# Monopoly Market Structure

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## Monopoly

- Condition of Monopoly Market
- There is only one seller and many buyers
- Condition for monopoly to exist are
  - ▶ There is no close substitute for the product
  - There exists barrier to entry and exit

#### Barrier to entry and exit

- These can be defined as factors that allow incumbent firms to earn supernormal profits in the long run by making it unprofitable for new firms to enter the industry.
- Structural barriers
  - Control of essential resources
  - Economies of scale and scope
  - Marketing advantage of incumbents
  - Information cost
  - Government regulation

## Strategic barriers

- Strategic barriers
  - Limit Pricing
  - Predatory Pricing
  - Excess Capacity
  - Heavy advertising
  - Patent and other legal barriers

#### **Pricing Decision**

- Profit Maximizing condition
- ▶ In Diagram
- Do a monopolist always makes profit

## Comparison between Monopoly and PC

- Price
- Quantity
- Profit
- Productive Efficiency
- Allocative Efficiency

## Additional Topics

- Supply Curve
- Natural Monopoly