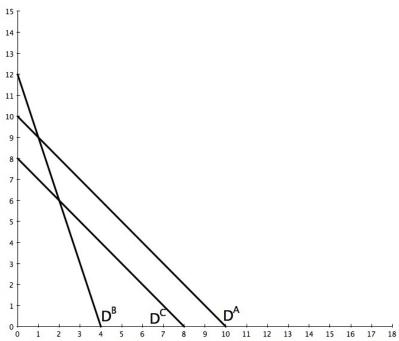
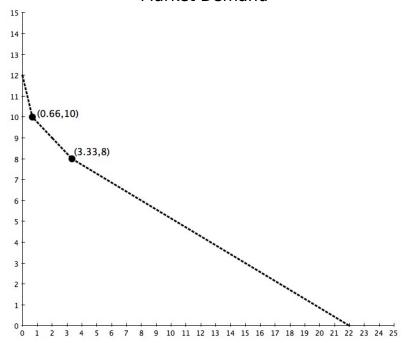
# Week 3 Solutions

### **Exercise 1**

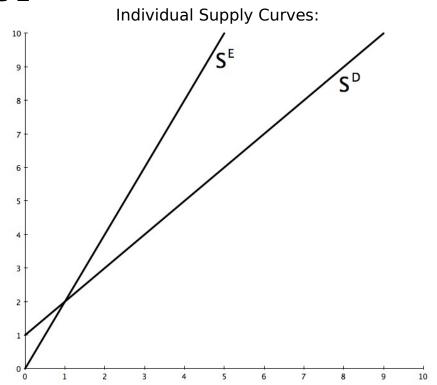


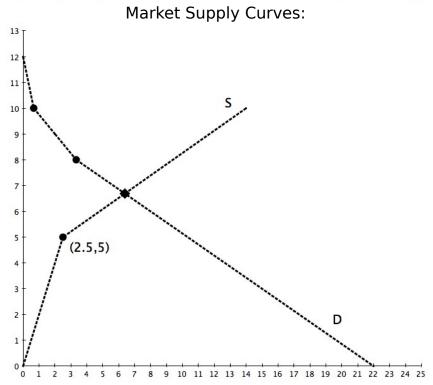


### Market Demand



# **Exercise 2**





## **Exercise 3**

- 1. Positive: The Dow Jones is up 9.94% as of 3 Feb.
- 2. Normative: To say it is "too" high implies there's a lower & better rate.
- 3. Normative: This is a prediction that may or may not prove true.

- 4. Positive: QE is a policy with the explicit purpose of increasing the money supply. More to come.
- 5. Normative: It is a matter of opinion that current policies are *not* optimal.

#### **Exercise 4**

Here are a few of them:

#### Positive:

- 1. "The actual decline [in the employment-population ratio] was from 62.9 to 58.6, or 4.3%." This is a calculation based on data.
- 2. "Kapon and Tracy suggest that we're actually only 0.7 points below full employment." This is a factual restatement of K&T's proposition.
- 3. "Inflation was considerably lower at the end of the pre-crisis era than the beginning." This is a fact regarding the measurement of how price changed.

#### Normative:

- 1. "The economy was highly overheated in late 2007." How do you define 'highly' overheated?
- 2. The economy of the early 2000s "was overheated almost the whole time." Same argument as #1.
- 3. "40 percent of the decline is demographic" This is based on his interpretation that there are only two causes.