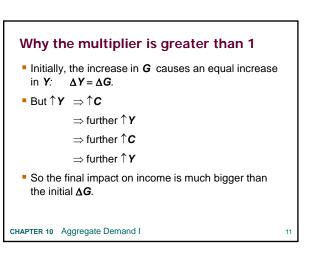


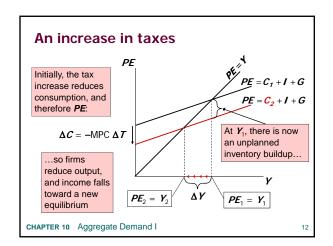






The government purchases multiplier Definition: the increase in income resulting from a \$1 increase in \mathbf{G} . In this model, the govt purchases multiplier equals $\frac{\Delta \mathbf{V}}{\Delta \mathbf{G}} = \frac{1}{1-\mathsf{MPC}}$ Example: If MPC = 0.8, then $\frac{\Delta \mathbf{V}}{\Delta \mathbf{G}} = \frac{1}{1-0.8} = 5$ An increase in \mathbf{G} causes income to increase 5 times as much!





Solving for ΔY

$$\Delta \mathbf{Y} = \Delta \mathbf{C} + \Delta \mathbf{I} + \Delta \mathbf{G}$$
 eq'm condition in changes

Solving for
$$\Delta Y$$
: $(1 - MPC) \times \Delta Y = -MPC \times \Delta T$

 $= \mathsf{MPC} \times (\Delta Y - \Delta T)$

$$\Delta \mathbf{Y} = \left(\frac{-\mathsf{MPC}}{\mathsf{1} - \mathsf{MPC}}\right) \times \Delta \mathbf{T}$$

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Final result:

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The tax multiplier

def: the change in income resulting from a \$1 increase in **T**:

$$\frac{\Delta \mathbf{Y}}{\Delta \mathbf{T}} = \frac{-\mathsf{MPC}}{\mathsf{1} - \mathsf{MPC}}$$

If MPC = 0.8, then the tax multiplier equals

$$\frac{\Delta \textbf{\textit{Y}}}{\Delta \textbf{\textit{T}}} \; = \; \frac{-0.8}{1 - 0.8} \; = \; \frac{-0.8}{0.2} \; = \; -4$$

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The tax multiplier

...is negative:

A tax increase reduces **C**, which reduces income.

...is greater than one (in absolute value):

A change in taxes has a multiplier effect on income.

...is smaller than the govt spending multiplier:

Consumers save the fraction (1 - MPC) of a tax cut, so the initial boost in spending from a tax cut is smaller than from an equal increase in G.

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NOW YOU TRY:

Practice with the Keynesian Cross

 Use a graph of the Keynesian cross to show the effects of an increase in planned investment on the equilibrium level of income/output.

The IS curve

def: a graph of all combinations of ${\it r}$ and ${\it Y}$ that result in goods market equilibrium

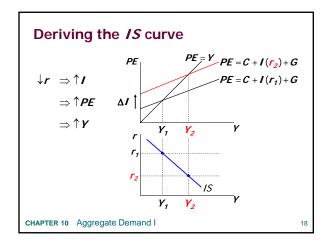
i.e. actual expenditure (output) = planned expenditure

The equation for the IS curve is:

$$Y = C(Y - \overline{T}) + I(r) + \overline{G}$$

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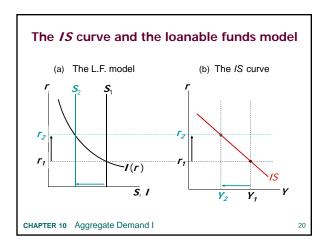


Why the IS curve is negatively sloped

- A fall in the interest rate motivates firms to increase investment spending, which drives up total planned spending (*PE*).
- To restore equilibrium in the goods market, output (a.k.a. actual expenditure, Y) must increase.

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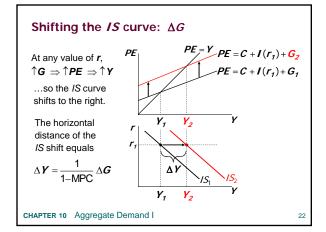


Fiscal Policy and the IS curve

- We can use the IS-LM model to see how fiscal policy (G and T) affects aggregate demand and output.
- Let's start by using the Keynesian cross to see how fiscal policy shifts the IS curve...

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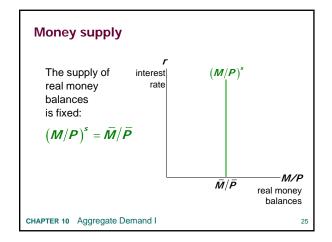
NOW YOU TRY: Shifting the IS curve: ΔT

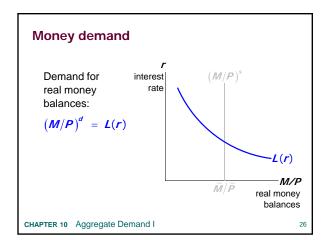
 Use the diagram of the Keynesian cross or loanable funds model to show how an increase in taxes shifts the IS curve.

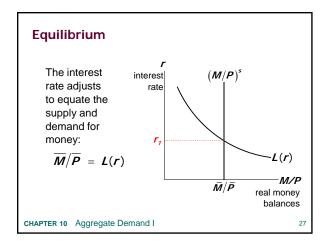
The Theory of Liquidity Preference

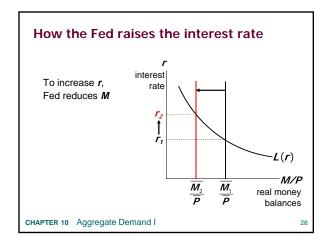
- Due to John Maynard Keynes.
- A simple theory in which the interest rate is determined by money supply and money demand.

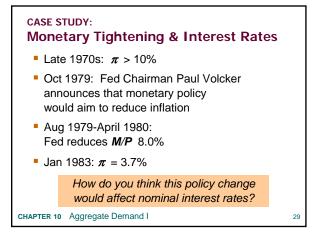
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Monetary Tightening & Interest Rates, cont. The effects of a monetary tightening on nominal interest rates		
	short run	long run
model	Liquidity preference (Keynesian)	Quantity theory, Fisher effect (Classical)
prices	sticky	flexible
prediction	$\Delta i > 0$	Δ i < 0
actual outcome	8/1979: <i>i</i> = 10.4% 4/1980: <i>i</i> = 15.8%	8/1979: <i>i</i> = 10.4% 1/1983: <i>i</i> = 8.2%

The LM curve

Now let's put ${\bf Y}$ back into the money demand function:

$$(M/P)^d = L(r,Y)$$

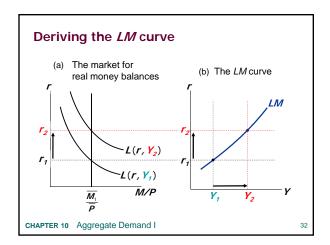
The *LM* curve is a graph of all combinations of r and Y that equate the supply and demand for real money balances.

The equation for the LM curve is:

$$\overline{M}/\overline{P} = L(r,Y)$$

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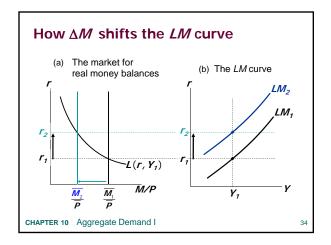


Why the LIM curve is upward sloping

- An increase in income raises money demand.
- Since the supply of real balances is fixed, there is now excess demand in the money market at the initial interest rate.
- The interest rate must rise to restore equilibrium in the money market.

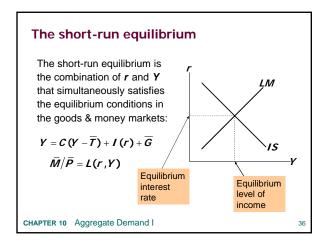
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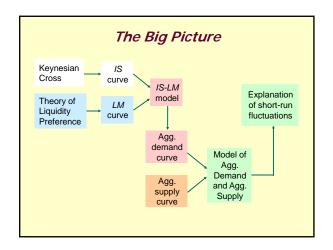
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NOW YOU TRY: Shifting the LM curve

- Suppose a wave of credit card fraud causes consumers to use cash more frequently in transactions.
- Use the liquidity preference model to show how these events shift the LM curve.





Preview of Chapter 11

In Chapter 11, we will

- use the IS-LM model to analyze the impact of policies and shocks.
- learn how the aggregate demand curve comes from IS-LM.
- use the IS-LM and AD-AS models together to analyze the short-run and long-run effects of shocks.
- use our models to learn about the Great Depression.

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Chapter Summary

1. Keynesian cross

• basic model of income determination

• takes fiscal policy & investment as exogenous

• fiscal policy has a multiplier effect on income

2. IS curve

• comes from Keynesian cross when planned investment depends negatively on interest rate

• shows all combinations of r and Y that equate planned expenditure with actual expenditure on goods & services

