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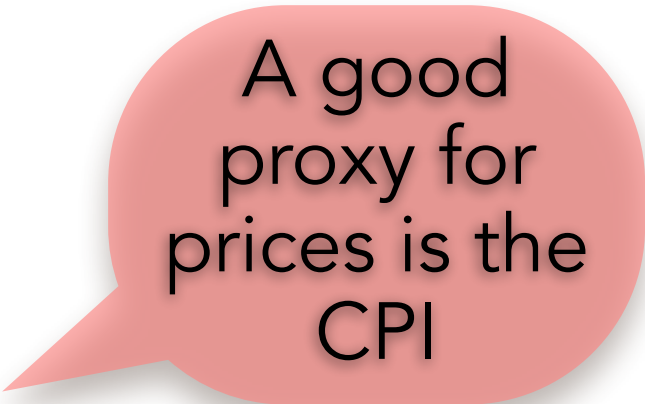
+ Deposits

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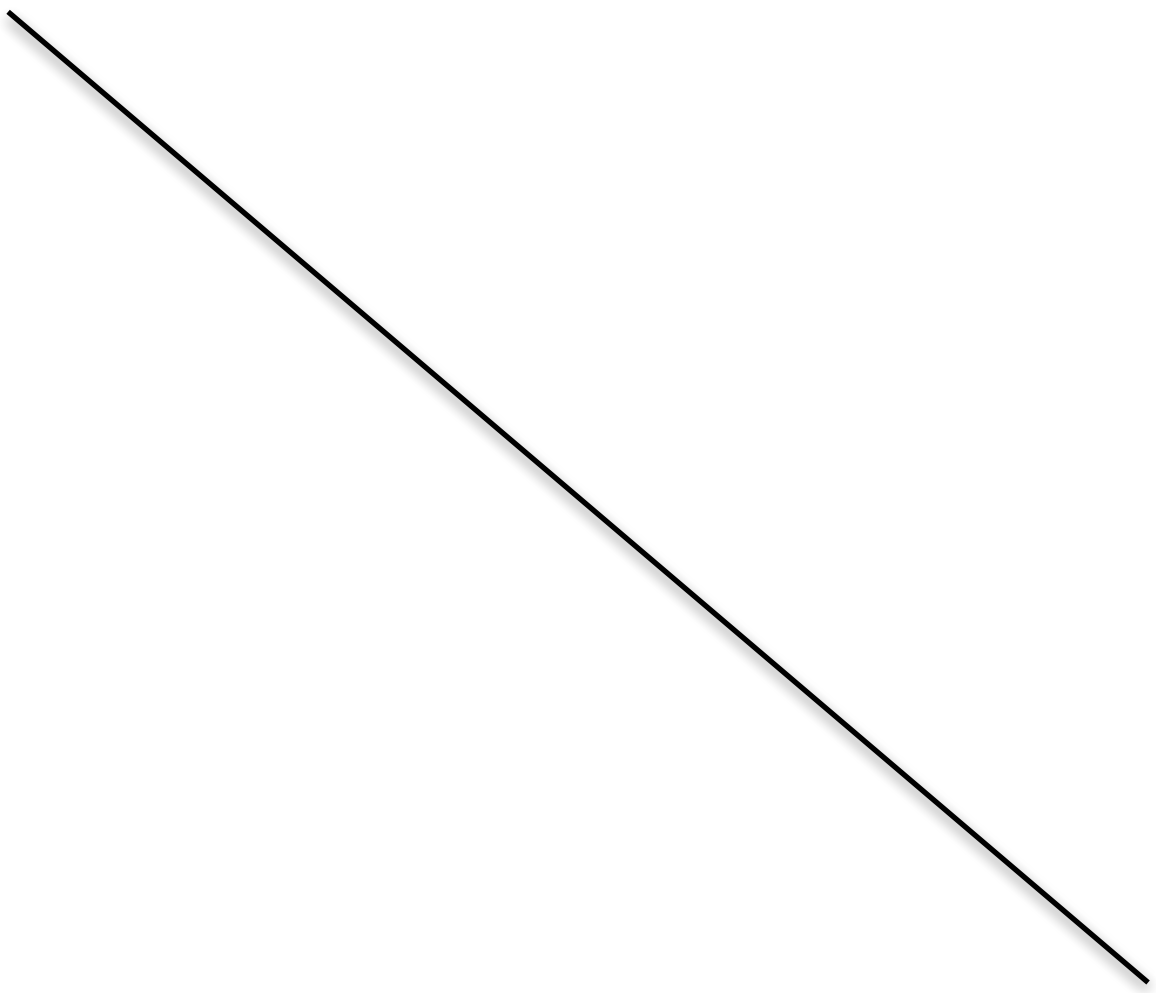
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- 📌 The total **number of units** purchased

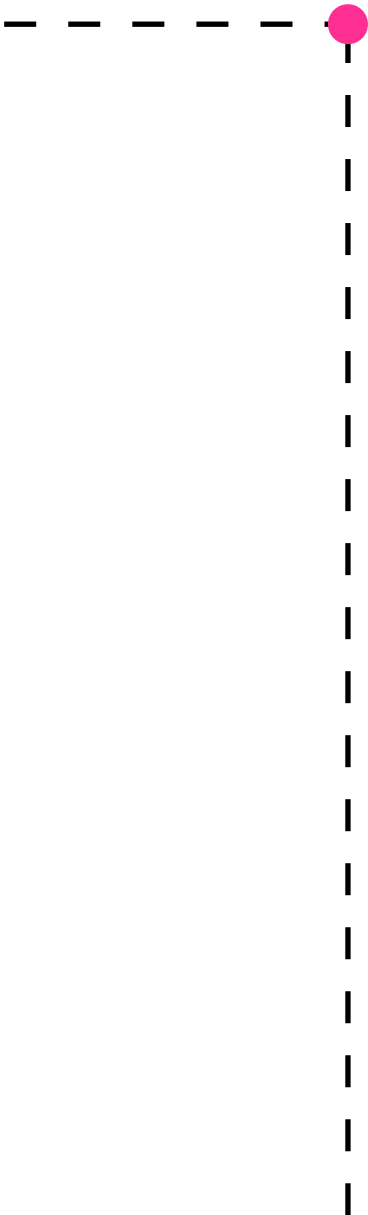
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A good  
proxy for  
prices is the  
CPI



A good proxy  
for quantities is  
real GDP





$$M^d = 500$$





For each interest rate, the demand for money  $M^d$  represents the need for liquid balances for a given price level ( $P_0$ ) and a given  $GDP_0$







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$i_0$

$i_1$



For all interest rates, the demand  
for liquid balances will be **higher**



A rightward shift in the Demand for  
Money



$M^d(P_1, GDP_0)$











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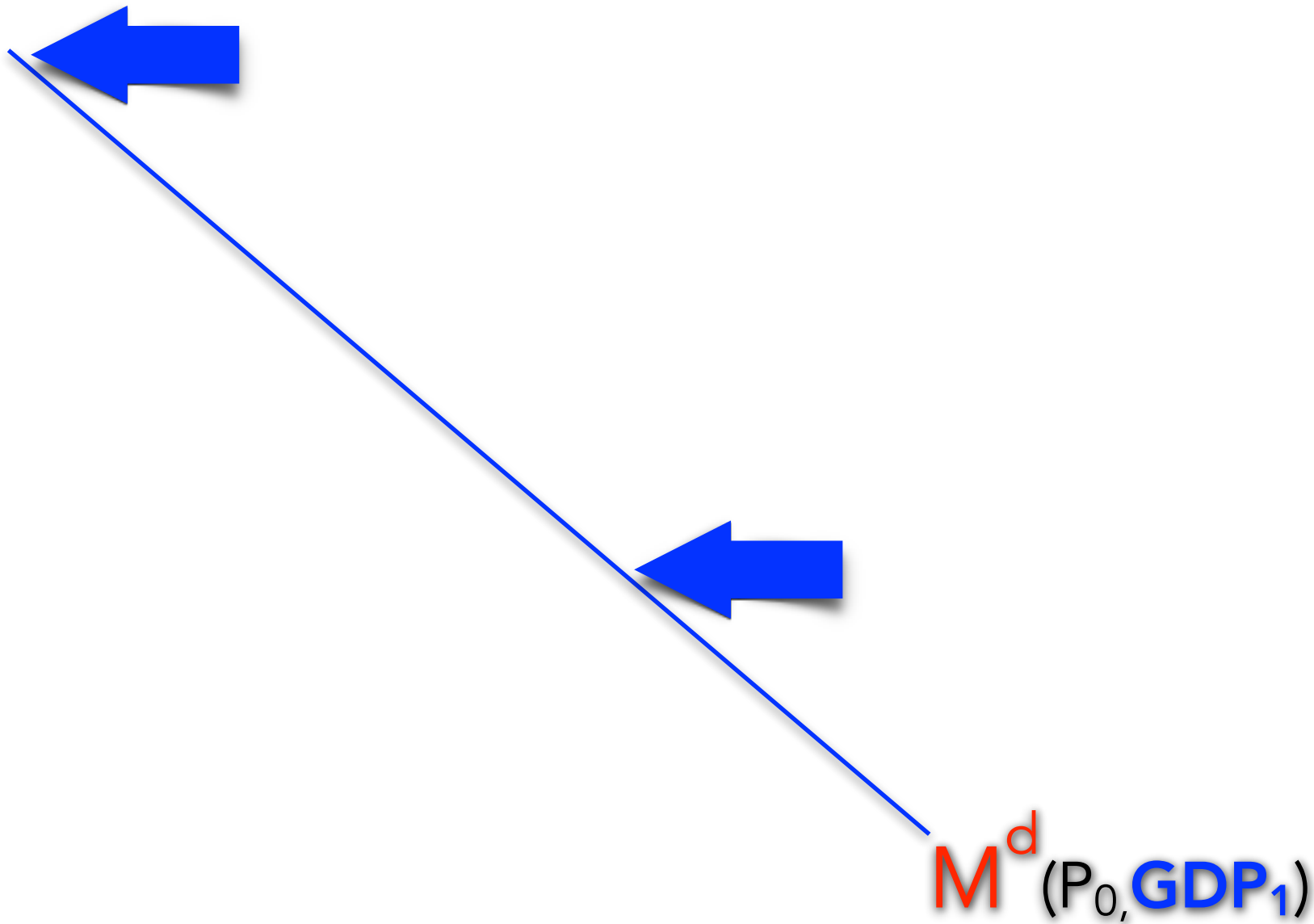
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For all interest rates, the demand  
for liquid balances will be **lower**



A leftward shift in the Demand for  
Money




How much money is needed for  
transactions?




If lunch is more  
expensive: **price** is  
\$**20**/lunch, then I  
need to have  
**7** $\times$ **20**=\$140 in cash  
or check

If I buy lunch only  
5 days a week,  
then I only need to  
have  $5 \times 15 = \$75$  in  
cash or check

$$M^d(P_0, GDP_0)$$



I need more  
money to pay for  
more expensive  
transactions



I need less money  
to pay for fewer  
transactions

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If GDP decrease (fewer transactions) the public will need lower liquid balances

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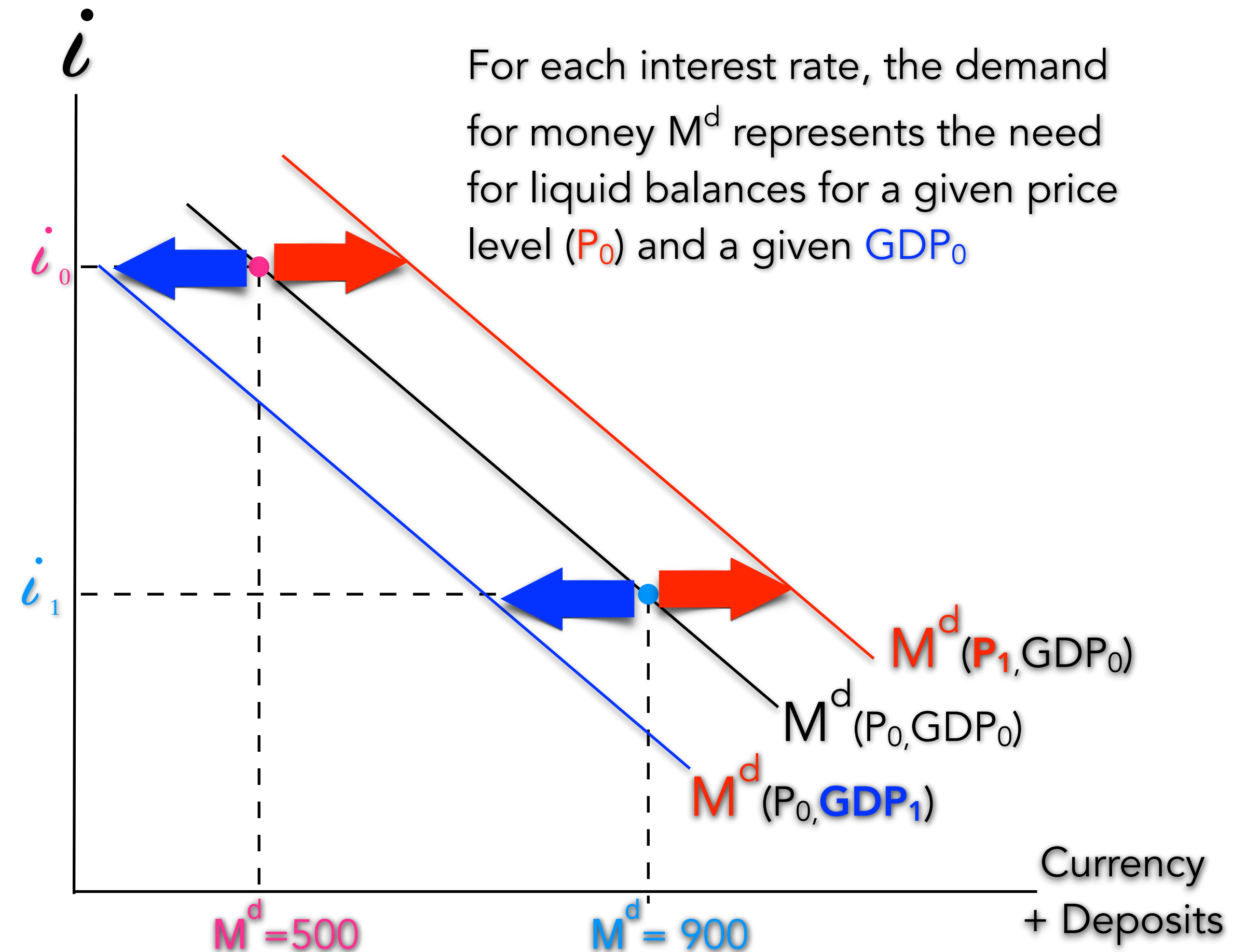
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