

180.101 Elements of Macro - TA Section - Week 13

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Aggregate Demand

AD: total demand of all final goods/services in the economy

$$AD(P) = C + I + G + NX$$

- Q: Why is individual demand curve downward sloping?
- Q: Why is aggregate demand curve downward sloping?
 - ① Wealth effect
 - ② Interest rate effect
 - ③ International trade effect

Movements Along vs Shifts of the AD Curve

$$AD(P) = C + I + G + NX$$

Consumers

- Expected future income increase: Consumption smoothing $C \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Tax cut for households: Higher real disposable income $Y \uparrow \implies C \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Higher MPC: Consumers want to consume more: $C \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Higher wealth of households: Consumers are richer: $C \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Lower interest rate: Easier to borrow: $C \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$

Movements Along vs Shifts of the AD Curve

$$AD(P) = C + I + G + NX$$

Firms

- Lower interest rate: Cheaper to borrow money: $I \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Investment tax subsidy increase: Cheaper to invest: $I \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Investment tax cut: Cheaper to invest: $I \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$

Government

- Increase of spending: $G \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$
- Fiscal transfers: Real disposable income increases: $Y \uparrow \implies C \uparrow \implies AD \rightarrow$

Rest of the world

- Weak global economy: Other countries want less of our goods: $EX \downarrow \implies NX \downarrow \implies AD \leftarrow$
- Exchange rate appreciation: Dollar gets relatively more valuable: $EX \downarrow$ AND $IM \uparrow \implies NX \downarrow \implies AD \leftarrow$

Short Run Aggregate Supply (SRAS)

AS: total supply of final goods/services

Short Run: wages and prices are not completely flexible (but not completely fixed either)

Q: Why is SRAS upward sloping

- Sticky input prices, Menu costs, Money illusion

Q: Shifts of SRAS

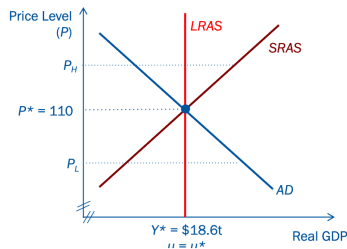
- Increase in minimum wage: $\text{Wages} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{Labor costs} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{SRAS} \leftarrow$
- Workers increase bargaining power: $\text{Wages} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{Labor costs} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{SRAS} \leftarrow$
- Expected future price level \Rightarrow : $\text{Wages} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{Labor costs} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{SRAS} \leftarrow$
- Oil price increase: $\text{Production costs} \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{SRAS} \leftarrow$
- A *temporary* boost in productivity: $\text{Production costs} \downarrow \Rightarrow \text{SRAS} \rightarrow$

Long Run Aggregate Supply (LRAS)

Long Run: wages and prices are completely flexible. Therefore, they are set such that we reach full-employment (Y^*). This also means economy is at natural rate of unemployment (U^*).

$$Y^* = E^* \cdot LP = (1 - U^*) \cdot LF \cdot LP$$

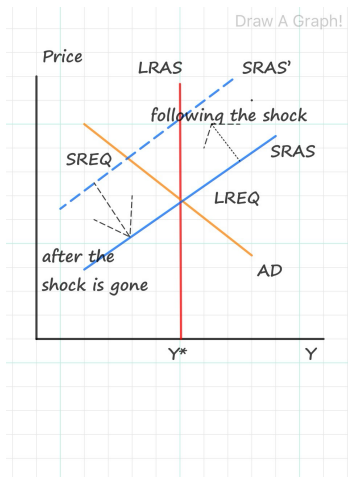
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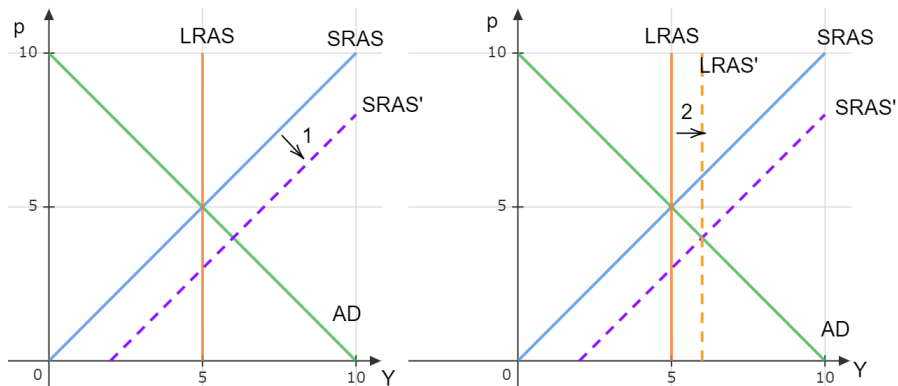
Shocks

- ① Is the shock temporary or permanent? If not clear, make assumptions!
- ② Is it supply or demand shock?
- ③ Do we have a new long term equilibrium?
- ④ Are we already there?
 - If yes: We are done
 - If not: Which curve is shifting towards the new equilibrium?

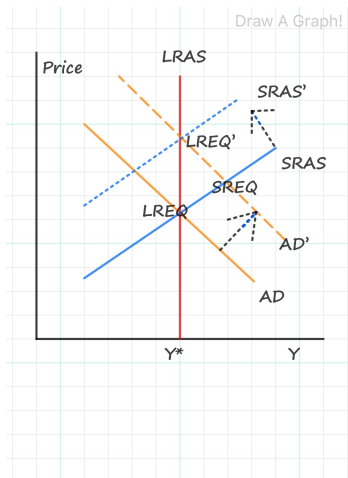
A temporary negative supply shock - increase in oil prices



A permanent positive supply shock - increase in education level



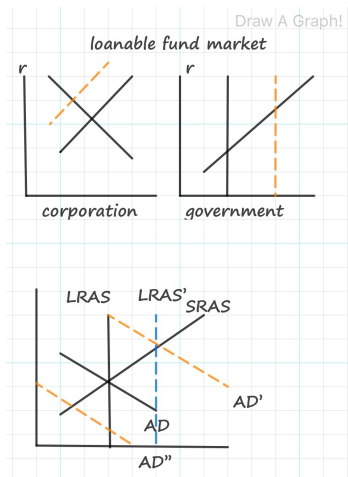
A (permanent) positive demand shock - increase in MPC



Connection with Other Models

- AD curve and AE model
- AD-AS and loanable funds model
 - Government building infrastructure
 - Fed monetary expansion
- From AD-AS to Phillips Curve

Government building infrastructure



From AD-AS to Phillips Curve

