

March 31: How the Federal Reserve conducts monetary policy

Review short run model

$$\text{Output gap: } \tilde{y}_t = \frac{y_t - \bar{y}}{\bar{y}}$$

$$\text{Okun's Law: } u_t - u^* = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{y}_t$$

$$\text{IS curve: } \tilde{y}_t = \bar{a} - \bar{b} (R_t - \bar{r})$$

(real interest rates)

MP curve: Fed sets R_t

$$\text{Policy Rule: } R_t - \bar{r} = \bar{m} (\pi_t - \bar{\pi}) + \bar{n} \tilde{y}_t \quad (\text{Taylor Rule})$$

Dual Mandate:

- price stability

- maximum employment — output gap = zero

$$\text{AD curve: } \tilde{y}_t = \bar{a} - \bar{b} (\bar{m} (\pi_t - \bar{\pi}) + \bar{n} \tilde{y}_t)$$

$$\tilde{y}_t (1 + \bar{n} \bar{b}) = \bar{a} - \bar{b} \bar{m} (\pi_t - \bar{\pi})$$

$$\tilde{y}_t = \frac{(\bar{a} - \bar{b} \bar{m} (\pi_t - \bar{\pi}))}{1 + \bar{n} \bar{b}}$$

$$\text{AS Curve: } \pi_t = \pi_t^e + \bar{v} \tilde{y}_t + \bar{\sigma}$$

Federal Reserve structure:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Five Governors
- Chair of FRBNY
- Four of the other remaining reserve bank presidents
- Nonvoting reserve bank presidents