Macroeconomics Winter term 2023 Tutorial 7

1. The following data is given in an economy:

G := 50 I := 20 C(y) = 10 + 0, 8y

- (a) Determine the equilibrium income graphically and analytically within the framework of the Keynesian commodity market model.
- (b) Determine the government spending multiplier.
- (c) The government increases spending by 40%, by how much does the equilibrium income increase?
- (d) Investments should now be dependent on interest rates and the money and goods markets should be linked via the interest rate:

$$I(i) = 20 - 4i$$
 $M = 2400$ $p = 2$ $L = 4y - 20i$

- i. Determine the IS curve.
- ii. Determine the LM curve.

Determine graphically and analytically the interest rate and income at which the money and commodity markets are in equilibrium at the same time.

- (e) Compare the result with the equilibrium income in the Keynesian commodity market model and explain the difference.
- 2. The following data are given in an economy:

Commodity market : C(y) = 50 + 0,75y G := 100 I(i) := 350 - 25iMoney market : M = 1000 p = 2 L(y, i) = y - 50i

- (a) Determine the macroeconomic equilibrium.
- (b) In order to give demand a proper boost in times of the corona crisis, the state doubles its government spending. Determine the effect this has on aggregate income.
- (c) Determine the government spending multiplier. Are you surprised?
- (d) Now calculate the stimulus that the ECB triggers when it opens the floodgates and doubles the money supply (starting from the original government spending of G=100).
- (e) What is the money multiplier?
- (f) Also show the effect of monetary and fiscal policy in a diagram.

3. The production function of a country is given by

$$y = F(K, L) = K^{\frac{1}{3}}L^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

- y: Output; $K \ge 0$: Capital; $L \ge 0$: Labour:
- (a) Show that this function has positive diminishing returns to scale and draw the function y(K) and y(L) (set K = 1 and L = 1 respectively) within a diagram.
- (b) Show that the production function has constant returns to scale. From the first-order condition for the profit maximum, derive the demand for labor as a function of the real wage with the output price p, the wage w for labor and the interest rate r as the cost of capital.
- (c) The utility of a household is given by

$$u(c,f) = c \cdot f$$

with c: Consumption; f: Leisure, the price p of the consumption good and the maximum working time $\overline{L} = 1 = L + f$. Assume further that a person's budget is given by their earned income wL.

Derive the labor supply function from the consumption-leisure decision, depending on the real wage $\frac{w}{p}$ (the price of leisure is the foregone wage w).

(d) Plot labor supply and labor demand as a function of the real wage in a diagram (set K = 1 again).