

Chapter 1.

Scarcity due to limited : Time \wedge Money \wedge Energy

Economics: Ind/Busi/Gov make best choices
to get what they want \wedge how those
choices effect market

Opportunity Cost

Scarcity \rightarrow A choice involves trade off

Opportunity Cost = true choice

Best alternative given up

More important than money cost

Smart choice!

Value of what you get $>$ Val of
what you given up

Change as costs \wedge benefits change

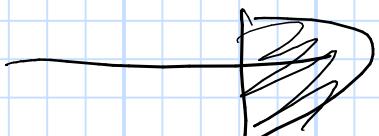
- Incentives = reward and penalties
for choices

- more likely to choose actions
with reward (positive
incentives)

- avoid penalties (negative incentives)

$$\text{Opportunity Cost} = \frac{\text{Give up}}{\text{Get}}$$

Opportunity Cost decreases (cheaper)
increase (expensive)



Voluntary trade:

A person feels that what they get > what they give up

Absolute advantage

- ability to produce a product or service at lower absolute cost

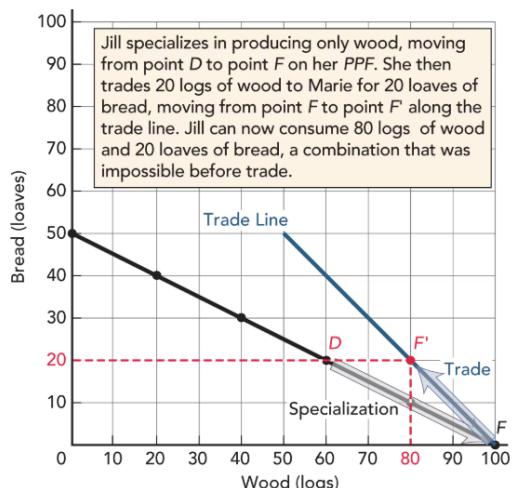
Comparative advantage

- ability to produce a service @ lower opportunity cost than another producer
- key to mutually beneficial gains from trade
- allows each trader to consume outside of PPF
- allows mutually beneficial gains from specializing and trading
- Trade that makes individuals better off when
 - specializing in product/service w/ comparative advantage
 - trades of other product or service
- Production possibilities frontier (PPF)
 - graph max combo of product/service produce w/ existing inputs →

	Opportunity Cost of 1 Additional	
	Loaf of Bread	Log of Wood
Jill	Gives up 2 logs of wood	Gives up 1/2 loaf of bread
Marie	Gives up 1/2 log of wood	Gives up 2 loaves of bread
Comparative Advantage	Marie has comparative advantage (lower opportunity cost) in bread-making	Jill has comparative advantage (lower opportunity cost) in wood-chopping

Figure 1.5a

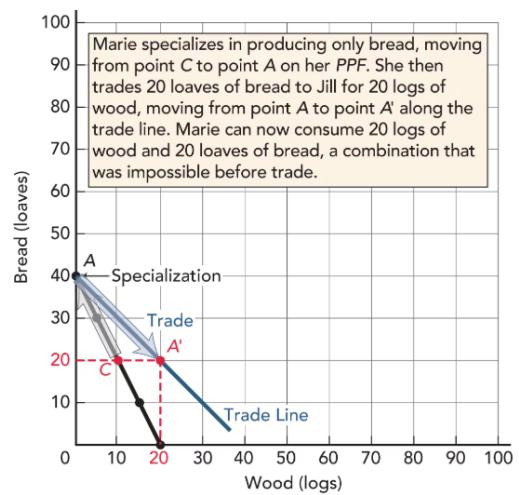
Mutually Beneficial Gains from Trade



a) Jill's Gains from Trade

Figure 1.5b

Mutually Beneficial Gains from Trade



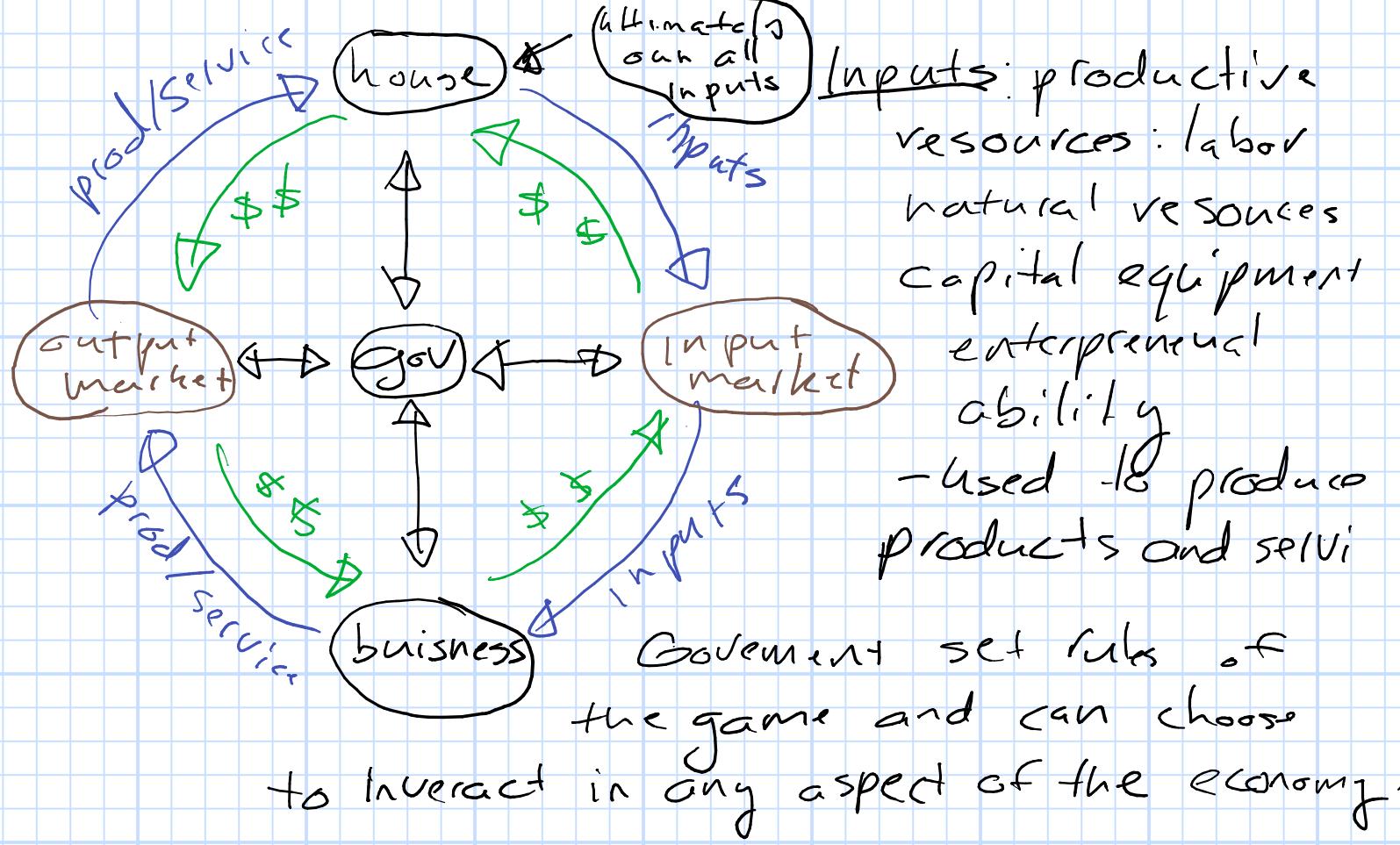
b) Marie's Gains from Trade

Gains from trade happen without anyone working harder, or without any improvement in technology or new inputs

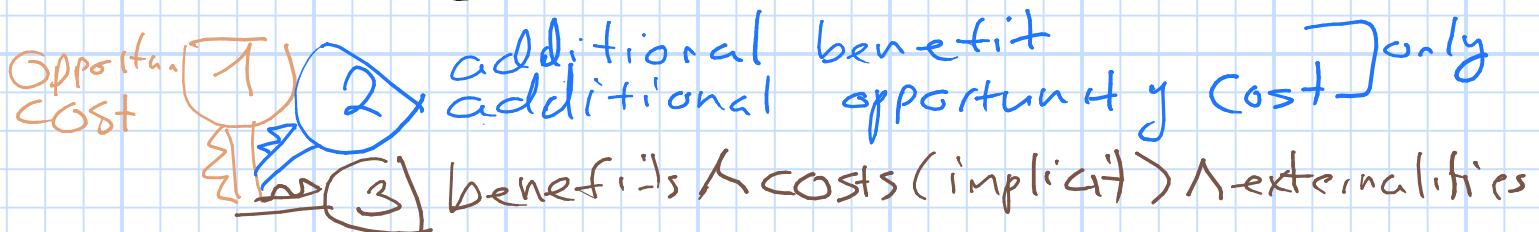
Canada
Argentina

Corn Wheat
2 1/2
1.2 0.8





Three key model to smart choices



Models

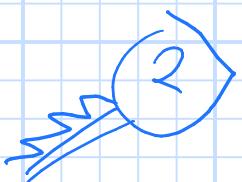
- Positive statements: evaluated true/false
- Normative statements: what you believe should be; involve value judgement

Marginal = "Additional" next choice
Implicit costs = opportunity costs of investing your own money or time



Chapter 2.

- Willingness to buy product or service depends on ability to pay, comparat. b. benefits and costs, and the availability of substitutes
- Preferences: wants & want intensities
- Demand: consumers willingness and ability to pay for particular product or service
- What willing to pay or give up depends
 - Cost
 - Availability of substitutes



Count only additional benefits
and additional costs

- additional benefits = marginal benefit
not (total)
- marginal benefits change with circumstances
 - additional benefit from a choice
 - Willingness to pay depends on this
 - abundance = marginal benefit low
 - > scarce = marginal benefit high
- marginal = difference between last time and this time



Demand Curve

Combo 2 forces

- switch to substitutes
- willingness and ability to pay
- determining quantity demanded
- read as demand curve as marginal benefit curve

Quantity demanded

actual amount planned by given price

Market demand

sum of demands of all willing individuals

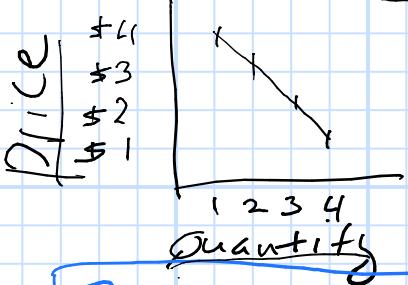
Law of demand

If price rises, quantity demanded decreases, other things remaining the same

Demand Curve

relationship between price & qty demanded
other things remaining the same

Market Demand Curve



— Quantity demanded changes only with a change in price

Read over & down

All other influences on consumer choice change demand

demand curve

marginal benefit curve

Read up and over

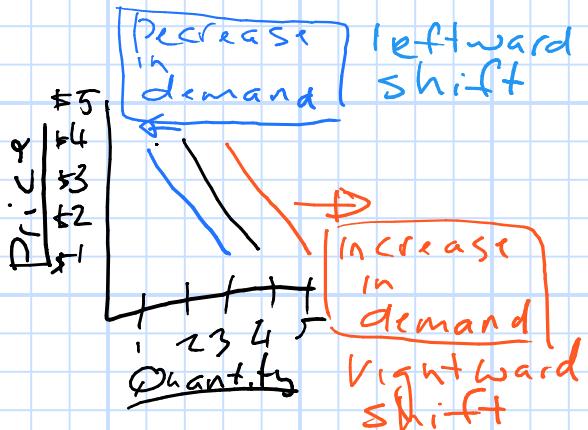
- Increase in demand

- Increase in consumer's willingness and ability to pay.

Rightward shift on demand curve

- Decrease in demand

- Leftward shift of demand curve



Demand changes (e.g.)
changes in preferences,
price of related goods,
income, expected future
price, & the consumers

Demand Increases

- Increase in preference
- Rise in price of a substitute (same want)
- Fall in price of a complement
(used together to satisfy the same wants)
- Increase in income for normal goods
(buy more of when your income increases)
- decrease in income for inferior goods
(buy less of when your income decreases)
- Rise in expected future price
- Increase in number consumers

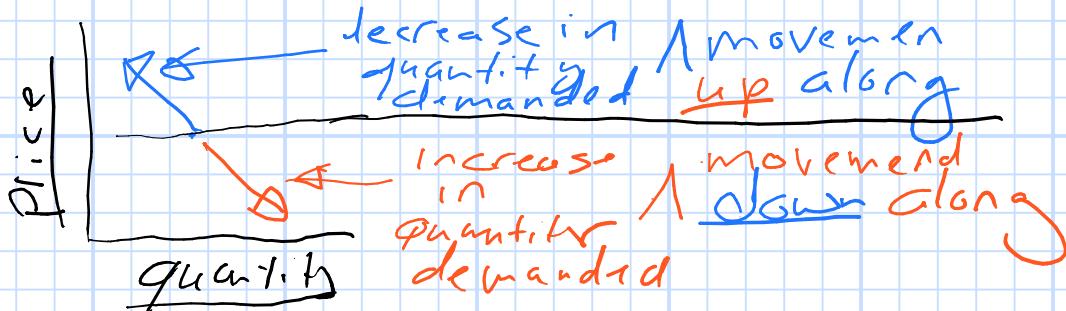


Fig. 2.8 Law of Demand and Changes in Demand

The Law of Demand The quantity demanded of a product or service	
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Changes in Demand The demand for a product or service	
Decreases if:	Increases if:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preferences decrease • price of a substitute falls • price of a complement rises • income decreases (normal good) • income increases (inferior good) • expected future price falls • number of consumers decreases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preferences increase • price of a substitute rises • price of a complement falls • income increases (normal good) • income decreases (inferior good) • expected future price rises • number of consumers increases

- MC Implicit Costs and Externalities Count Too
- Implicit Cost: hidden opportunity costs of what business owner could earn elsewhere with time and money invested
 - Negative Externalities: Costs to society from your private choice that effects others, but that you do not pay.
 - Positive Externalities: benefits to society from your private choices that effect others, but others do not pay you for

Substitutes products & services used in place of each other to satisfy the same want

Complements products & services used together to satisfy the same want

Chapter 3

Business must pay higher prices to obtain more of an input cause opportunity costs change w/ circumstances.

Marginal costs of additional inputs (like labor) are ultimately opportunity costs - the best alt use of inputs.

All costs
are opportunity costs

Marginal cost - additional opportunity cost of increasing quantity supplied
- change w/ circumstances

To buy inputs, business must pay the price matching the best opportunity cost of input owner

Sunk costs that cannot be reversed are not part of opportunity costs.

Do not influence smart, forward-looking decisions

If the price of a product/service rises, quantity supplied increases

Businesses increase production when higher prices either create higher profits or cover higher marginal opportunity costs of production

Supply - business' willingness to produce a particular product or service because price covers all opportunity costs.

Quantity Supplied - quantity you actually plan to supply given price

Marginal opportunity Cost - complete term for any cost relevant to a smart decision

- All opportunity costs are marginal costs
- Λ vice versa

Fig. 3.2 Paola's Parlour Production Possibilities Frontier

Combination	Piercings	Tattoos
A	15	0
B	14	1
C	12	2
D	9	3
E	5	4
F	0	5

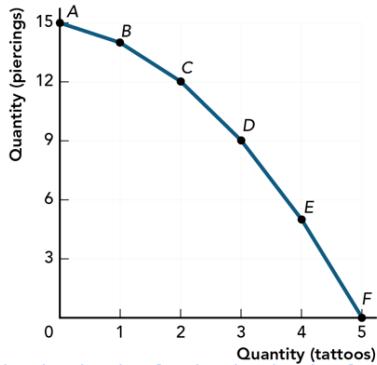


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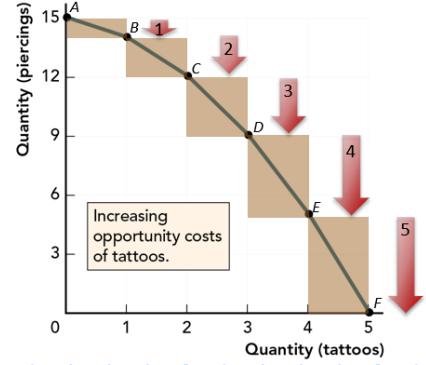
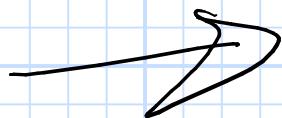


Fig. 3.3 Paola's Parlour's Marginal Opportunity Costs

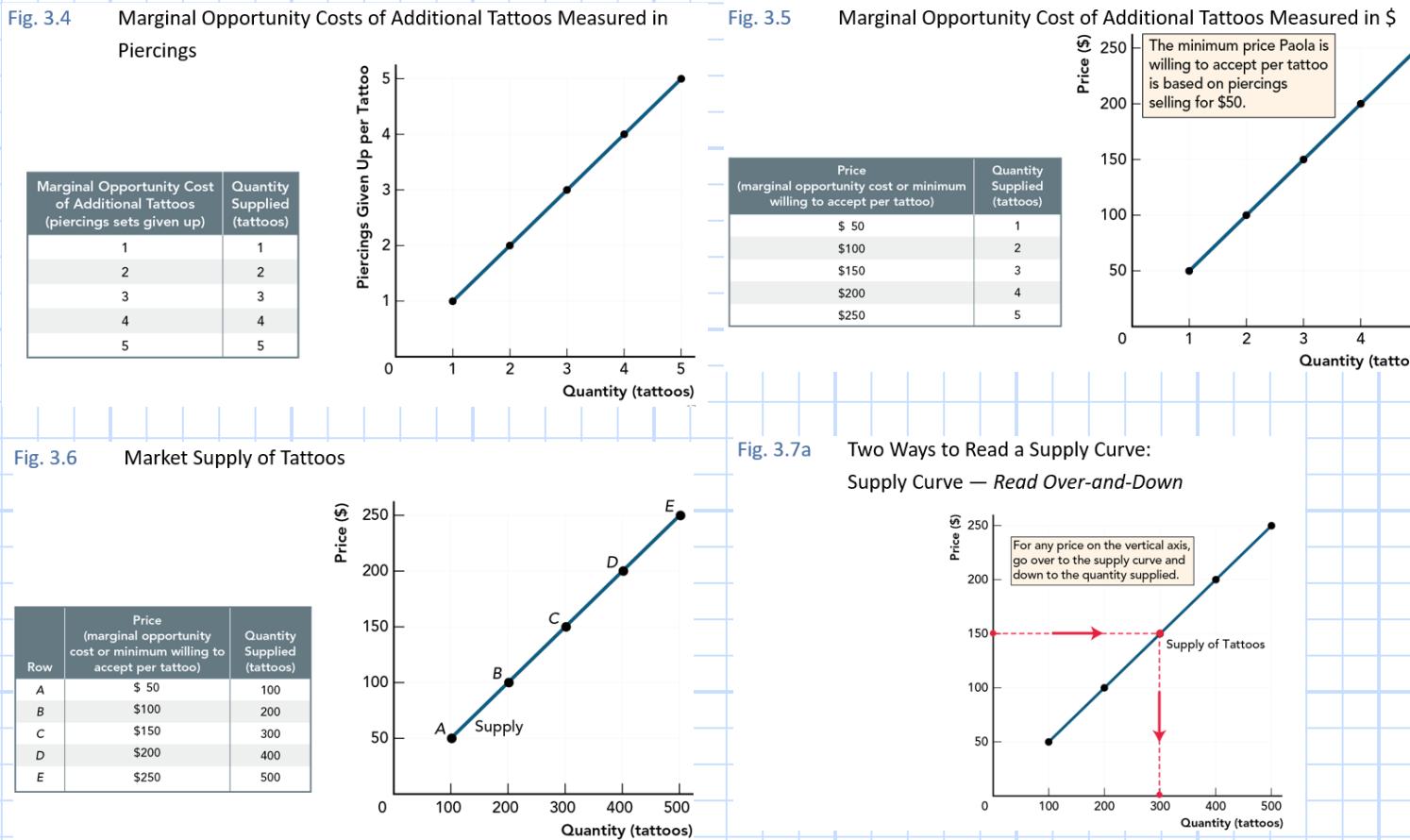
Combination	Piercings	Tattoos	Marginal Opportunity Cost of Producing More Tattoos (piercings given up)	
			Red Arrows	Calculation
A	15	0	→	$\frac{(15 - 14)}{1} = 1$
B	14	1	→	$\frac{(14 - 12)}{1} = 2$
C	12	2	→	$\frac{(12 - 9)}{1} = 3$
D	9	3	→	$\frac{(9 - 5)}{1} = 4$
E	5	4	→	$\frac{(5 - 0)}{1} = 5$
F	0	5	→	



The Law of Supply

- Increasing marginal opportunity costs arise because inputs are not equally productive in all activities
 - Where inputs are equally productive in all activities, marginal opportunity costs are constant
- Market Supply - sum of supplies of all businesses willing to produce a particular product or services
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The Law of Supply (Cont.)

Supply Curve - shows the relationship between price and quantity supplied, other things remaining the same

- 2 ways to read a supply curve
 - Supply curve: read over & down from price to qty supplied
 - marginal cost curve: read up & over from qty supplied to price
- Marginal cost curve shows the min price business will accept that covers all marginal opportunity costs of production



Quantity supplied is changed only by a change in price

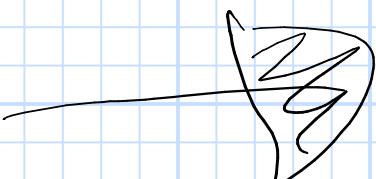
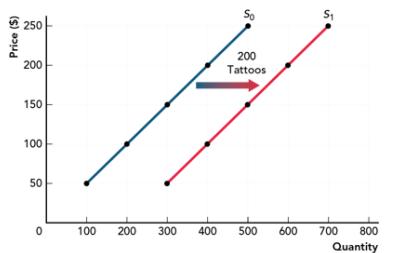
Supply is changed by all other influences on business decisions

What can change Supply

- Supply is a catch-all term summarizing all possible influences on a businesses' willingness to produce a particular product or service
- Increase in Supply - increase in businesses' willingness to supply
Rightward shift of supply curve
- Decrease in Supply - decrease in businesses' willingness to supply
Leftward shift of supply curve

Fig. 3.8 Increase in Market Supply of Tattoos

Price (marginal opportunity cost or minimum willing to accept per tattoo)	Quantity Supplied (before technology improvement)	Quantity Supplied (after technology improvement)
\$ 50	100	300
\$100	200	400
\$150	300	500
\$200	400	600
\$250	500	700



What Can Change Supply

- Supply changes w/ changes in tech, prices of related products or services produced, price of inputs, expected future prices, number of businesses, and env
- Improve in tech
- Env change helping production
- fall in price of input
- fall in price of related product or service
- fall in expected future price
- increase in number of businesses.

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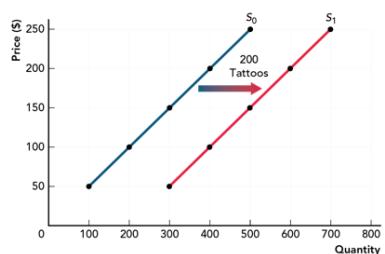
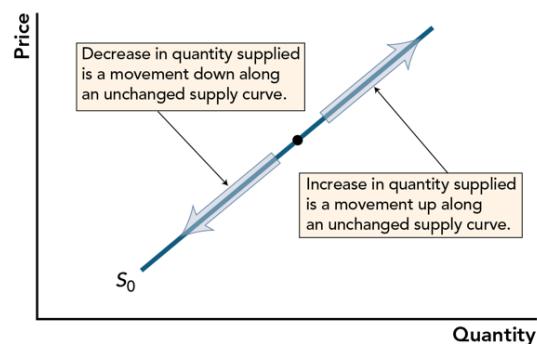


Fig. 3.9a Change in Quantity Supplied



Change in Supply

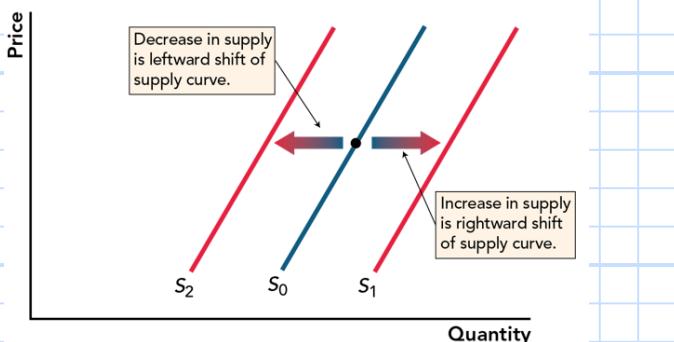


Fig. 3.10 Law of Supply and Changes in Supply

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Changes in Supply The supply for a product or service	
Decreases if:	Increases if:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not applicable • price of a related product or service rises • price of an input rises • expected future price rises • number of businesses decreases • environmental change harms production 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • technology improves • price of a related product or service falls • price of an input falls • expected future price falls • number of businesses increases • environment change helps production



Chapter 4

Market Competition competition between buyers, competition between sellers, and cooperation between buyers and sellers.

Market - the interaction between buyers & sellers

Market Mix

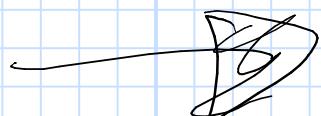
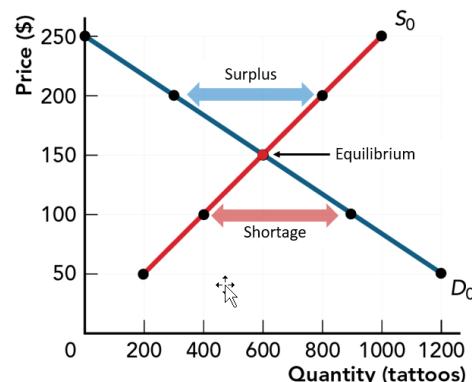
- Competition - between buyers, between sellers
- Cooperation - between buyers & sellers

Because any purchase or sale is voluntary, exchange between buyer & seller happens only when both sides end up better off

Property Rights - legally enforced guarantees of ownership of physical, financial, and intellectual property

Government sets the rule of the game, defining & enforcing property rights necessary for free and voluntary exchange

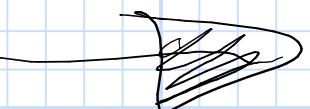
Market Demand and Supply for Tattoos



- Frustrated Buyers - Market price too low
- Shortage v excess demand - quantity demanded exceeds quantity supplied
- Shortage creates pressure for prices to rise
- Rising prices provide signals and incentives for businesses to inc. qty supplied \wedge for consumers to dec. qty demanded, eliminating the shortage
- Surplus v excess supply - qty supplied exceeds qty demanded
- Surpluses create pressure for prices to fall
- Falling prices provide signals and incentives for businesses to dec. qty supplied \wedge for consumers to inc. qty demanded, eliminating surplus

Market-clearing v equilibrium prices balance
 qty demanded \wedge qty supplied, coordinating
 the smart choices of consumers & business.

Equilibrium prices illustrate Adam's Smith concept of invisible hand.



Market-Clearing Equilibrium Prices

- The price that coordinates the smart choices of consumers & businesses has 2 names
 - Market-Clearing prices - price that equilizes qty demand & qty supplied
 - Equilibrium price - price that balances forces of competition & cooperation, so that there is no tendency for change
- Price signals in markets create incentives, so that while each person acts only in their own self-interest
 - Interaction coordinated through Adam Smith's invisible hand of competition
- Result is the miracle of markets - cnt., ever changing production of products and services we want

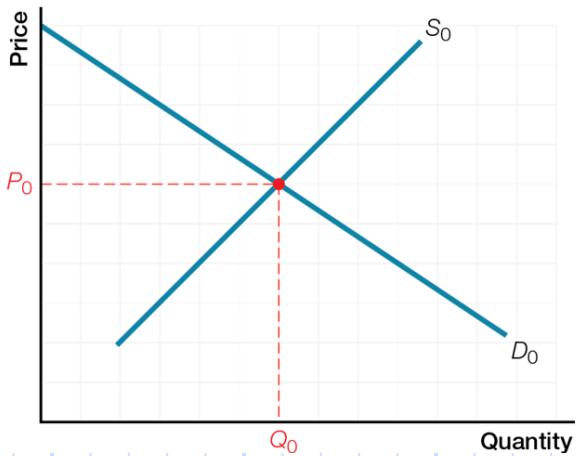
When demand or supply change, equilibrium prices and qnts change.

The price changes cause business and consumers to adjust their smart choices. Well-functioning markets supply the changed products & services demanded.

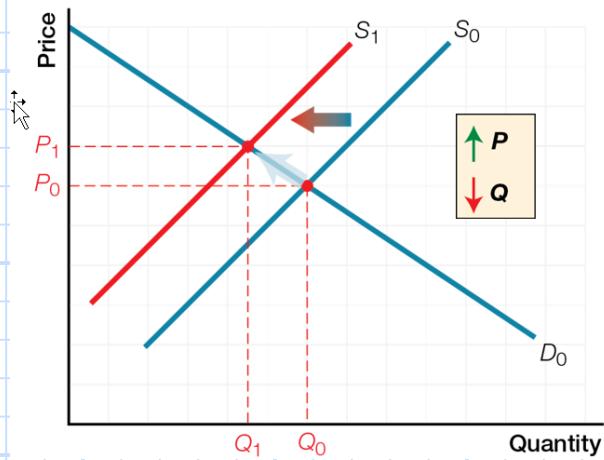
Fig. 4.2 What Happens When Demand and Supply Change?

Demand Changes with changes in:	Supply Changes with changes in:
Preferences	Technology
Prices of related products	Prices of related products
Income	Prices of inputs
Expected future prices	Expected future prices
Number of consumers	Number of businesses
	Environment

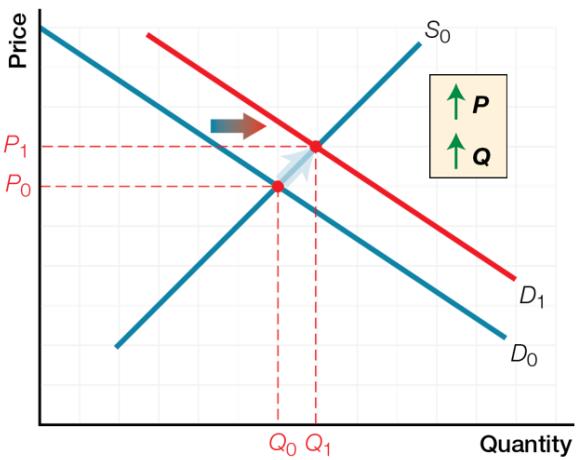
Original Equilibrium Price and Quantity in Bacon Market



Rise in Price of Input (Pig Feed) on Bacon Market



Increase in Preferences (from Epic-Meal-Time) in Bacon Market



An efficient market outcome has the largest total surplus, price just covers all opportunity costs of production \nwarrow
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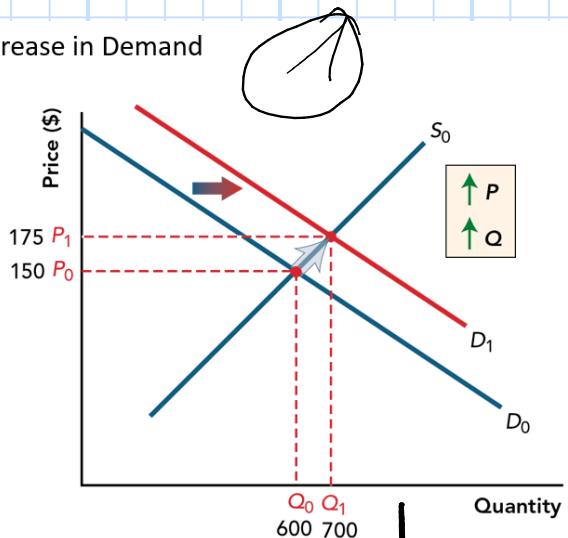
Simplifying Changes in Demand and Supply

- Thinking like an economist means analysing a situation using comparative statistics.
- Comparing 2 equilibrium outcomes to isolate the effect of changing one factor at a time
- Start with 1 equilibrium situation (intersection of demand & supply, other things the same)
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Increase in Demand



What Happens When Demand and Supply Change?

- Increase in demand causes
 - Rise in equilibrium price $P \uparrow$
 - Increase in quantity supplied $Q \uparrow$
- Decrease in demand causes
 - Fall in equilibrium price $P \downarrow$
 - Decrease in quantity supplied $Q \downarrow$



Decrease in Demand

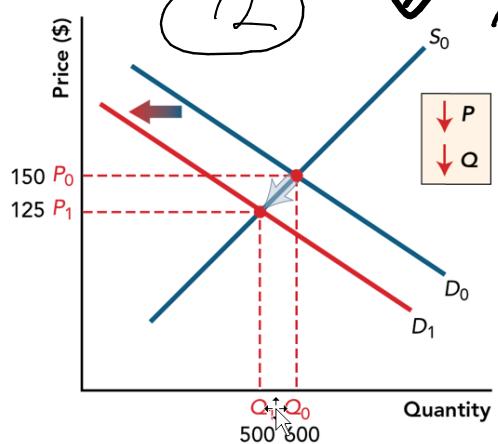
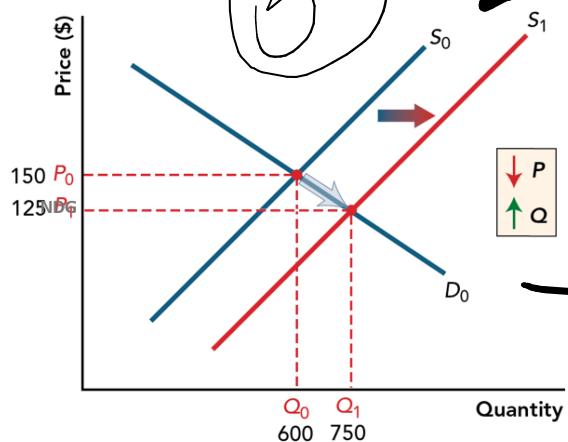


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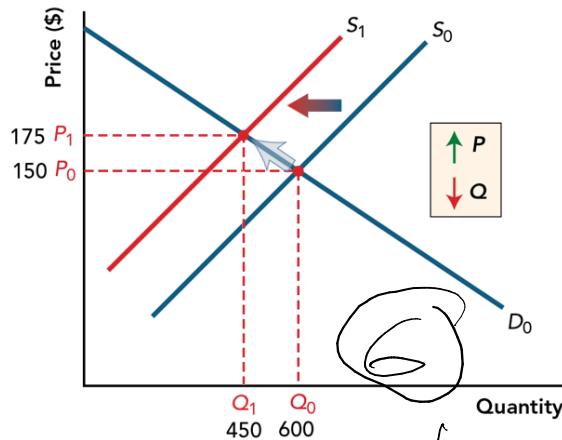
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Increase in Supply

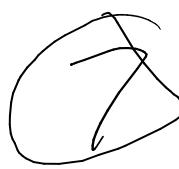


Decrease in Supply



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 - Increase in quantity demanded $Q \uparrow$
- Decrease in supply causes
 - Rise in equilibrium price $P \uparrow$
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 - Compare resulting equilibrium situation (intersection of demand & supply after the change) in terms of price & qty
- Price & Qty changes are the result, not the cause of economic events
- When both demand and supply change at the same time
 - Can predict change in equilibrium price & equilibrium qty.
 - But w/out info about relative size of shifts of demand & supply curves, cannot predict the other equilibrium outcome

Increase in Both Demand and Supply

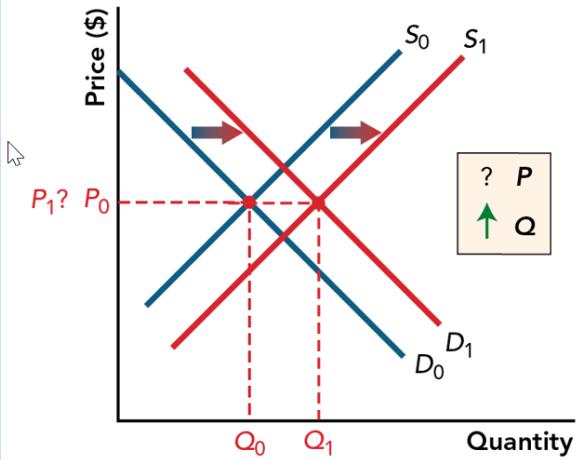
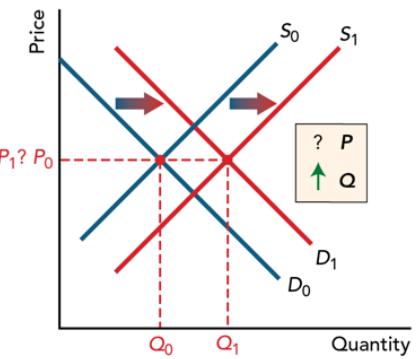
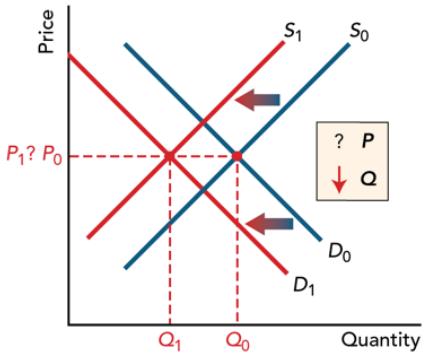


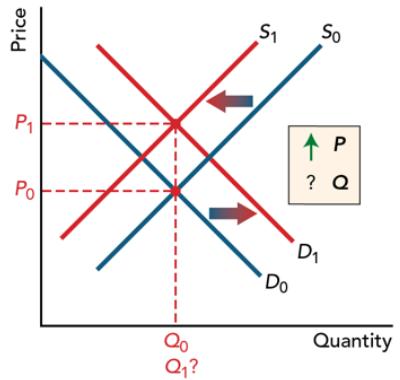
Fig. 4.7 The Effects of Combined Changes in Demand and Supply



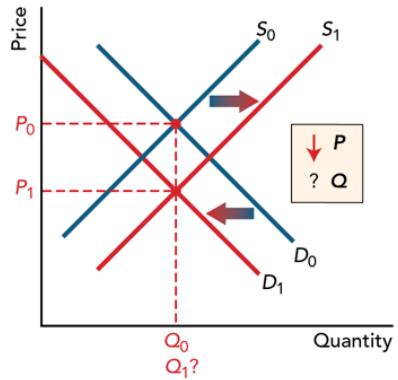
a) Increase in Both Demand and Supply



b) Decrease in Both Demand and Supply



c) Increase in Demand and Decrease in Supply



d) Decrease in Demand and Increase in Supply

Fig. 4.8

Effects of Changes in Demand or Supply

Change	Shifts of Curves	Effect on Equilibrium Price	Effect on Equilibrium Quantity
Increase in Demand	Demand shifts rightward	↑	↑
Decrease in Demand	Demand shifts leftward	↓	↓
Increase in Supply	Supply shifts rightward	↓	↑
Decrease in Supply	Supply shifts leftward	↑	↓
Increase in Demand and Increase in Supply	Demand shifts rightward; Supply shifts rightward	Need exact numbers to predict outcome	↑
Decrease in Demand and Decrease in Supply	Demand shifts leftward; Supply shifts leftward	Need exact numbers to predict outcome	↓
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On efficient market outcome has the largest total surplus, price just cover all opportunity costs of production and consumers' marginal benefit equals businesses' marginal cost.



addition
benefits >
costs



implicit
costs >
externalities

Consumer Surplus, Producer Surplus

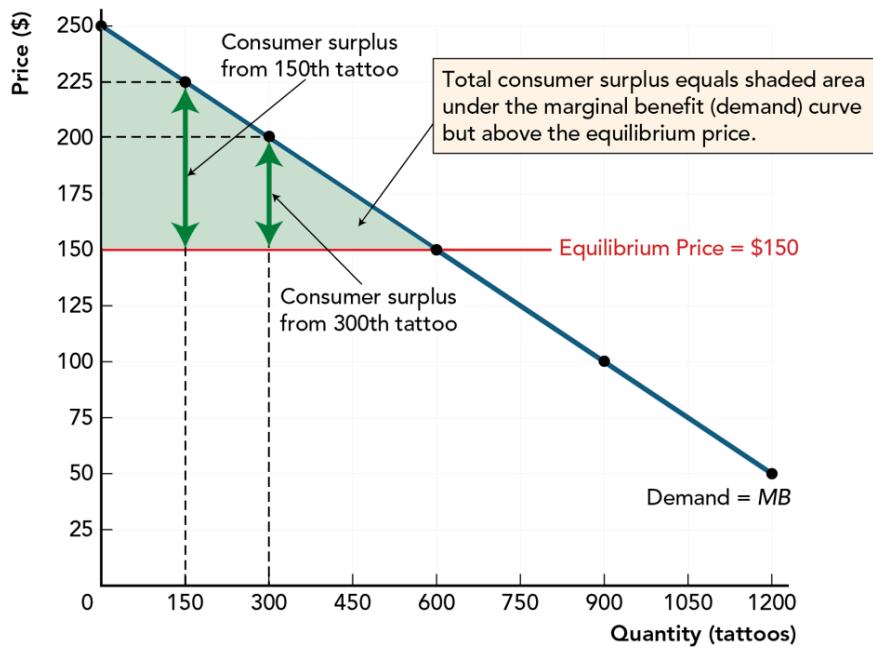
& Efficiency

Reading demand & Supply curves as marginal benefit & marginal cost curves reveals concept of

- Consumer Surplus -

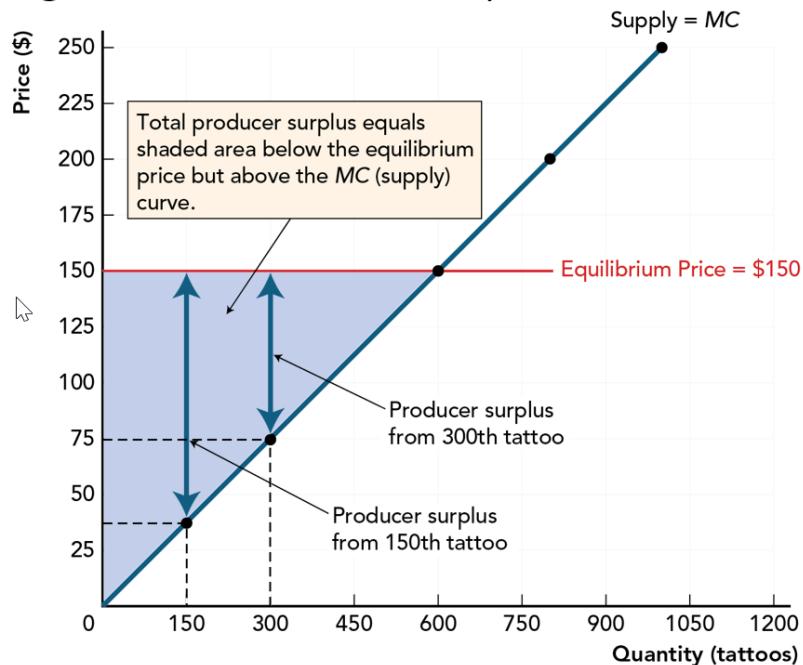
difference between amt a consumer is willing & able to pay, & prc actually paid; area under marginal benefit curve but above market price

Marginal Benefit and Consumer Surplus



- Producer Surplus - diff between amt a producer is willing to accept & prc actually received; area below market price but above marginal cost curve; area below market but above marginal cost curve

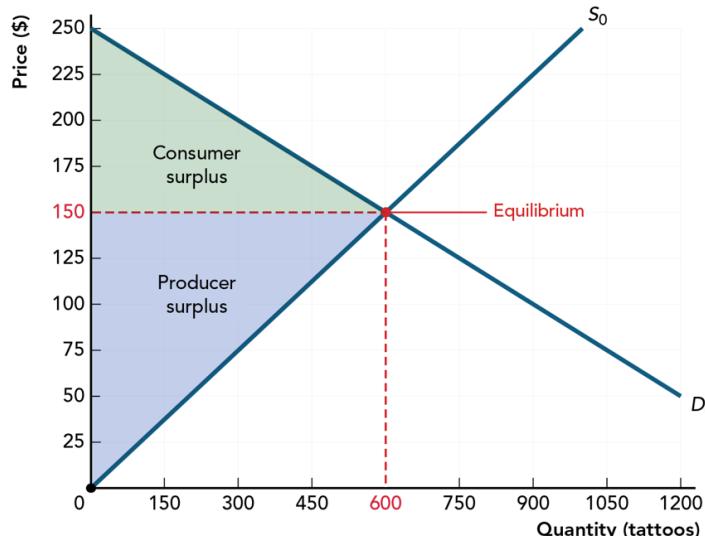
Marginal Cost and Producer Surplus



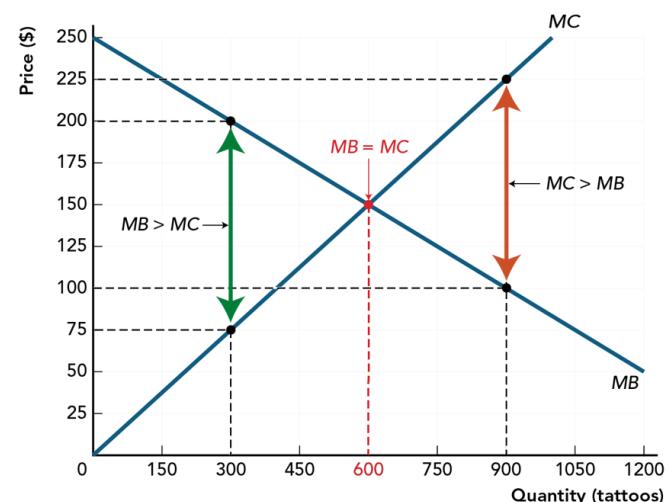
Efficient Market outcome - coordinates smart choices of businesses and consumers so,

- consumer buy only products & services where marginal benefit is great than price
- product & services are produced @ lowest cost; prices just cover all opportunity costs of production
- products and services go to consumers most willing & able to pay
- Total surplus (consumer surplus plus producer surplus) is @ max

Maximum Total Surplus for Efficient Market



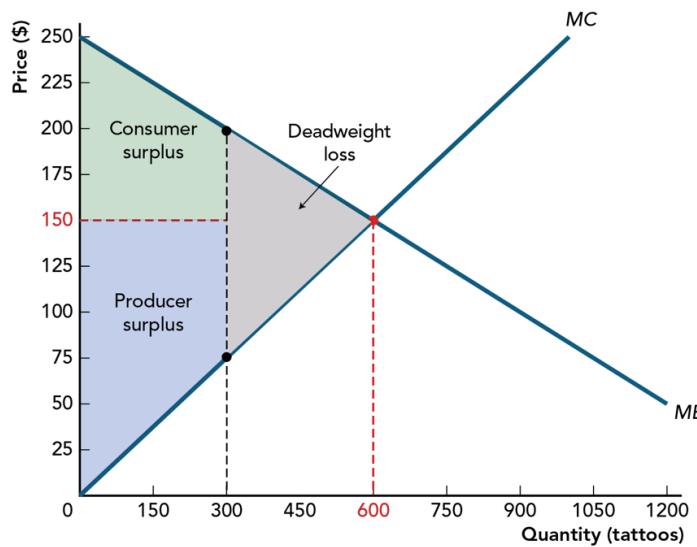
Inefficiency When MB Not Equal to MC



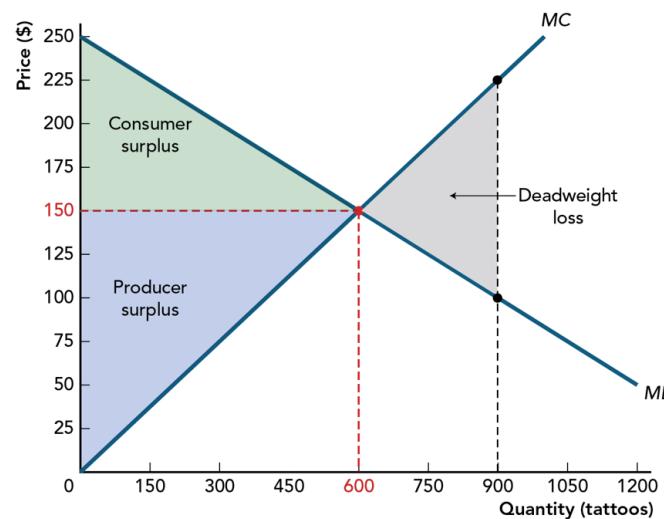
Inefficient Outcomes

- Deadweight loss - decrease in total surplus compared to an economically efficient outcome
- For an inefficient outcome deadweight loss is subtracted, so total surplus is less for an economically efficient outcome

Inefficiency of Producing Too Little



Inefficiency of Producing Too Much



Demand Changes with changes in:	Supply Changes with changes in:
Preferences	Technology
Prices of related products	Prices of related products
Income	Prices of inputs
Expected future prices	Expected future prices
Number of consumers	Number of businesses
	Environment

Chapter 5

Elasticity measures how responsive quantity demanded is to changes in price

Elasticity (or price elasticity of demand)

measures by how much qty demanded responds to change in price

price elasticity of demand =

$$\frac{\% \Delta \text{qty demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{price}}$$

$$\frac{2\%}{100\%} = 0.02$$

A DVD store lowered the price of its DVDs from \$18 to \$12. Correspondingly, sales increased from 1,900 to 2,100 per month.

Ignoring the negative sign, what is the price elasticity of demand?

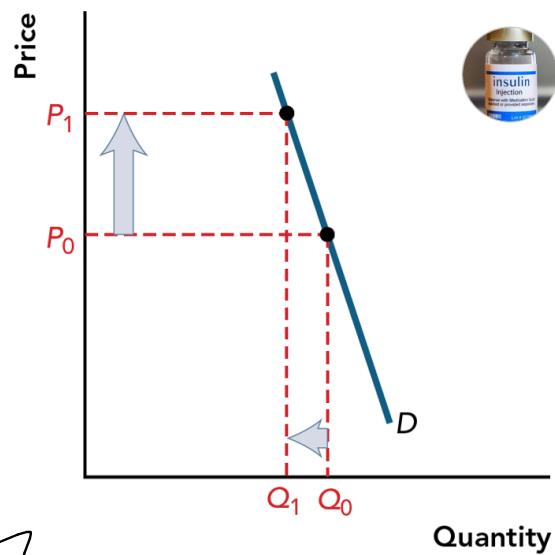
(Round to two decimal places and use the midpoint formula for price elasticity of demand.)

Using the midpoint formula:

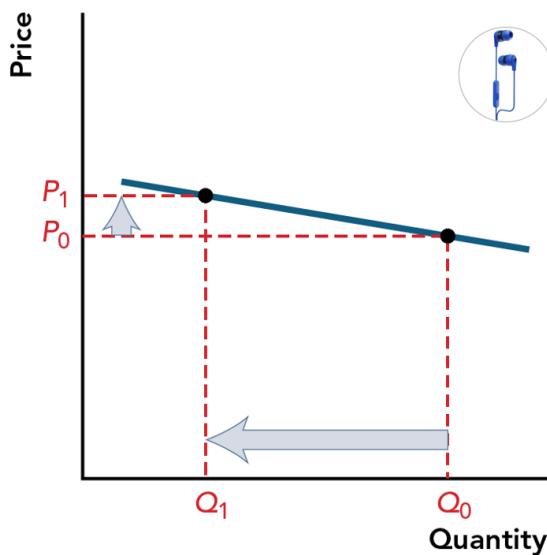
$$\text{Price elasticity of demand} = \frac{\frac{2,100 - 1,900}{2,000}}{\frac{12 - 18}{15}} = \frac{0.10}{0.40} = 0.25.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 20 - 16 \\ & \underline{2} - \underline{18} \end{aligned}$$

Fig. 5.1 Inelastic vs Elastic Demand



a) Inelastic Demand for Insulin



b) Elastic Demand for Earbuds

Inelastic demand - sml response in qty demanded when prc \uparrow

- Elasticity < 1

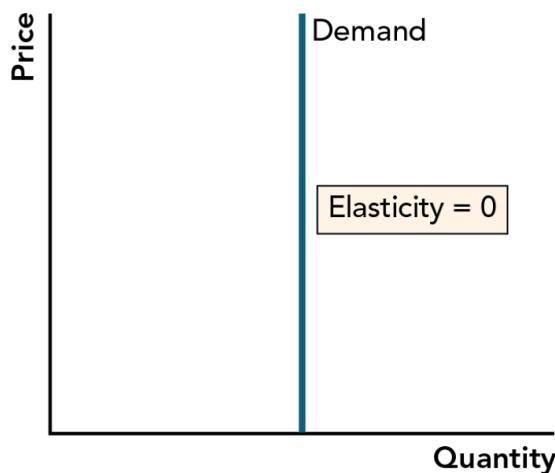
- Low willingness to shop elsewhere

Elastic demand - larg response in qty demanded when prc \downarrow

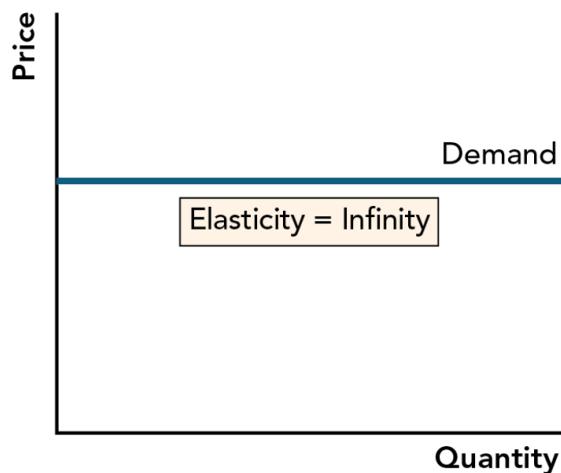
- Elasticity > 1

- High willingness to shop elsewhere

Fig. 5.2 Extreme Elasticities of Demand



a) Perfectly Inelastic Demand

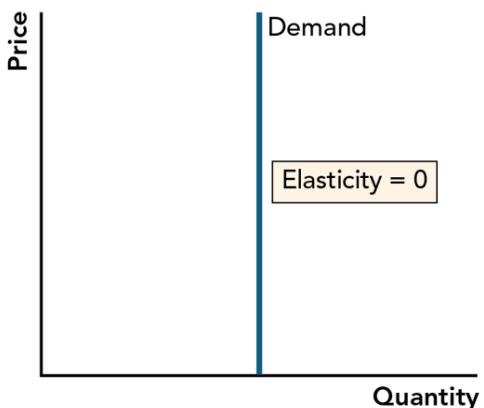


b) Perfectly Elastic Demand

Perfectly Inelastic Demand - Price elasticity of demand = zero

Q_d demanded does not respond to P_c

- Vertical demand curve



a) Perfectly Inelastic Demand

Price elasticity of demand is influenced by

- available substitutes - more substitutes mean more elastic demand
- Time to adjust - longer time to adjust means more elastic demand
- Proportion of income spent - greater proportion of income spent on a product or service means more elastic demand

Elasticity determines business pricing strategies to earn max total revenue

- cut prices when demand is elastic
- raise prices when demand is inelastic

Total revenue = all money a business receives from sales

$$= \text{prc/unit } (P) \times \text{qty sold } (Q)$$

- For businesses facing elastic demand (> 1), prc cuts increases total revenue
- For businesses facing inelastic demand (< 1), prices rises increases total revenue

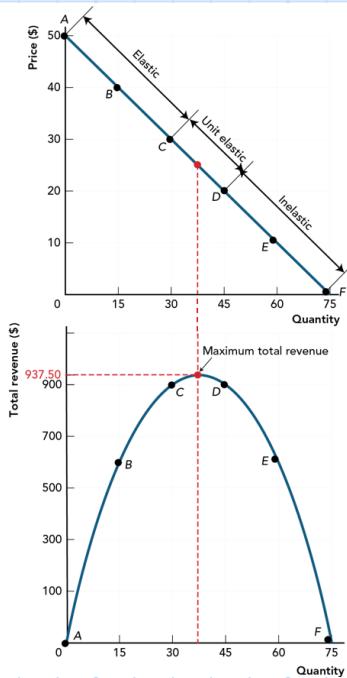
Elasticity & Total Revenue

As you move down a straight line demand curve, elasticity of 1 is not the same as slope

- Elasticity goes from elastic, to unit elastic, to inelastic
- Total revenue increases, reaches a maximum when elasticity equals 1 then decreases

Fig. 5.5

Elasticity and Total Revenue



Elasticity of supply measures the responsiveness of qty supplied to change in prc, and depends on the difficulty, expense, and time involved in increasing production

Elasticity of supply - measures by how much qty supplied responds to Δ prc

$$\text{Elasticity of supply} = \frac{\% \Delta \text{ qty supplied}}{\% \Delta \text{ prc}}$$

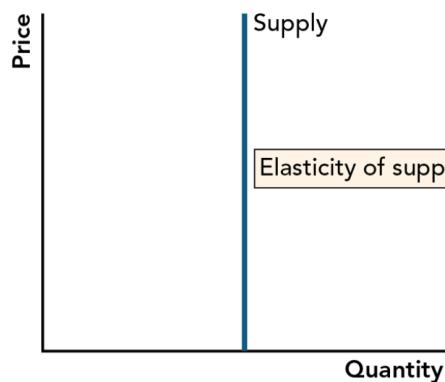
Inelastic supply - small response in qty supplied when prc rises

- Difficulty & expensive to increase production
- Elasticity of supply < 1
- Ex: supply of mined gold

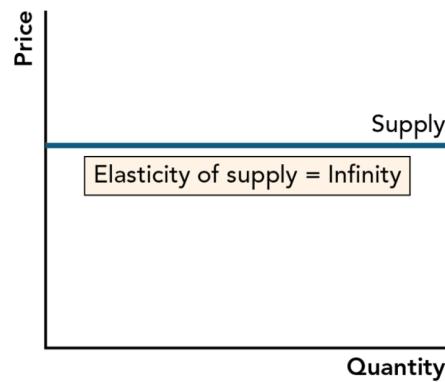
Elastic supply. large response in qty supplied when price rises

- Easy and inexpensive to increase production
- Elasticity of supply > 1
- Ex: snow shoveling services

Fig 5.6 Extreme Elasticities of Supply



a) Perfectly Inelastic Supply



b) Perfectly Elastic Supply

If the price elasticity of supply is 2.0, when prices rise by 20%, the quantity supplied will

$$\text{Elasticity of Supply} = \frac{\% \text{ change in quantity supplied}}{\% \text{ change in price}}.$$

Elasticity of supply \times % change in price = % change in quantity supplied.

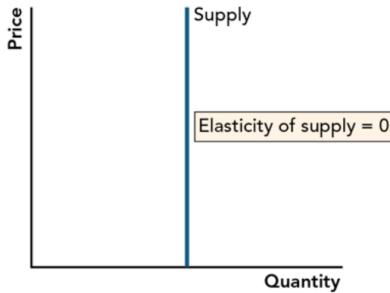
$$2.0 \times 20\% = \% \text{ change in quantity supplied.}$$

$$= 2.0 \times 20\% = 40.0\%.$$

$$\text{Elasticity of Supply} = \frac{\% \text{ change in quantity supplied}}{\% \text{ change in price}} = \frac{40.0\%}{20\%}.$$

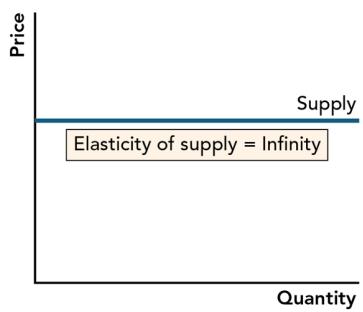
If the percentage change in quantity supplied (in the numerator) is greater than the percentage change in price (in the denominator), elasticity of supply is greater than 1 and the supply is called elastic. Quantity supplied is relatively responsive to a change in price.

- **Perfectly inelastic supply** — price elasticity of supply = 0.
Quantity supplied does *not* respond to change in price.



a) Perfectly Inelastic Supply

- **Perfectly elastic supply** — price elasticity of supply = infinity.
Quantity supplied has infinite response to change in price.



b) Perfectly Elastic Supply

Elasticity of supply influenced by

- availability of additional inputs
more available inputs means more elastic supply
- Time production takes - less time means more elastic supply
- Elasticity of supply allows more accurate predictions of future output & prices, helping businesses avoid disappointing customers

Measures of elasticity explain the responsiveness of qty demanded to Δ price of related products & income, & the devision of a tax between buyer & sellers

More Elasticities of Demand

- Cross elasticity of Demand - measures responsiveness of the demand for product/service to a Δ price of a substitute/complement

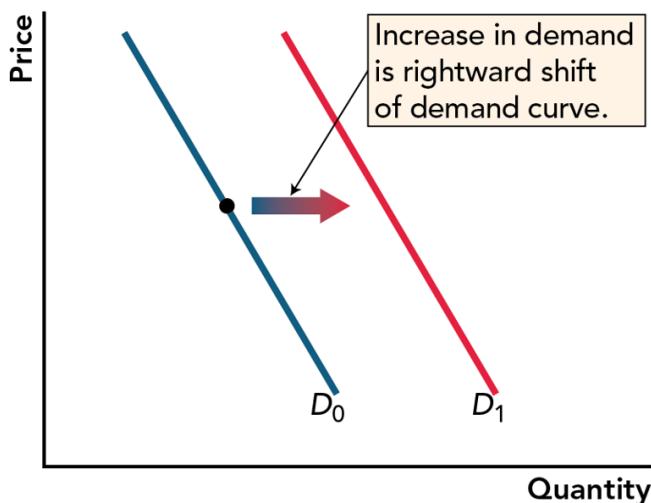
$$\text{Cross elasticity of Demand} = \frac{\% \Delta \text{ qty demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{ price of substitute/complement}}$$

- Cross elasticity of demand is positive number for substitutes

$$\text{Cross elasticity of demand} = \frac{\% \Delta \text{ qty demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{ price of substitutes}}$$

The larger the #, the

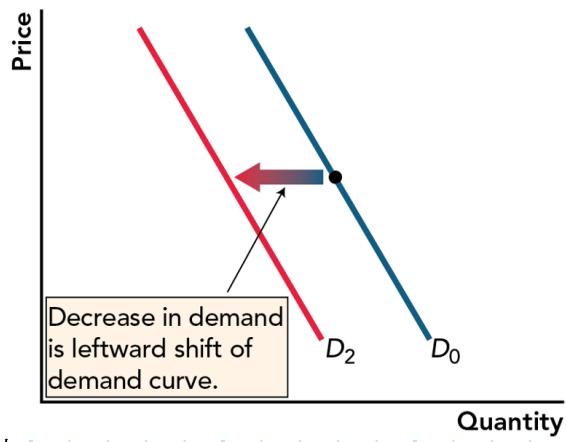
- Larger the change in demand
- Larger the shift of the demand curve
- Closer the products/services are to perfect substitutes



Cross elasticity of demand is a negative # for complements

$$\text{cross elasticity of demand} = \frac{\% \Delta \text{qty demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{price of complement}}$$

- the larger the # the
- larger the Δ demand
 - larger the shift of the demand curve
 - closer the products/services are to perfect complements



Income elasticity of demand - measures responsiveness of the demand for a product/service to a Δ income

$$\text{income elasticity of demand} = \frac{\% \Delta \text{qty demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{income}}$$

Positive for normal goods; increase in inc.

- increase demand for normal goods
- rightward shift of demand curve

$$\text{Income elasticity of demand} = \frac{\% \Delta \text{qty demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{income}}$$

negative for inferior goods; increase in income

- decreases demand for inferior goods
- leftward shift of demand curve

Income inelastic demand

- income elasticity < 1 , but > 0
- $\% \Delta \text{qty} < \% \Delta \text{income}$
- normal goods that are necessities

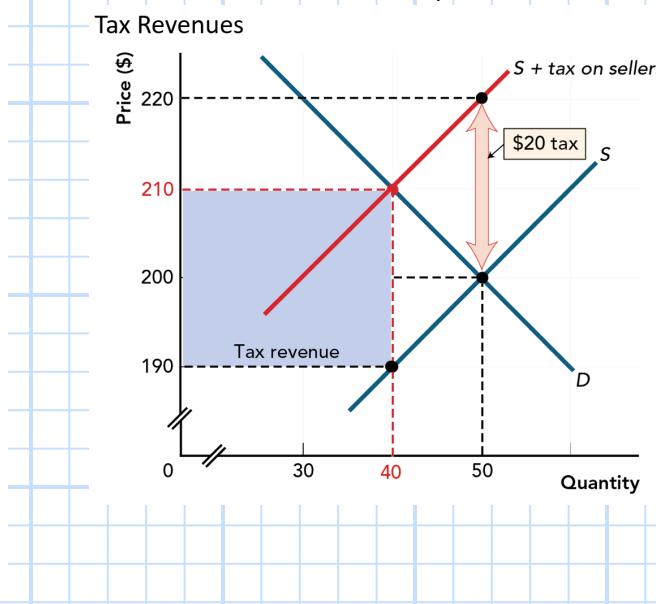
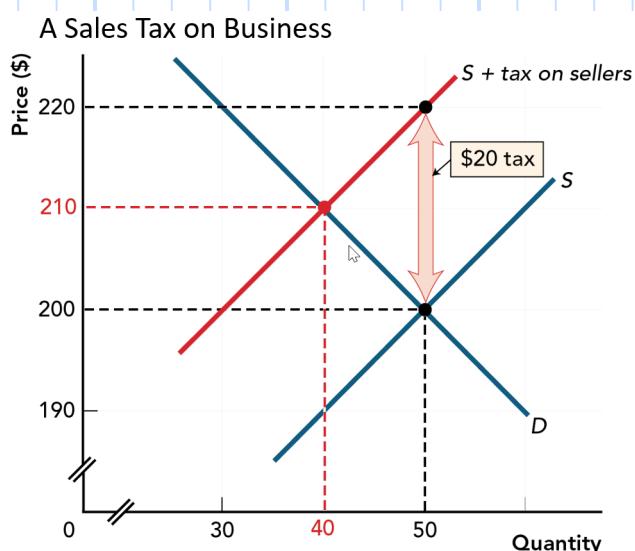
Income elastic demand

- income elasticity > 1
- $\% \Delta \text{qty} > \% \Delta \text{income}$
- normal goods that are luxuries

Who pays a tax depends on elasticities of demand & supply - the more inelastic demand, the more buyers pay, & the more inelastic supply, the more sellers pay

Tax Incidence & Government Tax Choice

- Tax incidence - the division of tax between buyers & sellers; depends on elasticities of demand & supply
 - The more inelastic demand & supply are, greater the tax revenue for government
- For max revenue, government try to tax products & services with inelastic demands & supply



Elasticity and Tax Incidence

When Demand Is	Tax Incidence
Perfectly inelastic	Buyers pay all of a tax
Inelastic	Buyers pay more of a tax
Elastic	Sellers pay more of a tax
Perfectly elastic	Sellers pay all of a tax
When Supply Is	Tax Incidence
Perfectly inelastic	Sellers pay all of a tax
Inelastic	Sellers pay more of a tax
Elastic	Buyers pay more of a tax
Perfectly elastic	Buyers pay all of a tax