

# Supply and Demand Chapter 3

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- Because food and water are so necessary, society spends lots of resources to produce them. If there were as many diamond rings as there were tacos, they would also sell for less than \$3.00

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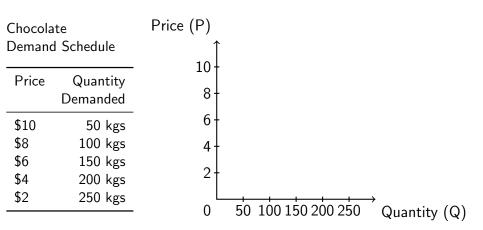
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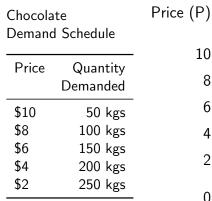
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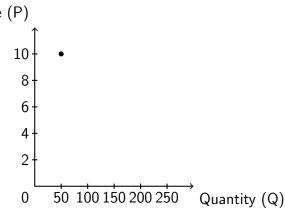
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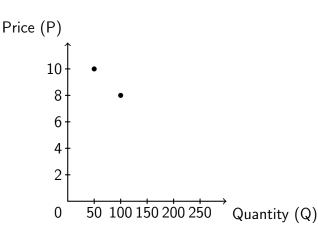
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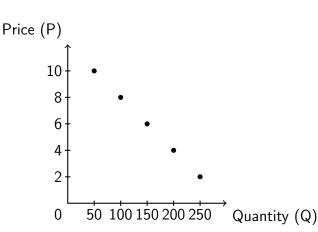
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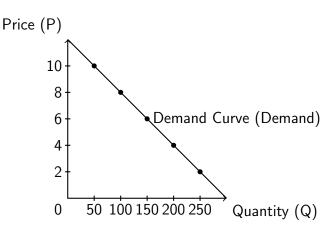
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- **Purchasing Power** The quantity of goods a consumer can buy with a fixed amount of income

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#### Income Effect Example

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- **Normal Good** Demand for the good increases with a rise in income/purchasing power. Most goods are normal goods

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  use their higher income to replace one fast food meal with a
  meal at the sit down restaurant Cali n Tito's
- Inferior Good Demand for the good decreases with a rise in income/purchasing power
  - Ex. Public transportation, instant noodles

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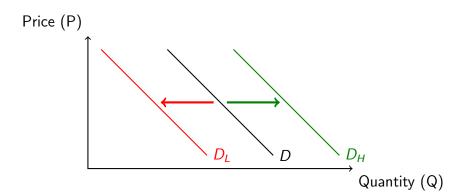
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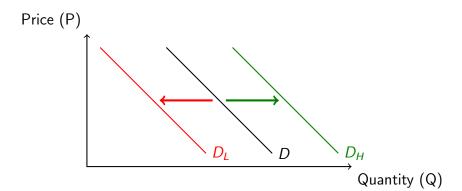
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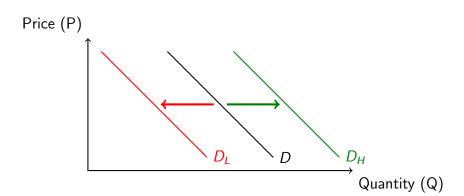


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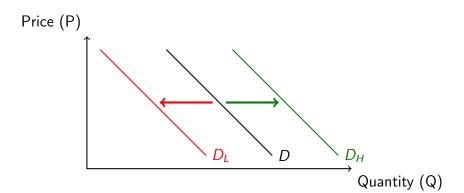
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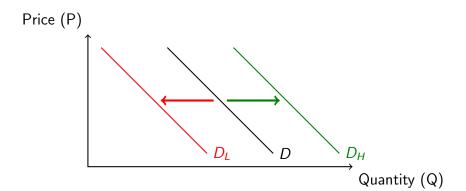
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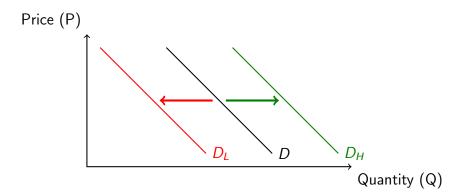
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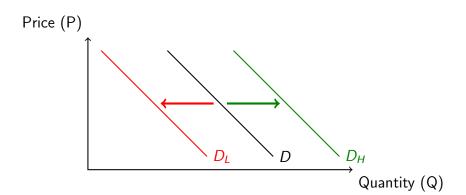


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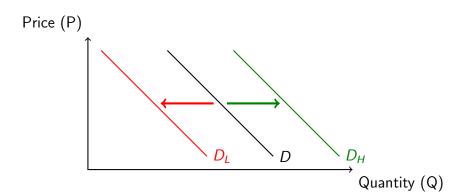
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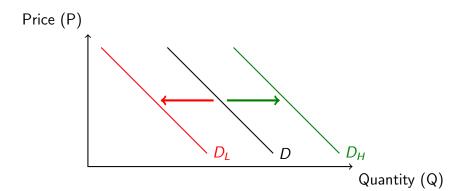


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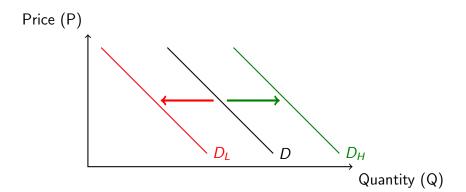
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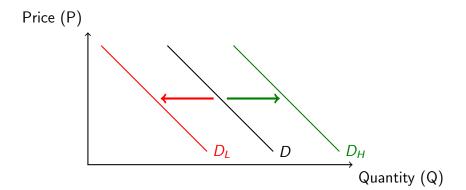


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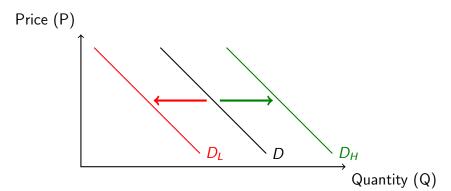


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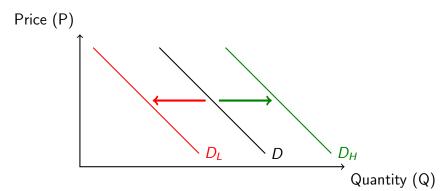


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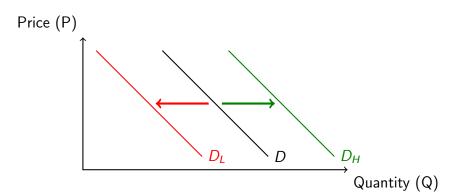
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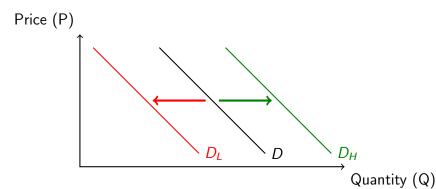


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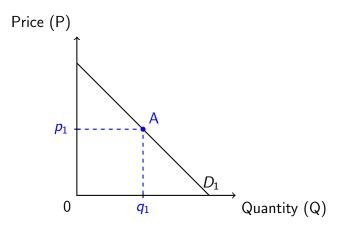
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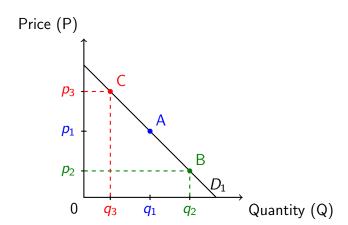


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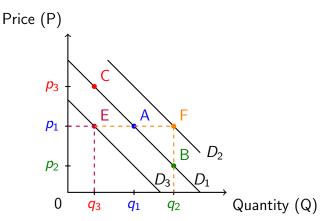
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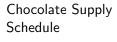
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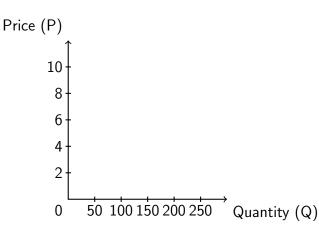
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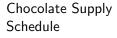
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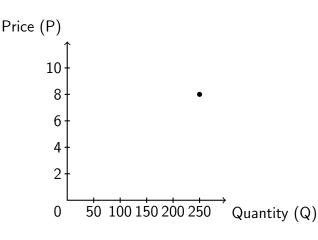


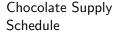
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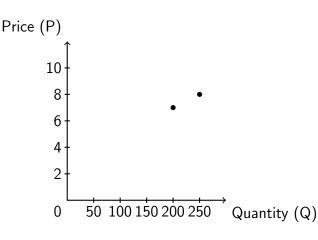


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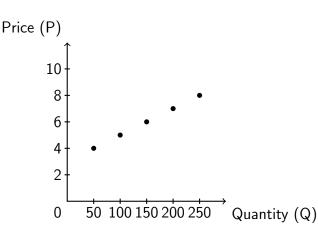


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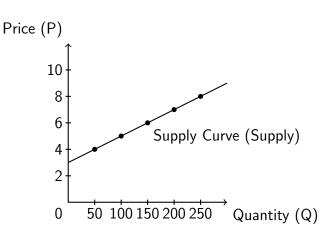
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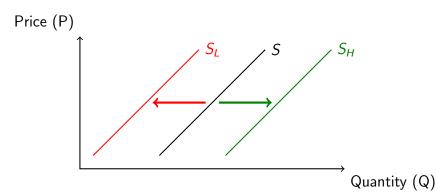
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  - 2. Price of producing related goods
  - 3. Technological change
  - 4. Number of firms in the market
  - 5. Expected future prices

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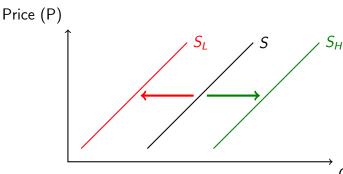


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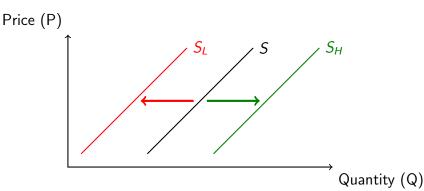


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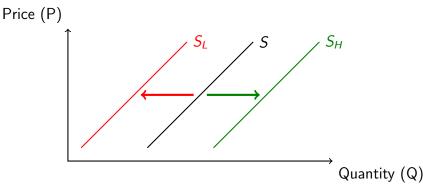
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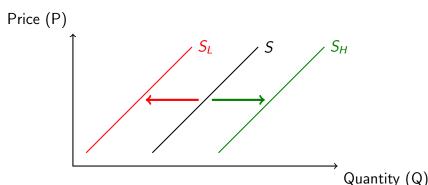
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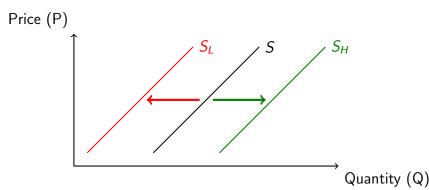


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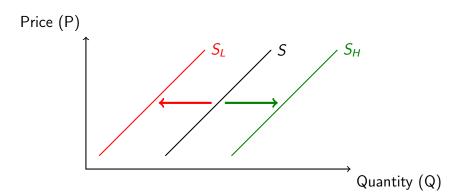
Ex. Beef and milk, teaching and tutoring college students

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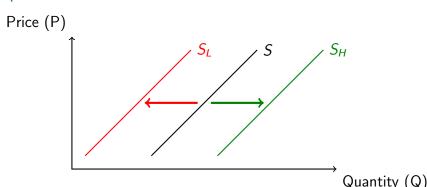


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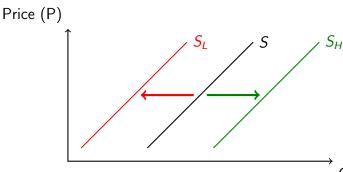
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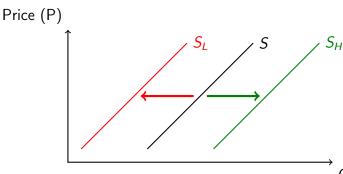
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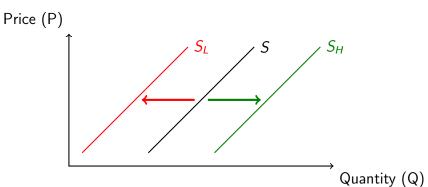
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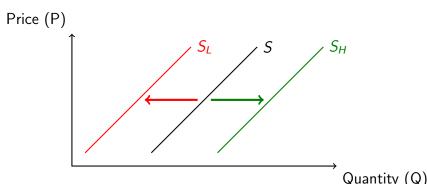


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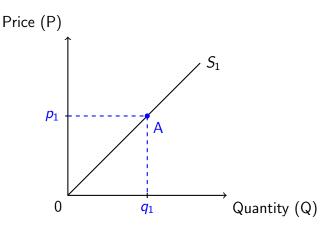
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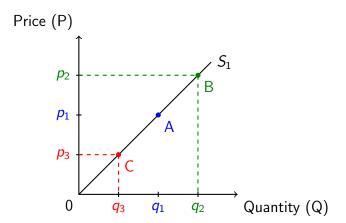
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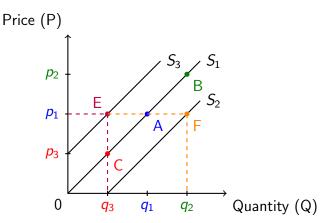
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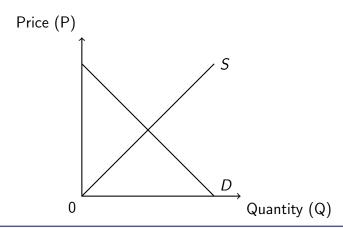
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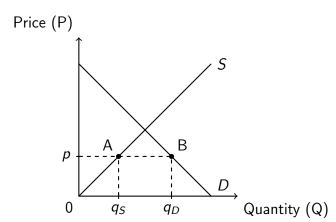
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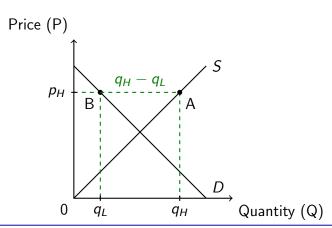
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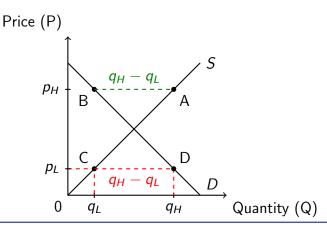
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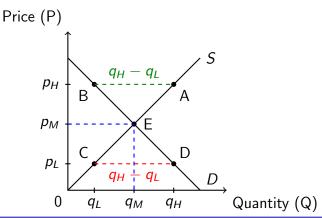


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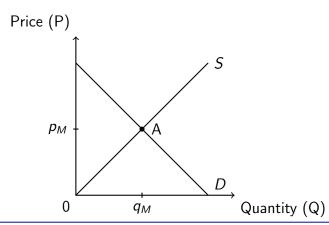
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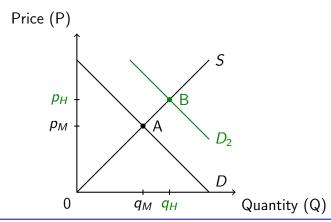
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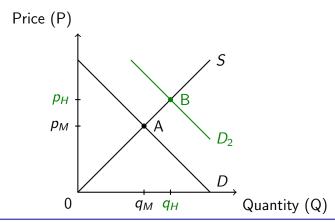
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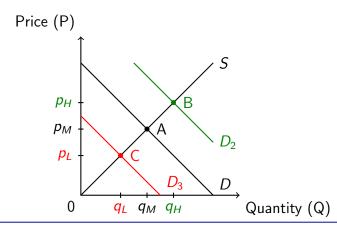
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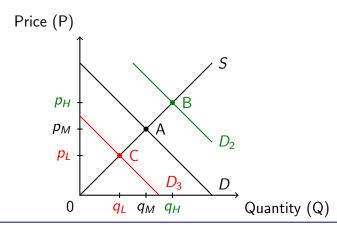
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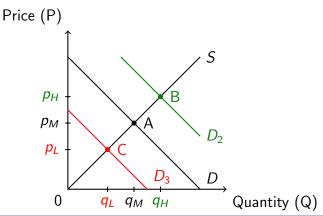
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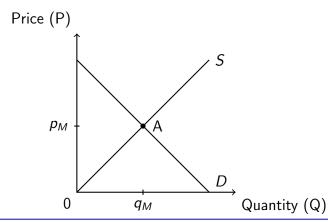


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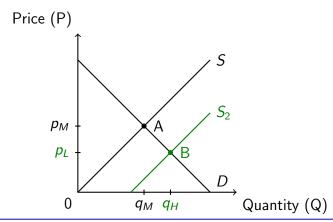
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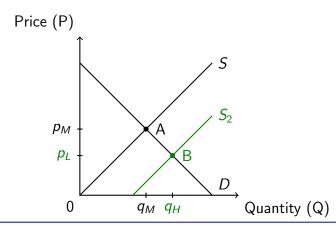




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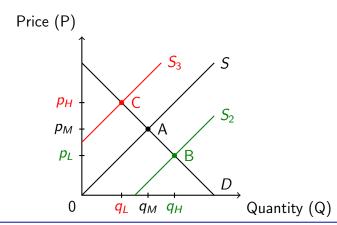


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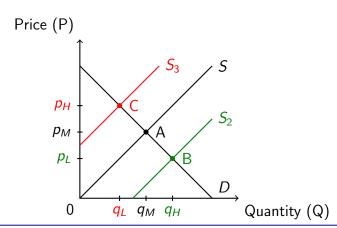


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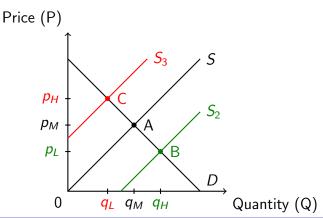
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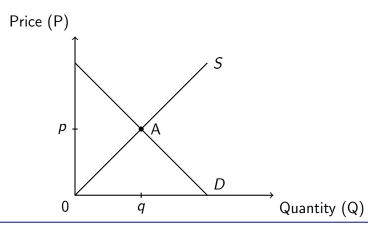


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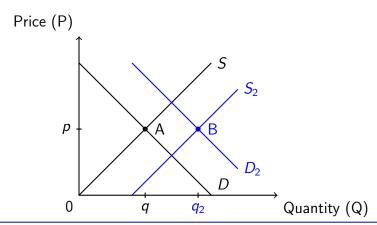
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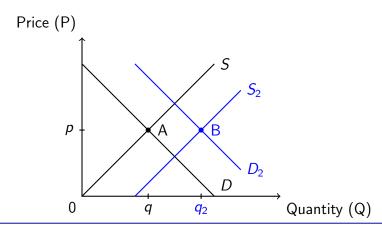




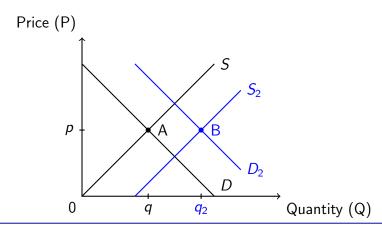
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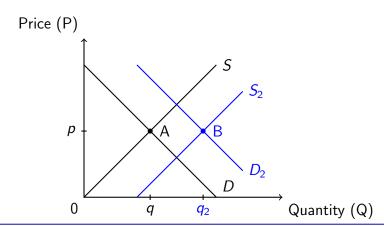


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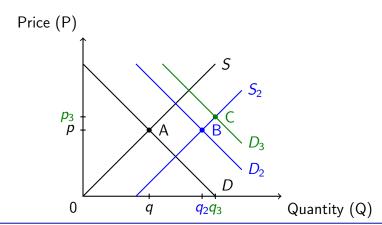
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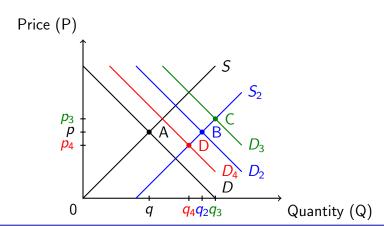
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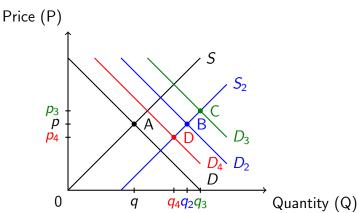
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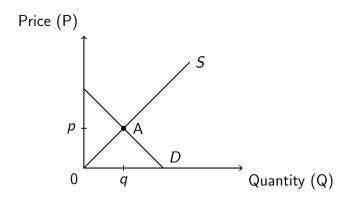
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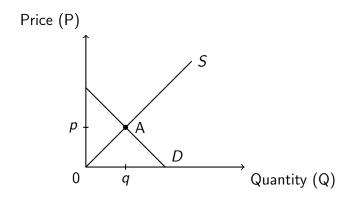


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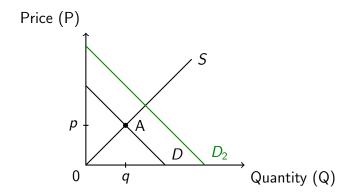
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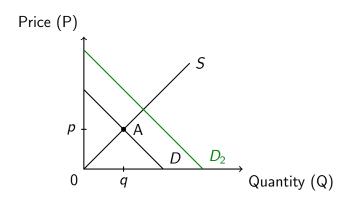
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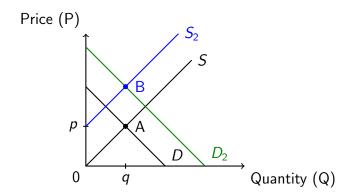
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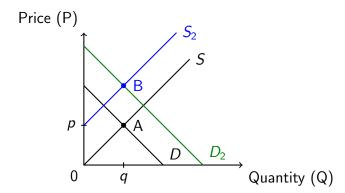
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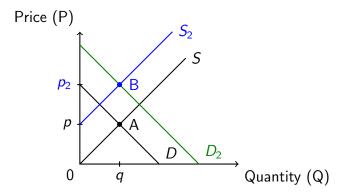
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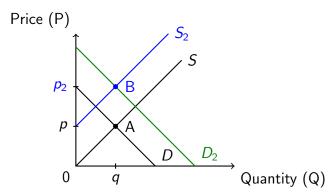
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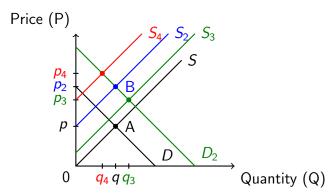
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