

# **ECON 219: Problem Set #2**

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## Problem 1

Consider the National Income Model:

$$\begin{aligned}Y &= C + I_0 + G_0 \\C &= \alpha + \beta(Y - T) \\T &= \gamma + \delta Y\end{aligned}$$

1. Define and interpret each of the components of the model. Identify parameter and variables.
2. Impose reasonable assumptions on the signs and values of the parameters.
3. Solve for the equilibrium income.
4. Obtain and discuss the six comparative-static derivatives.

## Problem 2

Consider the market model:

$$\begin{aligned}Q_s &= Q_s \\Q_s &= D(P, Y_0) \\Q_d &= S(P)\end{aligned}$$

1. Provide an economic interpretation to each of the equations. In your answers, include the assumptions on the signs of the relevant derivatives.
2. Define the concept of market equilibrium. Provide and explain its mathematical formulation.
3. Show that:

$$\frac{dP^*}{dY_0} > 0$$

Where  $P^*$  is the equilibrium price. Provide an economic interpretation for this result.

4. Show that:

$$\frac{dQ^*}{dY_0} > 0$$

Where  $Q^*$  is the equilibrium price. Provide an economic interpretation for this result.

5. Answer questions c and d using total derivatives.