

Elson's article

Recall:  $S^P + S^G - I = CA = X - M$   
 $(Y - (C + T) - G)$

At the end of WWI, IMF and WB were created to facilitate international trade.

IMF - If country has  $CA < 0$ , then  $\uparrow X$  or  $M \downarrow$

1) Export orientation via subsidies, tax credits

2) Eliminate import barriers

• Import substitution industrialization (ISI)

◦ "Infant industry argument" - protect own industry by blocking imports via tariffs, quotas.  
 ◦ creates demand for domestic output and expands the industry.

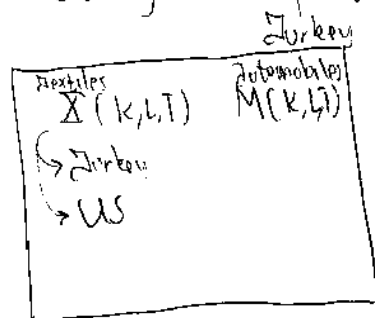
◦ 1960s - 1970s: ISI was the predominant industrialization policy.

◦ close economy a little.

◦ We measure "openness" of an economy by  $\frac{X+M}{GNP}$

◦ Even the US has some trade barriers.

◦ The potential of positive externalities in an industry is potentially cause for gov't.



$M(K, L, T)$  are import-competing goods  
 Supporting  $M(K, L, T)$  with  
 policies takes resources  
 away from  $X(K, L, T)$ .

3] Deregulation - Decreasing government's role in markets  
 • Eliminate taxes and subsidies.

4] Decrease government spending on social services  
 • Tax policy is difficult to change.  
 • Bad for education and health services.

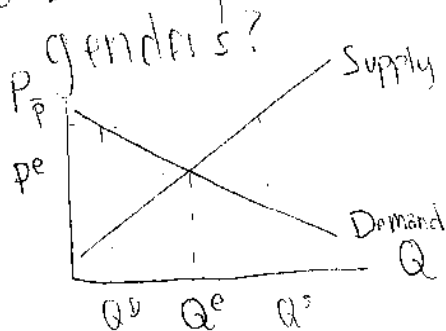
5] Stabilization policies to control inflation.

6] Wage/salary freeze.

• If wages increase as much as inflation, real purchasing power does not change.

7] Devalue domestic currency. (Exchange rate policy)  
 • On average, this leads to increased exports and decreased imports  $\Rightarrow$  CA deficits  $\downarrow$ .

Do these policies have a differential impact across genders?



$$\text{IF } \bar{p} > p^e, Q^s(\bar{p}) > Q^d(\bar{p})$$

Exchange rates are determined using supply and demand.

- Supply less  $\Rightarrow$  exchange rate will increase.

(x) Who prints money? Is it the Fed or the treasury?