Assets

Liabilities



Assume the Fed is presently holding 100b in Bonds

Bank Reserves



Bank A has Deposits

250

Bank B has **Deposits** 100

Bank C has **Deposits** 150

Bank D has **Deposits** 300

Bank E has **Deposits**

200

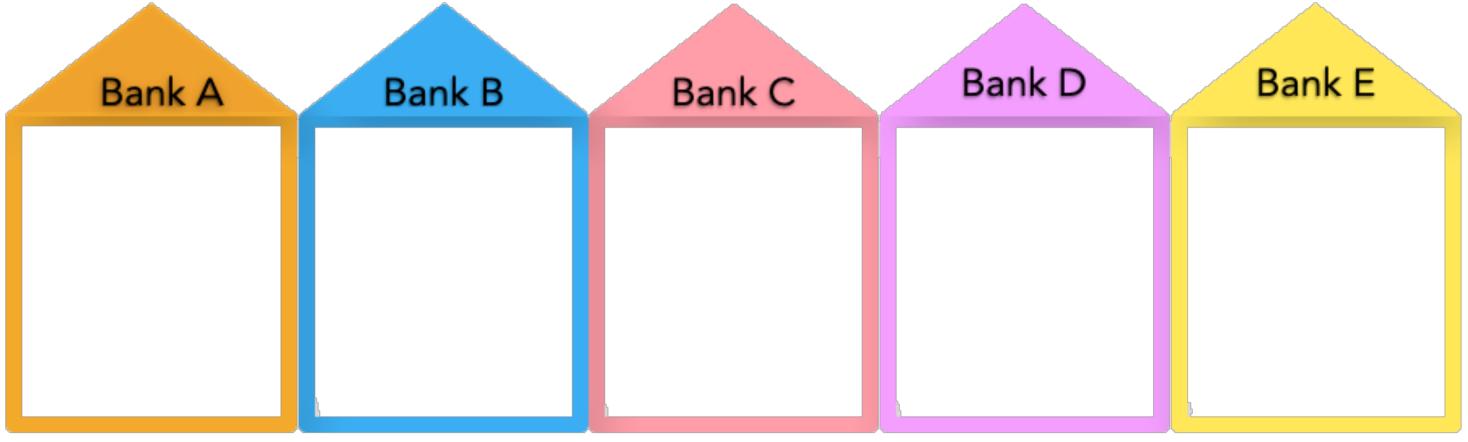
 $R_A = 0.1 \times 250 = 25b$

 $R_B = 0.1 \times 100 = 10b$

 $R_C = 0.1 \times 150 = 15b$

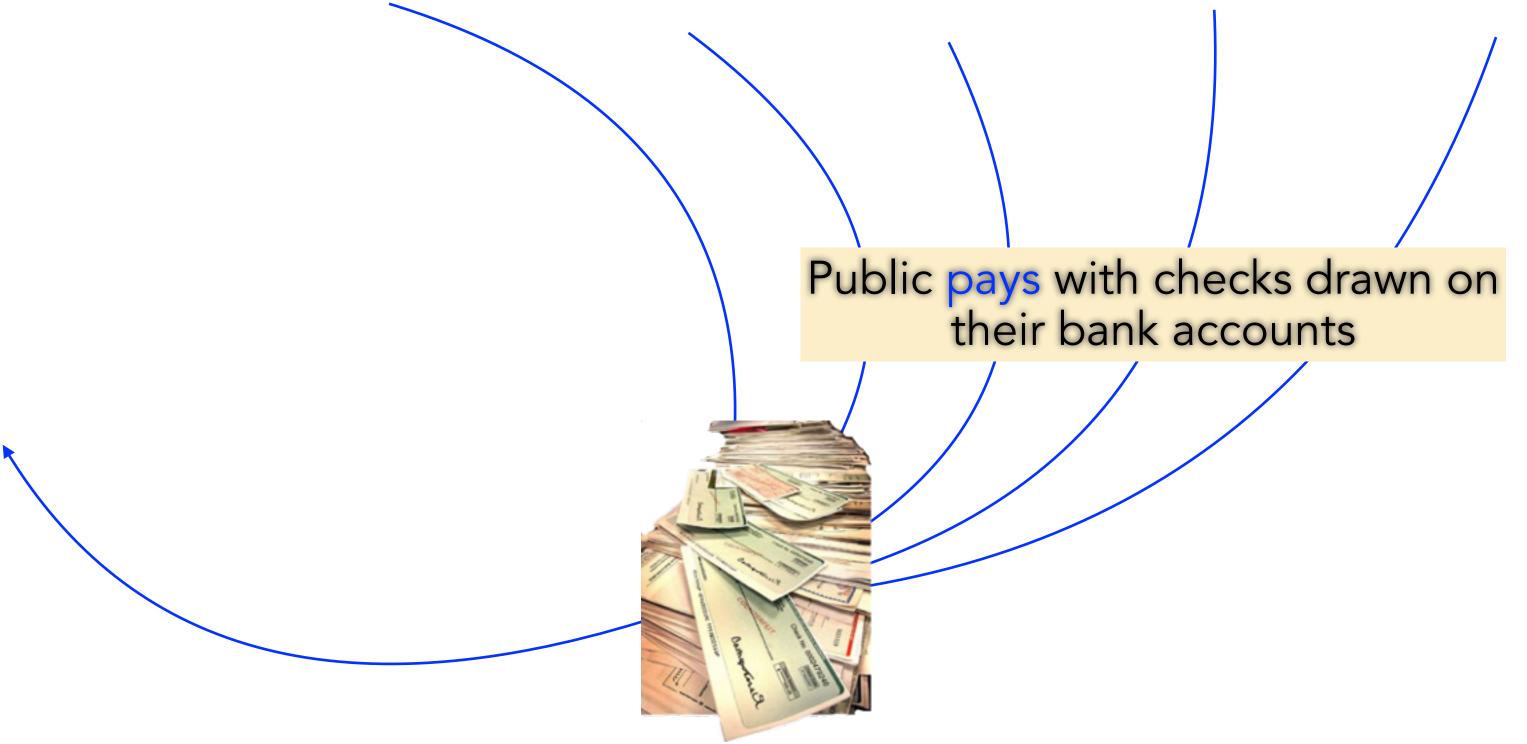


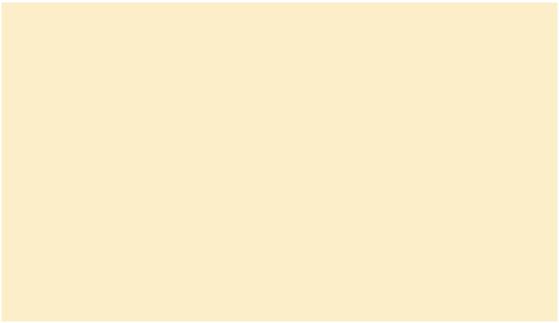




Total Reserves = 100b





































































































































































The Fed Sells Bonds in the Open Market

The Fed

disappeared

money form the

system by

decreasing bank

reserves







Total Reserves =80b





















































































































The Fed now holds 80b in Bonds

Fed sells 20b in bonds to the public





The Fed "clears" these checks by decreasing the bank's reserves by the amount of the check

The Fed Sells Bonds in the Open Market

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The Fed now holds 80b in Bonds



When the Fed sells 20b in bonds, the Fed disappears
20b in bank Reserves

Bank E Bank D Bank B Bank C Bank A Bank C has Bank A has Bank B has Bank D has Bank E has Deposits Deposits Deposits Deposits Deposits 250 100 150 300 200

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Public pays with checks drawn on their bank accounts

To understand what happens next, we must take a closer look at the loan process

