

Economics

Elasticity of demand and supply

Elasticity of demand

$$\text{Elasticity of Demand} = \frac{\text{relative change in quantity demanded}}{\text{relative change in determinants of demand}}$$

or percentage

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P} \times \frac{P}{Q} \leftarrow \text{point elasticity}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P}}{\frac{Q_1+Q_2}{2}} \leftarrow \text{mid-point elasticity}$$

## (1) Price Elasticity of Demand

$$E^P = \frac{\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P}}{\frac{Q_1+Q_2}{2}} = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P} \times \frac{P}{Q}$$

<u>P</u>	<u>Q</u>
5	20
10	15

$\Delta Q = 15 - 20 = -5$

$\Delta P = 10 - 5 = 5$

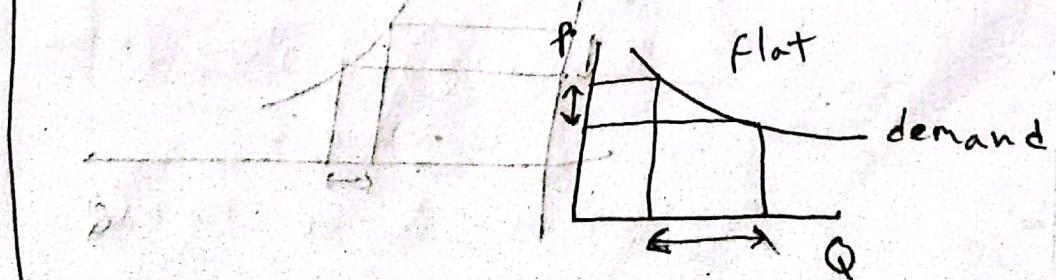
$$E^P = -\frac{5}{5} \times \frac{5}{20} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

When we interpret, we take absolute value

→ demand is not positive

five types:   
 → Relatively Elastic demand ( $E^P > 1$ )

pizza, fast-food, luxurious commodities



[Consumer power bargaining]

Power negot.

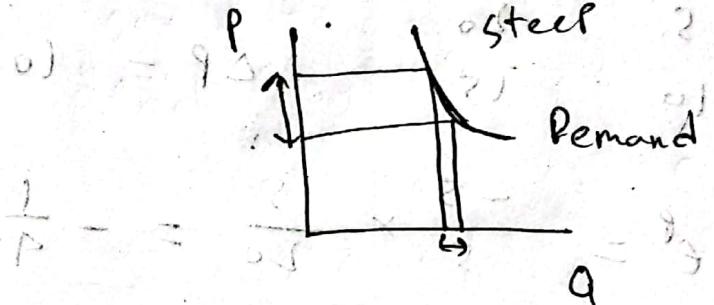
→ Relatively Inelastic Demand ( $\epsilon^P < 1$ )

Rice, Oil, Pulses,  
necessary commodities

[a firm's market → ~~forgoes~~]  
bargaining power  $WTO$

$$2 = 0.5 - 21 \cdot \frac{Q}{P}$$

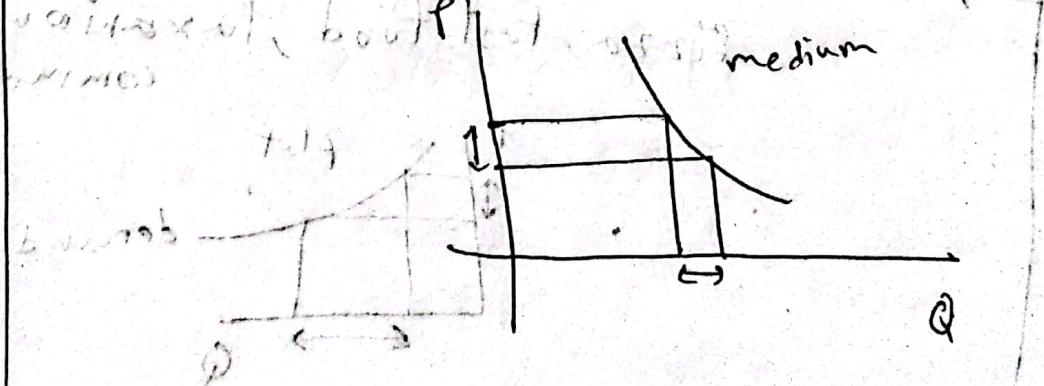
$$2 = 2 - 0.5 \cdot \frac{Q}{P}$$



→ Unitary Elastic Demand ( $\epsilon^P = 1$ )

Recreation, cinema, movie

( $1 < \epsilon^P$ ) luxury items, cosmetics, perfume

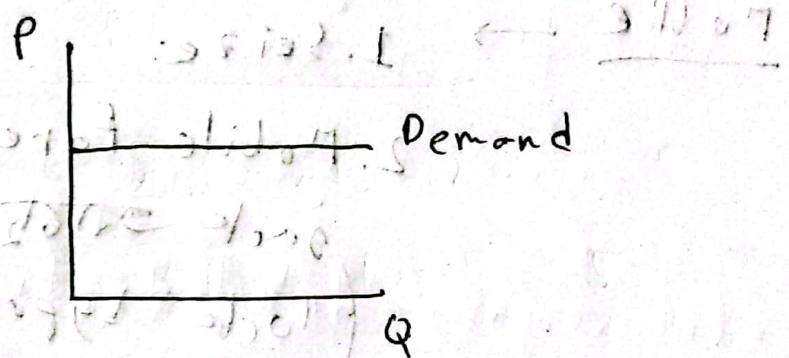


↳ inspired by  $2015$  question  
WSET 4 exam

→ Perfectly Elastic Demand ( $\epsilon^P = \infty$ )

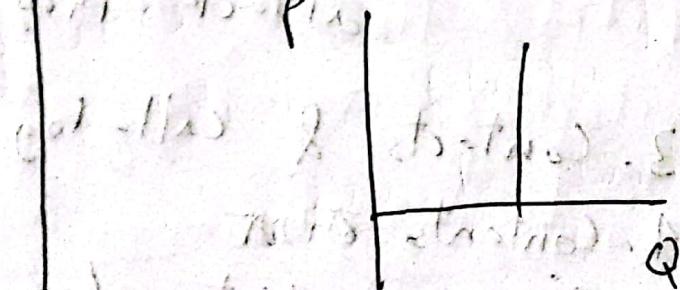
perfect substitute (exact substitute)

like coca-cola and pepsi, loan at low interest



→ Perfectly Inelastic Demand ( $\epsilon^P = 0$ )

(drugs, salt, insulin, chemotherapy)



$$\frac{P}{500} \quad \frac{Q}{100}$$

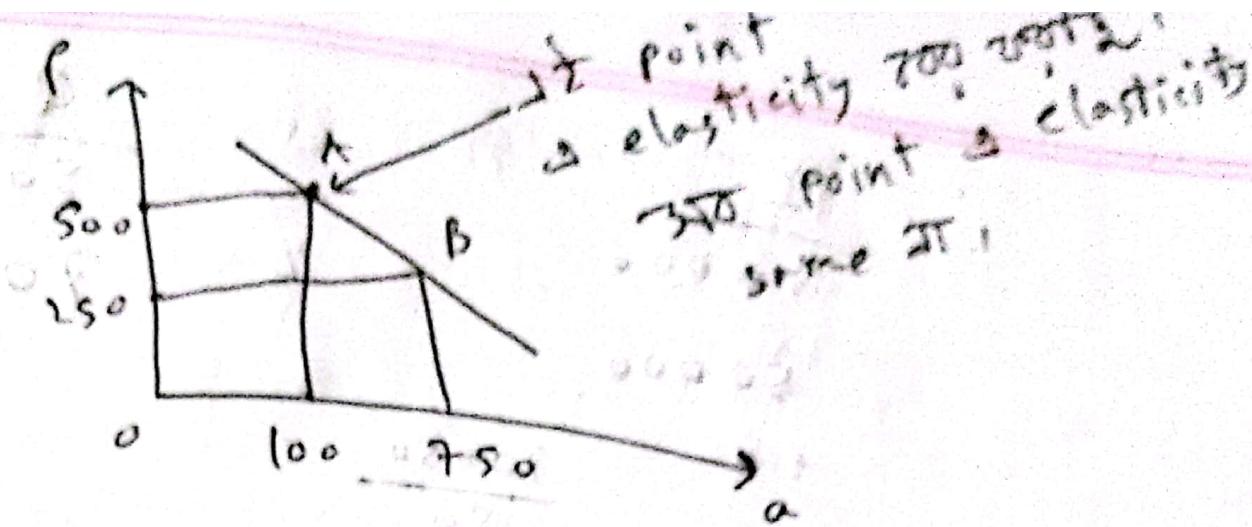
$$250 \quad 750$$

Point T,  $\epsilon_{T\text{left}} = \frac{\frac{750 - 100}{100}}{\frac{250 - 500}{500}} = -1.3$

mid-point,  $\epsilon_P = \frac{\frac{750 - 100}{12}}{\frac{250 - 500}{750/2}} = -2.294$

705 + 705 (705)

1410 + 2000 + 2000



- Normally commodities ~~get~~  $\rightarrow$  high price  $\Rightarrow$  more elastic, ~~less~~  $\Rightarrow$  inelastic  $\Rightarrow$  ~~more~~  $\rightarrow$  elasticity  $\Rightarrow$  ~~more~~

Point elasticity initial point  $\rightarrow$  0.85  
 giving mid-point initial  $\Rightarrow$  final  
 $\Rightarrow$  average  $\rightarrow$  2.65

Income elasticity of demand

$$E = \frac{\frac{\Delta Q}{Q}}{\frac{\Delta Y}{Y}}$$

$$\frac{Y}{70000}$$

$$50000$$

$$\frac{70-50}{50}$$

$$\frac{Q}{50}$$

$$70$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\frac{70-50}{50}}{\frac{50000-70000}{70000}} = -1.4$$

$$\frac{Y}{10000}$$

$$\frac{75}{100}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\frac{100-75}{75}}{\frac{15000-10000}{10000}} = 0.67$$

# Income elasticity, negative means inferior goods, positive means normal good.

KA

Y

"Since  $E_d^Y < 0$ , the commodity is an inferior good. & since  $|E_d^Y| > 1$ , the demand for the commodity is relatively elastic with respect to income."

Cross Price Elasticity

$$E = \frac{\frac{\Delta Q_x}{Q_x}}{\frac{\Delta P_y}{P_y}}$$

$$E = \frac{P_y}{70} \times \frac{Q_x}{50}$$

$$E = \frac{\frac{70 - 50}{50 + 35}}{\frac{50 - 70}{70}} = -1.4$$

$$e = \frac{\frac{100 - 75}{75}}{\frac{15 - 10}{10}} = 0.67$$

# negative  $e_d^c < 0$  complementary,  
positive  $e_d^c > 1$  substitute.

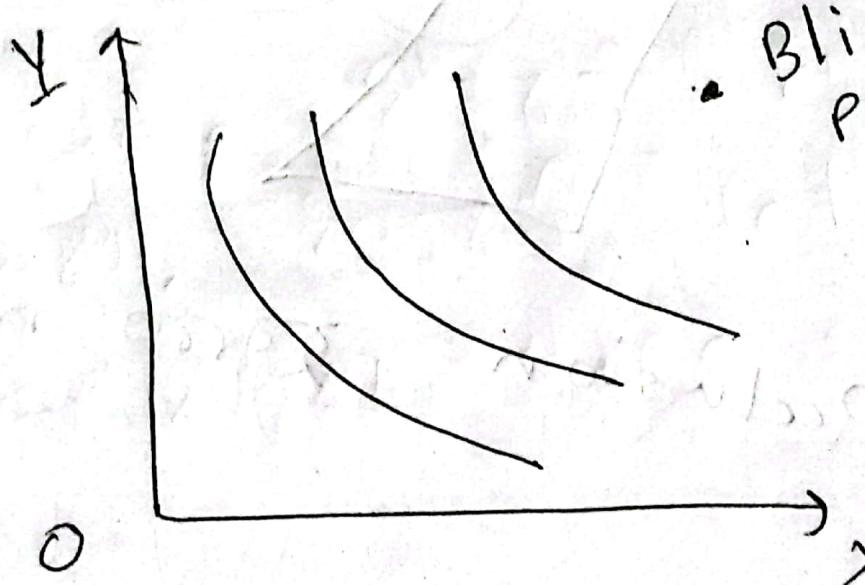
"Since  $e_d^c < 0$ , the commodities are complementary. & since  $|e_d^c| > 1$ , the demand for the commodity X is relatively elastic with respect to the price of Y."

## Scan-line Algorithm

### Economics

cost minimization + ~~utility~~ utility maximization

limitations : price and income



• Bliss  
point

ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ  
ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ  
ମାତ୍ରା

[ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ ଅଟ  
ଚାର୍କନ ଉପର]

ମା ମା

ଅନ୍ଧବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ  
ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ ବ୍ରିଜ୍ଜ  
ମାତ୍ରା ]

constraint / limitation, ~~at most~~  
bliss point ~~with~~ consume ~~at~~ 20,

\* Budget Constraint  $\rightarrow$  income and price  
of commodity.

$$n=100, P_x = 5, P_y = 10$$

$$C_1 = (0, 10)$$

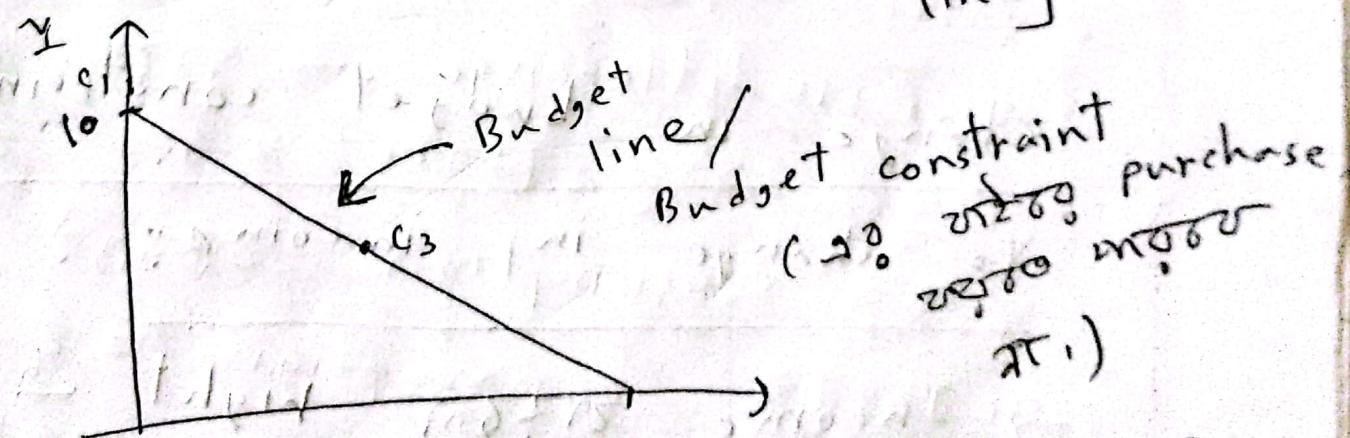
[~~at~~ line  $\Rightarrow$

$$C_2 = (20, 0)$$

total income  
exhausted  $\Rightarrow$

$$C_3 = (10, 5)$$

~~at~~ budget  
line]



$$P_x X + P_y Y = n \quad | \Rightarrow Y = \frac{n}{P_y} - \frac{P_x}{P_y} X$$

$$\therefore P_y Y = n - P_x X$$

$$\frac{SY}{SX} = -\frac{P_x}{P_y}$$

Relative price of two commodities

$\frac{M}{P_y} \rightarrow$  Real income with respect to  
commodity Y.

Change in budget constraint due to  
change in price:

→ If commodity A's price increases,  
if axis A budget line inwardly  
rotate  $P_A$ , if axis B outwardly  
rotate  $P_B$ .

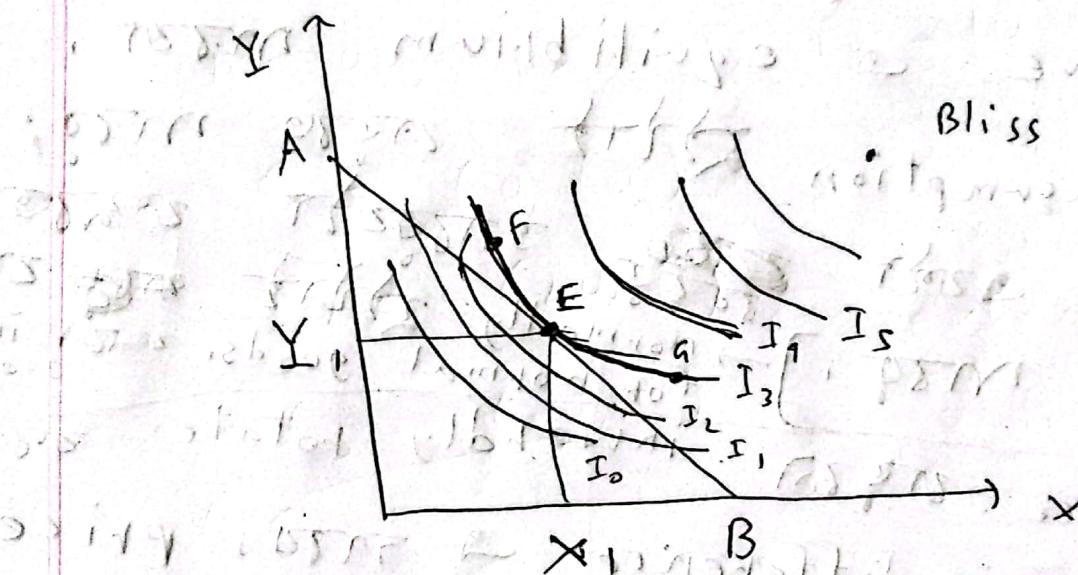
Change in budget constraint due  
to change in income:

→ Income right  $\rightarrow$  shift  
 $P_A$ ,  $P_B$  left  $\rightarrow$  shift  
 $P_A$ ,  $P_B$ , slope same as  $P_A$ ,

$\frac{P_x}{P_y}$  = relative price of  $x$ , wrt  $y$

~~so if  $P_x/P_y < MRS$ , then consumer is better off~~

Equilibrium:



Utility maximization

$$\text{At } E, \quad MRS = \frac{P_x}{P_y}$$

At  $F$ ,  $MRS > \frac{P_x}{P_y}$ ;  $x$  provides benefit,  
 $x$   $\Rightarrow$  relative cost  $\downarrow$  so, rational being  $x$   $\Rightarrow$  consumption shift  
 right  $\rightarrow$  towards E

At A,  $MRS < \frac{P_x}{P_y}$ . So, benefit

cost, Left  $\rightarrow 2500 - 6700$ .

- Income 貢獻, higher indifference curve  $\rightarrow$  equilibrium M.R.S.

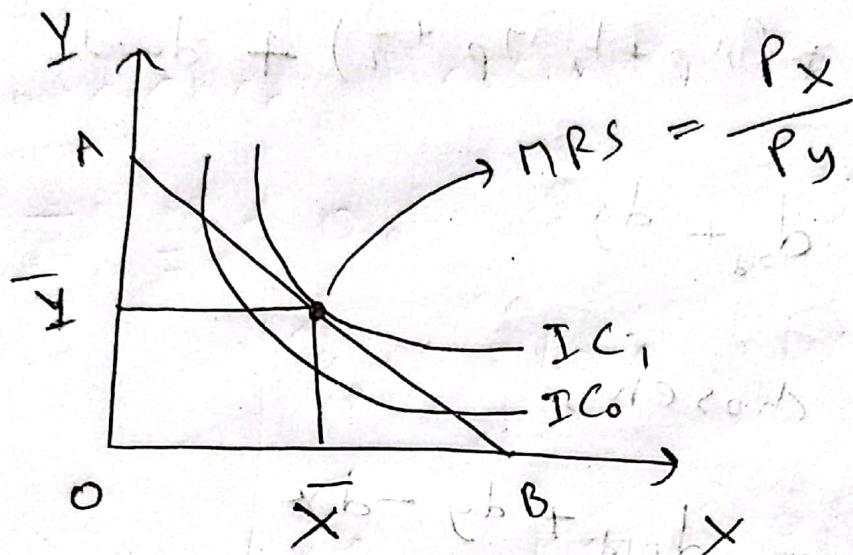
[Consumption 貢獻 2500 M.R.S.;  
低價  
M.R.S.]  $\rightarrow$  Normally 貢獻 2500 低價  
for normal goods. 低價 inferior  
goods.  
inwardly rotated 2500

- Price 低價  
low indifference  $\rightarrow$  2500, price  
低價 低價 price, 低價 2500

or Consumption 貢獻 2500,  
or Consumption 貢獻 2500  
price 低價, Consumption  
低價, Consumption  
低價, Consumption  
ambiguous.

# Economics

## Consumer's Equilibrium:



## Constraint Optimization:

constraint at  
agent  
free optimization  
Bliss & Bell  
NGO.

Objective function:  $\max U = xy$

Constrained function:  $2x + 3y = 120$

To optimize, we have to construct  
the Lagrangian function,

$$L = xy + \lambda(120 - 2x - 3y)$$

Or,

$$L = xy - \lambda(2x + 3y - 120)$$

As  $\lambda \neq 0$ ,  
actually  
 $L^{\max}$   
 $200$   
 $U^{\max}$   
 $280$

first order necessary condition  
 requires that,  $L_x = L_y = L_\lambda = 0$  To get  
the  
critical  
point  
(Max or  
Min)

$$L_R = y - 2\lambda = 0$$

$\therefore \lambda = \frac{y}{2}$  ... ii

$$Ly = x - 3\lambda = 0 \quad \text{... iii}$$

$$1+L(\lambda) = 120 - 2x - 3y = 0 \quad \text{iv}$$

$$120 - 3\lambda \cdot 2 = 3 \cdot 2\lambda \Rightarrow$$

direct writing :  $\lambda = \text{800 } 10$

① 79

$$\therefore x = 60^{\circ} 30'$$

2111292 5 | 2 - 20

$$c = 7 = 20$$

Second order sufficient condition requires to construct the bordered Hessian,

$$|\bar{H}| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & g_x & g_y \\ g_x & L_{xx} & L_{xy} \\ g_y & L_{yx} & L_{yy} \end{vmatrix}$$

Bordered Hessian  $\rightarrow$  Bordered Hessian is constructed with all the second order direct and cross-partial derivatives with second order direct partial in principal diagonal and cross partials in off diagonal starting with 0 and bordered by coefficients of the constraint function.

$$g(x, y) = 2x + 3y - 120$$

$$g_x = 2, g_y = 3$$

$$L_{xx} = 0, L_{yy} = 0$$

$$L_{xy} = 1, L_{yx} = 1$$

$$|\bar{H}| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 12$$

Decision rules of the bordered

- Hessian:
- If determinant's value is positive, the objective function will be at maximum.
  - If determinant's value is negative, the objective function will be at minimum.

$f \neq f$

3. If 0, the test is inconclusive.  
[Inflection point or saddle point]

i) Find the optimum value of  
the objective function.

$$U = xy = 30 \times 20 \\ = 600$$

ii) Interpret the value of  
 $\lambda$  (Lagrangian multiplier).

Here the value of lambda states  
that, if income is increased by  
\$1, the value of the objective  
function/utility will be increased  
by 10 units.

[Same will be for  
expenditure minimization  
problem]

objective function,  $E = 2x + 3y$  | That is to get  
constrained,  $xy = 600$  | 600 utility, how  
to minimize expenditure

$$L = 2x + 3y + \lambda(600 - xy)$$

Graphics

20/1/2

Simplex algorithm: