

# **Chapter 22**

## **Adding Government and Trade to the Simple Macro Model**

# Introducing Government

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Government is and important variable in the economy.

## **Fiscal Policy:**

- government expenditures or purchases
- taxation

# Government Spending

- G is part of desired AE

## Transfer payments: e.g. pensions

- **not** government purchases
- only a flow of funds from gov't to HH
- affects disposable income and HH spending

## Tax Revenues

### Net taxes, T:

- total tax revenue minus total transfer payments

**Tax rates** are autonomous policy variables,  
but revenues vary with GDP:

$$T = tY$$

where **t = marginal propensity to tax.**

Note: t includes all taxes,  
so when Y rises by \$1, tax revenues rise by  
t x \$1.

# The Budget Balance: $[T - G]$

**G** is autonomous

**Tax rates** are induced

- $[T - G]$  revenue minus expenditures

If  $T > G$  - **budget surplus**

If  $T < G$  - **budget deficit**

As **Y** increases, **T** rises

- tax revenues rise
- transfers payments fall

# Provincial and Municipal Governments

- **G** includes all levels of government in desired AE in public saving

[ In Canada – combined purchases of provincial and municipal governments is **larger** than federal government.]



# The Net Export Function

## Exports: $X$

- autonomous wrt **Canadian** national income.

## Imports: $IM = mY$

- rise as national income increases
  - not autonomous
  - **induced** or depends on GDP

## Marginal propensity to import :

- change in imports caused by a \$1 change in GDP
- $\Delta m / \Delta Y$
- **MPM** =  $m = 20/100 = 0.2$



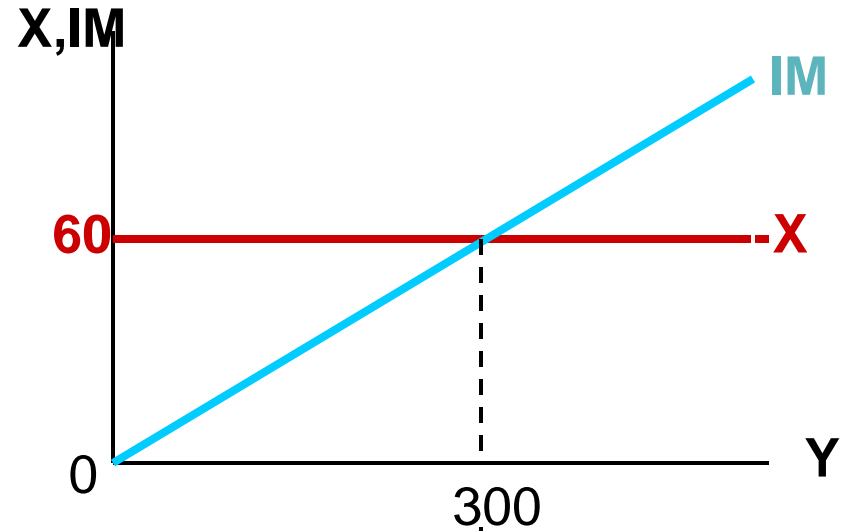
**Net export function:  $NX = X - IM$**

- Falls as national income rises
- **X** constant
- **IM** increase as GDP [ **Y** ] increases

If  **$X > IM$**  :

- Foreigners buy more C\$
- To buy exports
- Canada accumulates more foreign currency
- Uses foreign currency to buy foreign income-earning assets
- Similar to investment (  **$I$**  )
- Produces future income for Canadians

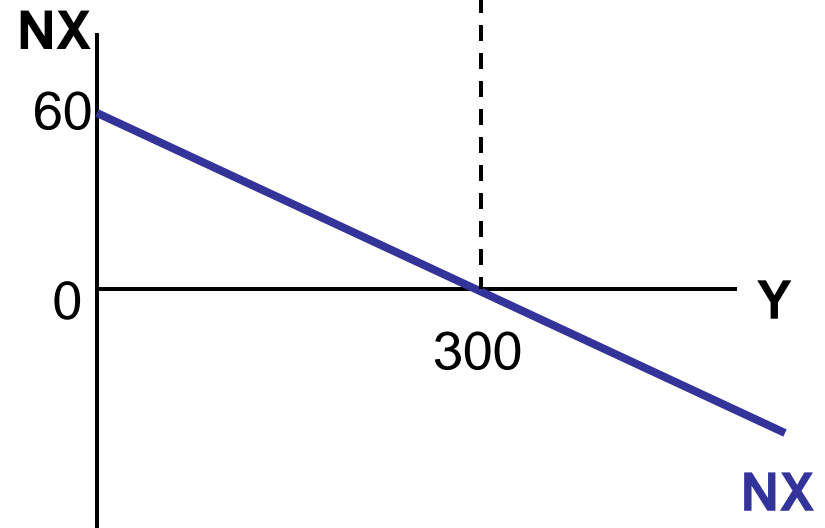
Y	X	IM	X - IM
0	60	0	60
100	60	20	40
200	60	40	20
300	60	60	0
400	60	80	-20



**NX** function holds constant:

- foreign national income
- domestic and foreign prices
- exchange rate

If any of these change, NX changes:



**If  $IM > X$ :**

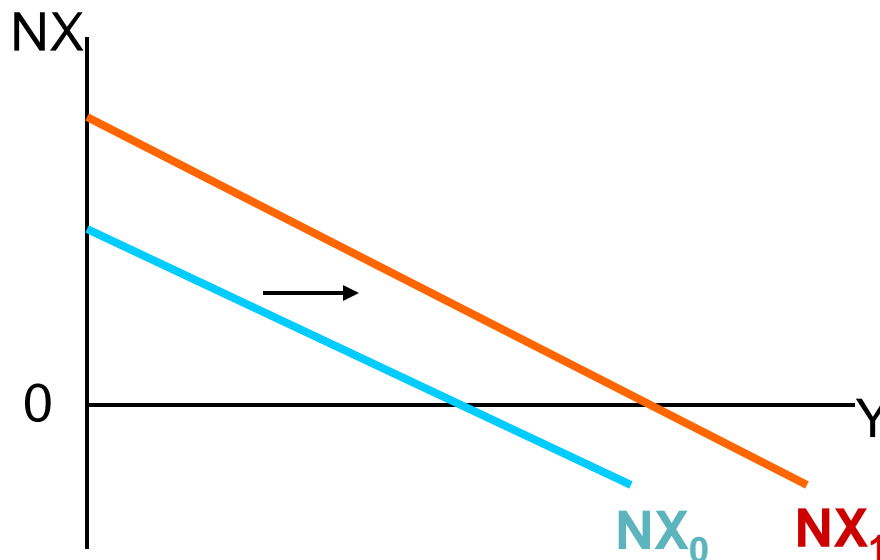
- Canadians sell more C\$
- Buy more imports than foreigners
- Canada's trading partners accumulate C\$
- C\$ used to buy Canadian assets
- Liability for Canada
- Income will flow **to** foreigners

# Shifts in the Net Export Function

## Foreign income:

If foreign incomes increase

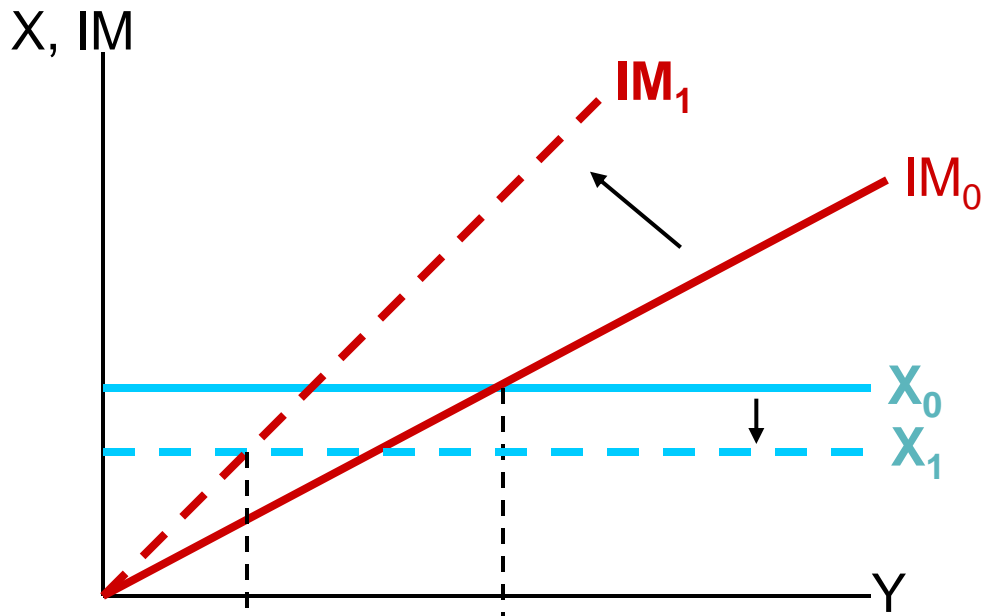
- ceteris paribus, Canadian exports [  $X$  ] increase
- shifts up **NX** function



## Domestic and foreign prices:

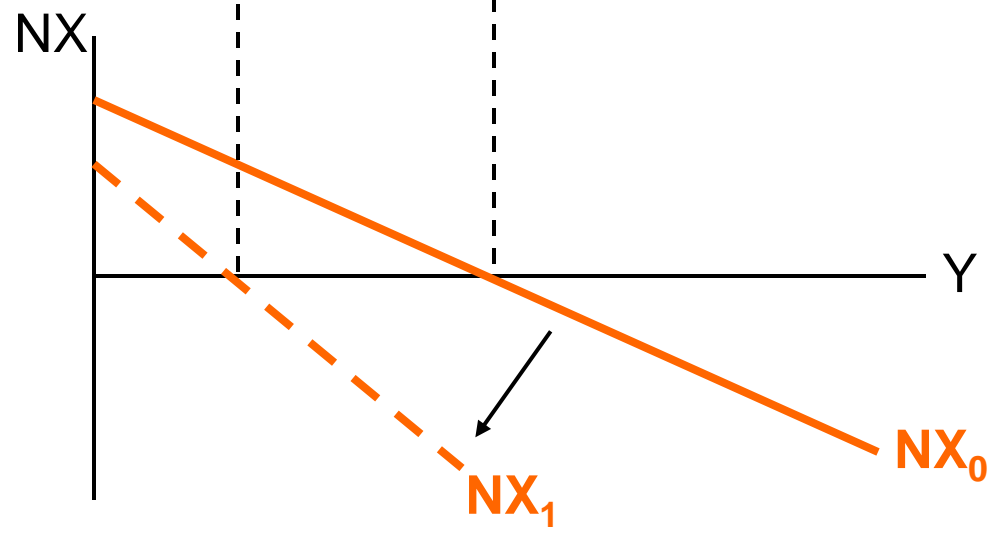
A rise in Canadian prices **relative to foreign** prices:

- reduces Canadian exports
- **X** function shifts down
- Imports increase - cheaper
- **IM** function rotates up
- **NX** function **shifts down** and gets **steeper**



Canadian prices rise relative to foreign prices

- X fall
- IM rise
- NX fall



**Exchange rates** cause relative prices to change.

**Appreciation** of Canadian dollar:

- increases Canadian prices relative to foreign prices

**Depreciation** of Canadian dollar:

- decreases Canadian prices relative to foreign prices



## Equilibrium GDP

- where desired aggregate expenditure (**AE**) equals national income (**Y**)
- **AE = Y**

Include:

- **government** ( **T - G** )
- **net exports** ( **NX = X - IM** )

## Adjust consumption:

- with government, national income (**Y**) is **not** the same as disposable income (**Y<sub>d</sub>**)

$$Y_d = Y - T$$

With **taxes**:

- disposable income ( $Y_d$ ) < national income ( $Y$ )

Suppose  $T = 0.1Y$ . (Taxes = 10% of  $Y$ )

Then,  $Y_d = Y - 0.1Y = 0.9Y$  (Disposable income = 90% of  $Y$ )

**Consumption** function (out of  $Y_d$ ):

$$C = 10 + 0.8Y_d$$

$$C = 10 + (0.8)(0.9Y)$$

$$C = 10 + 0.72Y$$



With income taxes:

- **MPC out of national income (0.72)**
- **is less than the MPC out of disposable income (0.8)**
  - **$MPC_Y < MPC_{Y_d}$**

## Generally:

$$C = \bar{a} + b (Y_d)$$

or

$$C = \bar{a} + b (Y - T)$$

Since  $T = tY$

$$C = \bar{a} + b (Y - tY)$$

or

$$C = \bar{a} + b[(1 - t)Y]$$

In last example,  $C = 10 + 0.8 (1 - 0.1)Y$

$$= 10 + 0.8 (0.9) Y$$

$$C = 10 + 0.72Y$$

$$\mathbf{AE = C + I + G + X - IM}$$

$$C = \bar{a} + b Y_d = \bar{a} + b(1 - t)Y$$

I

G

$$T = tY$$

X

$$IM = mY$$

$$AE = C + I + G + X - IM$$

$$= \bar{a} + b(1 - t)Y + I + G + X - mY$$

Rewriting:

$$AE = \bar{a} + I + G + X + [b(1 - t) - m]Y$$

**(autonomous)**                      **(induced)**

**(Induced expenditure depends on Y)**

## Change in Aggregate Expenditures (**AE**) when Real GDP (**Y**) changes

- $\Delta AE / \Delta Y$
- is given by **induced** expenditures
- Or,  $b(1 - t) - m$
- $MPC_Y - MPM$
- This is slope of AE line
- or, **MP to spend** out of national income [ **Z** ]

# The AE Function

$$AE = C + I + G + X - IM$$

Slope of **AE** line:

- **marginal propensity to spend** out of national income [ **Z** ]

Assume **Y** rises by \$1:

- 72 cents is spent on consumption
- 20 cents of extra consumption is on imports
- desired spending on **domestic production** rises by only 52 cents (**Z = 0.52**)



# Equilibrium National Income

- where desired aggregate expenditure equals actual national income (**AE = Y**)

Example:

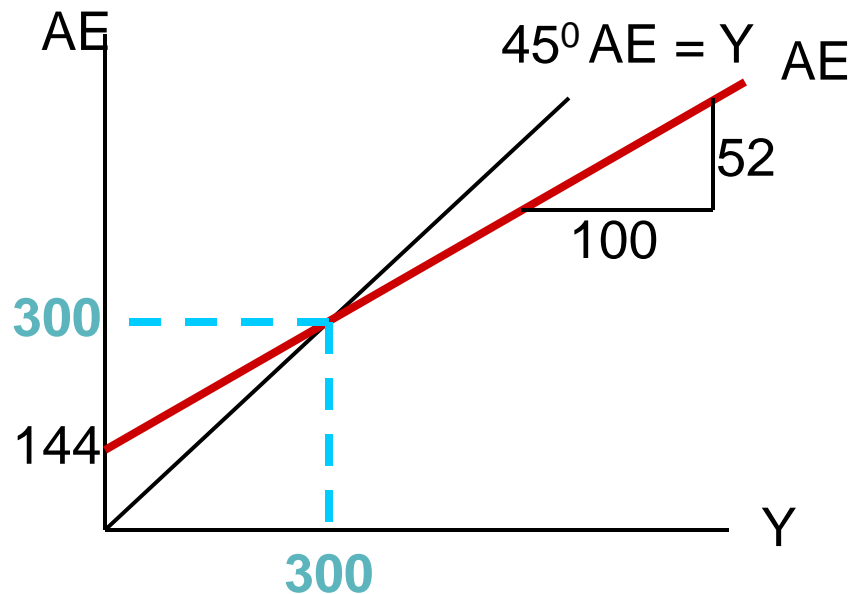
$$\text{MPC}_{YD} = b = 0.8$$

$$\text{MPT} = t = 0.10$$

$$\text{MPM} = m = 0.20$$

Y	C (=10 + 0.72Y)	I = 50	G = 34	X = 50	(-)IM = 0.2Y	AE
0	10	50	34	50	0	144
100	82	50	34	50	20	196
200	154	50	34	50	40	248
<b>300</b>	226	50	34	50	60	<b>300</b>
400	298	50	34	50	80	352

**Equilibrium national income is \$300 (Y = AE at \$300)**



Slope of AE : **Z = 0.52**

Equilibrium GDP at \$300

## **AE > Y**

- Sales greater than production
- Depletes inventories
- Firms increase production

## **AE < Y**

- Sales less than production
- Inventories build up
- Firms decrease production

## **AE = Y**

- Equilibrium
- Sales equal production

$$AE = C + I + G + X - IM$$

$$C = 10 + 0.8Y_D$$

$$X = 50$$

$$I = 50$$

$$IM = 0.2Y$$

$$G = 34$$

$$T = 0.1Y$$

Eliminate  $Y_D$ :

$$Y_D = Y - T = Y - 0.1Y = 0.9Y$$

$$C = 10 + 0.8 Y_D = 10 + (0.8) (0.9Y)$$

$$C = 10 + 0.72Y$$



$$C = 10 + 0.72Y$$

$$I = 50$$

$$G = 34$$

$$X = 50$$

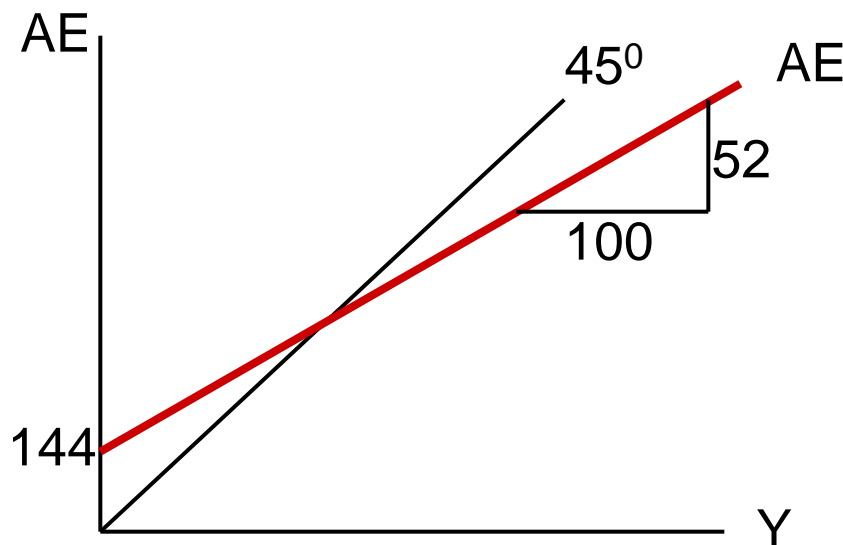
$$IM = 0.2Y$$

$$T = 0.1Y$$

$$AE = C + I + G + X - IM$$

$$AE = 10 + 0.72Y + 50 + 34 + 50 - 0.2Y$$

$$AE = 144 + 0.52Y$$



**Slope** of AE = 0.52

**Equilibrium** GDP at \$300



In equilibrium,  $Y = AE$

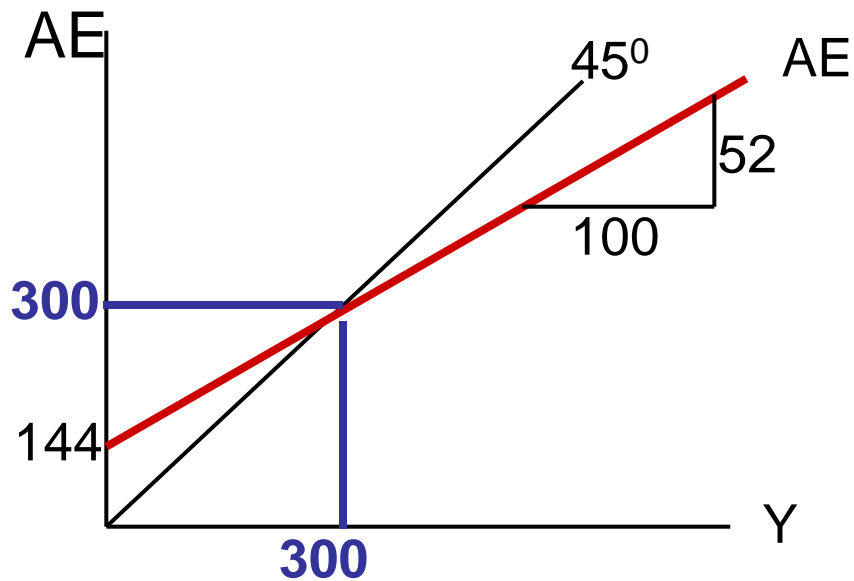
$$Y = 144 + 0.52Y$$

$$Y - 0.52Y = 144$$

$$0.48Y = 144$$

$$Y = 144/0.48$$

$$Y = 300$$



**Slope of AE = 0.52**



## Another example

$$C = 500 + 0.8Y_D \quad X = 400$$

$$I = 400 \quad IM = 0.16Y$$

$$G = 200 \quad T = 0.3Y$$

**Eliminate  $Y_D$ :**

$$Y_D = Y - T = Y - 0.3Y = 0.7Y$$

$$C = 500 + 0.8 Y_D = 500 + ( 0.8 ) ( 0.7Y )$$

$$\mathbf{C = 500 + 0.56Y}$$



$$C = 500 + 0.56Y$$

$$I = 400$$

$$G = 200$$

$$X = 400$$

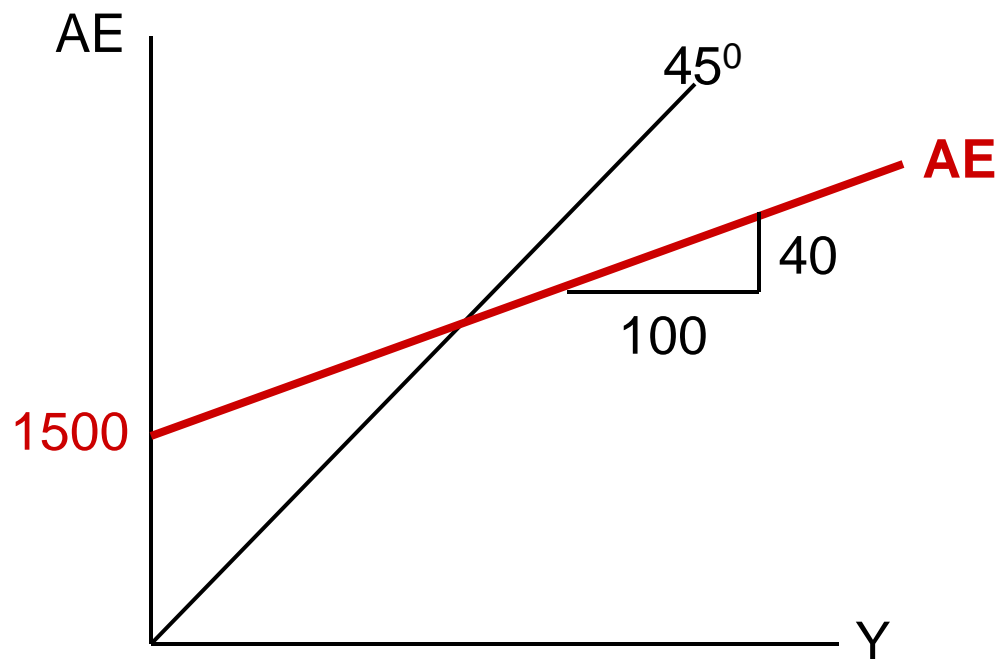
$$IM = 0.16Y$$

$$T = 0.3Y$$

$$AE = C + I + G + X - IM$$

$$AE = 500 + 0.56Y + 400 + 200 + 400 - 0.16Y$$

$$AE = 1500 + 0.4Y$$



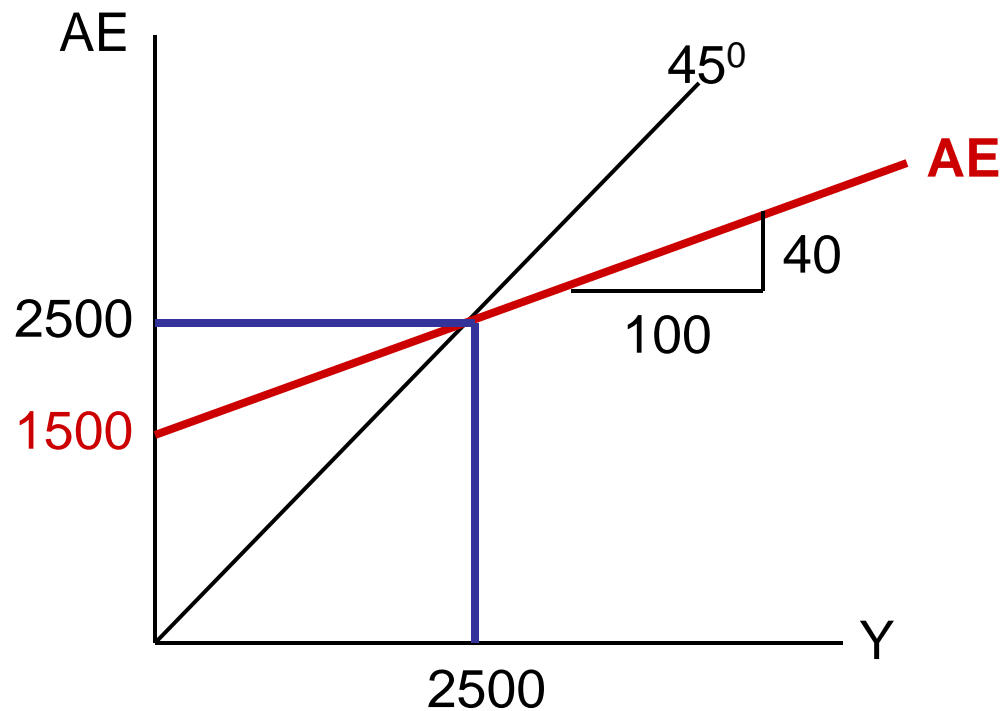
In equilibrium,  $Y = AE = 1500 + 0.4Y$

$$Y - 0.4Y = 1500$$

$$0.6Y = 1500$$

$$Y = 1500/0.6$$

$$Y = 2500$$



# Changes in Equilibrium National Income

## The Multiplier with Taxes and Imports

With **no** government and **no** international trade:

**Z** = the MPC out of disposable income [ **MPC<sub>YD</sub>** ]

Simple multiplier :  $K = \frac{1}{1 - Z}$  or  $\frac{1}{1 - \text{MPC}_{YD}}$

Now, with taxes and imports:  $Z \neq \text{MPC}$



- Imports and income taxes make  $Z$  smaller
- Simple multiplier [  $K$  ] is also smaller

### With **imports**

- Some spending flows outside country to pay for foreign goods

### With **taxes**

- Income taxes reduce household income and spending

$$Z = MPC_Y - MPM$$

## Example #1

- **No income taxes:**
  - **national income = disposable income**
- **No imports**

$$\text{MPC}_{YD} = 0.8$$

Income rises by \$100, spend \$80, . . . multiplier [K] is:

$$\frac{1}{1-Z} = \frac{1}{1-\text{MPC}} = \frac{1}{1-0.8} = \frac{1}{0.2} = 5$$



## Example #2

Income tax rate =  $0.1Y$ ; Imports =  $0.2Y$ ;  $MPC = 0.8Y_D$

Income [  $Y$  ] rises by \$100

**After tax** income [  $Y_D$  ] rises by \$90

\$72 is spent [  $\$90 \times MPC_{Y_D}$  ]

From \$72 spent, \$20 is spent on imports [  $\$100 \times 0.2$  ]

Only \$52 spent domestically [  $\$72 - \$20$  ]

Multiplier effect [  $K$  ] much **smaller**

With taxes and imports:

$$Z = \text{MPC}_{\text{YD}} (1 - t) - m$$

where  $t$  is the net tax rate

$m$  is the marginal propensity to import

The multiplier:  $K = \frac{1}{1 - Z}$

$$K = \frac{1}{1 - [\text{MPC}_{\text{YD}} (1 - t) - m]}$$



Multiplier [ **K** ]:

$$\frac{1}{1 - [ 0.8 (1 - 0.1) - 0.2 ]} = \frac{1}{1 - [ 0.8 ( 0.9 ) - 0.2 ]}$$

$$\frac{1}{1 - [ 0.72 - 0.2 ]} = \frac{1}{1 - 0.52} = \frac{1}{0.48}$$

$$= 2.08_$$

**Autonomous** Expenditure [ **A** ] rises by \$100

**Real GDP** rises: [  $\Delta A * K = \Delta Y$  ]

$$\$100 \times 2.08 = \$208$$



# Net Exports

## Exports:

- Autonomous
- Independent of level of domestic national income

## Demand for Canadian exports depends on:

- Foreign income
- Foreign and domestic prices
- Exchange rate
- Consumer tastes

- Equilibrium **Y** rises, **NX** shifts down
- Equilibrium **Y** falls, **NX** shifts up
- Multiplier applies to changes in net exports [  $\Delta \mathbf{NX}$  ]

$$\Delta \mathbf{A} = \Delta \mathbf{X} \qquad \Delta \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{K} = \Delta \mathbf{Y}$$

- if  $m \uparrow$  [ of  $mY$  ]  $\longrightarrow$   $z \downarrow$   $\longrightarrow$   $K \downarrow$

# Fiscal Policy

## Discretionary Policy

- use **G** and **T** policies
- to influence desired **AE**, **AD** and **Y**

## Stabilization policy:

- attempts to stabilize **Y** at or near **Y\***



## Example:

- National income is **below** potential  $Y$      [  $Y < Y^*$  ]
- **G** increases by **\$100 million**
  - $\Delta G$  leads to
  - a change in equilibrium national income,  $\Delta Y$

Change in Real GDP equals     [  $\Delta Y = \Delta G \times K$  ]

Suppose:  $Z = 0.52$

Multiplier:  $K = 1 / 1 - 0.52 = 1 / 0.48 = 2.08$

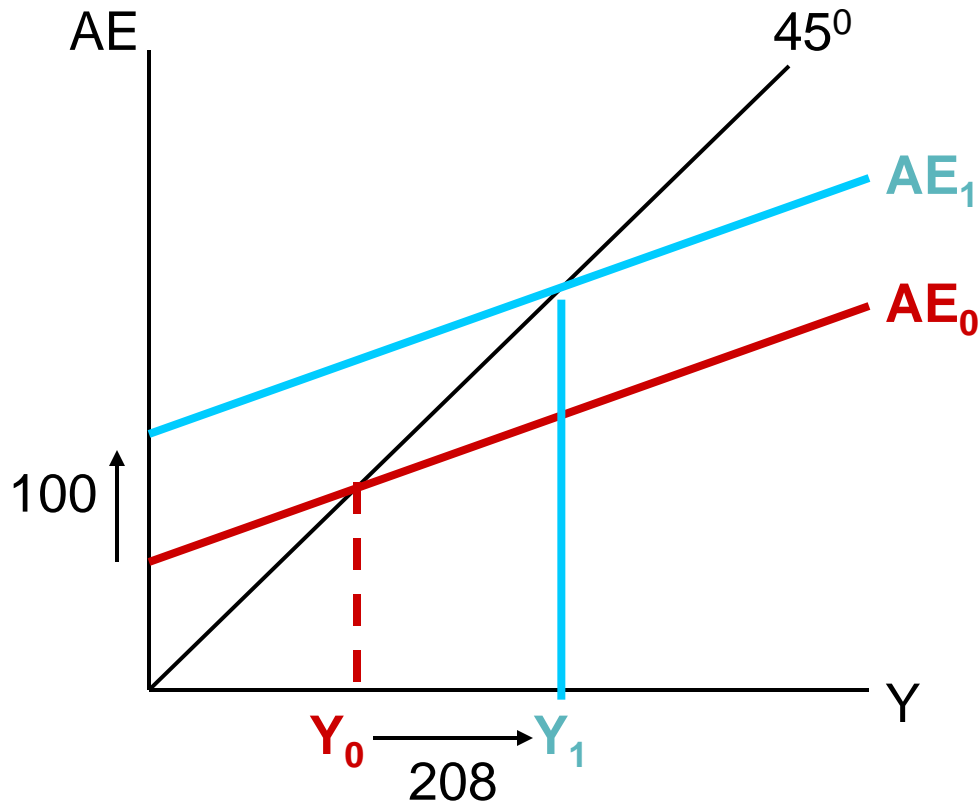
- **\$100 million** increase in **G**
- increases equilibrium national income ( **Y** ) by **\$208 million**

$$[\Delta Y = 100 \times 2.08 = 208 ]$$

**$\Delta G$  shifts AE function up by \$100 million**



## G increases by \$100:



**Multiplier of 2.08 produces an increase in Y of \$208 million**

## Reduce taxes to raise national income:

- Lower income-tax rate raises the  $\text{MPC}_Y$
- Increases  $Z$  --  $\text{AE}$  function gets steeper

**MPSpend = Z:**

$$[ \text{MPC}_{YD} ( 1 - t ) - m ] = \text{Slope of AE line}$$

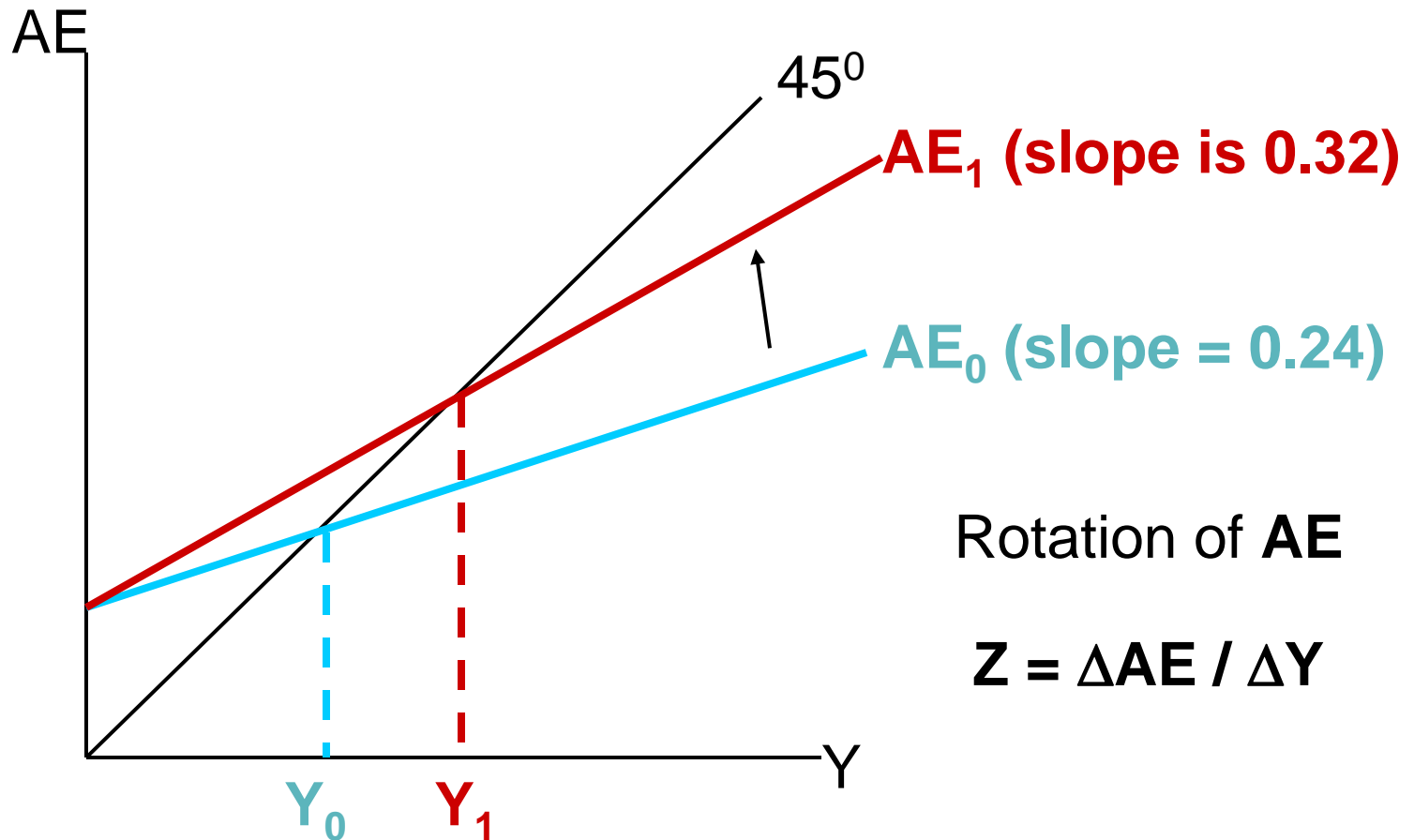
**If  $t = 0.2$ :       $\text{MPC}_{YD} = 0.8$       and       $m = 0.4$**

$$\mathbf{Z = [ 0.8 ( 0.8 ) - 0.4 ] = 0.24}$$

**If  $t = 0.1$ :**

$$\mathbf{Z = [ 0.8 ( 0.9 ) - 0.4 ] = 0.32}$$

**Slope of AE line rises from 0.24 to 0.32 [ steeper ]**



Lower tax rate increases slope of AE line ( **Z** ), and raises equilibrium **Y**

# Limitations of the Income-Expenditure Approach

Simple **AE** model is based on:

- **Price level** is **assumed** to be **constant**
- **GDP** depends only on **Demand**
- This is a **demand determined** model

The End!!!!

