



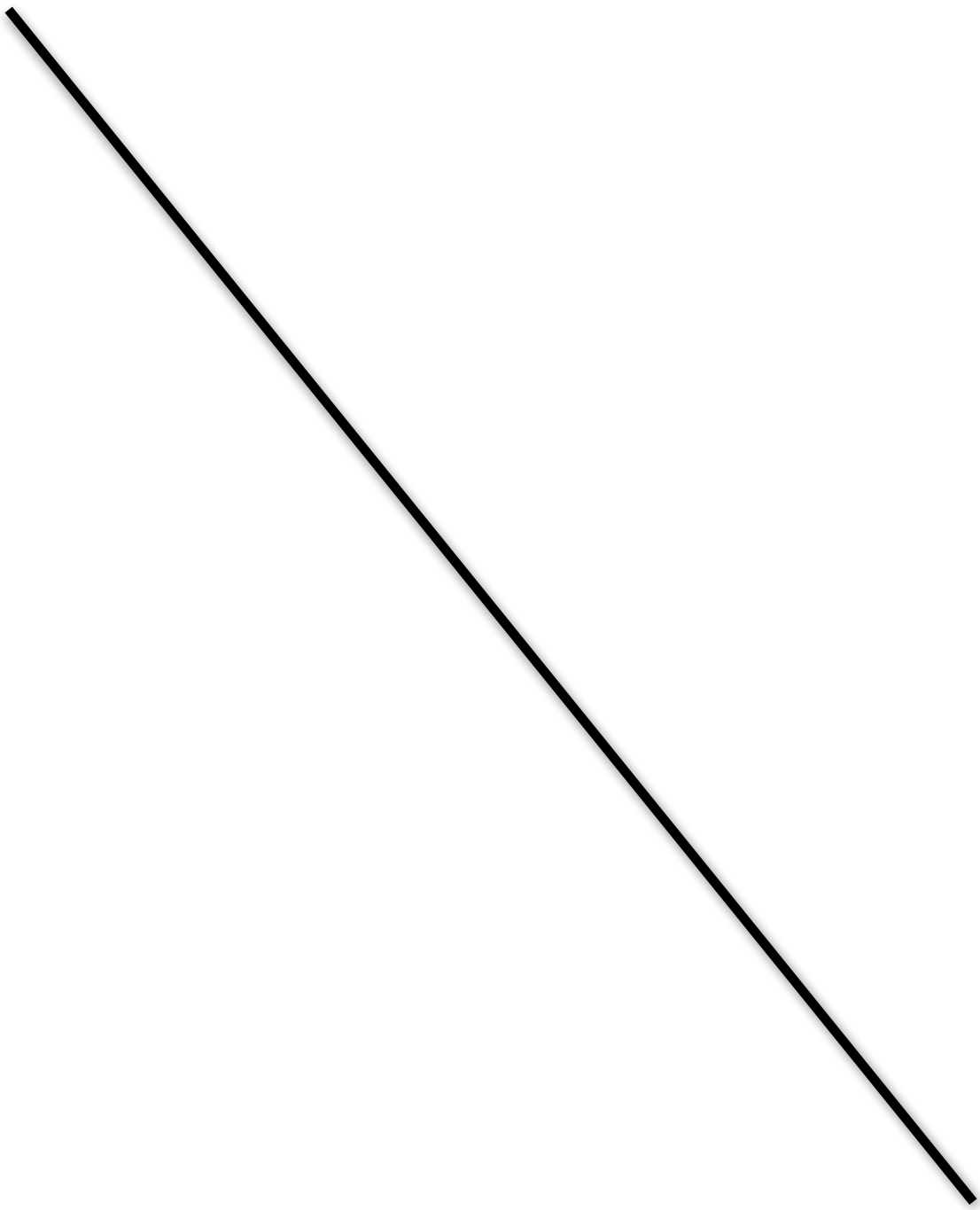






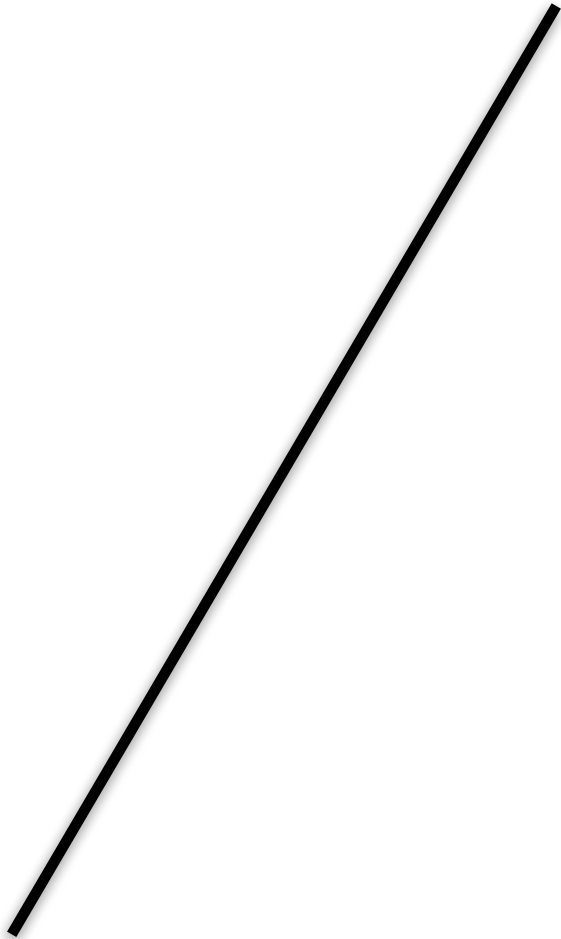
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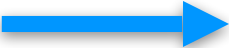








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$P_1$  -----  $MR_1$

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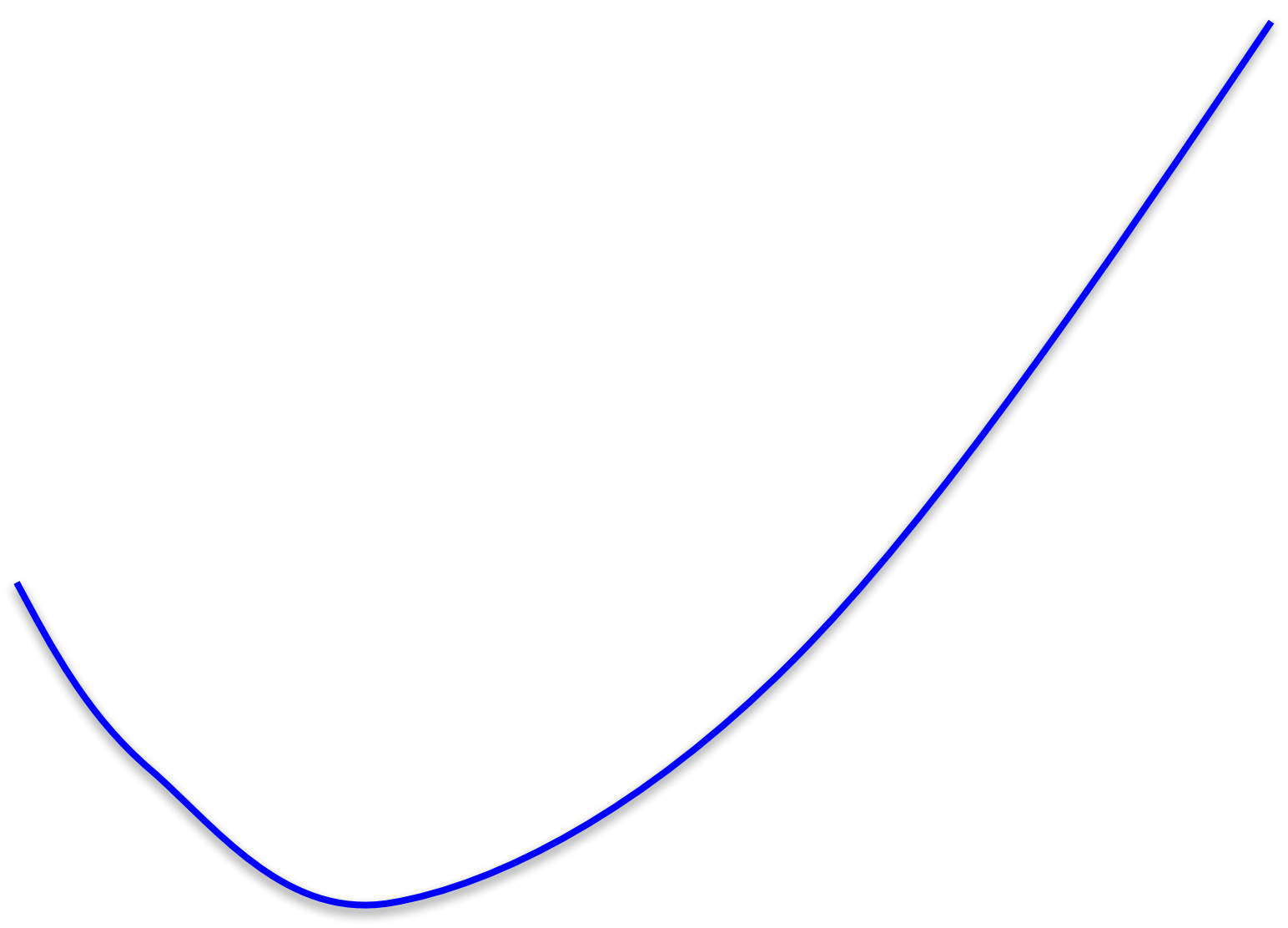
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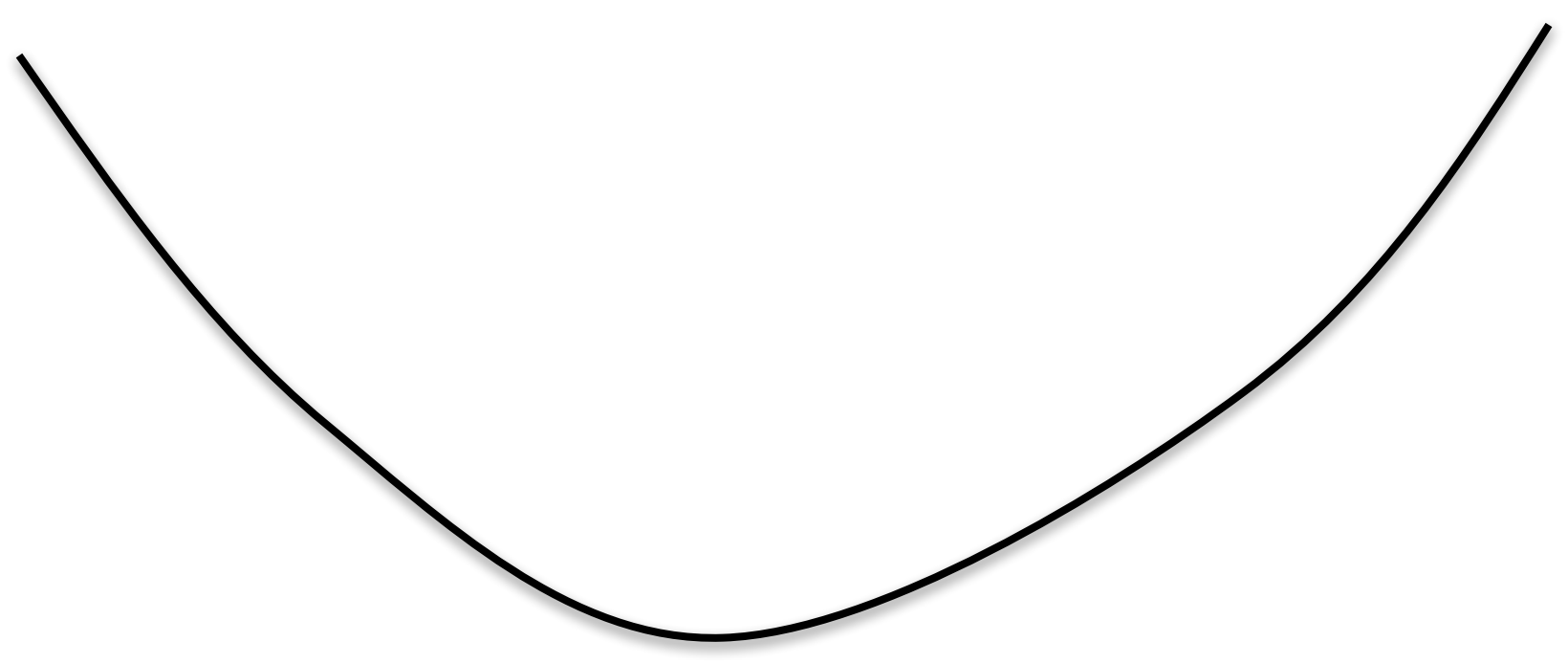
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$P_0$  —————  $MR_0$





Once the price = ATC, profits are zero

Firms **enter**, supply shifts **right** and price drops until  $P = \text{Min ATC}$

New firms enter the industry attracted by profits: Supply shifts right



In Perfect Competitive  
Markets, **Consumers**  
pay the lowest possible  
price = Min ATC



Price  
drops

Profit

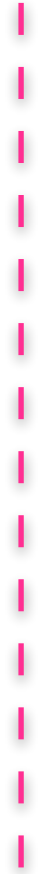
Profit

More firms enter the industry attracted by profits: Supply shifts right again



$P_2$ ----- $MR_2$







$S_2$





Price  
drops

Profit

More firms enter the industry attracted by profits: Supply shifts right again





$S_2$









Price  
drops

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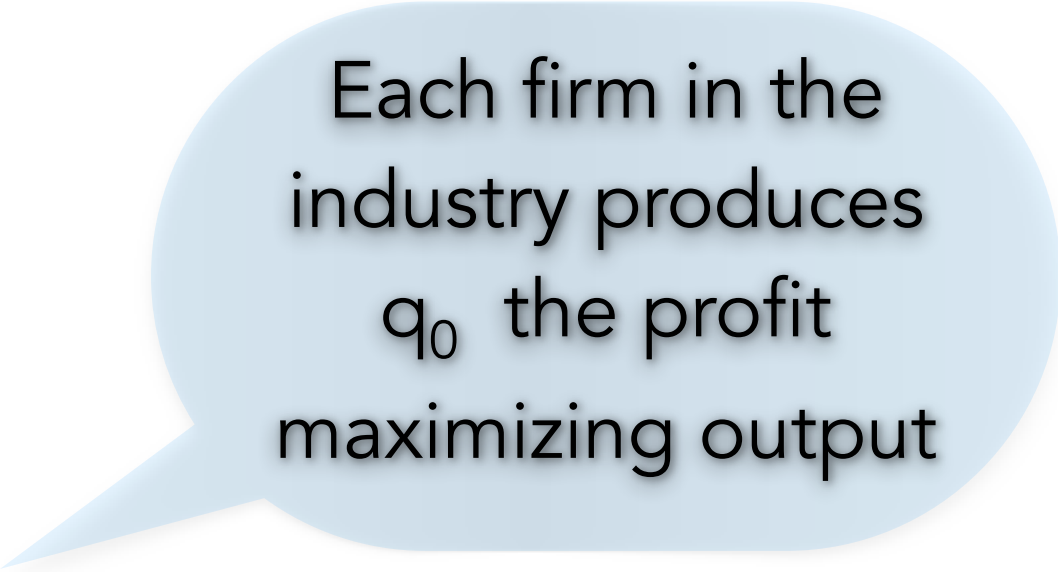
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Each firm in the  
industry produces  
 $q_0$  the profit  
maximizing output

Market View



A Typical Firm's View

Once profits are zero no more firms enter the industry and Supply no longer shifts




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**MC, ATC**







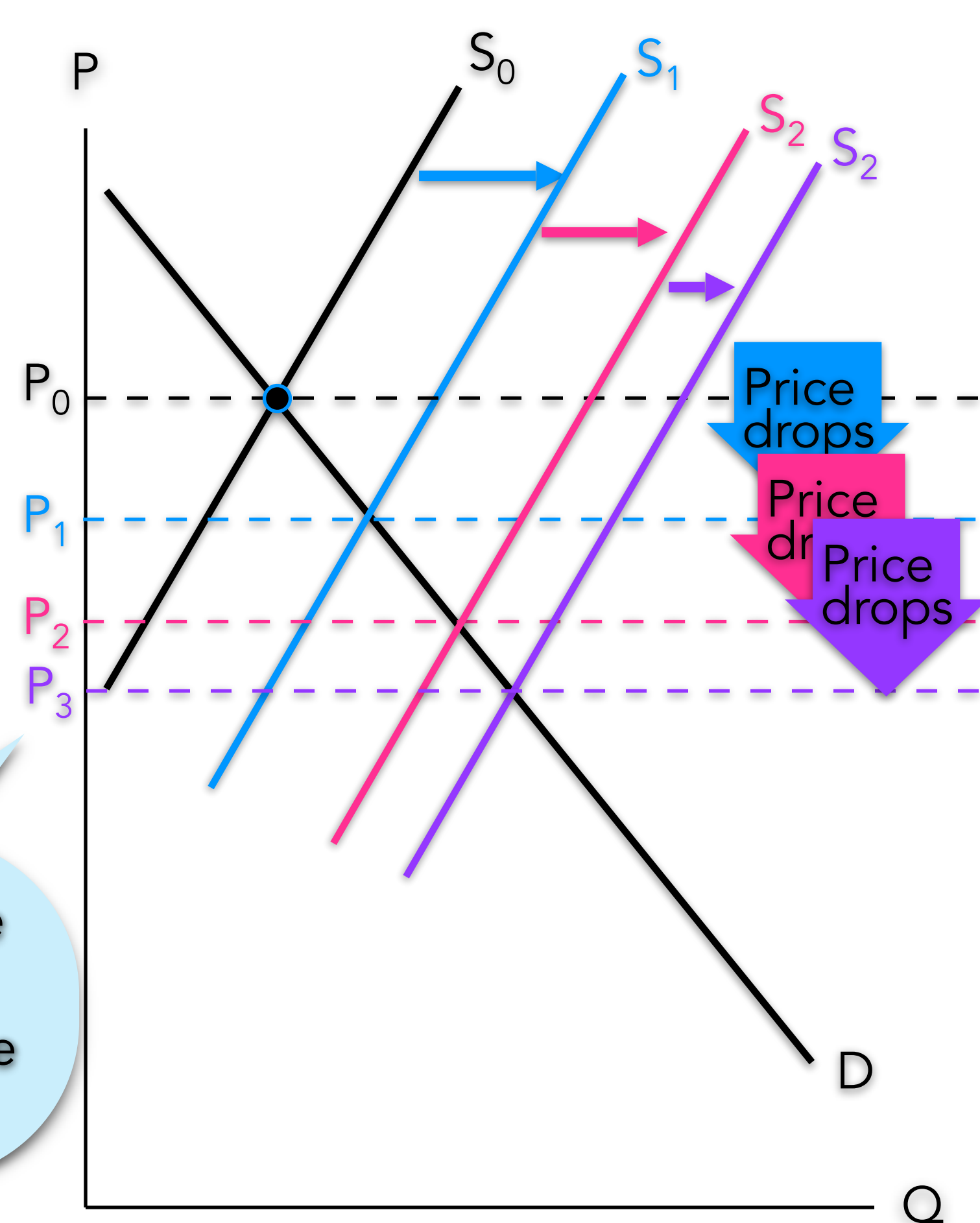
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Markets, **Producers**  
make the lowest  
possible profit = zero  
economic profit



In Perfect Competition there are no barriers to entry: **entry** into the industry **is free**

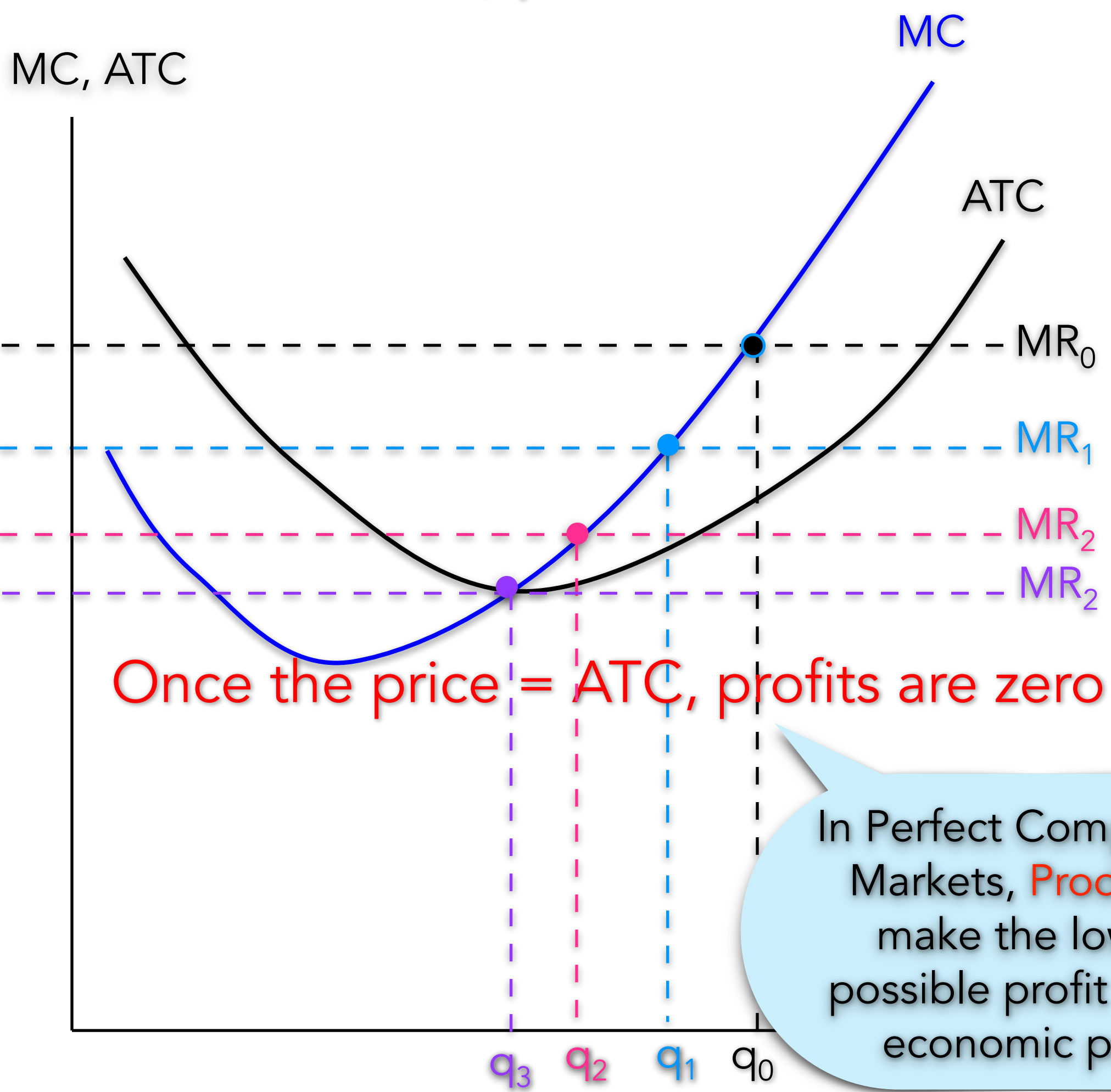
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Market View



In Perfect Competitive Markets, **Consumers** pay the lowest possible price = Min ATC

A Typical Firm's View



In Perfect Competitive Markets, **Producers** make the lowest possible profit = zero economic profit

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