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1. Definitions

Aggregate Demand (AD)

- Meaning: Aggregate demand is the total quantity of goods and services that all households, businesses, government, and foreign buyers are willing

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consumption (C) - household spending
Investment (I) - business spending on capital

• Government spending (G) - public expenditure

• Net Exports (X - M) - exports minus imports

Formula:

$$AD = C + I + G + (X - M)$$

Aggregate Demand Curve

- Meaning: A graph that shows the relationship between the price level and aggregate quantity demanded.

• Shape: Downward sloping because

1. Wealth effect

2. Interest rate effect

3. Net export effect.

Aggregate Quantity Demanded

• Meaning: The total amount of goods and services

• Ex: If price level is 100, the economy demands 5,000 units of output.

Aggregate Supply Curve

• Meaning: A graph showing the relationships between price level and aggregate quantity supplied.

• Short run shape: Upward sloping because

• Higher prices $\rightarrow$ higher profits for firms
 $\rightarrow$ increase production

• Wages and some costs are sticky in the short run

• Long-run shape: Vertical at full employment output.

Aggregate Quantity supplied.

• Meaning: The total amount of goods and services firms are willing to supply at a specific price level

Aggregate Change in Aggregate Demand

• Meaning: A shift of AS curve due to factors other than price level such as:

• Changes in resource prices $\rightarrow$ AS shifts right.

- Increase in productive capacity
→ AS shifts right.
- Decrease in productive capacity
→ AS shifts left.

Macroeconomic Equilibrium

- Meaning: The point where aggregate demand equals aggregate supply
- Graphically: Intersection of AD and AS curves.
- Interpretation: At this point, the economy's output (real GDP) and price level are stable.

Effects of changes in AD on equilibrium

- AD increases (shift right)
- Higher output and higher price level
- AD decreases
- Lower output and lower price level

2. Distinction

concept	Market Demand/ supply	Aggregate Demand
scope	One good or service	whole economy
curve direction	Demand: downward Supply: upward	AD: downward upward, vertical
Drivers of shift	Price, consumer preferences, costs	Aggregate consumption
Units	Quantity of single product	Real GDP / national output.

3. How Equilibrium

1. AD
 - Output
 - Price
 2. AD
 - Output
 - Price
- Graphically
- Origin of AD
 - AD curve

3. How AD changes Affect Macroeconomic Equilibrium

1. AD shifts right;

- Output $\uparrow$
- Price level $\uparrow$ (inflation)

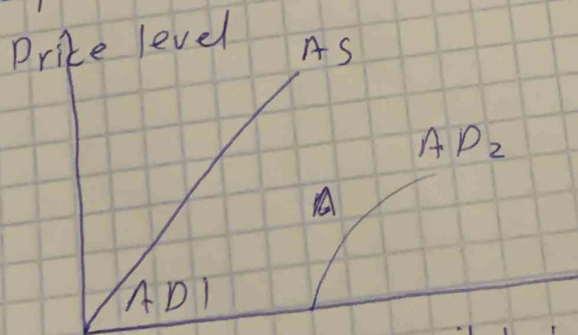
2. AD shifts left;

- Output $\downarrow$
- Price level $\downarrow$ (deflation / recession)

Graphically

• Original equilibrium at intersection of AD_1 and AS

• AD shift $\rightarrow$ new intersection $\rightarrow$ new price level & output.



$AD_1 \rightarrow$ Initial equilibrium

$AD_2 \rightarrow$ shift in AD $\rightarrow$ New equilibrium