

\$TITLE: Model M3-4b: Closed TWOxTWO Economy - adds taxes

\* adds taxes to model M3-1

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Markets	Production Sectors			Consumers
	X	Y	W	
PX	100		-100	
PY		100	-100	
PW			200	-200
PL	-25	-75		100
PK	-75	-25		100

PX and PY will denote the consumer prices of X and Y since  $PX(1+TX) = MC$  (marginal cost), the producer price of X (MC) is  $PX/(1+TX)$  and similarly for Y

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## PARAMETERS

TX            ad-valorem tax rate for X sector inputs  
 TY            ad-valorem tax rate for Y sector inputs  
 LENDOW      labor endowment multiplier  
 KENDOW      capital endowment multiplier;

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TX = 0; TY = 0;  
LENDOW = 1;  
KENDOW = 1;
```

## POSITIVE VARIABLES

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X      activity level for X production  
Y      activity level for Y production  
W      activity level for the "production" of welfare from X Y  
  
PX     price of good X  
PY     price of good Y  
PW     price of a unit of welfare (real consumer-price index)  
PL     price of labor  
PK     price of capital  
  
CONS   income of the representative consumer;
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## EQUATIONS

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PRF_X  zero profit for sector X  
PRF_Y  zero profit for sector Y  
PRF_W  zero profit for sector W (Hicksian welfare index)  
  
MKT_X  supply-demand balance for commodity X
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MKT\_Y supply-demand balance for commodity Y  
 MKT\_L supply-demand balance for primary factor L  
 MKT\_K supply-demand balance for primary factor L  
 MKT\_W supply-demand balance for aggregate demand

I\_CONS income definition for CONS;

\* *Zero profit inequalities*

PRF\_X..  $100 * (PL^{**0.25} * PK^{**0.75}) * (1+TX) =G= 100 * PX;$

PRF\_Y..  $100 * (PL^{**0.75} * PK^{**0.25}) * (1+TY) =G= 100 * PY;$

PRF\_W..  $200 * (PX^{**0.50} * PY^{**0.50}) =G= 200 * PW;$

\* *Market clearance inequalities*

MKT\_X..  $100 * X =G= 100 * W * PW / PX;$

MKT\_Y..  $100 * Y =G= 100 * W * PW / PY;$

MKT\_W..  $200 * W =E= CONS / PW;$

MKT\_L..  $100 * LENDOW =G= 25 * X * (PX / (1+TX)) / PL +$   
 $75 * Y * (PY / (1+TY)) / PL;$

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MKT_K..      100*KENDOW =G= 75 * X * (PX/(1+TX)) / PK +
                25 * Y * (PY/(1+TY)) / PK;
```

\* *Income balance equations (don't forget tax revenue)*

```
I_CONS..     CONS =E= 100*LENDOW*PL + 100*KENDOW*PK +
                TX*100*X*(PX/(1+TX)) +
                TY*100*Y*(PY/(1+TY));
```

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MODEL TWOxTWO /PRF_X.X, PRF_Y.Y, PRF_W.W,
                MKT_X.PX, MKT_Y.PY, MKT_L.PL, MKT_K.PK,
                MKT_W.PW, I_CONS.CONST /;
```

\* *Chose a numeraire: real consumer price index*

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PW.FX = 1;
```

\* *Set initial values of variables:*

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X.L=1; Y.L=1; W.L=1; PX.L=1; PY.L=1; PK.L=1; PL.L=1;
CONS.L=200;
```

```
SOLVE TWOxTWO USING MCP;
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\* *counterfactual 1: 50% tax on X*

TX = 0.5;

**SOLVE** TWOxTWO USING MCP;

\* *counterfactual 1: 50% tax on X and Y*

TX = 0.5;

TY = 0.5;

**SOLVE** TWOxTWO USING MCP;

\* *counterfactual 2: zero taxes, double the labor endowment*

TX = 0;

TY = 0;

LENDOW = 2;

**SOLVE** TWOxTWO USING MCP;

\* *counterfactual 3: double both endowments from the benchmark*

LENDOW = 2;

KENDOW = 2;

**SOLVE** TWOxTWO USING MCP;

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*We emphasize that the above formulation uses a simplifying trick: the marginal costs of X, Y, and W can be replaced by the producer prices  $PX/(1+TX)$ ,  $PY/(1+TY)$ , and  $PW$ . This should "always" work because when marginal cost and price are not equal in equilibrium, the quantity is zero: marginal cost times quantity = producer price times quantity ( $MC\_X * X = PX * X$  regardless of  $X > 0$  or  $X = 0$ ). But below is the model done "properly" with Shepard's lemma*

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## EQUATIONS

MKT\_X2

MKT\_Y2

MKT\_L2

MKT\_K2

I\_CONS2;

$$\text{MKT\_X2..} \quad 100 * X = G = 100 * W * (PX^{**0.5} * PY^{**0.5}) / PX;$$

$$\text{MKT\_Y2..} \quad 100 * Y = G = 100 * W * (PX^{**0.5} * PY^{**0.5}) / PY;$$

$$\text{MKT\_L2..} \quad 100 * LENDOW = G = 25 * X * PL^{**0.25} * PK^{**0.75} / PL + \\ 75 * Y * PL^{**0.75} * PK^{**0.25} / PL;$$

```
MKT_K2..      100*KENDOW =G= 75 * X * PL**0.25 * PK**0.75 / PK +
                25 * Y * PL**0.75 * PK**0.25 / PK;
```

\* *Income balance equations (don't forget tax revenue)*

```
I_CONS2..     CONS =E= 100*LENDOW*PL + 100*KENDOW*PK +
                TX*100*X*(PL**0.25*PK**0.75) +
                TY*100*Y*(PL**0.75*PK**0.25);
```

```
MODEL TWOxTWOa /PRF_X.X, PRF_Y.Y, PRF_W.W,
                MKT_X2.PX, MKT_Y2.PY, MKT_L2.PL,MKT_K2.PK,
                MKT_W.PW,I_CONS2.CONST /;
```

```
TX = 0; TY = 0;
LENDOW = 1; KENDOW = 1;
```

```
SOLVE TWOxTWOa USING MCP;
```

```
TX = 0.5;
SOLVE TWOxTWOa USING MCP;
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*Exercise: declare a parameter alpha, which is a productivity shift parameter producing X. Higher alpha, more output per input.*

*Code this up. Hint: alpha will appear more than in the program.*

*Change alpha and interpret results.*

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