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## International Economics – Finance Prof. Maurizio Pugno

Exam - 19 Feb. 2024 (B1)

Type of exam attended:

$\square$ only the Finance part (25 minutes). The exam
must be completed with the Trade part by 2024;
☐ complete, i.e. Trade+Finance (50 minutes). It is
NOT possible to keep a positive result if one part
and reneat the other

## **Notes:**

- Only this text should be handed. Underline the correct answer for each exercise with closed answers.
  No-, wrong-, more than one answer means 0 points.
- The final grade will be calculated by summing scores on the 6 best answers.
- Positive results of the complete exam are automatically registered within 3 days after their publication in the following website: <a href="http://mauriziopugno.com/en/didattica/">http://mauriziopugno.com/en/didattica/</a>. Rejections must be communicated on time to the professor by email (m.pugno(at)unicas.it).

## Exercise 1. (2.5 points)

Which of the following statements is true?

- a) A deficit or surplus in the Balance of Payments implies that the double entry principle does not apply.
- b) The Financial Account includes the Capital Account.
- c) The Accounting balance cannot be in deficit or surplus.
- d) The Capital Account includes FDI.
- e) None of the other statements are true.

**Exercise 2.** (2.5 points) Which is the effect of an expansionary monetary policy in the (perfect) flexible exchange rate regime (and very mobile capitals)?

- a) It is self-defeating and GDP does not increase.
- b) The interest rate increases.
- c) The official reserves do not change.
- d) The official reserves increase.
- e) None of the previous answers are correct.

## Exercise 3. (2.5 points)

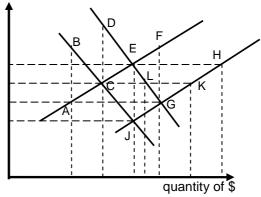
Please list at least three restrictive assumptions under which the Purchasing Power Parity theory holds:

- (i) goods flow costlessly across internati. borders
- (ii) . . . . all goods and services can be traded
- (iii) . . no tariffs are levied. . . .
- (iv). capital flows are disregarded....

Exercise 4. (2.5 points) The figure below represents the foreign exchange market, where  $\[ \in \]$ / $\[ \]$  is the exchange rate in the price quotation system. If the demand (function) of \$s\$ shifts rightwards starting from the equilibrium point C, and if the exchange rate is in the fixed regime, which of these is the right consequence on the exchange rate  $\[ \in \]$ / $\[ \]$ ?

- a) it depreciates and the new equilibrium point is E
- b) it appreciates and the new equilibrium point is E
- c) it depreciates and the new equilibrium point is G
- d) it neither depreciates nor appreciates and the new equilibrium point is  $\boldsymbol{L}$
- e) none of the other answers are true

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Exercise 5. (2.5 points) Which of the following statements is true?

- a) Depreciation encourages inflation.
- b) A country's financial crises are often very predictable.
- c) The long-run imports and exports elasticities are smaller than the short run elasticities.
- d) The increase of (autonomous) exports shifts the Aggregate Demand (AD) on the left.
- e) None of the other statements are true.

Exercise 6 (2.5 points) Which of the following statements is true?

- a) Banks are in a vulnerable position if their borrowing is long term and their lending is short term.
- b) The export-led model of growth is a supply-side model.
- c) The contribution of Total Factor Productivity to economic growth in East-Asian countries is much greater than that of the US.
- d) The 'CA constrained growth model' assumes that (absolute) PPP theory holds true.
- e) None of the above statements are true.

**Exercise 7** (2.5 points) What is the (Marshall-Lerner) elasticity condition for a devaluation to improve the Trade Balance?

The sum of the export- and the import-elasticity with respect to the exchange rate is high, i.e. greater than 1