

3. Lizland is a small island nation, and its currency is the Lizland crown (LIZ). The economy of Lizland is in short-run macroeconomic equilibrium with a 600 million crown recessionary gap.

Part A

Policymakers in Lizland are considering taking action to close the recessionary gap in the short run.

- i. The central bank of Lizland is considering implementing monetary policy. The banking system of Lizland has ample reserves. Identify a specific monetary policy action the central bank of Lizland would implement to close the recessionary gap in the short run.
- ii. The government of Lizland is also considering changing its spending, and the marginal propensity to consume is 0.75. Calculate the minimum change in government spending and identify the direction of the change required to fully close the 600 million crown recessionary gap in the short run. Show your work.

Part B

Assume that the government of Lizland decides to change its spending as calculated in part A (ii). Based solely on this change, will the price level in Lizland increase, decrease, or remain the same in the short run? Explain.

Part C

The nations of Lizland and Andoh are trading partners with flexible exchange rates. The currency of Andoh is the Andoh note (AND). Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the Lizland crown (LIZ). Based solely on the change in the price level in part B, show the change in the international value of the Lizland crown on your graph.

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1. Assume that the economy of Vortania is in long-run equilibrium.
 - A. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the short-run and long-run Phillips curves for the economy of Vortania, and label the long-run equilibrium point as P.
 - B. Assume that new residential construction projects are being implemented in Vortania.
 - i. Will real output in Vortania increase, decrease, or remain the same in the short run? Explain.
 - ii. Assuming no change in inflationary expectations, on your graph in part A, show the short-run effect of the new residential construction projects on Vortania's economy, labeling the new short-run equilibrium point as S.
 - C. Vortania and Rhodara are trading partners with flexible exchange rates. The currency of Vortania is the Vortanian crown (VTC), and the currency of Rhodara is the Rhodaran mark (RHM). Assume that Vortania's capital and financial account (CFA) balance is zero. Now assume that Vortania imposes new tariffs on imports from Rhodara. Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the Vortanian crown, and show the effect of the tariffs on the SUPPLY of the Vortanian crown and the international value of the Vortanian crown.
 - D. Based solely on the change in the international value of the Vortanian crown shown in part C, will Vortania's net exports increase, decrease, or remain the same in the short run?
 - E. Based on the change in net exports identified in part D, what will happen to each of the following in the short run?
 - i. The capital and financial account (CFA) balance in Vortania. Explain.
 - ii. Employment in Vortania
 - F. Assume the central bank of Vortania wants to return the Vortanian crown to its international value before the imposition of the tariffs. Would the central bank buy or sell Vortanian crowns in the foreign exchange market? Explain.

1. Assume that the economy of Barrikos is in short-run equilibrium, with its economic data summarized in the table provided. The government budget is balanced, and the capital and financial account (CFA) balance is zero.

Cyclical unemployment rate	6%
Natural unemployment rate	4%
Structural unemployment rate	1%
Actual inflation rate	3%
Expected inflation rate	5%

- A. What is the numerical value of the actual unemployment rate in Barrikos?
- B. Using the relevant numerical values, draw a correctly labeled graph of the short-run and long-run Phillips curves for Barrikos. Indicate the current short-run equilibrium with a point labeled X. Plot the relevant numerical values on the graph.
- C. Based on your graph in part B, identify one specific fiscal policy action that the government of Barrikos would take to move the economy toward long-run equilibrium.
- D. Assume that the fiscal policy action identified in part C is implemented.
- Will the government budget in Barrikos move into surplus, move into deficit, or remain balanced? Explain.
 - Assume there is no change in inflationary expectations. On your graph in part B, show a possible new short-run equilibrium point, labeled Z, that would result from the fiscal policy action identified in part C.
 - Draw a correctly labeled graph of the loanable funds market, and show the effect of the fiscal policy action identified in part C on the real interest rate.
- E. Barrikos has an open economy and a flexible exchange rate. Based solely on the change in the real interest rate in Barrikos shown on your graph in part D (iii), will Barrikos' capital and financial account (CFA) balance move into surplus, move into deficit, or remain the same? Explain.
- F. Based on the change in Barrikos' capital and financial account (CFA) balance identified in part E, what will happen to the international value of Barrikos' currency? Explain.

3. Assume Malaysia's economy is in a recession and its government currently has a balanced budget.

- (a) Identify a specific fiscal policy action that the government of Malaysia would implement to address the recession.
- (b) How will the fiscal policy action identified in part (a) affect the real interest rate in Malaysia? Explain.
- (c) Malaysia and Japan are trading partners with flexible exchange rates. Malaysia's currency is the ringgit (MYR), and Japan's currency is the yen (JPY). Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the ringgit relative to the yen. Show the effect of the change in the real interest rate identified in part (b) on the international value of the ringgit.
- (d) As a result of the change in the value of the ringgit shown in part (c), will Malaysia's imports increase, decrease, or remain the same? Explain.

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3. Assume that Jamaica has a cyclical unemployment rate of 4% and a balanced capital and financial account (CFA).
- (a) Identify a specific fiscal policy action that Jamaica's government would take to bring its economy to full employment.
- (b) Based solely on the short-run change in real output resulting from the fiscal policy action identified in part (a), what will happen to Jamaica's net exports? Explain.
- (c) Assume that Jamaica and Turkey are trading partners with flexible exchange rates. Jamaica's currency is the Jamaican dollar (JMD), and Turkey's currency is the lira (TRY). Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the Jamaican dollar relative to the lira, and show the effect of the change in net exports identified in part (b) on the supply of the Jamaican dollar and the international value of the Jamaican dollar.
- (d) How will the change in net exports identified in part (b) affect Jamaica's capital and financial account (CFA)? Explain.

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2. The economy of Noralandia is in short-run equilibrium with an actual inflation rate that is currently higher than the expected inflation rate.
- (a) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the short-run and long-run Phillips curves. Label the current short-run equilibrium point as X.
- (b) The banking system in Noralandia has ample reserves. Identify a specific monetary policy action that the central bank of Noralandia would take to bring the inflation rate closer to the expected inflation rate.
- (c) Noralandia has an open economy and a flexible exchange rate. Based solely on the effect of the monetary policy action identified in part (b) on interest rates in Noralandia, will there be an increase, a decrease, or no change in the flow of international financial capital into Noralandia? Explain.
- (d) Based on your answer to part (c), what will happen to the international value of Noralandia's currency? Explain.

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2. The United States and South Africa are trading partners with flexible exchange rates, and the United States current account balance with South Africa is zero.
- (a) Assume real income in the United States increases while real income in South Africa remains the same. Will United States net exports increase, decrease, or remain unchanged? Explain.
- (b) Based on your answer to part (a), what will happen to each of the following?
- (i) The capital and financial account balance in the United States
 - (ii) Actual unemployment in South Africa in the short run. Explain.
- (c) The currency of the United States is the dollar (USD), and the currency of South Africa is the rand (ZAR). Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the rand and show the effect of the increase in real income in the United States on the international value of the rand.

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3. Italy and Japan are trading partners and have flexible exchange rates. The Italian currency is the euro and the Japanese currency is the yen.
- (a) Suppose that the exchange rate between the euro and the yen is 1 euro = 100 yen. What is the price of an Italian coat in yen if the coat costs 120 euros in Italy?
- (b) Assume that real interest rates increase in Japan. Identify what will happen to net financial capital flows between Italy and Japan.
- (c) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the yen and show the effect of the increase in real interest rates in Japan on the value of the yen.
- (d) Based solely on the change in the exchange rate identified in part (c), what will happen to Italy's exports to Japan? Explain.

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1. Assume the United States economy is in short-run macroeconomic equilibrium at an output level greater than potential 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 as Y_1 and PL_1 , respectively
 - (ii) The full-employment output, labeled as Y_F
- (b) Assume government spending increases by \$100 billion. On your graph in part (a), show the short-run effect of the change in government spending on the equilibrium real output and price level. Label the new equilibrium output as Y_2 and the new equilibrium price level as PL_2 .
- (c) Assume the marginal propensity to consume is 0.8. As a result of the increase in government spending, what is the numerical value of the maximum change in each of the following in the short run?
- (i) Real output
 - (ii) Household savings
- (d) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the money market and show the effect of the change in real output identified in part (c)(i) on the equilibrium nominal interest rate.
- (e) Based on the change in the nominal interest rate shown in part (d), what will happen to the prices of previously issued bonds in the short run?
- (f) The United States and the European Union are trading partners with flexible exchange rates. The currency in the United States is the dollar, and the currency in the European Union is the euro. Assume the inflation rate in the United States increases relative to the inflation rate in the European Union. As a result of the change in the United States inflation rate, what will happen to each of the following in the foreign exchange market?
- (i) The demand for dollars. Explain.
 - (ii) The international value of the dollar
- (g) Suppose the Federal Reserve attempts to keep the value of the dollar constant in the foreign exchange market. Based on the change in the value of the dollar in part (f)(ii), should the Federal Reserve buy or sell each of the following?
- (i) The euro
 - (ii) The dollar

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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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2. Country X and Country Y are trading partners, and both produce furnaces and solar panels. The countries can produce the following amounts using equal amounts of resources.

Country X: 6 furnaces or 8 solar panels

Country Y: 6 furnaces or 12 solar panels

- (a) Which country has an absolute advantage in producing solar panels?
 - (b) Calculate the opportunity cost of a furnace in Country Y.
 - (c) Which country has the comparative advantage in producing furnaces? Explain.
 - (d) If the terms of trade were that 2 furnaces are exchanged for 1 solar panel, should Country X produce solar panels domestically or import solar panels from Country Y?
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3. Exchange rates and interest rates are important for macroeconomic decision making.

- (a) How does an increase in Japan's government budget deficit affect each of the following?
 - (i) The real interest rate in the short run in Japan. Explain.
 - (ii) Private domestic investment in plant and equipment in Japan
- (b) Draw a correctly labeled graph of the foreign exchange market for the euro, and show the effect of the change in the real interest rate in Japan from part (a)(i) on each of the following.
 - (i) Supply of euros. Explain.
 - (ii) Yen price of the euro
- (c) To reverse the change in the yen price of the euro identified in part (b)(ii), should the European Central Bank buy or sell euros in the foreign exchange market?

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