Seminar 5. Exercises with multipliers

Exercise 1

Consider a closed economy, for which we know the following: government spending G = 500 bil.lei, autonomous taxes $T_0 = 400$ bil.lei, investments I = 200 bil.lei, autonomous consumption $C_0 = 100$ bil.lei, transfers TR = 0 and the marginal propensity to consume = 0.9

- a) Determine the levels of GDP, private consumption, taxes, and budgetary deficit if the government only intends to collect lump-sum taxes (tax rate *t* is 0).
- b) Determine the level of GDP and the budgetary deficit if the tax rate t is 1/3.

Exercise 2

Consider a closed economy where the marginal propensity to consume is 0.9 and the tax rate is 1/3 (33,3%). Determine the change in government spending (ΔG) that would help reduce the budgetary deficit by 100 mil.lei.

Exercise 3

Consider a closed economy where c = 0.8; t = 0.15; Y = 3400 mil. ϵ , private consumption (C) = 2000 mil. ϵ , G = 500 mil. ϵ , TR = 0 and $T_0 = 0$. In an attempt to raise more money to finance a strategic infrastructure project, the government plans to collect lump-sum taxes that amount to 50 mil. ϵ . Determine the effects of an increase in the autonomous taxes by 50 mil. ϵ ($\Delta T0 = 50$ mil. ϵ) on GDP, budget deficit (BD) and private consumption (C).

Exercise 4

Assuming that the level of government spending increases by 1 million \in ($\Delta G = 1$ mil. \in), while transfers decrease by exactly 1 mil. \in ($\Delta TR = -1$ mil. \in) determine what will happen with:

- a) The level of GDP ($\Delta Y = ?$)
- b) The level of budget deficit ($\triangle BD = ?$)