Intermediate Macroeconomics

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Lecture 9 Aggregate Demand I: the IS-LM Model

- Why we need this IS-LM model?
- The goods market and the IS curve
 - The Keynesian cross
 - The interest rate, investment and the IS curve
 - How fiscal policy shift the IS curve
- The money market and the LM curve
 - The theory of liquidity preference
 - Income, money demand and the LM curve
 - How monetary policy shift the LM curve
- Conclusion: the short run equilibrium

Why we need the IS-LM Model

- In classical theory, national income (output) is determined by the amount of labor and capital input:
 - but why did we have the great depression?
 - last chapter uses a simple AD and AS model to show that demand can affect national income in the short run.
- But the way we model AD in last chapter is way too simple and restrictive
 - in the quantity theory of money, AD is only affected by money supply and velocity of model
 - it restrict us from analyzing other factors that might affect AD, particularly fiscal policy
- To emphasize the importance of AD in determining short run economic fluctuation, we need a more sophisticated model
 - the IS-LM model was first developed by Maynard Keynes (the very first Keynesian)
 - it is still widely used in policy decision and business analysis nowadays

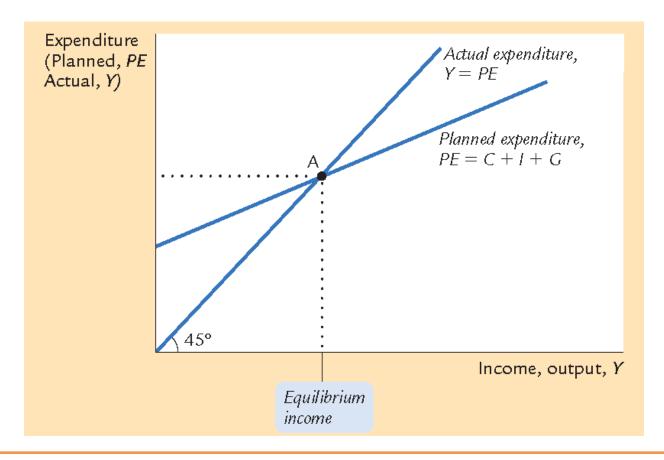
The Keynesian Cross

- The IS curve plots the relationship between the **interest rate** and the level of **income** that arises in the market for goods and services
 - I stands for *investment*, S stands for *saving*
- We start with a simpler version of the IS curve: **Keynesian cross** (凯恩斯交叉)
 - an economy's total income was, in the short run, determined largely by the desire to spend by households, firms, and the government
 - the problem during recessions and depressions was inadequate spending
- Planned expenditure vs actual expenditure
 - planned expenditure: $E = C(Y T) + \overline{I} + \overline{G}$
 - actual expenditure: E = Y
 - equilibrium: planned expenditure = actual expenditure

$$Y = C(Y - T) + \overline{I} + \overline{G}$$

- why planned expenditure does not necessarily equal actual expenditure?
 - because of the existence of **inventory** (excluded from \bar{I})

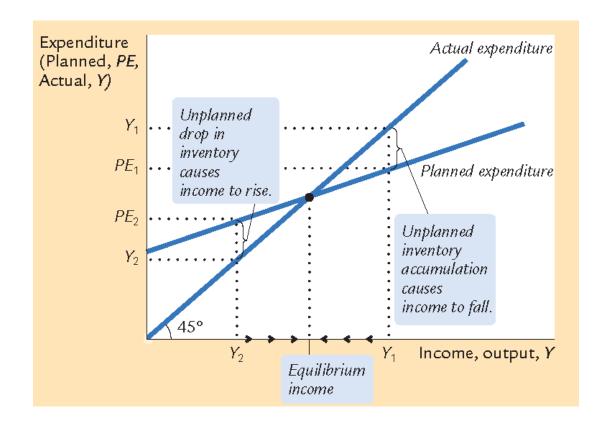
The Keynesian Cross: Equilibrium



Why the slope of planned expenditure is smaller than the actual expenditure?

- Because the marginal propensity to consume is less then one

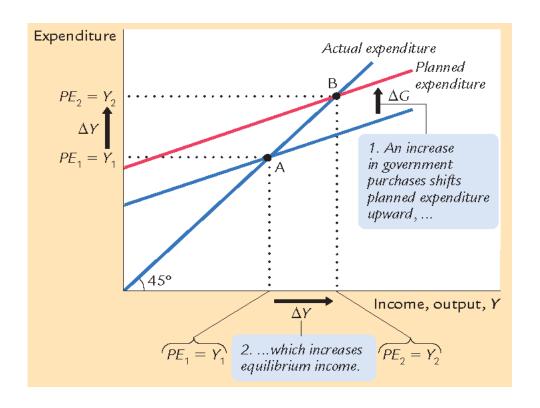
The Keynesian Cross: Approaching the Equilibrium



Why we need to emphasize unplanned change in inventory?

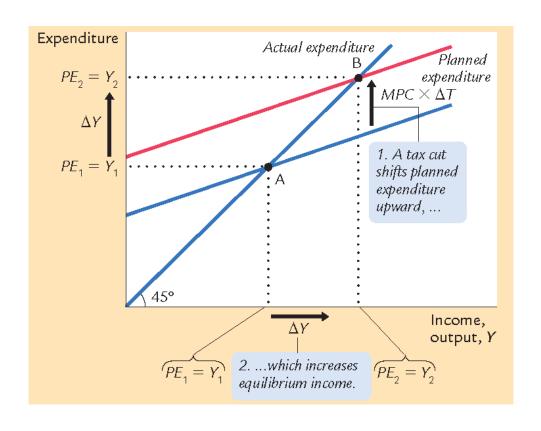
- Because only when the change in inventory is unplanned that the firms will change their future hiring the production plan, which in turn affects aggregate income.

Fiscal Policy: Government Purchases



Note: $\Delta Y > \Delta G$ (government spending multiplier, 政府支出乘数)

Fiscal Policy: Tax Cut



Fiscal Policy: Multipliers

• Government Spending Multiplier:

$$\Delta Y = \Delta G + (MPC \cdot \Delta G) + MPC (MPC \cdot \Delta G) + MPC (MPC (MPC \cdot \Delta G)) + ...$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - MPC} \Delta G$$

$$\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta G} = \frac{1}{1 - MPC}$$

Alternatively we can use total differentiation to obtain this multiplier.

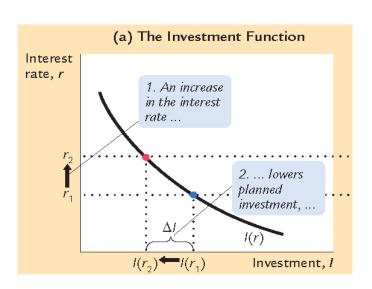
• Tax Multiplier:

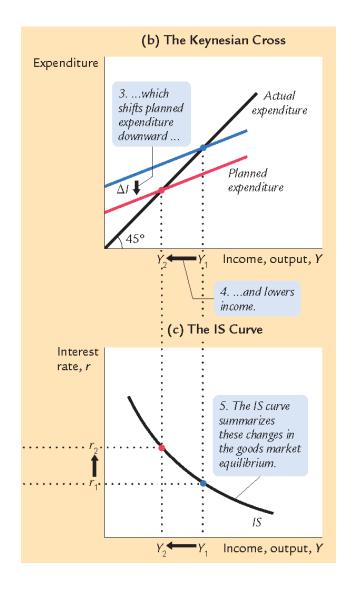
$$\Delta Y = -MPC \bullet \Delta T - (MPC \bullet MPC \bullet \Delta T) - (MPC \bullet MPC \bullet MPC \bullet \Delta T) - \dots$$
$$= \frac{-MPC}{1 - MPC} \Delta T$$

$$\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta T} = \frac{-MPC}{1 - MPC}$$

The IS Curve

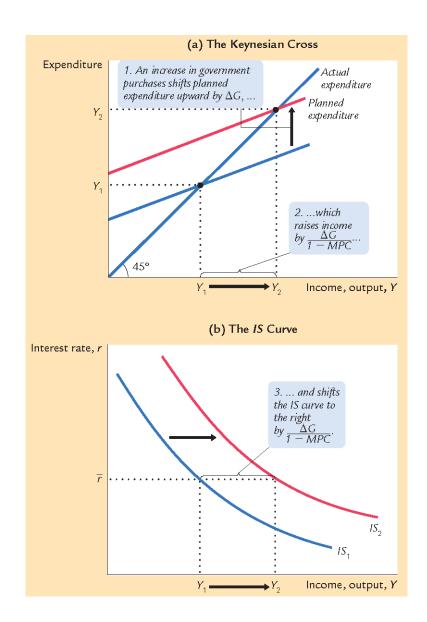
- The Keynesian cross shows how fiscal policy affects total income
- But it does not tell how monetary policy might affect total income
- This is because it takes investment as exogenously fixed





Fiscal Policy and the IS Curve

- We can the IS-LM curve to analyze the effect of fiscal policy on total income.
- For now, we start by relying on the Keynesian Cross to show how fiscal policy shifts the IS curve



Theory of Liquidity Preference

- Theory of Liquidity Preference (流动性偏好理论)
 - fixed supply of real money balance

$$\left(\frac{M}{P}\right)^s = \frac{\overline{M}}{\overline{P}}$$

- money supply is exogenous (policy variable)
- price level is fixed at the short run
- interest rate is one determinant of real money demand

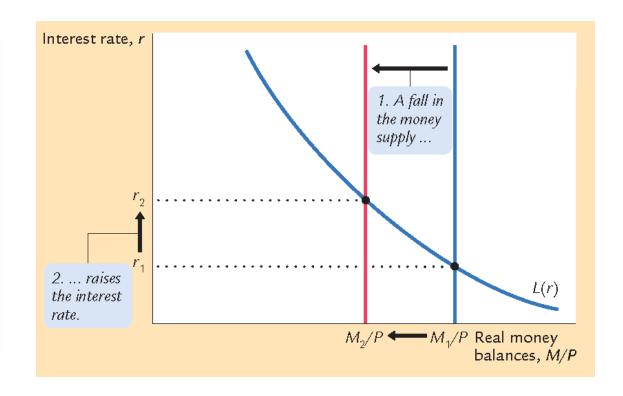
$$\left(\frac{M}{P}\right)^{d} = L(r), \dot{L}(r) < 0$$

- interest rate is the opportunity cost of holding money
- with higher interest rate, people tend to hold less of their wealth in the form of money

• the supply and demand of real money balance determines the prevailing interest rate in the economy

Money Supply and Interest Rate

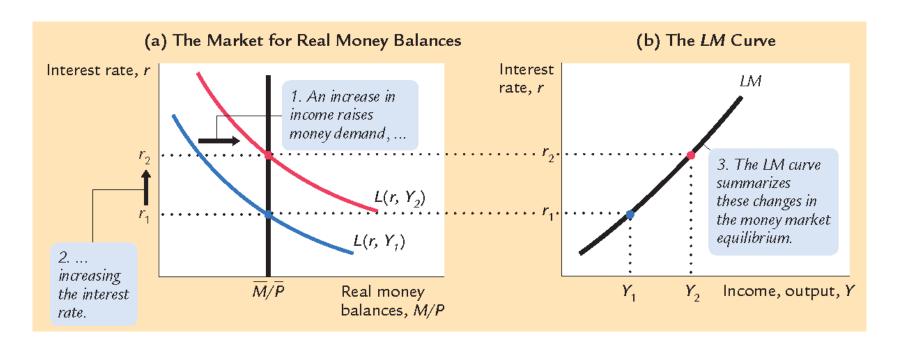
- According to the Liquidity Preference Theory, reducing the money supply raises the interest rate.
- But reducing the money supply lowers the price and, according to the Fisher equation, in turn lowers the nominal interest rate.
- Hence the effect of changing money supply depends on the time horizon.



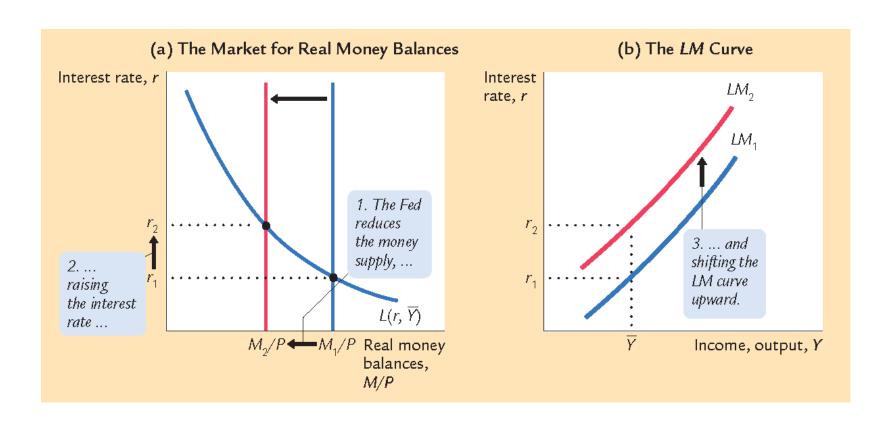
The LM Curve

• When income is high, expenditure is high, and therefore people need more real balance holding for transaction:

$$\left(\frac{M}{P}\right)^{d} = L(Y,r), \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} < 0, \frac{\partial L}{\partial Y} > 0.$$



Money Supply and the LM Curve



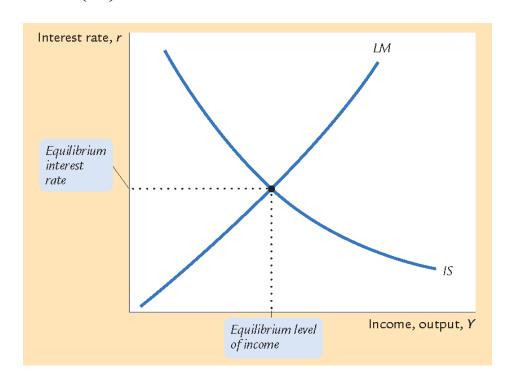
Reducing money supply lowers the short run nominal interest rate and in turn shifts the LM curve upwards.

The IS-LM Model

The IS-LM model:

IS: $Y = C(Y - \overline{T}) + I(r) + \overline{G}$

LM: $\left(\frac{M}{P}\right)^d = L(Y, r)$



A Theory of Short Run Fluctuations

