



# EXAMINATION

## Answer Book

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MC Questions

1. D
2. D
3. C
4. D
5. C

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# Short-Answer Questions : Question 6

(a)  $Y = C + I + G$

$$= c_0 + c_1(Y - (t_0 + t_1 Y)) + b_0 + b_1 Y - b_2 \bar{i} + G$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - c_1(1 - t_1) - b_1} (c_0 - c_1 t_0 + b_0 - b_2 \bar{i} + G)$$

$$T = t_0 + \frac{t_1}{1 - c_1(1 - t_1) - b_1} (c_0 - c_1 t_0 + b_0 - b_2 \bar{i} + G)$$

(I drops<sup>1</sup>, demand line shifts downwards<sup>2</sup>.)

(b) When  $b_0$  drops,  $Y$  drops<sup>3</sup>. As a result,  $T$  drops<sup>4</sup>.

To keep the budget balanced, the government should cut<sup>5</sup> its spending  $G$ , which results in a further drop in  $Y$ <sup>8</sup>, reinforcing<sup>9</sup> the effect of the drop in  $b_0$  on output.

(, while  $\bar{i}$  does not change)

(c) - Since  $b_0$  and  $Y$  drop,  $I$  drops

- Since  $Y$  drops,  $T$  drops.

- The government cuts its spending  $G$  to keep the budget balanced, i.e. drop in  $G$  equals drop in  $T$ .

- Given that  $S = I + G - T$ ,

-  $S$  drops.

(1) = by the magnitude of the decrease in  $T$ <sup>6</sup>

(2) = downward shift of the demand line<sup>7</sup>



### Question 7

(a)  $Y = Z$

$$= C + I + G$$

$$= 0.5 + 0.2(Y-1) + 0.2 + 0.3Y - 2.5(\bar{i} + 5\%) + 1$$

$$= 2.75 - 5\bar{i}$$

(b)  $Y = 2.75 - 5(5\%)$

$$= 2.5$$

$$\frac{M^d}{2} = 2.5 \times (0.7 - 4(5\%))$$

$$M^d = 2.5$$

$$H = (C + \theta(1-C))M^d$$

$$= (20\% + 25\%(1-20\%))(2.5)$$

$$= 1$$

(c)  $H' = (20\% + 30\%(1-20\%))(2.5)$

$$= 1.1$$

(d)  $Y'' = 0.5 + 0.2(Y-1) + 0.2 + 0.3Y - 2.5(\bar{i} + 15\%) + 1$

$$= 2.25 - 5\bar{i}$$

$$= 2.25 - 5(5\%)$$

$$= 2$$

$$\frac{M^{d''}}{2} = 2 \times (0.7 - 4(5\%))$$

$$M^{d''} = 2$$

$$H'' = (20\% + 30\%(1-20\%))(2)$$

$$= 0.88$$



Question 8

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad \$P_{2,t} &= \frac{\text{Face value}}{(1 + \bar{i}_{1,t} + x)(1 + \bar{i}_{1,t+1}^e)} \\
 &= \frac{100}{(1 + 4\% + 5\%)(1 + 3\%)} \\
 &= \$89.07 \text{ (cor. to 2 d.p.)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad \$P_{3,t} &= \frac{\text{Face value}}{(1 + \bar{i}_{1,t} + x)(1 + \bar{i}_{1,t+1}^e + x)(1 + \bar{i}_{1,t+2}^e)} \\
 &= \frac{100}{(1 + 4\% + 5\%)(1 + 3\% + 5\%)(1 + 2\%)} \\
 &= \$83.28 \text{ (cor. to 2 d.p.)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (c) \quad \bar{i}_{3,t} &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{\text{Face value}}{\$P_{3,t}}} - 1 \\
 &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{100}{83.28}} - 1 \\
 &= 0.063 \text{ (cor. to 2 s.f.)} \\
 &= 6.3\%
 \end{aligned}$$

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