

Macroeconomic Models

... an introduction



Read Chapter 1 – “Economic Models”:
<https://www.palmislandtraders.com/econ53/chap1.pdf>
before watching this video ... this is just a
supplemental reminder of that content.

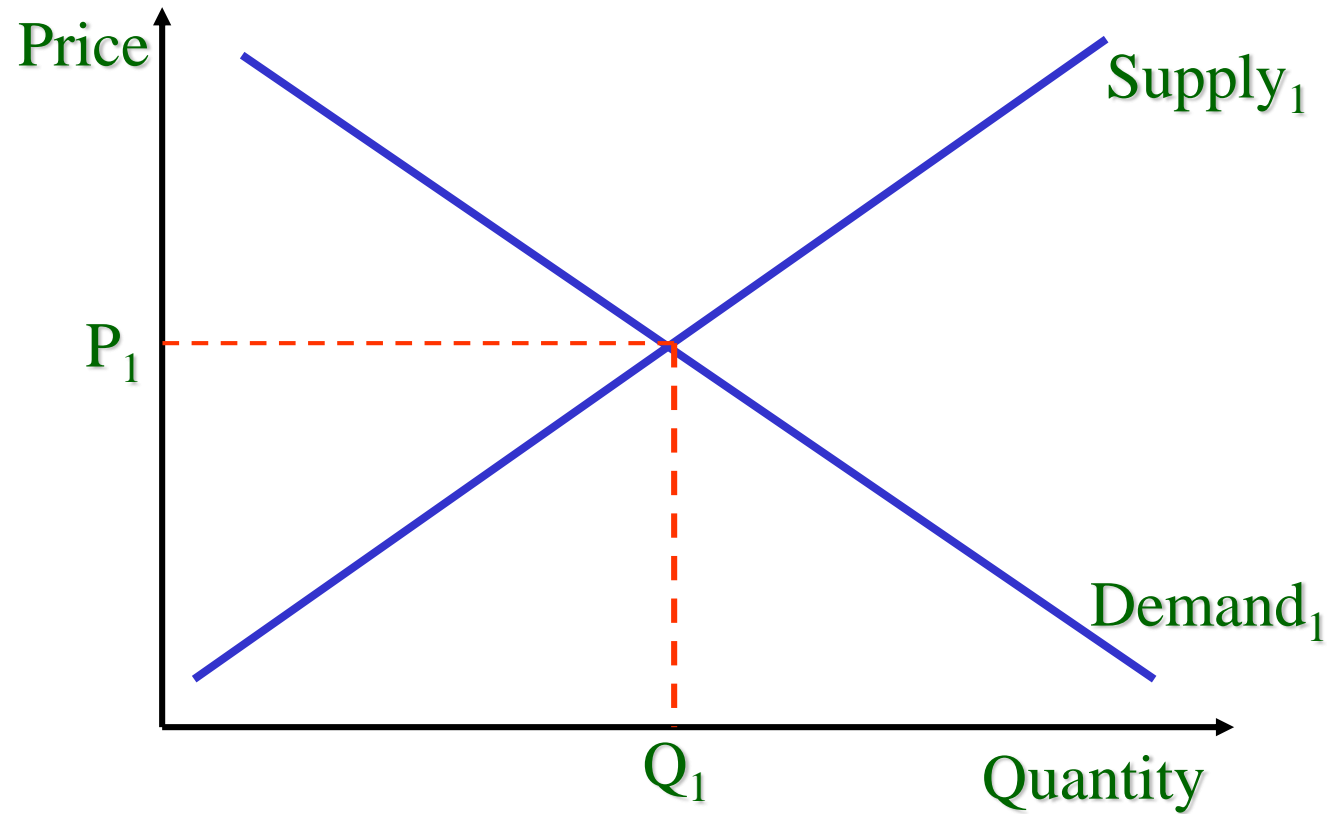
Classes of economic models

- **Visual Models**
- **Mathematical Models**
- **Empirical Models**
- **Simulation Models**



Example of a visual model:

The Elementary Supply and Demand Model with Inflationary Expectations



Example of a math model:

The Elementary Supply and Demand Model with Inflationary Expectations

$$(1) \quad S = a + bP$$

$$(2) \quad D = c - dP + eIE$$

$$(3) \quad S = D = Q^0$$

$$(4) \quad P^0 = \frac{(c + eIE - a)}{(b + d)}$$

$$(5) \quad Q^0 = a + bP^0$$

Example of an empirical model:

... take the math model and estimate the coefficient values statistically

$$(1) \quad S = \overline{a} + \overline{b}P$$

$$(2) \quad D = \overline{c} - \overline{d}P + \overline{e}IE$$

$$(3) \quad S = D = Q^0$$

Example of a simulation model:

TABLE 1: MATHEMATICAL DESCRIPTION OF MACROSIMI

(1)	$Y = C + I^o + G^o$	Gross Domestic Product (Y) equals Consumption (C), Investment (I), plus Government Spending (G), where I and G are autonomous, determined by the user.
(2)	$C = a + b(YD)$	Consumption is determined by Disposable Income (YD) where "a" is autonomous consumption and "b" is the consumption rate from disposable income.
(3)	$YD = (1 - t)Y$	Disposable Income is after-tax income and "t" is the income tax rate.
(4)	$D = G^o - tY$	The Budget Deficit (D) is equal to Government Spending less tax collections.
(5a)	$S = YD - C$	National Savings (S) equals Disposable Income minus Consumption.
(5b)	$S = I^o + D$	This is an accounting identity: Investment and the Budget Deficit are financed with borrowed money, which in turn is financed by savings and at equilibrium this identity holds.

ASSUMPTIONS:

Autonomous consumption(a) = 100.000
 Consumption coefficient(b) = 0.750
 Investment intercept (h) = 600.0
 Investment slope (d) = -4500.00
 Savings intercept(e) = 160.0
 Savings slope (f) = 6000.00
 Money supply (ms) = 1200.0

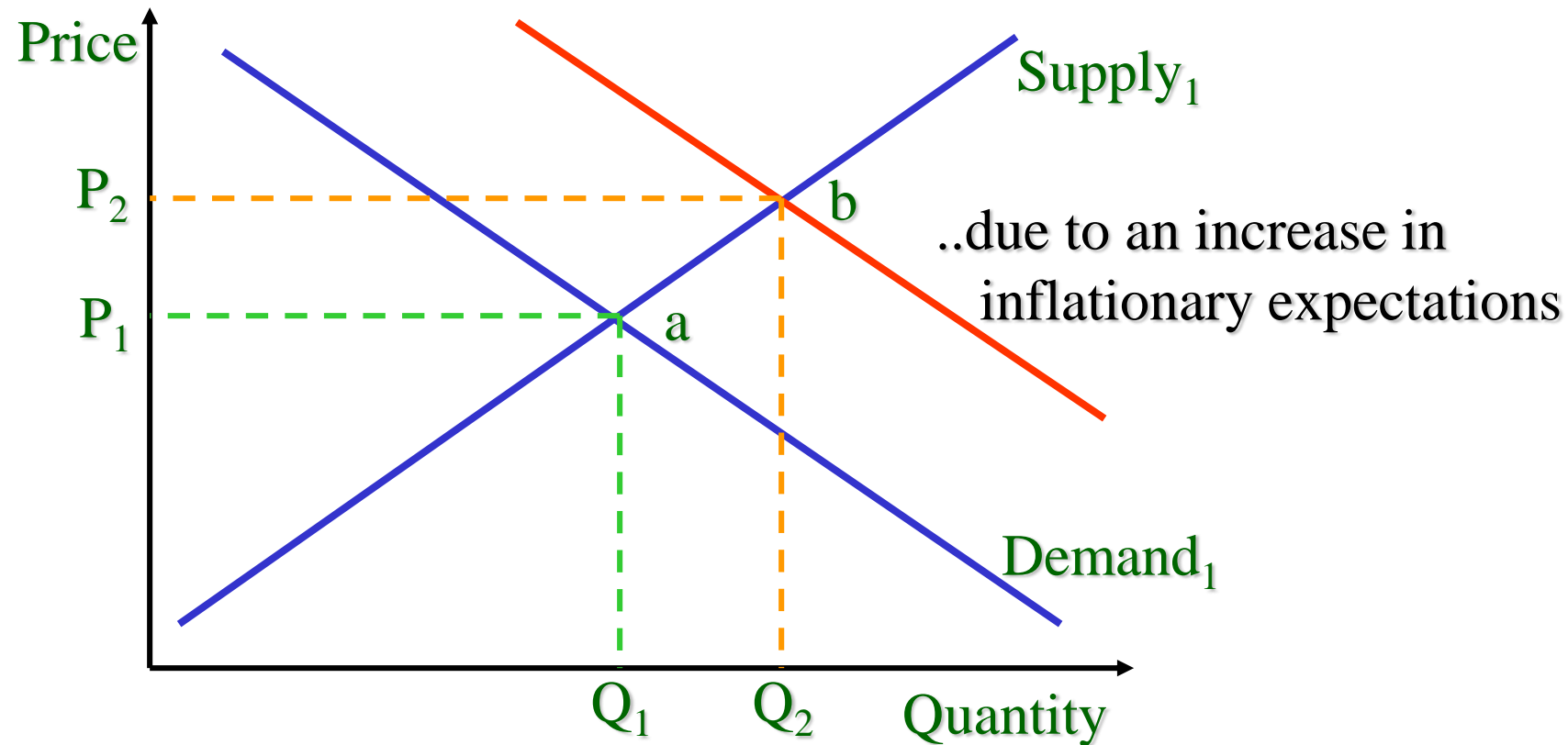
POLICY VARIABLES:

Money Supply Increase (dms) = 60.0
 Government spending (G) = 660.00
 Tax rate (t) = 0.180

SIMULATION RESULTS:

GDP (Y) = 2969.84
 Disposable Personal Income (YD) = 2435.27
 Consumption (C) = 1926.45
 Interest Rate (r) = 0.0481
 Investment (I) = 383.4
 Taxes collected (taxes) = 534.57
 Budget Deficit (D) = 125.43
 Demand for Funds (DF) = 508.8
 Savings (S) = 448.82
 Supply of Funds (S) = 508.8
 Y test = 2969.84

A comparative statics model ...



A dynamic model ...

$$(1) \quad Y_t = C_t + I_t$$

$$(2) \quad C_t = a + bY_{t-1}$$

$$(3) \quad I_t = v(Y_{t-1} - Y_{t-2})$$

The multiplier/accelerator interaction model ...

Variables that effect supply and demand

Factors that Effect Demand

Factors that Effect Supply

1. <i>Price</i>	(-)	1. <i>Price</i>	(+)
2. Income	(+)	2. Labor costs	(-)
3. Wealth	(+)	3. Resource costs	(-)
4. Population	(+)	4. Advertising costs	(-)
5. Advertising	(+)		
6. Substitute prices	(+)	(+) Shift curve right	
7. Inflationary Expectations	(+)	(-) Shift curve left	

The math equivalent ...

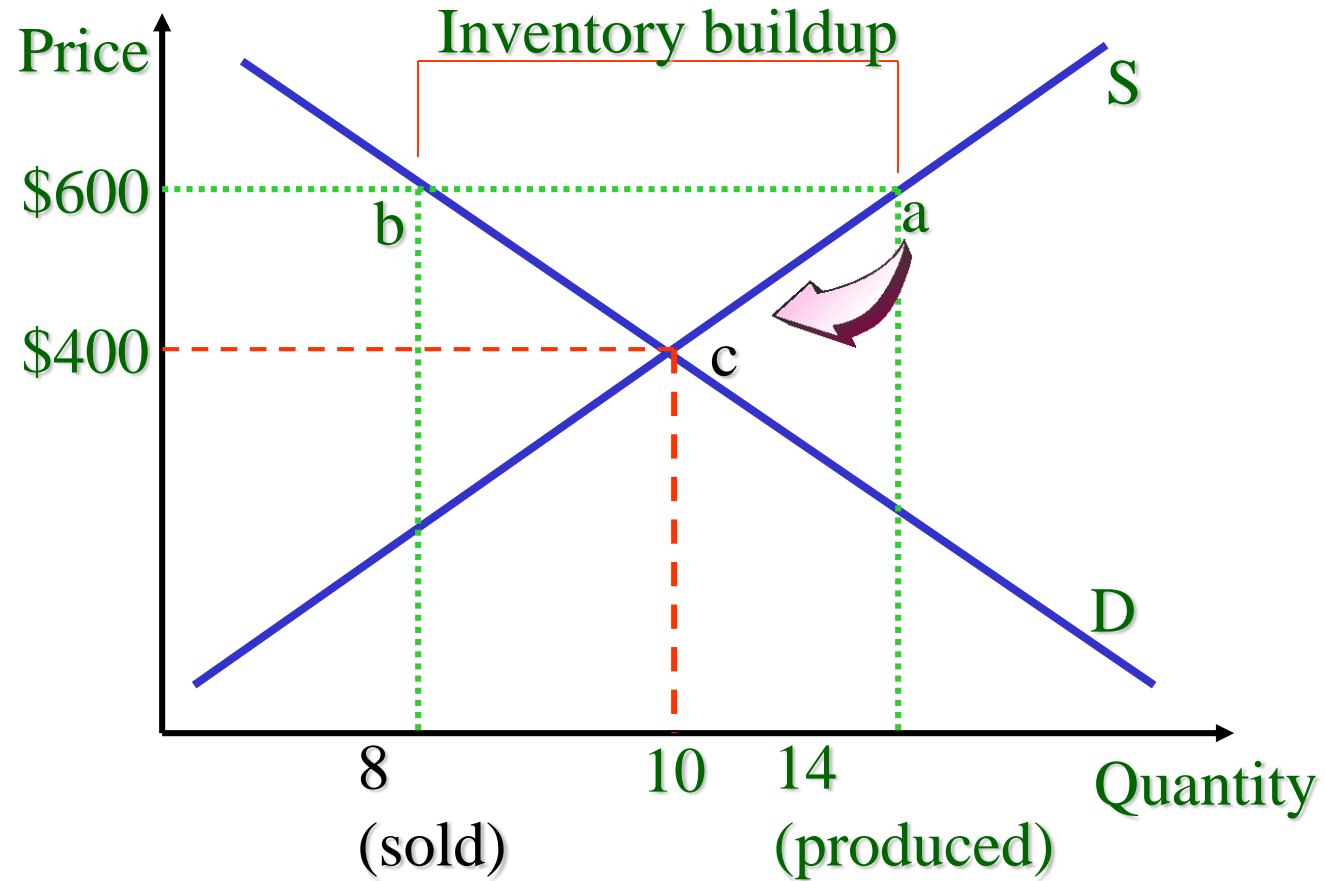
$$(1) \quad D = f(P, I, W, N, A, S, E, \bar{X})$$

$$(2) \quad S = g(P, L, R, A, \bar{Y})$$

$$(3) \quad D_0 = S_0$$

$$\text{where } \frac{\partial D}{\partial W} > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial L} < 0$$

The tendency toward equilibrium ...



Know the following also (from the assigned reading) ...

- Expectations-enhanced models
 - Adaptive expectations
 - Rational expectations
- The primary limitations of models
- The model as an “image” of economic activity
- The examples