

Example 3.G: Solve for the market equilibrium using the information in **Example 3.E** and **Example 3.F**. Justify your answer!

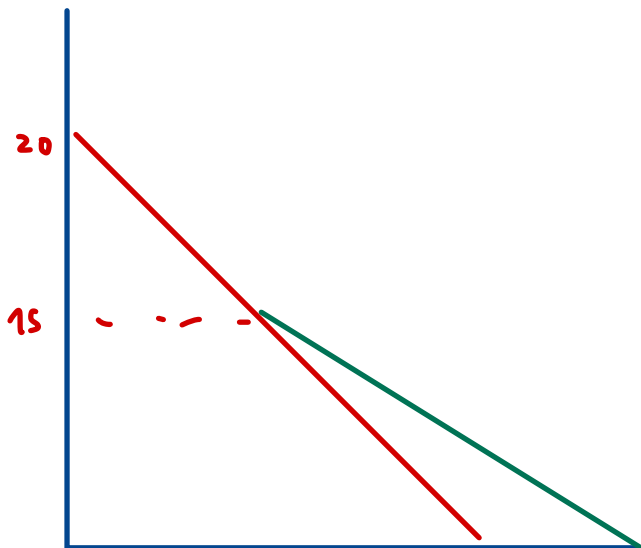
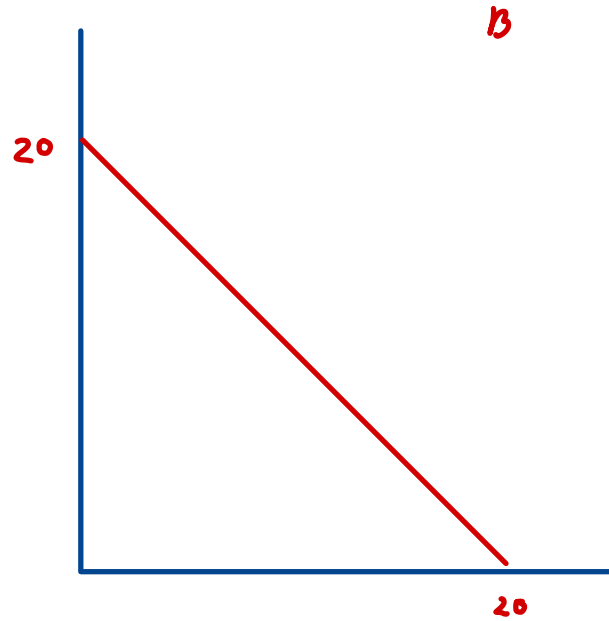
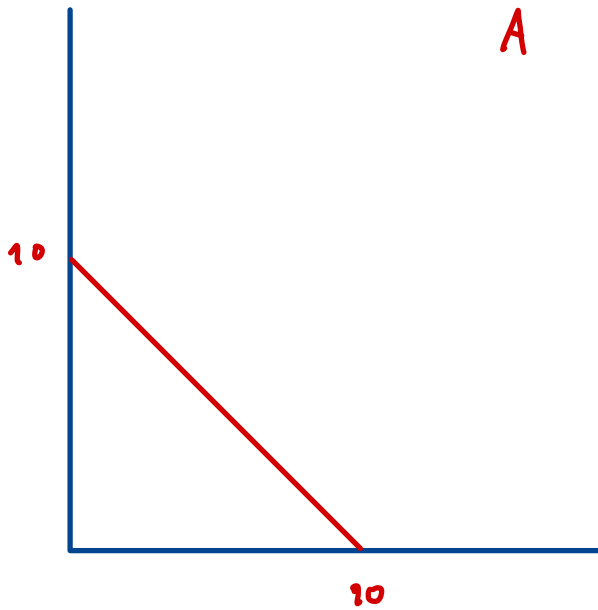
2 consumer

1 seller

$$A: Q_A = 10 - p$$

$$B: Q_B = 10 - \frac{1}{2}p$$

$$20 - p \quad \left. \vphantom{20 - p} \right\} 30 - 2p$$



∴ When price ≥ 15 buyer B
buy while when price < 15
both buyers A and B buy

Example 3.J: Excess burden formula under linear model & Tax-Revenue-maximizing tax rate

Demand: $p^d = a - bQ^d$; $a \geq 0$, $b \leq 0$.

Supply : $p^s = c + dQ^s$; $d \geq 0$.

- Solve for quantity and prices equilibrium when the unit tax is imposed. Analyze the result

$$p = a - c - bQ^d - dQ^s$$

$$Q = \frac{p^d - a}{-b} = \frac{p^s - c}{d}$$

- Derive the excess burden formula for buyers and sellers

$$\text{Consumer} = (p^d - p^s) \times Q^{\text{tax}}$$

$$\text{seller} = (p^s - p^s) \times Q^{\text{tax}}$$

- Calculate the tax rate that maximizes the tax revenue of government.

$$\text{tax revenue} = \text{tax per unit} \times Q^{\text{tax}}$$

Example 3.K Price control and Welfare

Consider the market for apartment rentals in Chicago. The price of rent is determined by the following system of equations.

$$\text{Demand: } p = -2q_d + 160$$

$$\text{Supply: } p = q_s + 10$$

- What is the equilibrium price and quantity in the market for apartment rentals?

$$3q = 150$$

$$q = 50 \quad p = 60$$

- Suppose the government tries to control the rent prices through a price ceiling of \$40. Discuss the implication of this policy. Is there any deadweight loss?

$$p = 40 \quad q = 30$$

