

1. The economy of Micanapy is in short-run equilibrium and is experiencing an inflationary gap.

Part A

Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves for Micanapy, and show each of the following.

- i. The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
- ii. The full-employment real output, labeled Y_F

Part B

Assume that policymakers take no action to close the inflationary gap. Explain how Micanapy's economy will self-adjust to full employment in the long run.

Part C

Suppose instead that Micanapy's central bank is considering using monetary policy to close the inflationary gap in the short run. The banking system in Micanapy has limited reserves.

- i. Identify a specific open-market operation that the central bank of Micanapy would implement to close the inflationary gap in the short run.
- ii. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the money market in Micanapy, and show the effect of the open-market operation identified in part C (i) on the nominal interest rate.

Part D

Based solely on the interest rate change shown on your graph in part C (ii), will each of the following increase, decrease, or remain the same in the short run?

- i. International financial capital flows into Micanapy. Explain.
- ii. The price of previously issued bonds in Micanapy
- iii. Private domestic investment spending in Micanapy

Part E

Based solely on the change in private domestic investment spending identified in part D (iii), will the unemployment rate in Micanapy increase, decrease, or remain the same in the short run? Explain.

3. The table provided shows the quantities and unit prices of shirts, bread, and pants, the only three goods produced in the country of Middleland in 2021 and 2022. Assume that 2021 was the base year.

	Shirts	Bread	Pants
Unit Prices in 2021	\$11	\$4	\$12
Unit Prices in 2022	\$10	\$5	\$15
Quantities Produced in 2021 and 2022	50	70	30

- A. Was the real GDP in 2021 in Middleland greater than, less than, or equal to the nominal GDP in 2021? Explain.
- B. Calculate the real GDP in Middleland in 2022. Show your work.
- C. Assume that Middleland was in short-run equilibrium in 2022 and that POTENTIAL real GDP was \$1,150 in 2022. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves for Middleland in 2022, and show each of the following.
 - i. The equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - ii. The full-employment output, labeled Y_F
- D. Assume the marginal propensity to consume in Middleland is 0.8. Calculate the minimum change and state the direction of change in government spending required to close the output gap in the short run in Middleland. Show your work.

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3. Assume that Nepal is in long-run macroeconomic equilibrium and has an open economy.
- A. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves for Nepal, and show each of the following.
- The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - The full-employment output, labeled Y_F
- B. Nepal and Thailand are trading partners. Assume that Thailand experiences an increase in real income. On your graph in part A, show the short-run effect of the increase in real income in Thailand on real output and the price level in Nepal, labeling the new short-run equilibrium real output Y_2 and the new short-run equilibrium price level PL_2 .
- C. Assume that at the short-run equilibrium shown on your graph in part B, Nepal is experiencing a 400 million rupee output gap. Policymakers in Nepal want to use discretionary fiscal policy to return the economy to full employment, and the marginal propensity to consume is 0.75. Calculate the minimum change and state the direction of change in government spending required to completely close the output gap in the short run. Show your work.
- D. Assume instead that no discretionary policy actions are taken. Explain how automatic stabilizers in the short run would reduce the effect of the change in real output shown on your graph in part B.

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1. The economy of Alpha is in short-run equilibrium with a cyclical unemployment rate of 3%, a frictional unemployment rate of 4%, and an actual unemployment rate of 8%.
- (a) Calculate Alpha's natural rate of unemployment. Show your work.
- (b) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves for Alpha, and show each of the following.
- The current equilibrium output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - The full-employment output, labeled Y_F
- (c) Assume that policymakers take no action to close the output gap.
- Explain how Alpha's economy will adjust to full employment in the long run.
 - On your graph in part (b), show how Alpha's economy will adjust to full employment in the long run, labeling the new equilibrium price level PL_2 .
- (d) Assume instead that Alpha's central bank is considering using monetary policy to close a recessionary output gap. The banking system in Alpha has ample reserves. Identify a specific monetary policy action the central bank of Alpha would take to close the output gap in the short run.
- (e) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the reserve market in Alpha, and show the effect of the action taken by the central bank identified in part (d) on the policy rate.
- (f) Based on the change in the policy rate shown in part (e), what would happen to each of the following in the short run in Alpha?
- The price of previously issued bonds
 - The price level. Explain.

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1. Assume that the economy of Moneyland is in equilibrium with an actual unemployment rate equal to the natural rate of unemployment.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves, and show each of the following.
- (i) The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) The full employment output, labeled Y_F
- (b) Assume that consumer spending in Moneyland decreases from \$110,000 to \$100,000 as a result of a decrease in disposable income in Moneyland from \$135,000 to \$110,000.
- (i) Calculate the marginal propensity to consume in Moneyland. Show your work.
 - (ii) Show the short-run effect of the decrease in consumer spending in Moneyland on your graph in part (a), labeling the new equilibrium real output and price level Y_2 and PL_2 , respectively.
- (c) Following the decrease in consumer spending, explain how the economy would adjust in the long run in the absence of any policy actions.
- (d) The central bank of Moneyland is concerned about the short-run effects of the decrease in consumer spending on the broader economy and is considering taking action rather than waiting for the long-run adjustment process. Assuming the banking system in Moneyland has ample reserves, identify a specific monetary policy action the central bank of Moneyland would take to increase consumer spending.
- (e) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the reserve market in Moneyland, and show the effect of the monetary policy action identified in part (d) on the policy rate.
- (f) How would the change in the policy rate shown on your graph in part (e) affect each of the following in Moneyland in the short run?
- (i) The quantity of national savings
 - (ii) Unemployment. Explain.

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1. Assume the economy of Vanderlandia is in short-run equilibrium with a real GDP of \$500 million. The full-employment level of real GDP is \$550 million.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves, and show each of the following.
- (i) The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) The full-employment output, labeled Y_F
- (b) Assume no policy action is taken to restore full employment.
- (i) Explain how the economy will adjust in the long run.
 - (ii) Following the long-run adjustment process, will the price level in Vanderlandia be greater than, less than, or equal to PL_1 shown on your graph in part (a)?
- (c) Assume instead that policymakers in Vanderlandia are considering changing government spending to restore full employment in the short run and that the marginal propensity to save is 0.2.
- (i) Calculate the minimum change and state the direction of change in government spending required to completely close the output gap in the short run. Show your work.
 - (ii) On your graph in part (a), show the short-run effect of the change in government spending in part (c)(i), labeling the new equilibrium price level PL_2 .
- (d) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, and show the effect of the change in government spending in part (c)(i) on the equilibrium real interest rate.
- (e) Based on the change in the real interest rate shown on your graph in part (d), what will happen to each of the following?
- (i) The price of previously issued bonds
 - (ii) The rate of economic growth in the long run. Explain.

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1. Assume the economy of Sweden is in long-run equilibrium and has a surplus in its current account.
- (a) Is the Swedish capital and financial account in deficit, in surplus, or in balance? Explain.
- (b) Draw a correctly labeled graph of short-run aggregate supply, long-run aggregate supply, and aggregate demand curves for Sweden, and show the current equilibrium real output, labeled Y_1 , and the current equilibrium price level, labeled PL_1 .
- (c) Assume the United Kingdom decreases its imports from Sweden. On your graph in part (b), show the new equilibrium real output, labeled Y_2 , and the new equilibrium price level, labeled PL_2 , as a result of this change.
- (d) As a result of the decrease in the United Kingdom's imports from Sweden, would policy makers in Sweden be more concerned about cyclical unemployment or inflationary pressures in the short run? Explain.
- (e) If the Swedish central bank's goal is to return the economy to long-run equilibrium, what open-market operation should it use?
- (f) The currency of the United Kingdom is the pound, and the currency of Sweden is the krona. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the krona, and show the impact of the decrease in the United Kingdom's imports from Sweden on the value of the krona in the foreign exchange market.
- (g) If the Swedish central bank's goal is to reverse the exchange rate change shown in part (f) by changing the interest rate, what open-market operation should it use?
- (h) Explain how the open-market operation identified in part (g) would reverse the change in the exchange rate.

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1. Assume Smithland is in short-run equilibrium at a level of output that exceeds the full-employment level of output.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply curves, and show each of the following.
- (i) The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
- (ii) The full-employment output, labeled Y_F
- (b) Assume Smithland's government cuts individual income taxes. On your graph in part (a), show the short-run effect of the tax cut on equilibrium real output, labeling the new short-run equilibrium real output Y_2 .
- (c) Based solely on the change in real output on your graph in part (b), what will happen to each of the following in the short run?
- (i) The natural rate of unemployment
- (ii) Nominal interest rates. Explain.
- (d) Assume instead the central bank intervenes to correct an inflationary output gap. What open-market operation should the central bank take?
- (e) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the money market, and show the effect of the open-market operation identified in part (d) on the nominal interest rate.
- (f) Based solely on the interest rate change identified in part (e), what will happen to the international value of Smithland's currency in the foreign exchange market? Explain.
- (g) Based solely on the exchange rate change identified in part (f), will Smithland's imports increase, decrease, or remain the same? Explain.

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1. Canada is an open economy that is currently in a recessionary output gap.
 - (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the long-run aggregate supply, short-run aggregate supply, and aggregate demand curves, and show each of the following.
 - (i) The current equilibrium real output and price level, labeled as Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) Full-employment output, labeled Y_f
 - (b) The central bank and the government do not take any policy actions to close the output gap.
 - (i) Explain how the economy will adjust to full employment in the long run.
 - (ii) On your graph in part (a), show how the economy adjusts to full employment in the long run.
 - (c) Suppose the Canadian government is unwilling to wait for the long-run adjustment process. The marginal propensity to consume is 0.8. The equilibrium real output is \$500 billion and the full-employment output is \$540 billion.
 - (i) Calculate the minimum change and indicate the direction of change in government spending required to shift the aggregate demand curve by the amount of the output gap.
 - (ii) Calculate the minimum change and indicate the direction of change in taxes required to shift the aggregate demand curve by the amount of the output gap.
 - (d) Assume instead that the Canadian central bank takes actions to restore the economy to full-employment output by influencing investment spending. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the money market, and show the effect of the actions taken by the central bank on the equilibrium interest rate.
 - (e) Canada and Mexico are trading partners. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market of the Canadian dollar, and show the effect of the change in the interest rate in part (d) on the value of the Canadian dollar with respect to the Mexican peso.

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1. Assume the United States economy is in recession.
 - (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the long-run aggregate supply, short-run aggregate supply, and aggregate demand curves, and show each of the following.
 - (i) Current price level, labeled PL_1
 - (ii) Current output, labeled Y_1
 - (b) Now assume the euro zone, a major trading partner of the United States, enters into a recession.
 - (i) What will be the effect on United States exports to the euro zone? Explain.
 - (ii) On your graph in part (a), show the effect of the change identified in part (b)(i) on real output in the United States.
 - (iii) What will be the effect of the change identified in part (b)(ii) on unemployment in the United States?
 - (c) Assume the euro zone recession causes a decrease in the demand for United States dollars in the foreign exchange market.
 - (i) Will the euro appreciate, depreciate, or remain unchanged against the dollar? Explain.
 - (ii) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for dollars, and show the effect of the decrease in the demand for dollars on the exchange rate for dollars.
 - (d) Assume the United States implements a combination of expansionary fiscal and monetary policies. In the absence of complete crowding out, what will be the effect of these policies on each of the following?
 - (i) Aggregate demand in the United States
 - (ii) The price level in the United States
 - (iii) Interest rates in the United States. Explain.

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1. Assume that the United States economy is operating below full employment.
 - (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of long-run aggregate supply, short-run aggregate supply, and aggregate demand, and show each of the following.
 - (i) Current equilibrium output and price level, labeled as Y_1 and PL_1
 - (ii) Full-employment output, labeled as Y_f
 - (b) Assume that the Federal Reserve targets a new federal funds rate to reach full employment. Should the Federal Reserve target a higher or lower federal funds rate?
 - (c) Given the Federal Reserve action you identified in part (b), draw a correctly labeled graph of the money market and show the effect on the nominal interest rate.
 - (d) The policy makers pursue a fiscal policy rather than the monetary policy in part (b). Assume that the marginal propensity to consume is 0.8 and the value of the recessionary gap is \$300 billion.
 - (i) If the government changes its spending without changing taxes to eliminate the recessionary gap, calculate the minimum required change in government spending.
 - (ii) If the government changes taxes without changing government spending to eliminate the recessionary gap, will the minimum required change in taxes be greater than, smaller than, or equal to the minimum required change in government spending in part (d)(i)? Explain.
 - (e) Assume the government lowers income tax rates to eliminate the recessionary gap. Will each of the following increase, decrease, or stay the same?
 - (i) Aggregate demand. Explain.
 - (ii) Long-run aggregate supply. Explain.

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1. Assume that the United States economy is currently operating below the full-employment level of real gross domestic product with a balanced budget.
 - (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of aggregate demand, short-run aggregate supply, and long-run aggregate supply, and show each of the following in the United States.
 - (i) Current output and price level, labeled as Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) Full-employment output, labeled as Y_f
 - (b) The United States government increases spending on goods and services by \$100 billion, which is financed by borrowing. How will the increase in government spending affect each of the following?
 - (i) Cyclical unemployment
 - (ii) The natural rate of unemployment
 - (c) If the marginal propensity to consume is equal to 0.75, calculate the maximum possible change in real gross domestic product that could result from the \$100 billion increase in government spending.
 - (d) Using a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, show the effect of the \$100 billion increase in government spending on the real interest rate.
 - (e) Based on the real interest rate change in part (d), what is the effect on the long-run economic growth rate? Explain.
 - (f) Now assume that instead of financing the \$100 billion increase in government spending by borrowing, the United States government increases taxes by \$100 billion. With this equal increase in government spending and taxes, will the real gross domestic product increase, decrease, or remain the same? Explain.