Tutorium International Economics and Trade

Worksheet for Part Krüger

1) What is the effective exchange rate of the Euro?

| Period | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Exchange rates (fx/EUR) | | | |
| USD | 1.1 | 1.41 | 1.23 |
| JPY | 145 | 112 | 117 |
| CNY | 0.127 | 0.128 | 0.13 |
| CHF | 0.887 | 0.921 | 0.923 |
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| Trade in % | | | |
| US | 34 | 40 | 34 |
| Japan | 15 | 7 | 10 |
| China | 33 | 32 | 40 |
| Switzerland | 18 | 21 | 16 |
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- 2) The spot rate is 1.1 GBP/EUR, the Euro interest rate is 2%, the british pound interest rate is 3%. Calculate the 3-months forward rate.
- 3) a) Domestic companies export goods worth € 200 billion. 70 % of the invoice amount is in this period and 30% only in the next period due.
 - b) Residents inherit a foreign company worth € 10 billion.
 - c) Domestic companies deliver under a development aid agreement goods worth € 15 billion.
- 4) An investor is of the opinion that the euro will strengthen against GBP over the next six months and chooses to take a position with a value of 1,000,000 GBP by purchasing futures contracts at 0.7792 GBP/€. The current spot rate in the market is 0.7491 GBP/€. Considering four different scenarios, profit calculation will be as follows:

Purchasing euros – The spot rate after six months is 0.80 GBP/€.

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- 5) a) If the Price of a Big Mac in the Euro area is €3.52, and the Price of a Big Mac in the United States is \$3.16, what is the implied PPP?
 - b) Assume that the actual exchange rate is \$1,0960/€. Is the Euro overvalued or undervalued based on the implied PPP? By how much?

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