

Notes — Week 14

Michael Brodskiy

Instructor: Mr. Bremer

Period 3

1. Open Economy

- $AD = C + I + G + \boxed{NX}$ ← focus of this chapter

2. Four Factors in an Open Economy:

- (a) Balance of Payments
- (b) Exchange Rates
- (c) Role of Central Bank
- (d) Barriers to Trade

3. Some Basics:

- Countries don't trade with each other — people do
- Financial capital (money) flows all around the world seeking the highest possible return
- In the 21st century, making a financial investment in another country is a simple click away
- People want to be paid in their domestic currency

4. Balance of Payments Accounts — A summary of the country's transactions with other countries. There are two main types of transactions:

- (a) People trading currently produced goods or services for money
- (b) People trading pre-existing assets for money

5. Capital Account — Flow of currently produced goods and services

- Net exports
- Net financial investment income (income and dividend income)

- Net transfers (remittances and foreign aid)

6. Financial Account — Flow of Financial Capital (Pre-existing Assets)

- Real assets
- Financial assets

7. A deficit in one will be matched by a surplus in the other: $CA + FA = 0$

8. Debits and Credits

- Debit (-) — Any transaction that requires foreign currency (*i.e.* imports, money outflows)
- Credit (+) — Any transaction that earns foreign currency (*i.e.* exports, money inflows)