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Supply and Demand

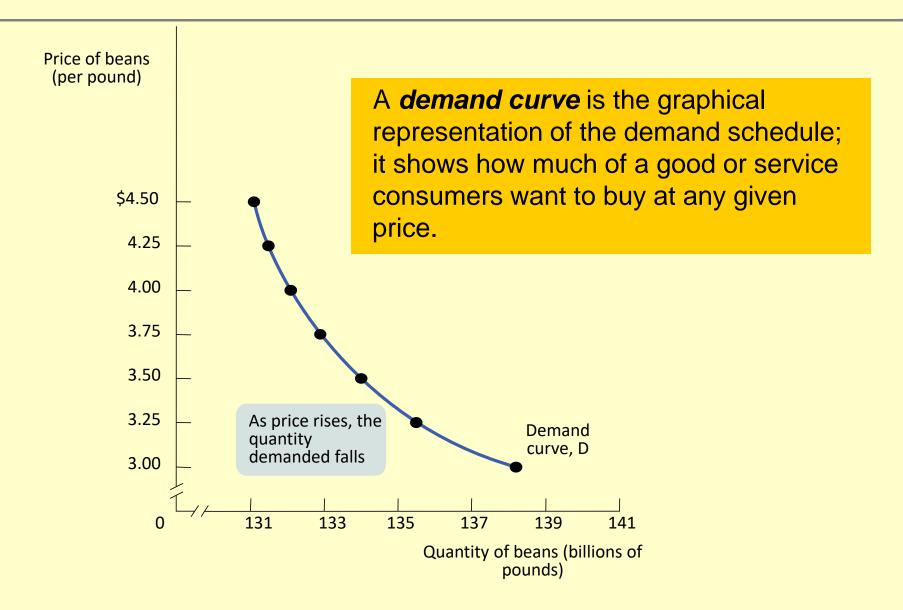
- A competitive market:
 - Many buyers and sellers
 - Same good or service
- The supply and demand model is a model of how a competitive market works.
- Five key elements:
 - Demand curve
 - Supply curve
 - Demand and supply curve shifts
 - Market equilibrium
 - Changes in the market equilibrium

Demand Schedule

 A demand schedule shows how much of a good or service consumers will want to buy at different prices.

| Demand Schedule for Coffee Beans | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Price of beans (per pound) | Quantity of beans demanded (billions of pounds) | |
| \$4.50 | 126 | |
| 4.25 | 128 | |
| 4.00 | 130 | |
| 3.75 | 132 | |
| 3.50 | 134 | |
| 3.25 | 136 | |
| 3.00 | 138 | |

Demand Curve



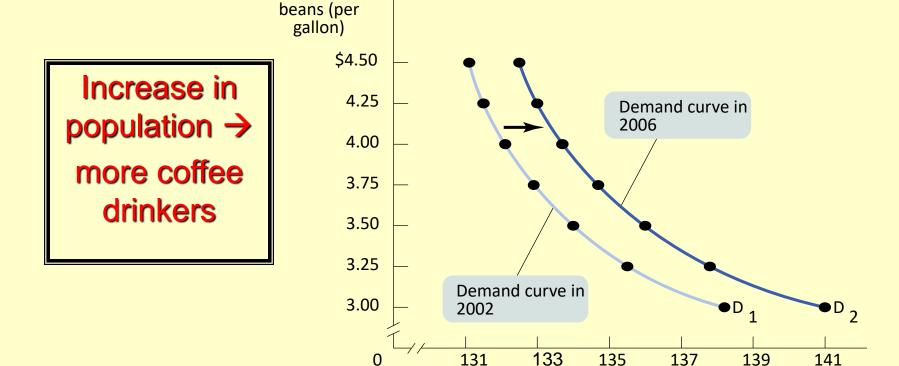
An Increase in Demand

- An increase in the population and other factors generate an increase in demand – a rise in the quantity demanded at any given price.
- This is represented by the two demand schedules - one showing demand in 2002, before the rise in population, the other showing demand in 2006, after the rise in population.

| Demand Schedules for Coffee Beans | | | |
|--|--|---------|--|
| Price of coffee beans (per pound) | Quantity of coffee beans demanded (billions of pounds) | | |
| | in 2002 | in 2006 | |
| \$4.50 | 126 | 128 | |
| 4.25 | 128 | 130 | |
| 4.00 | 130 | 132 | |
| 3.75 | 132 | 134 | |
| 3.50 | 134 | 136 | |
| 3.25 | 136 | 138 | |
| 3.00 | 138 | 140 | |

An Increase in Demand

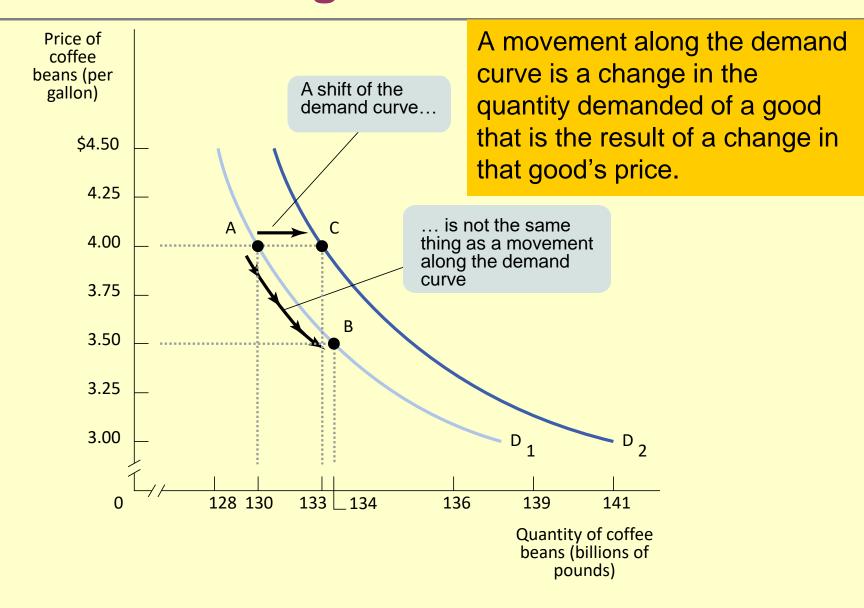
Price of coffee



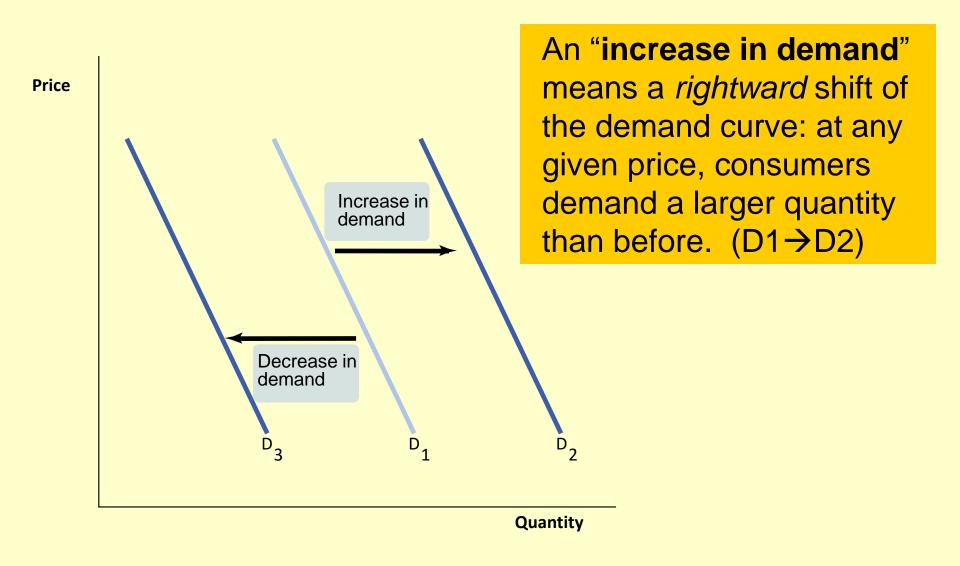
A **shift of the demand curve** is a change in the quantity demanded at any given price, represented by the change of the original demand curve to a new position, denoted by a new demand curve.

Quantity of coffee beans (billions of pounds)

Movement Along the Demand Curve



Shifts of the Demand Curve



What Causes a Demand Curve to Shift?

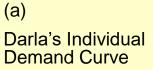
- Changes in the Prices of Related Goods
 - Substitutes: Two goods are substitutes if a fall in the price of one of the goods makes consumers less willing to buy the other good.
 - Complements: Two goods are complements if a fall in the price of one good makes people more willing to buy the other good.

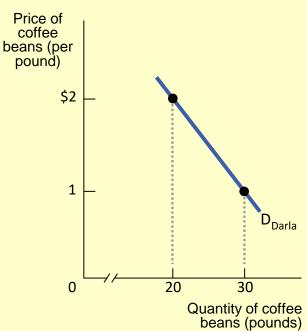
What Causes a Demand Curve to Shift?

- Changes in Income
 - Normal Goods: When a rise in income increases the demand for a good - the normal case - we say that the good is a normal good.
 - Inferior Goods: When a rise in income decreases the demand for a good, it is an inferior good.

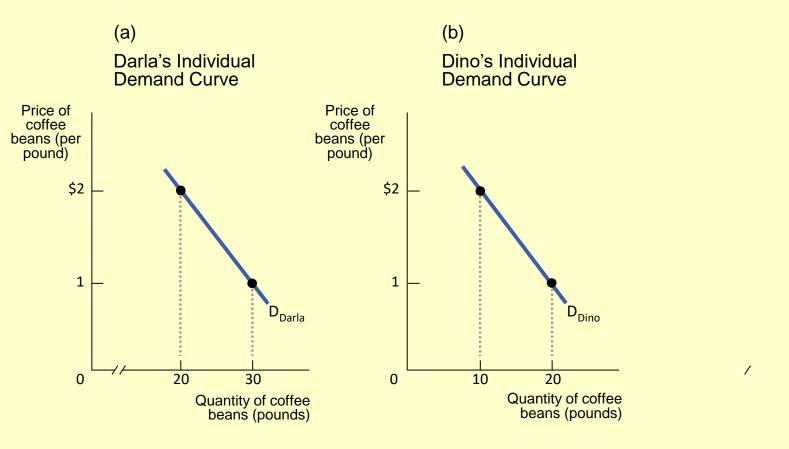
- Changes in Tastes
- Changes in Expectations

Individual Demand Curve and the Market Demand Curve



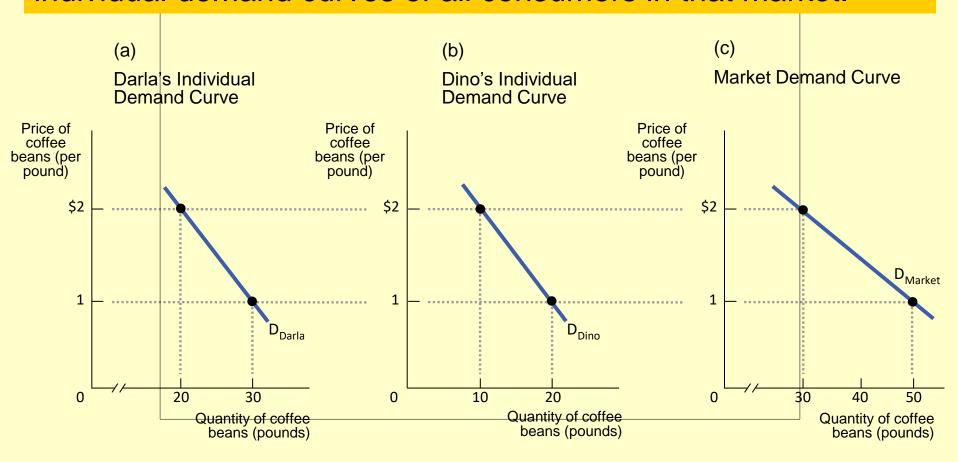


Individual Demand Curve and the Market Demand Curve



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The market demand curve is the *horizontal sum* of the individual demand curves of all consumers in that market.

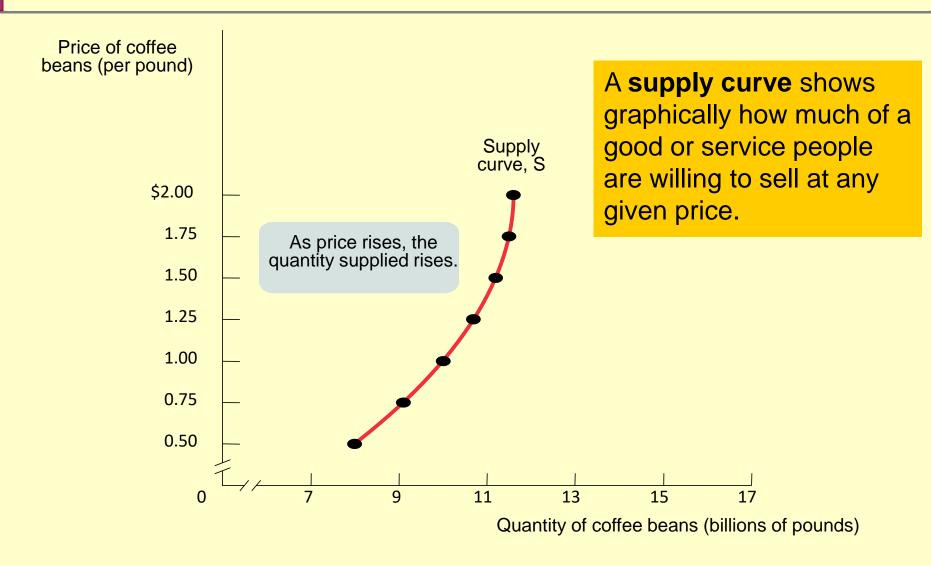


Supply Schedule

 A supply schedule shows how much of a good or service would be supplied at different prices.

| Supply Schedule for Coffee Beans | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Price of coffee beans (per pound) | Quantity of coffee beans supplied (billions of pounds) | | |
| \$2.00 | 11.6 | | |
| 1.75 | 11.5 | | |
| 1.50 | 11.2 | | |
| 1.25 | 10.7 | | |
| 1.00 | 10.0 | | |
| 0.75 | 9.1 | | |
| 0.50 | 8.0 | | |

Supply Curve



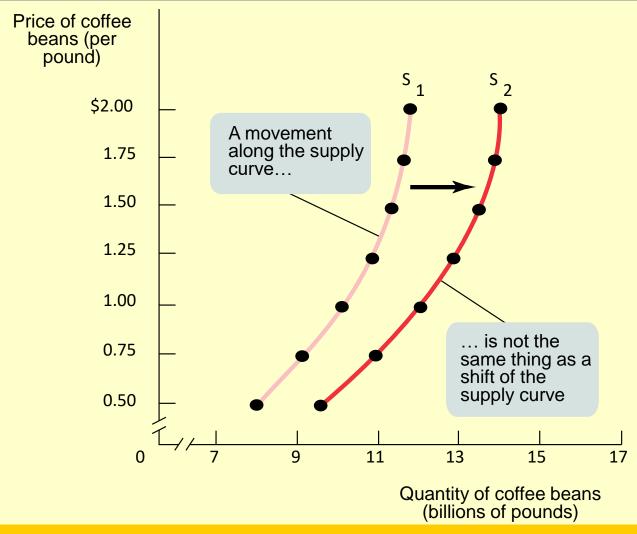
An Increase in Supply

- The entry of Vietnam into the coffee bean business generated an increase in supply—a rise in the quantity supplied at any given price.
- This event is represented by the two supply schedules—one showing supply before Vietnam's entry, the other showing supply after Vietnam came in.

Supply Schedule for Coffee Beans

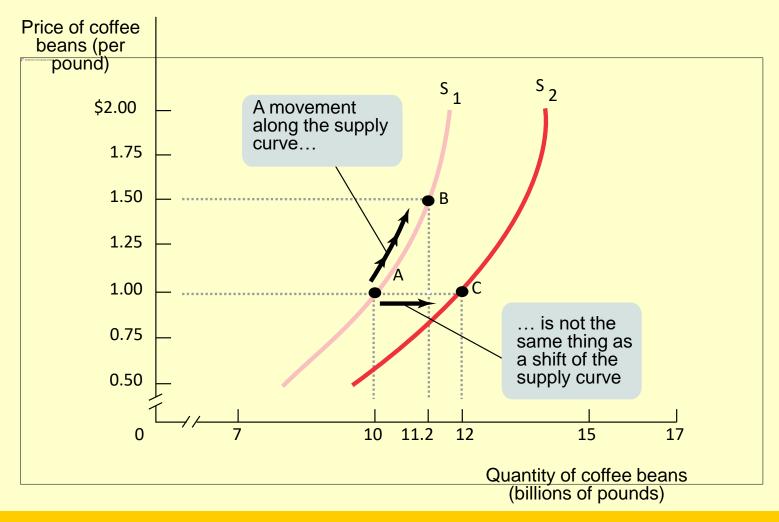
| Price of coffee beans | Quantity of beans supplied (billions of pounds) | |
|-----------------------|---|-------------|
| (per pound) | Before entry | After entry |
| \$2.00 | 11.6 | 13.9 |
| 1.75 | 11.5 | 13.8 |
| 1.50 | 11.2 | 13.4 |
| 1.25 | 10.7 | 12.8 |
| 1.00 | 10.0 | 12.0 |
| 0.75 | 9.1 | 10.9 |
| 0.50 | 8.0 | 9.6 |

An Increase in Supply



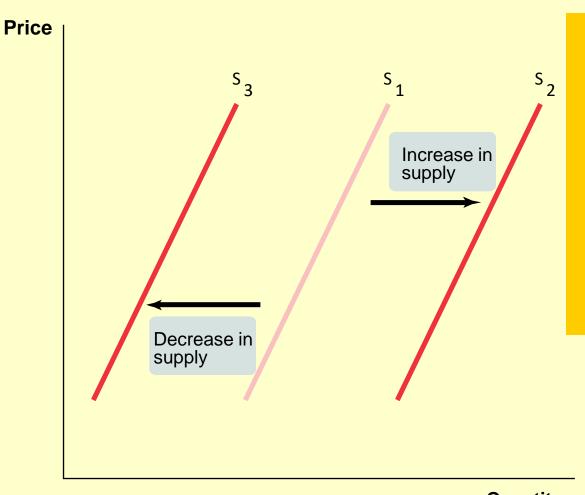
A shift of the supply curve is a change in the quantity supplied of a good at any given price.

Movement Along the Supply Curve



A movement along the supply curve is a change in the quantity supplied of a good that is the result of a change in that good's price.

Shifts of the Supply Curve



Any "decrease in supply" means a leftward shift of the supply curve: at any given price, there is a decrease in the quantity supplied. (S1 -> S3)

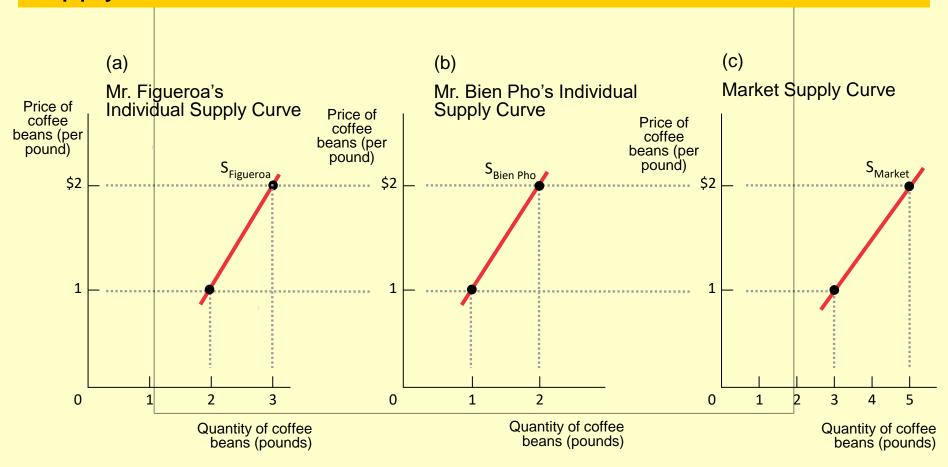
Quantity

What Causes a Supply Curve to Shift?

- Changes in input prices
 - An input is a good that is used to produce another good.
- Changes in the prices of related goods and services
- Changes in technology
- Changes in expectations
- Changes in the number of producers

Individual Supply Curve and the Market Supply Curve

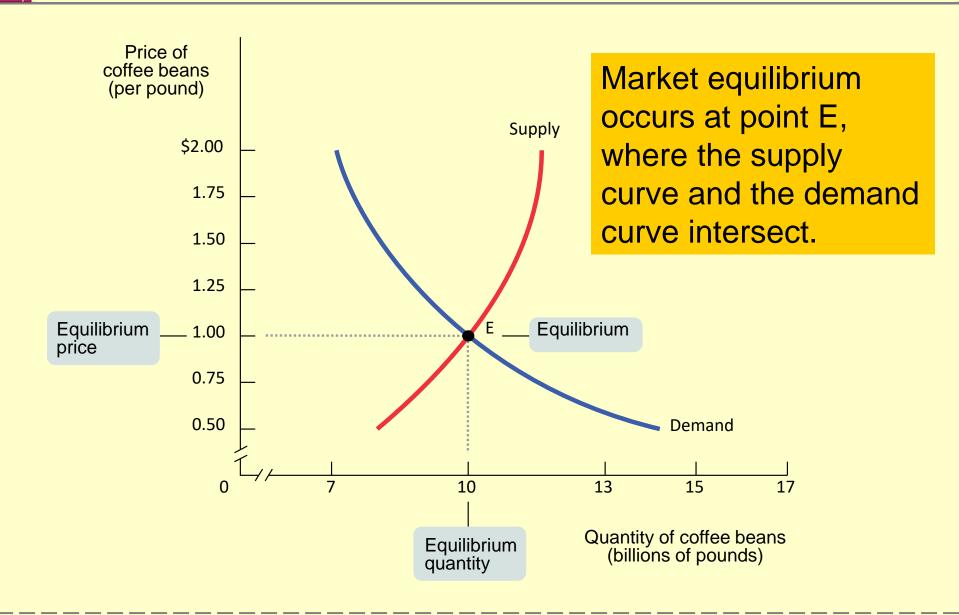
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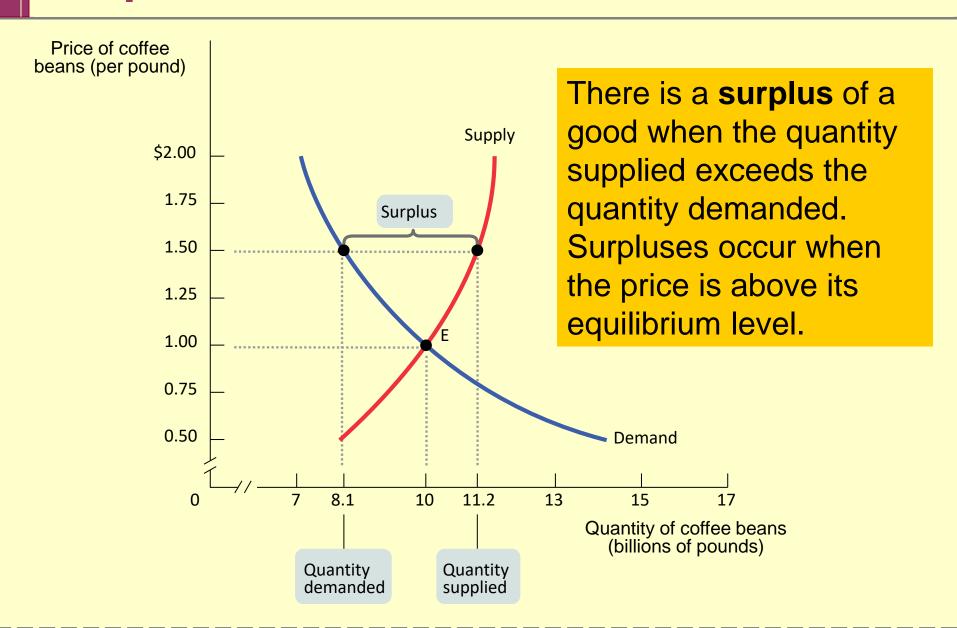
Supply, Demand and Equilibrium

- Equilibrium in a competitive market: when the quantity demanded of a good equals the quantity supplied of that good.
- The price at which this takes place is the equilibrium price (a.k.a. market-clearing price):
 - Every buyer finds a seller and vice versa.
 - The quantity of the good bought and sold at that price is the equilibrium quantity.

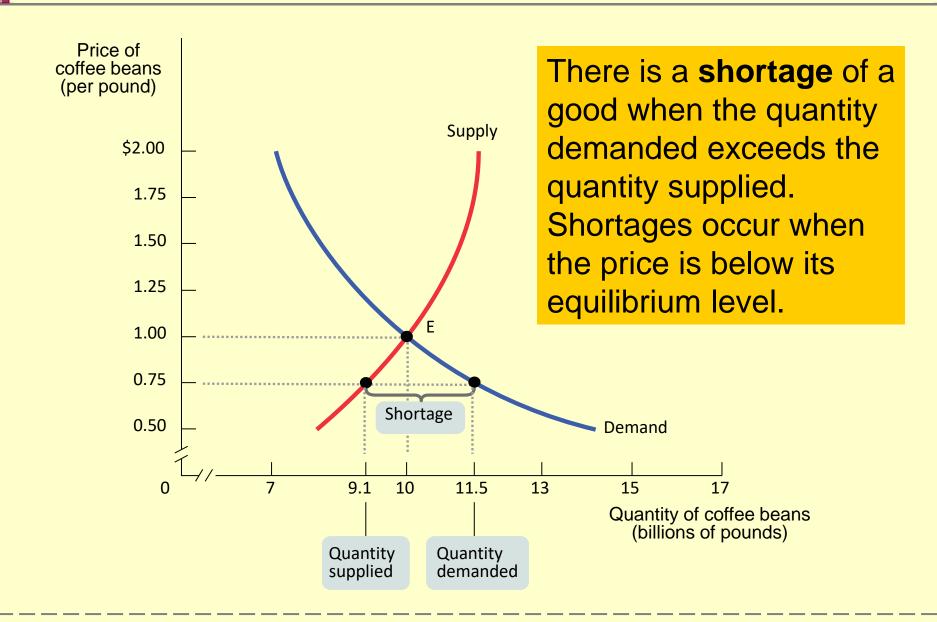
Market Equilibrium



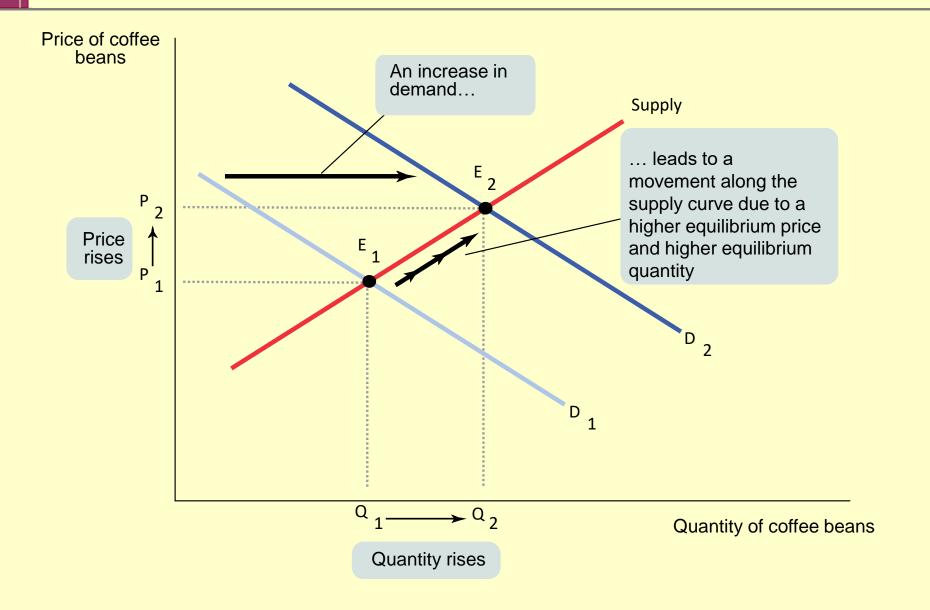
Surplus



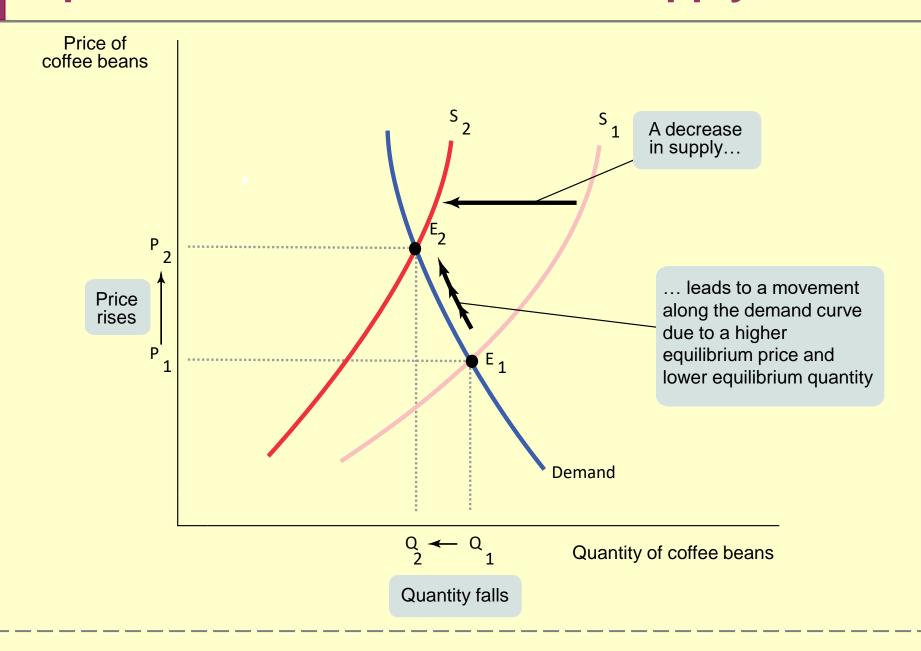
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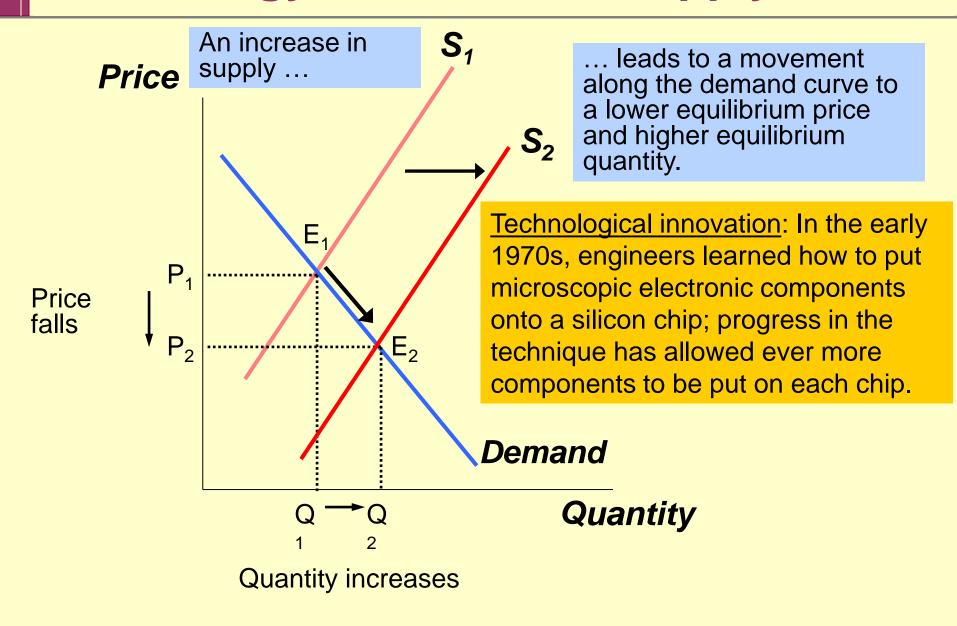
Equilibrium and Shifts of the Demand Curve



Equilibrium and Shifts of the Supply Curve

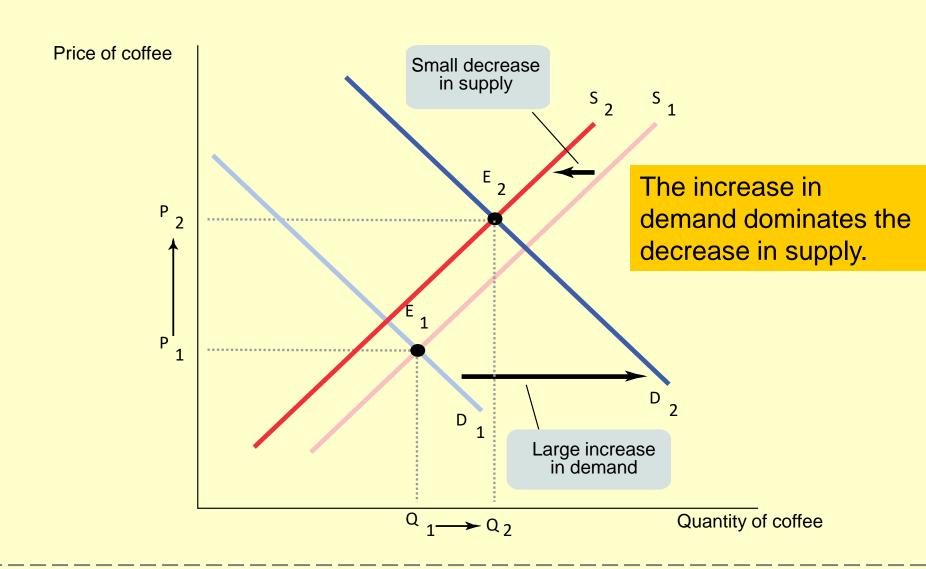


Technology Shifts of the Supply Curve



Simultaneous Shifts of Supply and Demand

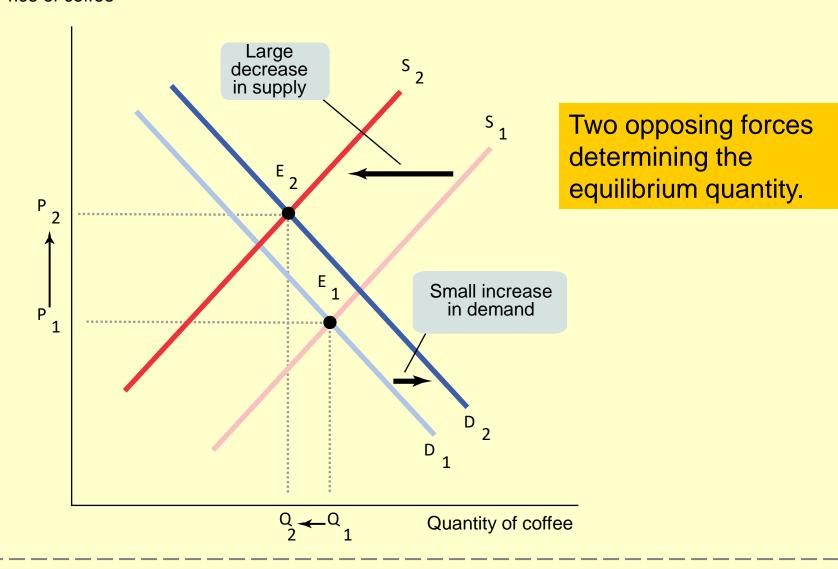
(a) One possible outcome: Price Rises, Quantity Rises



Simultaneous Shifts of Supply and Demand

(b) Another Possibility Outcome: Price Rises, Quantity Falls

Price of coffee



Simultaneous Shifts of Supply and Demand

We can make the following predictions about the outcome when the supply and demand curves shift simultaneously:

| Simultaneous Shifts of Supply and Demand | Supply Increases | Supply Decreases |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Demand Increases | Price: ambiguous Quantity: up | Price: up Quantity: ambiguous |
| Demand Decreases | Price: down Quantity: ambiguous | Price: ambiguous Quantity: down |