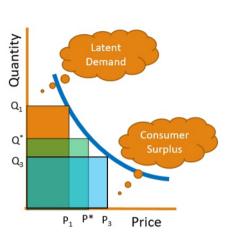
Basic economics



Demand Response Curve

A function that describes how demand D(p) of a product varies as a function of its price (p).

- **Latent Demand:** By reducing the price, we can capture more demand.
- **Consumer Surplus:** when the price that consumers pay for a product or service is less than the price they're willing to pay.
- As $P \uparrow \Rightarrow Q \downarrow$
- 4 properties:
 - 1. Non-negative
 - 2. Continuous
 - 3. Differentiable
 - 4. Downward sloping

2 ways to decided optimal price:

- 1. Revenue Maximizing Price
- 2. Profit maximizing Price

2 ways to calculate Price Sensitivity:

- 1. Slope
- 2. Elasticity

$$Slope = rac{change\ in\ demand}{change\ in\ price}$$

• ∂ is always negative.

$$m{\partial} = \; rac{D(p_2) \; - \; D(p_1)}{p_2 \; - \; p_1}$$

Demand elasticity,

$$arepsilon = rac{\% \ change \ in \ demand}{\% \ change \ in \ price}$$

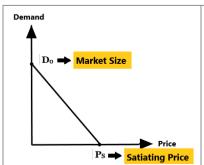
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ight |$$

Elasticity:

- If <u>high</u>, means, <u>alternatives are available</u>.
- If **low**, means, there is an **urgency and no alternative**.
- Short term: in the short term period
- Long term: in the long term period

Linear Response Curve

$$\mathbf{D}\left(\mathbf{p}
ight) = \mathbf{D}\left(\mathbf{0}
ight) - \mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{p}$$



 $\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{0}): \mathbf{Market Size} \rightarrow \mathbf{Demand at price} = 0$

 $P_S = \frac{\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{0})}{\mathbf{m}} : \mathbf{Satiating \, Price} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Price} \, at \, which \, demand = 0$

Elasticity of this curve

$$\epsilon = \begin{array}{cc} rac{\mathbf{m.\,p}}{\mathbf{D(p)}} & = & rac{\mathbf{m.\,p}}{\mathbf{D\,(0)} & - & \mathbf{m.\,p}} \end{array}$$

- $\varepsilon = 0$ when p = 0
- As $n \longrightarrow P_{c}$, $\varepsilon \longrightarrow c$

Constant Elasticity Curve

$$\mathbf{D}\left(\mathbf{p}
ight) = \mathbf{D}\left(\mathbf{1}
ight) \; oldsymbol{p}^{-oldsymbol{arepsilon}}$$

Revenue

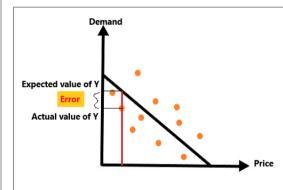
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- As $p \longrightarrow 0, \ D \longrightarrow \infty$
- $D \neq 0$ for any p
- To increase revenue for products with
 - $\circ~$ Inelastic demand: Increase the price
 - o Elastic demand: Set the price close to zero
 - Huge demand ⇒ Increased revenue

Simple Linear Regression Model

The equation of SRM describes how the conditional mean of Y depends on X.

$$\mu_{Y\mid X} = E(Y\mid X=x\Big) = \ eta_0 + \ eta_1 x$$



- Regression line is also called Mean Squared Error line.
- $E(\epsilon) = 0$
- We makes 3 assumptions about the error term:
 - 1. Independent
 - 2. Equal variance, $Var(\epsilon) = \sigma_{\epsilon}^2$
 - 3. Normal. $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$
- Observed values of *Y* are linearly related to the explanatory variable *X*:

$$oldsymbol{y} = oldsymbol{eta_0} + oldsymbol{eta_1} oldsymbol{x} + oldsymbol{\epsilon},$$

where, $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2)$