

The demand & supply functions are:

$$D(q) = -0.4q + 23; S(q) = 0.03q^2 + 3$$

a. Find the equilibrium price and equilibrium quantity?

b. Then compute the consumer and producer surplus?

Equilibrium Quantity

$$D(q) = S(q)$$

$$-0.4q + 23 = 0.03q^2 + 3$$

$$3q^2 + 40q - 2000 = 0$$

$$(3q + 100)(q - 20)$$

Equilibrium Quantity,  $q_e = 20$

$$D(20) = -0.4(20) + 23$$

Equilibrium Price,  $p_e = 15$

Consumer Surplus,

$$\int_0^{q_e} D(q) dq - p_e q_e$$

$$\int_0^{20} -0.4q + 23 dq - 15 * 20$$

$$[-0.2q^2 + 23q]_0^{20} - 300$$

$$[-0.2(400) + 23(20)] - 300$$

Consumer Surplus, 80

Producer Surplus,

$$p_e q_e - \int_0^{q_e} S(q) dq$$

$$15 * 20 - \int_0^{20} 0.03q^2 + 3$$

$$300 - [0.01q^3 + 3q]_0^{20}$$

$$300 - [0.01(20) + 3(20)]$$

Producer Surplus, 160

Show diagrammatically the effect on the demand curve, the supply curve, the equilibrium price and the equilibrium quantity of each of the following events:

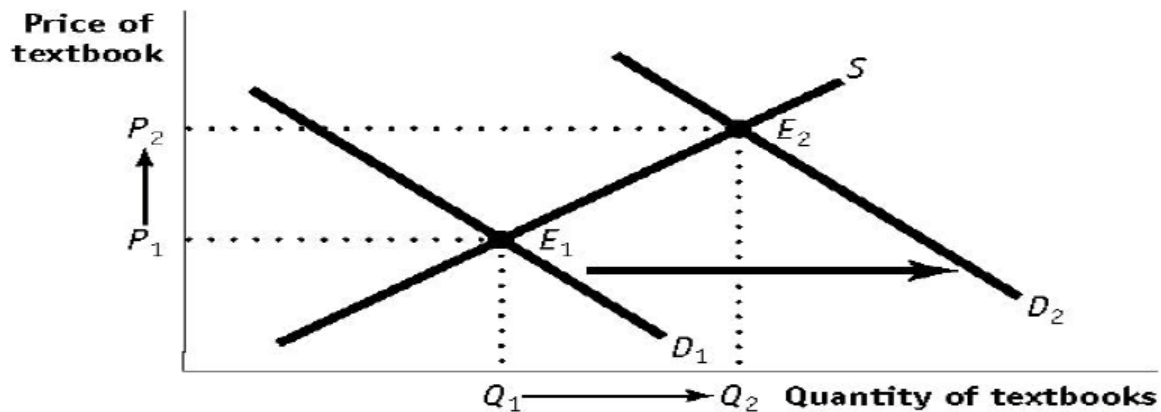
i) The market for Case and Fair economics textbook

- a) When your professor makes it required reading for all of his/her students.
- b) When printing costs for the textbook is lowered by the use of synthetic paper.

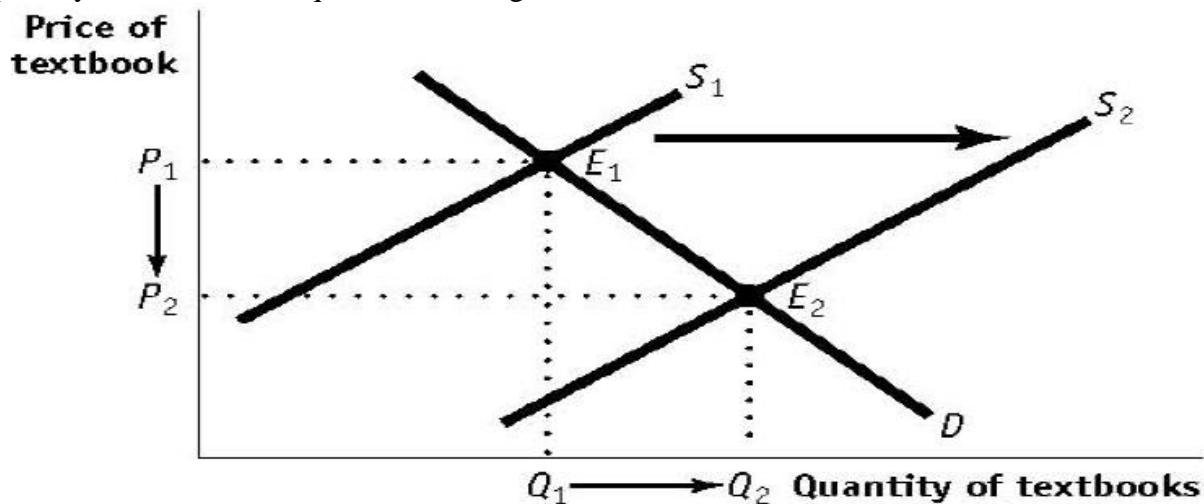
ii) The market for newspapers in your town

- a) When the salaries of the journalists go up.
- b) When a big event happened in your town which is reported in the newspapers.

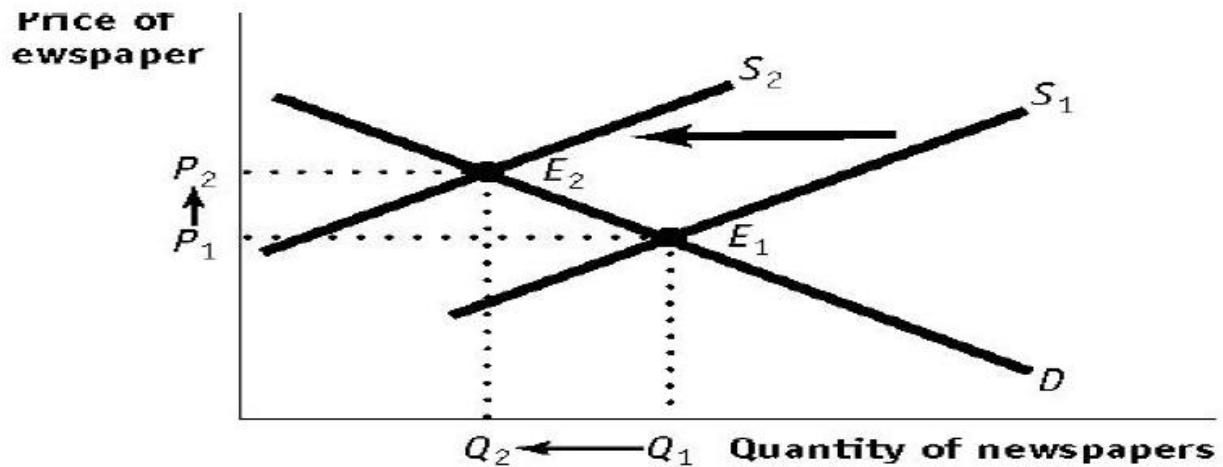
i- a) A greater quantity of textbooks will be demanded at any given price, representing a rightward shift of the demand curve from  $D_1$  to  $D_2$ . Equilibrium price and quantity will rise as the equilibrium changes from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ .



i- b) The textbook publisher will offer more textbooks for sale at any given price, representing a rightward shift of the supply curve from  $S_1$  to  $S_2$ . Equilibrium price will fall and equilibrium quantity will rise as the equilibrium changes from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ .



ii- a) Journalists are an input in the production of newspapers; an increase in their salaries will cause newspaper publishers to reduce the quantity supplied at any given price. This represents a leftward shift of the supply curve from  $S_1$  to  $S_2$  and results in a rise in the equilibrium price and a fall in the equilibrium quantity as the equilibrium changes from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ .



ii- b) Townspeople will wish to purchase more newspapers at any given price. This represents a rightward shift of the demand curve from  $D_1$  to  $D_2$  and leads to a rise in both the equilibrium price and quantity as the equilibrium changes from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ .

