

# Problem Set 1

## Chp2 #2

- a) Nominal GDP in 1998= $(100*\$10)+(200*\$1)+(500*\$0.50)=\$1450$
- b) Nominal GDP in 1999= $(110*\$10)+(200*\$1.50)+(450*\$1)=\$1850$
- c) Real GDP in 1998 is \$1450 (same as nominal GDP, since 1998 is base year)  
Real GDP in 1999= $(110*\$10)+(200*\$1)+(450*\$0.50)=\$1525$   
Percentage change in real GDP= $(\$1525-\$1450)/\$1450=0.01517$ , an increase of 5.2 %
- d) Real GDP in 1998= $(100*\$10)+(200*\$1.50)+(500*\$1)=\$1800$   
Real GDP in 1999 is \$1850 (same as nominal GDP, since 1999 is base year)  
Percentage change in real GDP= $(\$1850-\$1800)/\$1800=0.0278$ , an increase of 2.8 %
- e) The statement is true. In this problem, we have obtained two different growth rates by using two different base periods

## Chp3 #1

- a)  $Y=C+I+G=100+0.6(Y-100)+50+250=310+0.6Y$   
 $Y=50$
- b)  $Y_d=Y-T=850-100=750$
- c)  $C=100+0.6Y_d=100+0.6(750)=550$
- d)  $S=Y_d-C=750-550=200$
- e) Public Saving = Budget Surplus(T-G)= $(100-250)=-150$
- f) Multiplier= $1/(1-\text{marginal propensity to consume})=2.5$

## Chp3 #2

- a) In equilibrium  
Production=850  
Demand= $C+I+G=850$
- b) Total saving = Private Saving + Public Saving= $200+(-150)=50$

## Chp3 #3

- a) The multiplier is  $1/(1-0.6)=2.5$   
 $\Delta\text{GDP}=2.5\Delta G$   
we want  $\Delta\text{GDP}=100$ , therefore  $\Delta G=40$
- b) We need autonomous spending to change by 40. A tax cut will increase the consumption component of autonomous spending. But, since only 60 percent of the tax cut will be spent, we need a tax cut of  $40/0.6=66.67$

## Chp3 #4

- a)  $Y=C+I+G=C_0+C_1(Y-T)+I+G= C_0+C_1(Y-T_0-t_1Y)+I+G= C_0-C_1(T_0)+I+G+C_1Y-C_1t_1Y$   
 $Y=\{C_0- C_1(T_0)+I+G\}/[1-C_1(1-t_1)]$
- b) The multiplier is  $1/[1-C_1(1-t_1)]$
- c) This multiplier is smaller than the one obtained with exogenous taxes.

## Chp4 #1

- a) In equilibrium with constant  $Y$ ,  $Y_{t+1}$  is the same as  $Y_t$ , so we can ignore the time subscripts and solve this model.

$$Y=C+I+G=50+0.75(Y-100)+25+150$$

$$Y=800$$

- b)

t	t+1	t+2
$\Delta C= 0$	$\Delta C= -75$	$\Delta C= -56.25$
$\Delta Z= -100$	$\Delta Z= -75$	$\Delta Z= -56.25$
$\Delta Y= 0$	$\Delta Y= -100$	$\Delta C= -75$

- d) i) The multiplier is  $1/(1-0.75)= 4$ , so the fall in  $G$  should cause a 400 drop in equilibrium  $Y$ , to 200
- ii) In equilibrium  $Y_t = Z_t$ , so demand will also be 200
- iii)  $C=50+0.75(Y_t - Y_{t-1}) = 50+0.75(200 - 100)=125$
- e) The change in output in the first five periods is -100 -75 -56.25 -42.19 -31.64