

1. Why must budget constraints be binding?
  - A. We do not model savings so we would never save
  - B. We maximize utility and more goods bought = more utility
  - C. Money has no value
  - D. Money loses value so it will be worthless tomorrow
  
2. Barry's income decreases from \$10,000 to \$5,000, so he increases his weekly consumption of light beer from 5 to 6. Based on his income elasticity of demand, what type of good is light beer?
  - A. Inferior
  - B. We do not model savings so we would never save
  - C. Money has no value
  - D. Money loses value so it will be worthless tomorrow
  
3. Find the utility maximizing amount of each good for the following utility functions subject to budgets  $M = P_x X + P_y Y$ :
  - (a)  $U(x, y) = x^{1/2}y^{1/2}$  s.t.  $120 = 4x + y$
  - (b)  $U(x, y) = \alpha \ln(x) + y$  s.t.  $M = P_x x + P_y y$
  - (c)  $U(x, y) = \min\{2x, y\}$  s.t.  $16 = 2x + y$
  - (d)  $U(x, y) = 4x + 5y$  s.t.  $10 = 2x + 3y$

4. Harvey's utility is given by  $U(x, y) = 10x^{0.35}y^{1.3}$ . Does Harvey exhibit diminishing marginal utility in  $x$ ? What about  $y$ ? Show your work
5. Suppose you only consume two goods:  $x$  and  $y$ . If  $y$  is an inferior good, what type of good must  $x$  be? Explain why.

6. Consider the demand function  $x^* = M - P_x^2 + P_y^{0.5}$
- (a) Is  $X$  a normal or inferior good? Use a derivative and an inequality to show it.
  - (b) Is  $X$  a substitute or a complement for  $Y$ ? Use a derivative and an inequality to show it
  - (c) Assume that  $M = 10$  and  $P_y = 4$ . Graph the demand curve for  $X$  by plotting the points where  $P_x = 1, 2$  and  $3$  and connecting them. Label this curve  $x^*$ . I recommend giving yourself lots of extra room on the horizontal axis so that you can add the next part clearly.

Add to the graph a market demand curve, assuming that there are 3 total consumers in the market. There's no need to derive the demand curve, just remember the right way to add up demand in the graph. Label this curve  $Q_D$ .