

§ A Static Macroeconomic Model of a Closed Economy.

A Simple Linear (Keynesian) Macroeconomic model of a closed economy is the following which includes (aggregate) consumption C , investment I , national income Y , Rate of interest R , and government expenditure G

$$C = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 Y, \quad \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(*) \quad I = \beta_1 + \beta_2 Y + \beta_3 R, \quad \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$Y = C + I + G$$

(The constants ~~are~~ $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$ have interpretations as e.g. $\alpha_2 = \frac{dC}{dY}$ = The Rate of change of consumption w.r.t. national income, called the marginal propensity to consume etc.)

The variables C, I & Y are the endogenous variables whose values are determined

By the system parameters $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \beta_3$ &

The exogenous variables R & G .

Rewrite (*) as:

$$AX = b \quad \text{where}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\alpha_2 \\ 0 & 1 & -\beta_2 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C \\ I \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \beta_1 + \beta_3 R \\ G \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} C \\ I \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \beta_1 + \beta_3 R \\ G \end{pmatrix}$$

§ An alternative way to describing and analyse an economy is by means of the Leontief static input-output model. This assumes that there are n -industries, each producing one particular commodity & that net outputs of these goods are required for use by consumers. We denote these final demands as f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n . However there are other demands for the goods because to produce any given good, other goods are required. Let a_{ij} denote the number of units of good i required to produce one unit of good j , then the total amount of good i required in production is:

$$a_{i1}x_1 + a_{i2}x_2 + \dots + a_{in}x_n; \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where x_j are the total output units of good j .

We therefore have $f_i + a_{i1}x_1 + \dots + a_{in}x_n = x_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$

OR in Matrix form: $f + AX = X$

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_n \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{ij} \end{bmatrix} \quad \& \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

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