

# adam smith, david ricardo, karl marx

adam smith

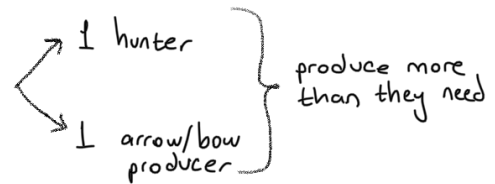
book: the wealth of nations - 1776

- first classical political economist, father of modern economics

## I. division of labour

def: different people doing different things

example from his book: society of two people



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technical d.l.

difference in factory  
workers activities

②

social d.l.

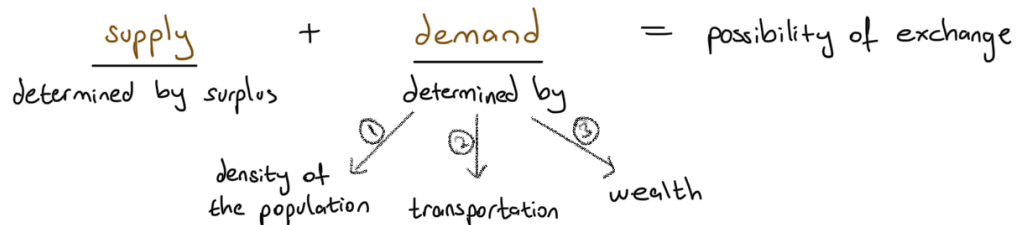
difference in society

③

international d.l.

difference in countries

## II. conditions of division of labour



## III. consequences of division of labour for individuals

① increase in productivity

- ① increase in dexterity (el becerisi) : skill, ability
- ② time saving: no time waste for swithing task, just one task
- ③ innovation + mechanization

② simplification of workers

- they do only one little task, does not mean anything on its own
- it is like alienation of marx's.

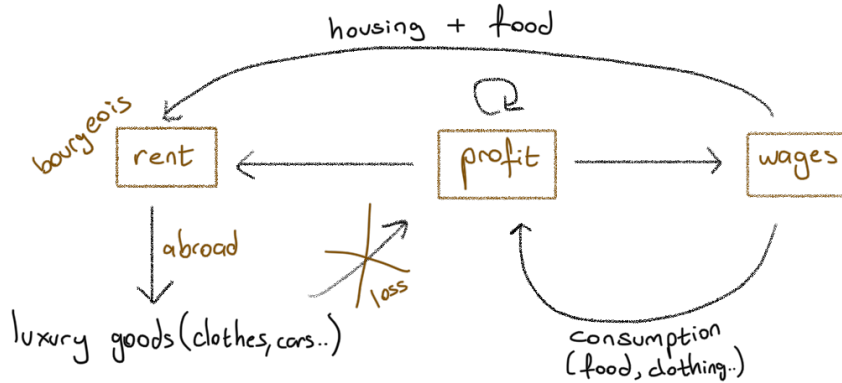
## IV. consequences of division of labour for society

① general opulence (zenginlik, rahat) / universal plenty

② rise of interdependence / dependence

③ rise of cooperation

## V. division of labour and social classes



David Ricardo

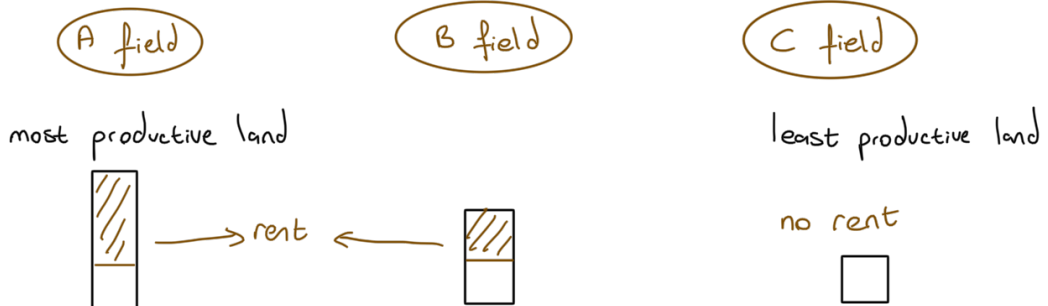
book: principles of political economy and taxation - 1817

• improved the class theory of Smith

### theory of different rent

length to corn laws = if you have corn laws you will not be able to get from abroad, → continue exploit more non-productive lands, rents will increase

• with same capital (same), rent must be determined by least productive

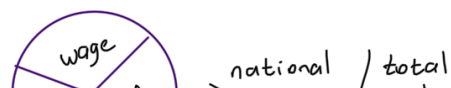


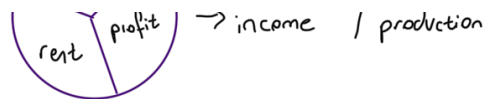
• price and productivity remains same, but need rises  
↳ new bad fields open, they produce less than C, then others pay rent more

## classical political economist

question → distribution of the income between classes → how is it?

the best way of it?





① adam smith → class base economic analysis → there are three classes, three functions  
→ division of classes increases productivity (being specialized on that field)

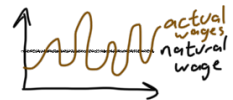
	<u>landlords</u>	<u>workers/peasants</u>	<u>bourgeois</u>
own →	land	labor force	capital
income →	rent	wages (subsistence)	profit

② david ricardo → developed on smith's theories, further

↳ wages and profit have antagonist relation

↳ wages are determined first, because people need to live

natural wage = minimum amount necessary for subsistence



↳ rents have direct impact on wages → through agricultural prices

• corn laws: tariffs on imports of foreign corn/any grain (landlords want to increase their income)  
→ artificially increases the level of the wages → ends up decrease in profits

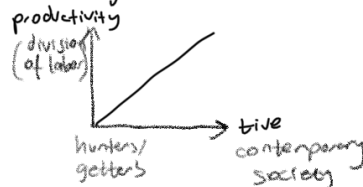
increase in rents

same wages

classical political economy → does not have dynamic historical analysis

↳ for smith

economy is just like =



linear vision of history

\* mark thoughts are more complex

karl marx

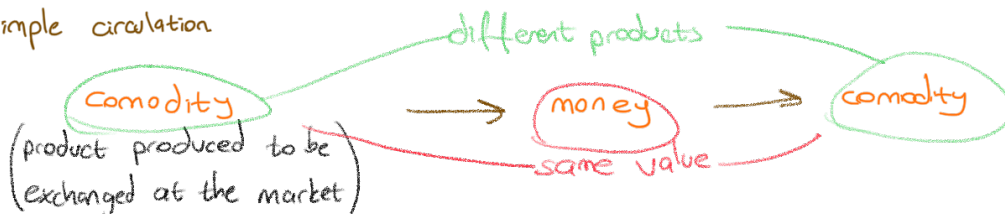
• 1818-1883

book: das kapital (1867) [the communist manifesto (1848)]

circulations of money

two ways of using money

① simple circulation

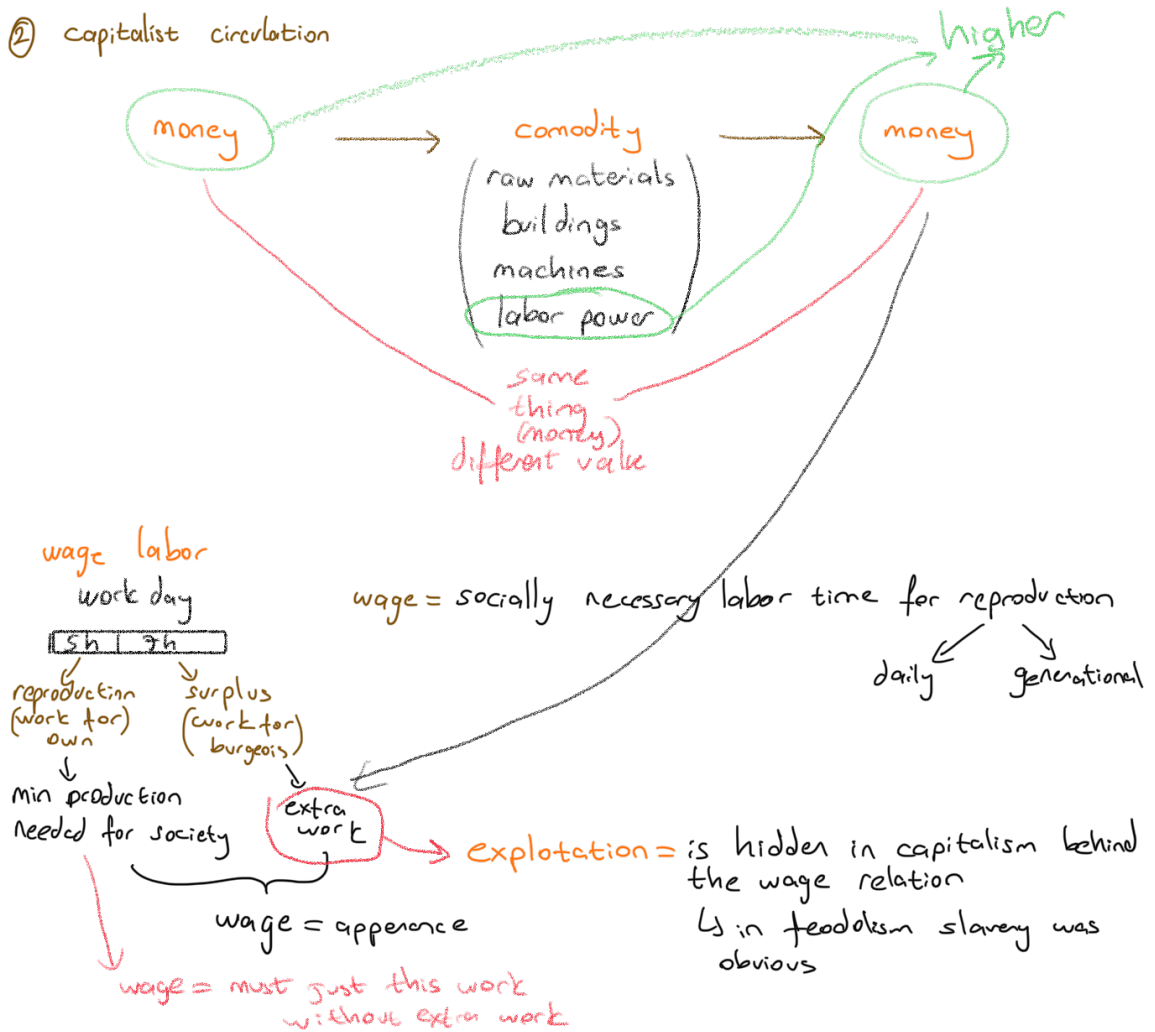


\* if you grow corn to eat → subsistence

to exchange / sell  $\Rightarrow$  commodity

\* **labor force** is contemporary society's commodity

## ② capitalist circulation



## ③ dynamics of capitalism

- $\hookrightarrow$  workers/proletariat: own nothing / no property, just have offspring / sons (işçi sınıfı)
  - $\hookrightarrow$  hidden exploitation = extraction of surplus value hidden in wage
  - $\hookrightarrow$  reserve army of labor = people cannot find job
    - $\hookrightarrow$  migration
    - $\hookrightarrow$  keep wages low - to create competition between workers

- $\hookrightarrow$  capitalists: competition between capitalists

- $\hookrightarrow$  necessity of rising exploitation (to gain more  $\Rightarrow$  decreasing wages)
  - $\hookrightarrow$  decreasing the time for workers own needs (relative surplus value)
  - $\hookrightarrow$  extending the working hours (absolute surplus)  $\downarrow$  bigger...

problem

⇒ consequence: rise of polarization / gap between classes  
- crises of abundance / over production

### final crises of capitalism

smith: optimistic, trickle down, general opulence / universal plenty

ricardo: pessimistic

marx: pessimistic at first, because of final crises  
then optimistic with the rise of communism

### capitalism

private ownership

motive for production: profit

classes: bourgeois & wage  
workers

### socialism

state/public ownership  
(but there is still private ownership)

motive: human needs

↳ rewarded how much you work

classes: ∅

ex: USSR

≠  
social democracy

≠  
welfare capitalism

### communism

social ownership

no state

motive: human needs

↳ rewarded according to your needs

classes: ∅