

FALL 2023
Econ 0100 | MiniExam C

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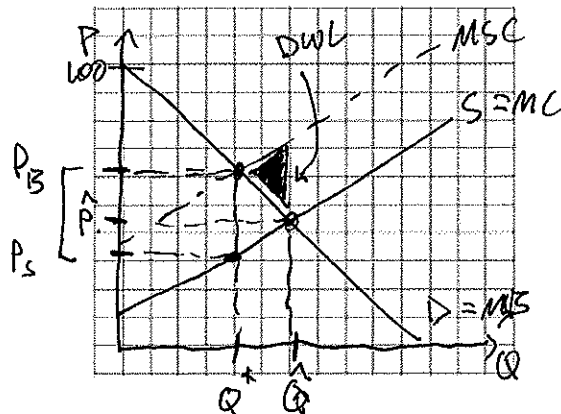
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Question 1 and 2 | Graph

Use this to graph your answers to Question 1 and Question 2.



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Version 1

Smoked Toffee

Hogsmeade has seen a recent proliferation of candy shops selling smoked toffees. The Demand (marginal benefit) curve and Supply (marginal cost) curve for smoked toffee can be represented using the following relationships.

$$D: P_D = 100 - Q_D$$

$$S: P_S = 10 + Q_S$$

The proliferation of smoked toffee makers has meant the town saw a subsequent rise in *smoke*. Wood smoke can cause lung issues and carries a cost of 10 Galleon to the health of Hogsmeade residents.

Question 1 (of 3) | Market Equilibrium

Use a graph and algebra to find equilibrium price, quantity, and DWL. Be sure to show your work.

Finding equilibrium.

$$P_S = P_D$$

$$100 - Q_D = 10 + Q_S$$

$$90 = 2Q$$

$$\hat{Q} = 45$$

$$P = 10 + Q$$

$$= 10 + 45$$

$$\hat{P} = 55$$

Market Equilibrium Price: 55

Socially Efficient Quantity: 40

Socially efficient. $MSC = MSB$

$$P_S + \text{EXT} = P_D$$

$$10 + Q + 10 = 100 - Q$$

$$20 + Q = 100 - Q$$

$$2Q = 80$$

$$Q^* = 40$$

Market Equilibrium Quantity: 45

Deadweight Loss: 25

$$DWL = \frac{1}{2} \cdot b \cdot h$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10 \cdot (55 - 40)$$

$$= 25$$

Question 2 (of 3) | Policy Proposal

What type and size of policy would you propose to eliminate the DWL you identified in Question 1?

Tax at 10 galleons.

$$P_B = P_S + 10$$

Solve this by finding the prices at Q^* .

$$P_S = 10 + 40 = 50$$

$$P_B = 100 - 40 = 60$$

Policy Type: TAX

Policy Size: 10

Buyer Price: 60

Seller Price: 50

Post-Policy Quantity: 40

Question 3 (of 3) | Deadweight Loss Intuition

If the marginal cost of a gallon of gas is \$4.00, the negative externality is \$1.00, and the marginal benefit is \$4.50, what is the deadweight loss?

$$\text{For this unit} \rightarrow DWL = MSB - MSC = 4.50 - 4.00 - 1.00$$

$$= -0.50$$

Deadweight Loss: 0.50