

# Fiscal Policy HW

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1 a 30%

b \$125,000

$$34,000 - 8,375 = 25,625$$

$$25,625 \cdot (0.1) = 2562.5$$

$$82,400 - 34,000 = 48,400$$

$$48,400 \cdot (0.2) = 9680$$

$$125,000 - 82,400 = 42,600$$

$$42,600 \cdot (0.3) = 12780$$

$$\text{Total tax: } 25022.5$$

$$\text{Average tax rate} = \frac{25022.5}{125,000} = 0.20018 = \boxed{20.018\%}$$

2 Tax revenue =  $20,000 \cdot 0.15 + 2000 = 5000$

TR → Transfers =  $1500 - 0.10 \cdot 20,000 = -500$

G → Gov Purchases = 3500

GDP = 20,000

INT → Interest Payments = 300

Full GDP = 25,000

a Budget Deficit =  $G + TR + INT - T$

$$= 3500 + (-500) + 300 - (5000)$$

$$\boxed{= -1700}$$

b) Primary Budget Deficit =  $G + TR - T$

$$= 3500 + (-500) - 5000$$

$$\boxed{= -2000}$$

c)  $T = 2000 + (0.15 \cdot 25,000) = 5750$

$$TR = 1500 - (0.10 \cdot 25,000) = -1000$$

$$G = 3500$$

$$Int = 300$$

$$\text{Full Employment budget deficit} = 3500 + (-1000) + (300) - 5750$$

$$\boxed{= -2950}$$



3 c

$$(0.15)^2 \cdot X = 1500$$

$$X = 66666.6666$$

$$X \cdot (0.7)^2 = Y$$

$$Y = \$32666.67$$

$$5 \text{ deficit} = 0.05 \cdot \text{GDP}$$

$$\text{debt-GDP ratio} = 0.9$$

$$\text{gr of NGDP} = 0.02$$

$$\text{change in debt-GDP ratio} = \frac{0.05}{0.02} = 2.5$$

6 a

7 b

8 a

$$9a \text{ primary budget deficit} + \text{INT} = \text{deficit}$$

$$400 + 250 = 650 \leftarrow \text{deficit}$$

$$\text{change in debt-GDP ratio} = \frac{650}{2} = 325$$

$$b \quad 250 + 250 = 500 \leftarrow \text{deficit}$$

$$\text{change in debt-GDP ratio} = \frac{500}{2} = 250$$

$$c \quad 750 + 250 = 1000 \leftarrow \text{deficit}$$

$$\text{change in debt-GDP ratio} = \frac{1000}{4} = 250$$

10 I do not think it holds because I believe that people today do not understand economics enough to see that a tax cut today would mean future taxes would rise. They would use their extra money from the tax cut thus, their spending would increase