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HW#5 Due September 22, 2020

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 - Why might this elasticity depend on the time horizon?

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$$P \quad \frac{\text{end value} - \text{start value}}{\text{midpoint}} = \frac{0.4}{2} = 0.2$$

$$0.2 \times 100 = 20\%$$

the quantity of heating oil in short run

$$0.2 \times 0.2 = 0.4$$

$$= 0.4 \times 100 = 40\% \text{ falling down}$$

the quantity of heating in long run

$$0.2 \times 0.7 = 1.4$$

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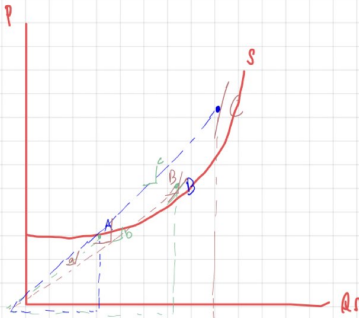
$$a/i) \frac{-8}{10-8} \cdot \frac{8+10}{40+32} \cdot \frac{18}{72} = -1$$

$$a/ii) \frac{-5}{10-8} \cdot \frac{8+10}{45+50} \cdot \frac{18}{95} = -\frac{9}{19}$$

$$b/i) \frac{-16}{16-12} \cdot \frac{8+24}{8+24} = 3.5$$

$$b/ii) \frac{-18}{12-24} \cdot \frac{8+24}{12+30} = \frac{-9}{-8} = 1.125$$

Homework P

Find the points on S that has

- $\eta_S > 1$
- $\eta_S < 1$
- $\eta_S = 1$

$$\eta_S > 1$$

$$\eta_S^{(A)} = \frac{1}{\text{slope}_A} \cdot \frac{P_A}{Q_A}$$

$$= \frac{a}{A} > 1$$

$$\eta_S^{(B)} = \frac{b}{B} = 1$$

$$\eta_S^{(C)} = \frac{c}{C} < 1$$

$$\eta_S = \frac{1}{\text{slope}} \cdot \frac{P_0}{Q_0} = \frac{\text{slope of line from origin to } A, B, C}{\text{slope of } S \text{ at } A, B, C}$$