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The Neoclassical Economics (Mainstream)

The study of the allocation of scarce resources among unlimited wants.

- Natural (individualistic) human behaviour
- Individuals are *rational*: maximise own utility under constraints
- Equilibrium: set of *prices* that clear the markets; these prices constitute an invisible hand that leads individuals toward maximum utility
- Trade-off in resources allocation
- Government has secondary or no role



Heterodox economics

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The Heterodox Economics

The study of social creation and social distribution of society's resources.

- Social human behaviour: cooperation is key to survival
- Equilibrium: prices reflect many non-rational and non-economic factors
- Resources are socially created and distributed
- The government has a central role



Macroeconomics theories (overview) I

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Orthodox macroeconomics

- Neoclassical approach
 - New Classical (Lucas, Phillips, 70s)
 - Real Business Cycle (Chicago, 80s)
 - Supply Side Economics (M. Thatcher, R. Regan)
 - Austrian (F. Hayek, L. von Mises)
- Neoclassical Keynesian
 - New Keynesian (P. Samuelson, R. Solow)
 - New Monetary Consensus (M. Friedman)



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Heterodox macroeconomics

- Institutionalism (T. Veblen, J. K. Galbraith, J. T. Commons)
- Keynes and Post-Keynes (M. Kalecki, J. Robinson, P. Davidson, H. Minsky, J. Kregel)
- Marx Approach (K. Marx, V. Lenin, M. H. Dobb, P. Sweezy)
- Modern Monetary Theory (W. Mosler, R. Wray, S. Kelton)

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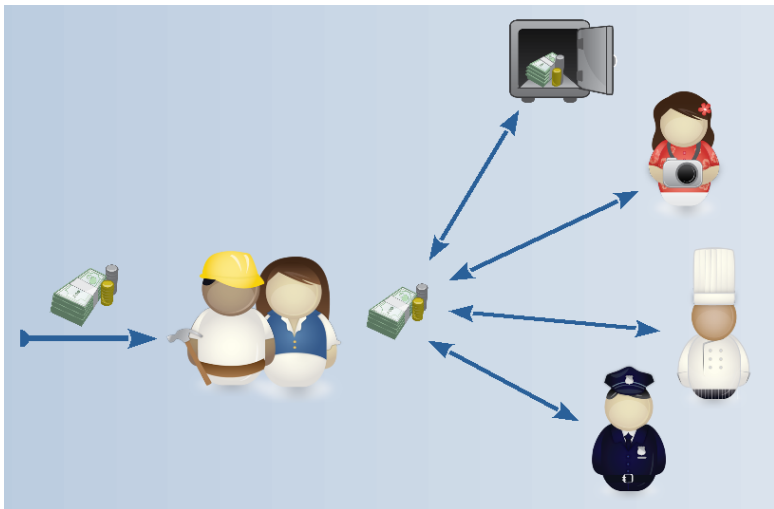
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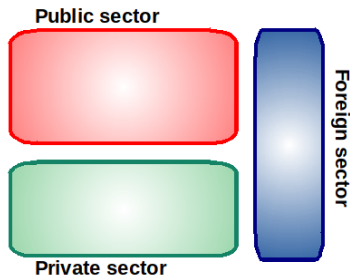
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- **Domestic Public**
 - Central government
 - Local government
 - Public authorities/agencies
- **Domestic Private**
 - Households
 - Firms
 - No-Profit organisations
- **Foreign**
 - Import/Export by foreign public and private entities



Macroeconomics sectors II

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This 3 sectors environment is a **close** system.

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Public sector



Private sector



Foreign sector

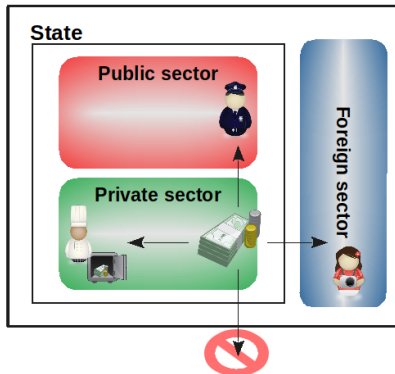


Macroeconomics sectors III

This 3 sectors environment is a **close** system.

- Everything that moves from one sector has to go to **at least** one of the other two

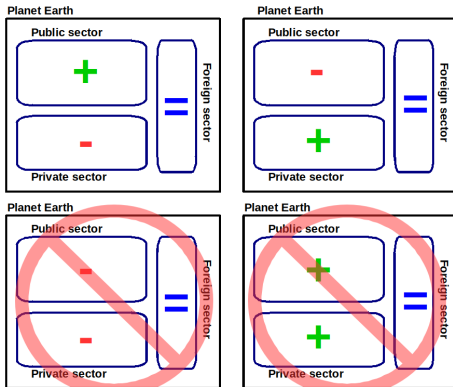
Planet Earth



Macroeconomics sectors IV

This 3 sectors environment is a **close** system.

- One sector **loss** corresponds to a *win* for at least one of the other two





Gross Domestic Product

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The output (or the product) of a nation is the Gross Domestic Product:

- **Expenditure approach:** Sum of all expenditures by the different economic sectors
- **Income approach:** Sum of the income earned by all the factors of production

Gross Domestic Product

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{GDP} &= C + I + G + X - M \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{M} \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbf{Consumption} + \mathbf{Investment} + \mathbf{Government Expenditure} \\ &\quad + \mathbf{Export} - \mathbf{Import}\end{aligned}$$

GDP and Macro Sectors I

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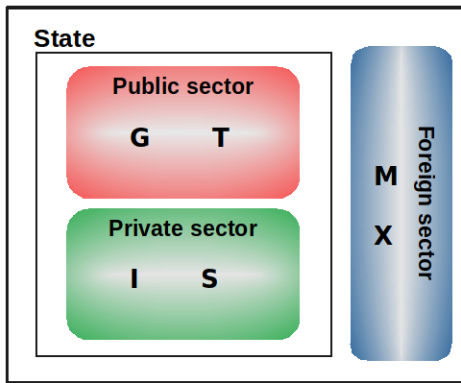
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$$\text{GDP} = C + I + G + X - M \equiv T - G + S - I + M - X = 0$$

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GDP and Macro Sectors II

The 3 balance identities:

Domestic Public Balance	\Rightarrow Public Revenue - Public Expenditure $\Rightarrow T - G$
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Domestic Private Balance	\Rightarrow Private Saving - Private Investment $\Rightarrow S - I$
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Foreign Balance	\Rightarrow Import - Export $\Rightarrow M - X$
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Government Net Lending	$\Rightarrow (G - T)$
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Private Sector Net Financial Wealth	$\Rightarrow (S - I)$
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Foreign Net Lending	$\Rightarrow (X - M)$
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GDP and Macro Sectors III

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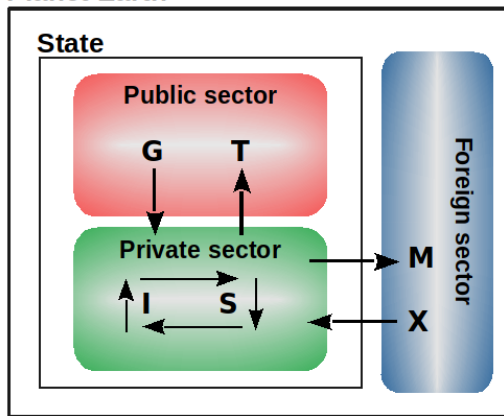
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"... Borrowing flows build up as debt stocks."

"... household borrowing must reach 14 percent of G.D.P. by 2010."

"... wildly implausible. More likely, borrowing would level off"

"... foresaw a looming recession but significantly underestimated its depth (2007)"



Wynne Godley

Full article, The New York Times, September 10, 2013:

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Stock-Flow consistent model

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Domestic Private Balance} + \\ &\text{Domestic Public Balance} + \\ &\text{Foreign Balance} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

\equiv

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Government Net Lending} = \\ &\text{Private Sector Net Financial Wealth} + \\ &\text{Foreign Net Lending} \end{aligned}$$

\equiv

$$(G - T) = (S - I) - (X - M)$$



Sectoral Balances and Stock-Flow consistency III

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Extract from Business Insider - Goldman's Top Economist Explains The World's Most Important Chart, And His Big Call For The US Economy

"...every dollar of government deficits has to be offset with private sector surpluses purely from an accounting standpoint, because one sector's income is another sector's spending, so it all has to add up to zero. That's the starting point. It's a truism, basically. Where it goes from being a truism and an accounting identity to an economic relationship is once you recognize that cyclical impulses to the economy depend on desired changes in these sector's financial balances."

Jan Hatzius - Chief economist of global investment research at Goldman Sachs

Full interview at Business Insider:

<http://www.businessinsider.com/goldmans-jan-hatzius-on-sectoral-balances-r=US&IR=T&IR=T>

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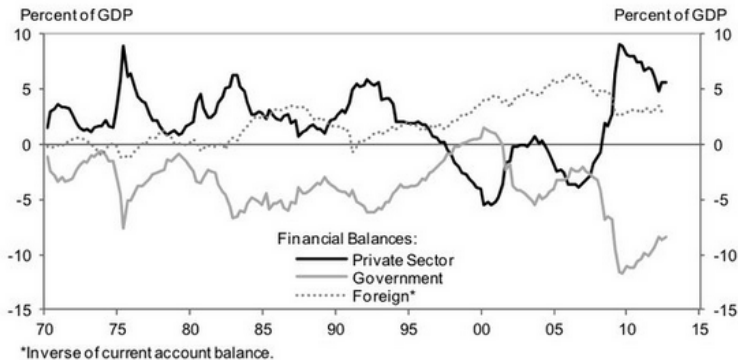
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Exhibit 1: Private Sector Surplus Offsets Government Deficit



Source: Department of Commerce.

Goldman Sachs



Sectoral Balances and Stock-Flow consistency V

Basic accounting principles:

- **One's Financial Asset is someone else's Financial Liability:**
For every financial asset there must be an offsetting financial liability
- **Net financial wealth of the private sector (Inside Wealth) is zero:**
The private sector can only accumulate through Outside Wealth
- **Private Net Wealth = Private Real Asset Value:**
After offsetting financial assets and liabilities what is left is the Real economy
- **Net Private Financial Wealth = Public Debt:**
Outside wealth provided by the Public sector allows the accumulation of (Private) financial wealth
- **Foreign Liabilities are Domestic Financial Assets:**
The foreign sector is a source of Outside wealth

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Flow	Stock
Balance Surplus \Rightarrow Saving Flow	\Rightarrow Financial Wealth accumulation
Balance Deficit \Rightarrow Indebtedness Flow	\Rightarrow Financial Wealth reduction

If one sector runs a surplus, at least one other sector must run a deficit.

How can a sector run a deficit?

- Run down accumulated financial assets \rightarrow Dissaving
- Acquire new IOU \rightarrow Borrowing

Sweden - Sectoral Balances I

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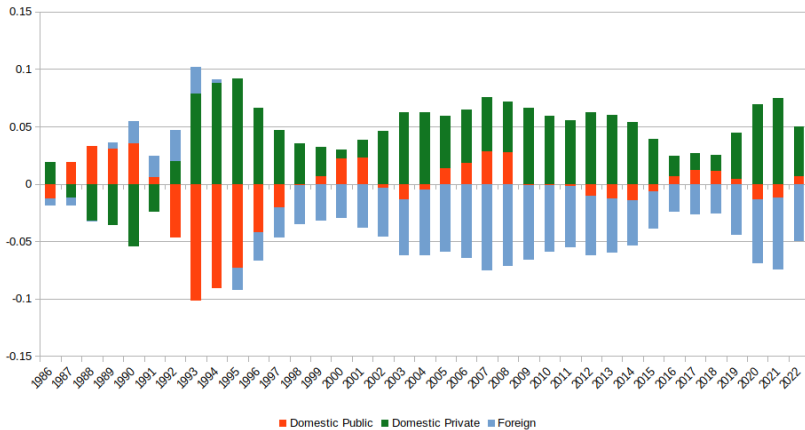
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Sweden - Sectoral Balances (% GDP) - Year



Sweden - Sectoral Balances II

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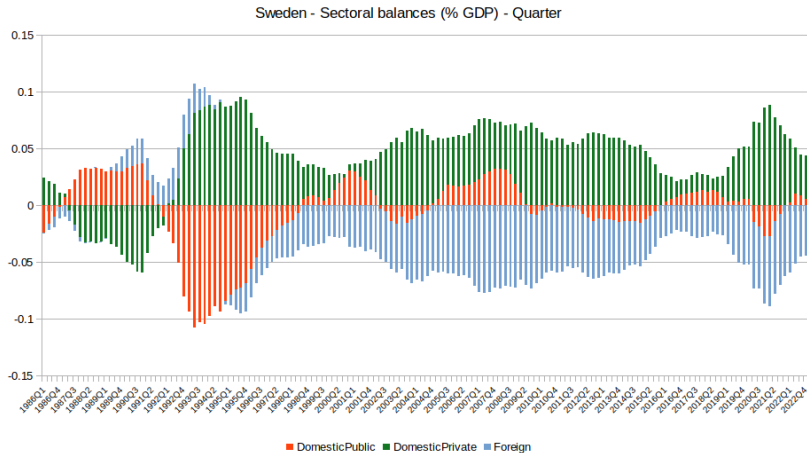
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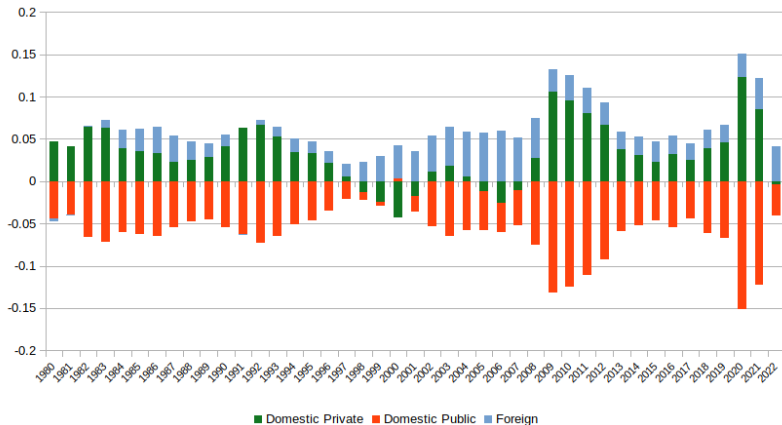
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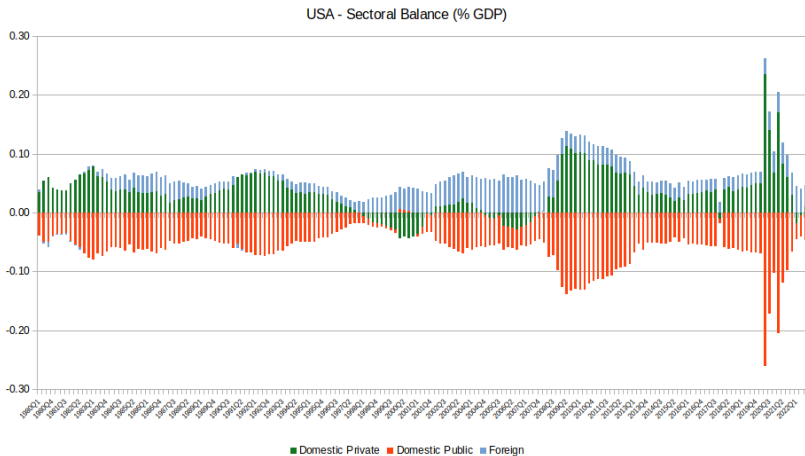
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Play & Learn: Monopoly revisited

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Monopoly under a Budget Surplus regime

No money outflows from the Bank.

- Remove all Chance / Community Chest cards that allow a player to receive money from the Bank.
- Pay 200\$ when passing Go instead of receiving them.



There will be only the same amount of money flowing around the players.

New money is created only by indebtedness.

The game won't last longer...



Money and Money Things

- Money Theories
- Money and Money Things
- Money Regimes



The Evolution Of Money: Key features

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Traditional view	Modern Money view
money is a natural invention of people society	money arises from the centre as a constitutional project
it arises from exchanges of private actors	it is a legal institution
it is a commodity (gold) or a convention (bank notes)	it is a debit or a credit
the government has a secondary role, technical service	the government has a primary role, issuing power

For the past 4000 years, at least, we have had Modern Money.
(J. M. Keynes, "A Treatise on Money ", 1930)



What is Money?

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Money is a creature of the State

Government IOUs denominated in the national currency.

Fundamentals features of Money:

- Creation
- Acceptance
- Redemption



Why is Money accepted?

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Why does the private sector accept the currency issued by the government?

The government currency is accepted because it can be used in exchange for something...

What backs up *modern money* (sovereign money)?

- Reserves of metal
- Reserves of foreign currencies
- Nothing (**Fiat**)
 - Legal tender laws
 - Tax liabilities

Taxes drive money!

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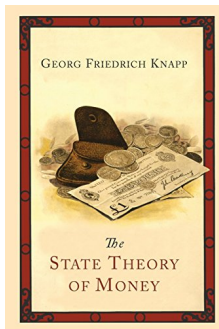
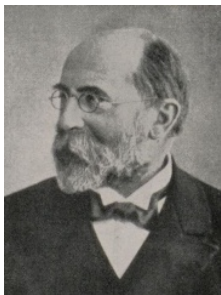
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Money has no intrinsic value (in contrast to Metallism), it is accepted because it can be used in tax payments.



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Chartal Money

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The Central Government has a central role in the creation of Chartal money:

- 1 It *chooses* a Money of Account
- 2 It *imposes* a tax liability (in the same account)
- 3 It *issues* a currency that becomes the social unit of account
- 4 The currency is the government's *liability* (IOU)
- 5 The government accepts the currency for tax payments
- 6 Domestic stocks and flows are denominated in the national currency



Money and Money Things I

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Money → IOUs issued by the Central Government

Money Things → IOUs issued by the Non-Government sector

- Government IOUs are not convertible.
- Private IOUs are convertible to government IOUs.
- **Leveraging** → small amount of government IOUs (Money) generates a wide range of Private IOUs (Money Things).
- Central Bank is the *Lender of Last Resort*.

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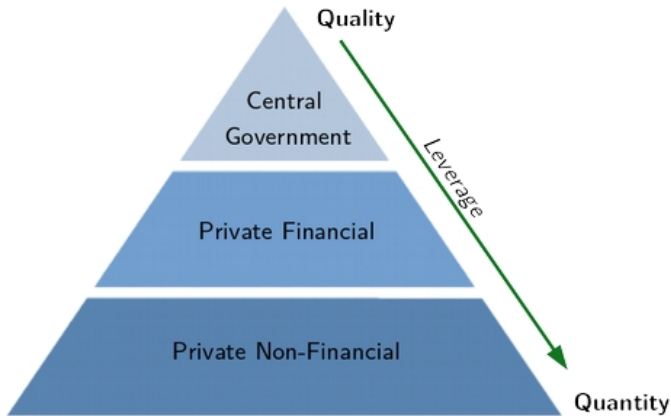
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Clearing example: Money - Government IOU

Person 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Checking Account	£200	Net worth	£200

Company 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Goods	£1,000	Net worth	£1,000

Person 1 settles using Government IOUs - Money

Person 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Checking Account	£100	Net worth	£100
Goods	£100		

Company 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Goods	£900	Net worth	£1,000
Cash	£100		



Money and Money Things IV

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Clearing example:

Money Things - Private Financial IOU

Person 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Checking Account	£200	Net worth	£200

Company 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Goods	£1,000	Net worth	£1,000

Person 1 settles using Bank Transfer - Money Thing

Person 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Checking Account	£100	Net worth	£100
Goods	£100		

Company 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Goods	£900	Net worth	£1,000
Checking Account	£100		



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Clearing example:

Money Things - Private Non-Financial IOU

Person 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Checking Account	£200	Net worth	£200

Company 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Goods	£1,000	Net worth	£1,000

Person 1 settles issuing a debit - Money Thing

Person 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Checking Account	£200	Net worth	£200
Goods	£100	Debit	£100

Company 1			
Assets		NW & Liabilities	
Goods	£900	Net worth	£1,000
Credit	£100		



Monetary regimes

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Pegged exchange rate:

A country promises to redeem its currency for a commodity (usually gold) or another currency at a fixed exchange rate.

Managed exchange rate:

A country promises to redeem its currency at a floating exchange rate which is contained in a fixed exchange rate band.

Floating rate:

A country does not promise to redeem its currency at a fixed exchange rate.



Monetary regimes and Policy Space

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Floating rate:

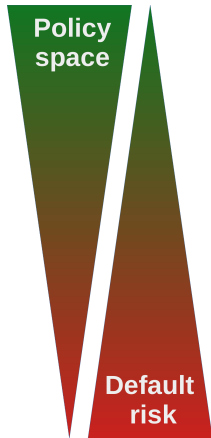
- Most policy space
- No default risk on its own currency
- Unlimited spending possibility
- Inflation and depreciation arbitrary

Managed float:

- Less policy space
- Spending can affect exchange rate

Pegged exchange rate:

- Least policy space
- Spending constrained by exchange rate
- Default risk greater than 0.





Countries and monetary regimes

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Floating rate

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United Kingdom
Sweden
Japan
Norway
Iceland
Mexico
Canada
Russia
India
Euroland*

Managed exchange rate

China
Switzerland
Singapore

Pegged exchange rate

Euro countries*
Saudi Arabia
United Arab
Emirates
Denmark
Hong Kong
Many African countries



Sovereign Government and Fiscal Policy

- Fiscal policy for a *sovereign* country
- Spending, taxation, deficit



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Sovereignty scale

Full Sovereign country:

A country whose central government **issues** its own *unpegged* and *non-convertible* currency which is used as *domestic unit of account*.

Sovereign Country:

A country whose central government **issues** its own currency which is used as *domestic unit of account*.

Non-Sovereign Country:

A country whose central government **uses** as *domestic unit of account* a currency issued by a foreign entity.



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Issuer vs User

Central Government	⇒ Issuer
Private Sector (households and companies)	⇒ Users
Local Governments	⇒ False Users



Wrong approach to Sovereign Countries

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■ Spending

- Government has budget constraints, like households and firms
- Government spending must be funded through taxation or borrowing (bond sales)
- Spending comes after taxation

■ Taxation

- Taxes finance government spending
- Taxation has to come before spending

■ Deficit

- Government deficit is the private sector burden
- Deficit drives interest rates up, takes away private saving and generates inflation
- Today's deficit is the future generations' burden



Correct approach to Sovereign Countries

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■ Spending

- The government can always afford to buy what is on sale in its own unit of account
- As the sole manufacturer of currency the government can never become insolvent
- Spending comes before taxation

■ Taxation

- Taxes cannot finance government spending
- Taxation occurs after spending
- Taxes exist for a monetary purpose not for financing (same applies for bond sales)

■ Deficit

- Government deficit is the private sector net wealth
- Today's deficit are the future generations' savings



Spending and Taxation I

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Spending is the process through which the Central Government introduces **liquidity** in the system.

It **spends money into existence** by crediting bank **reserves** (printing money or **keystroke**).

The money comes from **nothing**, it cannot come from taxation or other financing vectors (like treasury bonds sales), the government simply creates it.

Ben Bernanke interviewed by Scott Pelley: *Bernanke explains where the money came from for the 2008 bailouts of the banks. It's not taxpayer's money, they just printed it.*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_bjDAZazWU



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As the **sole manufacturer** of money, the Sovereign Government can never run out of money and never become **insolvent** on liabilities denominated in its money of account (national currency).

⇒ **default probability** of the government on an exposure denominated in **domestic currency** is **zero**.

Alan Greenspan vs Paul Ryan on USA solvency:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DNCZHAQnfGU>

From the St. Louis Fed:

“As the sole manufacturer of dollars, whose debt is denominated in dollars, the U.S. government can never become insolvent, i.e., unable to pay its bills. In this sense, the government is not dependent on credit markets to remain operational.”



Spending and Taxation III

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Taxation cannot precede spending: money is made available to the private sector by the government spending.

The government introduces money in the private sector (spending) and only successively it may, eventually, drain some of this money (taxation).

The private sector cannot pay any taxes if it haven't received any money yet!



The Role of Taxation

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Taxation is primarily a monetary operation and not a financing source for a sovereign government.

Real purposes of taxation:

- 1 **Taxes drive money:** taxation ensures a demand for the national currency
- 2 Control of inflation
- 3 Reallocation of national wealth
- 4 Constrain over-accumulation of wealth



Taxes drive money

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The imposition by the government of a **tax liability** to be paid in the national currency ensures a demand for this currency.
The key link between **Taxation** and **Money Demand** is **Unemployment**.

Spending

⇒ Taxation

⇒ Unemployment

⇒ Money Demand



Interactive Example...



Government Borrowing

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Link between the Central Bank interest rate target and the government spending:

- 1 Government deficit spending adds extra reserves to the banking system
- 2 Interest rate declines (under the CB target) as the quantity of reserves increases
- 3 Government drains excess reserves by selling securities → Borrowing
- 4 Interest rate re-aligns with the Central Bank target

Government borrowing is a monetary operation
(support interest rate) and not a financing (fiscal) operation.



About inflation I

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Mainstream view	Modern Money view
Inflation \Rightarrow Demand side	Inflation \Rightarrow Supply side
Stagnation \Rightarrow Supply side	Stagnation \Rightarrow Demand side

- Weimar
- Zimbabwe
- Usa 70s
- USA/Europe 2022



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About the latest inflation?

Supply chain disruption

- Covid-19 disruptions
 - Careless response
 - China 0-Covid policy
 - Just-in-time production flaws
 - Neoliberal supply chain disrupted
- Nato-Russia war
 - Raw materials price
- Oil, Food, Shelter and raw materials
- Price gauging and rising markups
- No evidence of Wage-Price spiral
- Raising rates counterproductive: affect supply but not demand, cost feed-through, devalue banks assets, interest income



Modern Monetary System

- Money creation and Reserves
- Treasury - Central Bank coordination

Money and Interest Rate I

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Fixed exchange regime

Ex. gold standard.

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Quantity of money is *limited*

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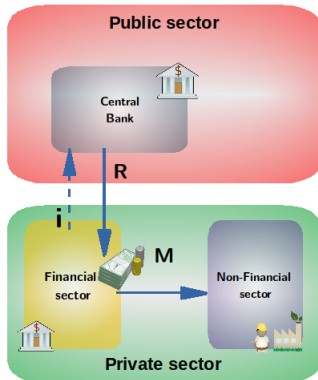
The quantity of reserves is *fixed*, determined by the Central Bank

I

Interest rate is determined by the *market* competing for a fixed amount of available reserves

Exogenous money

→ **Verticalism**



Money and Interest Rate II

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Floating exchange regime

Ex. fiat currency

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Quantity of money is *unlimited*

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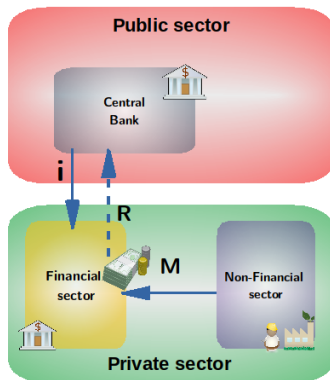
Quantity of reserves determined by the market, Central Bank *accommodates* the demand for reserves

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Interest rate fixed by the *Central Bank*

Endogenous money

→ **Horizontalism**





The Monetary Base: Definition

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Central Bank balance sheet

<i>Assets</i>	<i>Liabilities & Net Worth</i>
A1: Credit market instruments	L1: Vault cash and cash in circulation
A2: Loans to domestic banks	L2: Reserves balances
A3: Gold, foreign exchange and SDR certificates	L3: Checking account due to Treasury and Banknotes held by Treasury
A4: Treasury currency	L4: Checking account due to Foreigners and other Banknotes held by Foreigners and others
A5: Other assets	L5: Other liabilities

Monetary Base

$$L_1 + L_2 = A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 + A_5 - L_3 - L_4 - L_5$$



The Monetary Base: Changes

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Creation of monetary base:

Increase in Central Bank assets → Central Bank buys a treasury bond from a private bank.

Assets variations	Liabilities & Net Worth variations
$\Delta A_1 = +100$ Treasury bond	$\Delta L_2 = +100$ Reserves

Destruction of monetary base:

Increase in Central Bank liabilities → Private actor pays due taxes.

Assets variations	Liabilities & Net Worth variations
	$\Delta L_2 = -100$ Reserves
	$\Delta L_3 = +100$ Treasury account



The balance sheet of a bank

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<i>Assets</i>	<i>Liabilities & Net Worth</i>
Loans	Checking accounts
Securities	Saving accounts
Reserve balances	Other liabilities
Other assets	Net Worth

Checking and Saving accounts are the **money things** or banks IOUs.

Reserve balances are *deposit accounts* at the Central Bank (L2: Reserves balances).



Banks and Money Creation - Simple

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Bank X opens its business and no banking activities have performed yet.

Bank X Initial balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Equipment = 500	Net Worth = 500

The bank obtains its first customer, company One, which would like to borrow 500 to finance a new machinery.

Bank X balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Equipment = 500	Net Worth = 500
Loan to company One = 500	Checking account of company One = 500

Bank X created 500 of money things.

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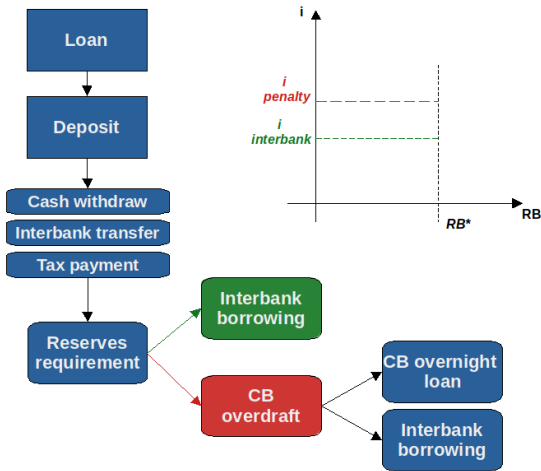
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Reserve balances do NOT affect banks ability to make loans.

Constraints:

- 1 Borrower creditworthiness
- 2 Profitability (customer deposits vs interbank/CB borrowing)
- 3 Capital requirements



The Money Multiplier - theory

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Reserve balances according to the Money Multiplier model \Rightarrow *reserve balances finance banks balance sheet expansion by increasing the Excess Reserves.*

$$M = m * MB$$

$\uparrow RB \rightarrow \uparrow ER \rightarrow Loans \& Deposits \uparrow$

$\Rightarrow Credit Expansion$

- 1 The Central Bank increases the supply of reserve balances
- 2 Banks excess reserves increase
- 3 Banks can create more loans (and deposits).

This is how it works in theory..



The Money Multiplier - real world

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but in the real world...

The money multiplier (m) works the other way around.

\Rightarrow *Credit Expansion*

Loans \rightarrow *Deposits* $\rightarrow \uparrow RB$

$$MB = M/m$$

- 1 Banks create Loans which create Deposits independent of reserve positions
- 2 Banks acquire reserves in the *money market* if:
 - Banks have reserve requirements to meet
 - Banks have to settle a payment (interbank settlement)
 - Cash withdraw
- 3 The Central Bank accommodates the demand of reserves whatever this is

Example on interbank settlement \Downarrow



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The case of interbank settlements:

company One pays 500 to the supplier of the new machinery which has a bank account in another bank, Bank Y.

Bank X balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
	Checking account company One = -500
	Reserves due to bank Y = +500

Bank Y balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Claim on Bank X Reserves = +500	Checking account supplier = +500



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Bank X needs to acquire reserves in order to settle its debt with Bank Y.

The reserves are obtained from the Central Bank.

Bank X balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Reserves = +500	Debt to Central Bank = +500

Central Bank balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Reserve loan to Bank X = +500	Reserves = +500



Banks and Money Creation - Reserves III

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Once the reserves are obtained, Bank X settles the debt with Bank Y.

Bank X balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Reserves = -500	Reserves due to Bank Y = -500

Bank Y balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Claim on Bank X = -500	
Reserves = +500	



Banks and Money Creation - Reserves IV

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Final position of Bank X, Bank Y and the Central Bank.

Bank X balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Equipment = 500	Debt to Central Bank = 500
Loan to One = 500	Net Worth = 500

Bank Y balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Reserves = 500	Checking account supplier = 500

Central Bank balance sheet

Assets	Liabilities & Net Worth
Reserves Loan to Bank X = 500	Reserves = 500



Banking and Reserves

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- Banks use reserve balances to settle payments (consistently high GDP % in modern economy)
- The Central Bank sets an interest rate target
- The Central Bank has to accommodate the demand for reserves in order to guarantee the correct functioning of the payment system (both intra-day and overnight)
- Reserve requirements do not affect supply/demand of reserve balances
- Interbank lending does not change the total amount of reserves, it just changes the distribution of reserves
- Only the Central Bank can increase (or decrease) the amount of reserves at macro level.

The Central Bank has no control over the quantity of reserves, it controls only the price.



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Balanced budget I

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Step 1 → Government buys asset from the private sector:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+ Truck	+ Reserves
+Tax liability	+Net worth

Private Banks	
Assets	Liabilities
+Reserves	+DD

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
+DD	+Tax liability
-Truck	-Net worth

Step 2 → Private sector pays tax liability:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
-Tax liability	-Reserves

Private Banks	
Assets	Liabilities
-Reserves	-DD

Private company	
Assets	Liabilities
-DD	-Tax liability



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Balanced budget II

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Final position:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+Truck	+Net worth

Private company	
Assets	Liabilities
-Truck	-Net worth

In the case of a balanced budget, the government simply transfers, using the monetary system, resources from the private sector to the public.

The government increases its assets and the private company decreases its net worth.

Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending I

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Step 1 → Government buys asset from the private sector:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+ Truck	+ Reserves

Private Banks	
Assets	Liabilities
+Reserves	+DD

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
+DD	
-Truck	

Step 2 → Government sells bond (to hit overnight interest rate target - monetary policy):

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
	-Reserves
	+Bond

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
-Reserves	
+Bond	



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending II

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Final Position:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+ Truck	+ Bond

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
+Bond	+DD

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
+DD -Truck	

The government increases its assets but the *deficit spending* allows a net financial assets to be created and accumulated by the private sector.



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending - One constraint I

Constraint: Requirement to sell the bond before deficit spending

Step 1 → Government sells bond before spending:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+ DD	+ Bond

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
+Bond	+ DD Government

Step 2 → Government buys asset from the private sector:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
-DD	
+Truck	

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
	-DD Gov.
	+DD Priv.

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
-Truck	
+DD	



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending - One constraint II

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Final Position:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+ Truck	+ Bond

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
+Bond	+DD

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
+DD -Truck	

Same conclusion as for the case without constraint...



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending - Two constraints I

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Further constraint: Government can only write checks on its account at the central bank

Step 1 → Treasury uses its central bank account:

Treasury	
Assets	Liabilities
+ DD Private Bank	+Bond

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
+Bond	+ DD Treasury

Step 2 → Treasury moves deposit to central bank account:

Treasury	
Assets	Liabilities
-DD Priv. bank +DD Cent. Bank	

Central Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
Loan. Res.	+DD Treasury

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
	-DD Treasury +Borr. Res.



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending - Two constraints II

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Step 1 → Treasury buys asset from the private sector:

Treasury	
Assets	Liabilities
-DD	
+Truck	

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
	+DD
	-Borrowed Res.

Central Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
- Loan. Res.	- DD Treasury

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
+DD	
-Truck	



Treasury and Central Bank coordination: Deficit Spending - Two constraints III

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Final Position:

Government	
Assets	Liabilities
+ Truck	+ Bond

Private Bank	
Assets	Liabilities
+Bond	+DD

Private Company	
Assets	Liabilities
+DD -Truck	

Same conclusion as for the case without constraint and with 1 constraint...



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- Financial Instability Hypothesis
- The road to the Global Financial Crisis

Capitalism and Innovation

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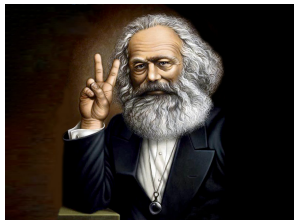
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Capitalism is a Money production process (Karl Marx)

$$M - C - M'$$

The process starts with **Money** which is exploited to produce a **Commodity**, in order to generate more **Money**.

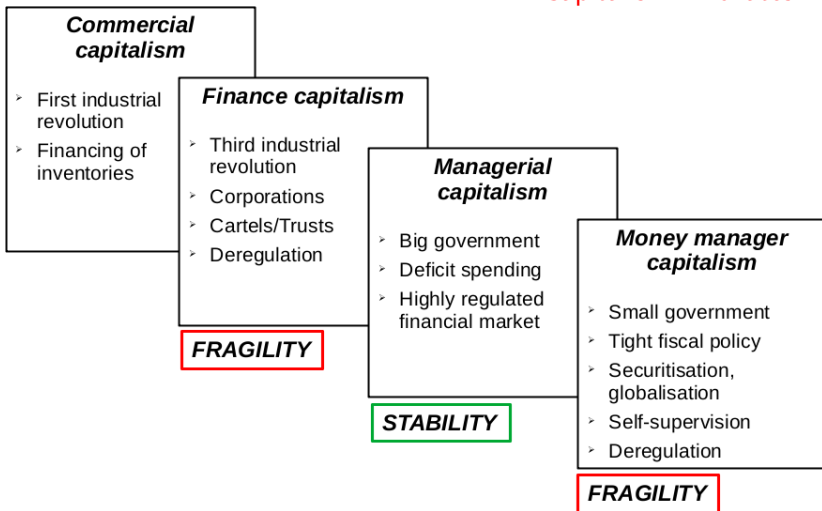


Karl Marx



Historical evolution of Capitalism

Capitalism Innovates!



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Hyman Minsky

Financial instability hypothesis



Joseph Shumpeter

Innovation and economic development



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Michal Kalecki

Link between aggregate profits and investment

Financial Instability Hypothesis

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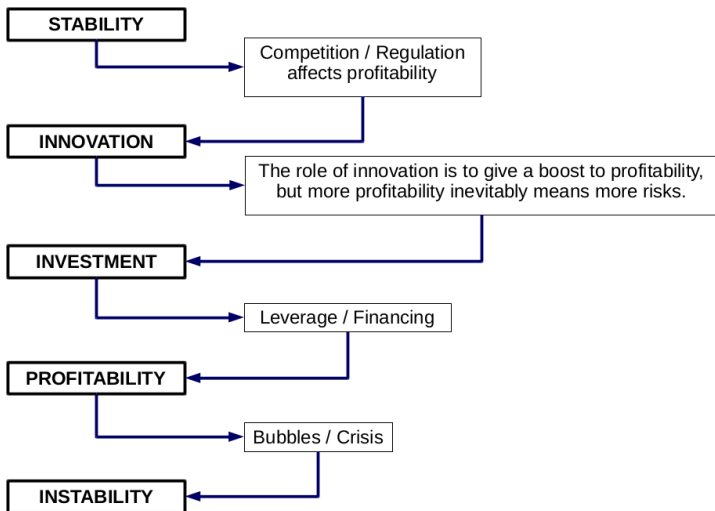
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From deregulation to destabilising regulation

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Micro-regulation:

■ Basel

- Market risk requirement internally calculated to link Capital and Risk
- Banks pressure towards development of own models
- Extension to Credit Risk
- More advanced internal model to take over regulation

■ Perverse Incentive set up by higher capital requirements:

- Competitive pressures force banks with higher capital ratios to seek higher returns in order to increase Return On Equities;
- Given that risk weightings do not eliminate the higher net returns to overly risky assets, all things equal, banks with more capital need higher returns and thus riskier positions.

■ Short term prospective, no protection against systemic crisis.



From deregulation to stabilising regulation

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Macro-regulation:

- Capital ratios (micro-regulation) offer short term stability Fiscal policy is the main stabiliser
 - Contain profit volatility, long term stability
 - Government intervention against Unexpected Losses generated by major systemic financial crisis.
- Tighten coordination between Financial and Real economy
 - Discrepancy between growth of banks assets and the growth of nominal GDP brings fragility
- Introduce Diversity in regulation and supervision.



Macro effects of the wrong policies

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Financial instability

- Micro vs macro stability
- Financial Instability Hypothesis

Global financial crisis (2007)

- Volcker interest rate rise (80's)
- Clinton budget surplus (1996)

Private sector distress

- Wrong price of credit.

Government Deficit - USA Sectorial Balances and the Global Financial Crisis

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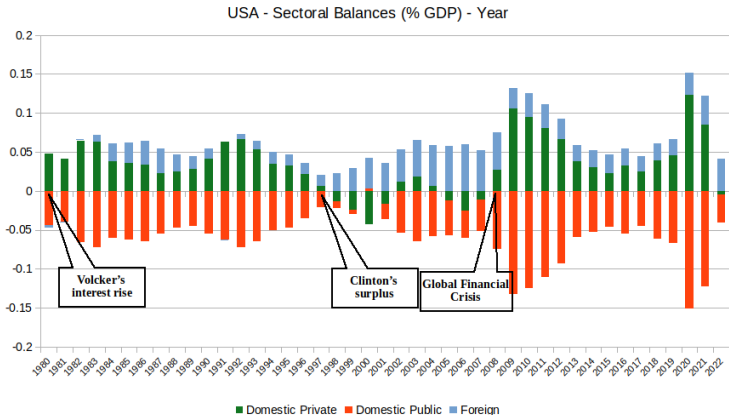
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