

HW#8 Due March 1, 2022

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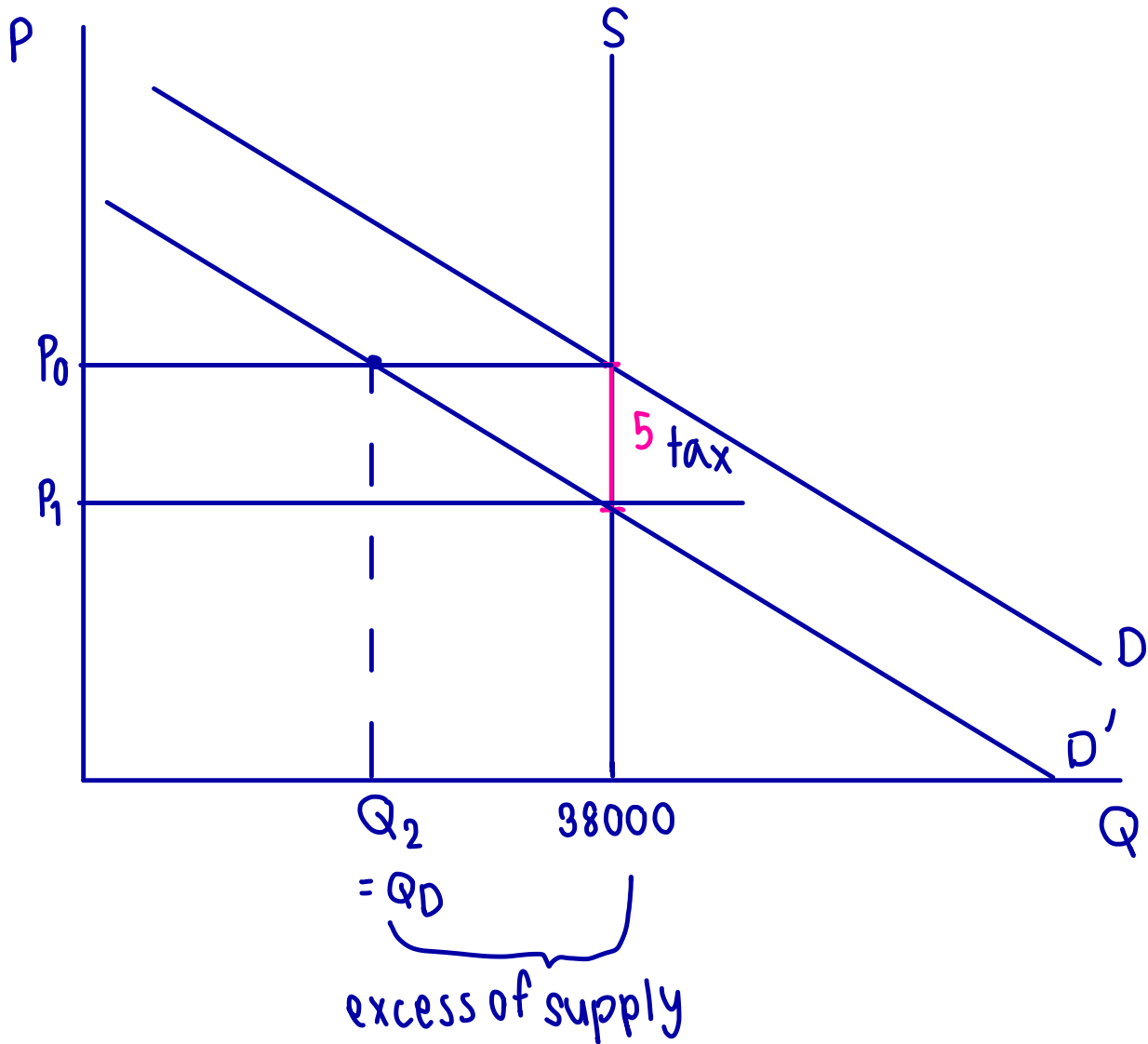
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According to the graph, the original price and quantity is P_0 and $Q = 38000$.

After there is a tax levied for \$5 per ticket it makes demand decrease from D shifts D' at P_0 .

Now the quantity demand is at Q_1 but quantity supply is still the same at $Q=38000$ so there is an excess supply $38000 - Q_1 \Rightarrow 0$. The price will be falling until there is no excess supply.

Price after taxation of consumer is the same at P_0 , however the seller receive less price for 5 bath at P_1 instead.

Therefore, the tax burden is fully at seller.

$$\frac{\eta_s}{|\eta_d|} = \frac{5}{0} = 0$$

0 is perfectly, inelastic so buyer fully bear with tax.

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a) $2P = 300 - P$

$$3P = 300$$

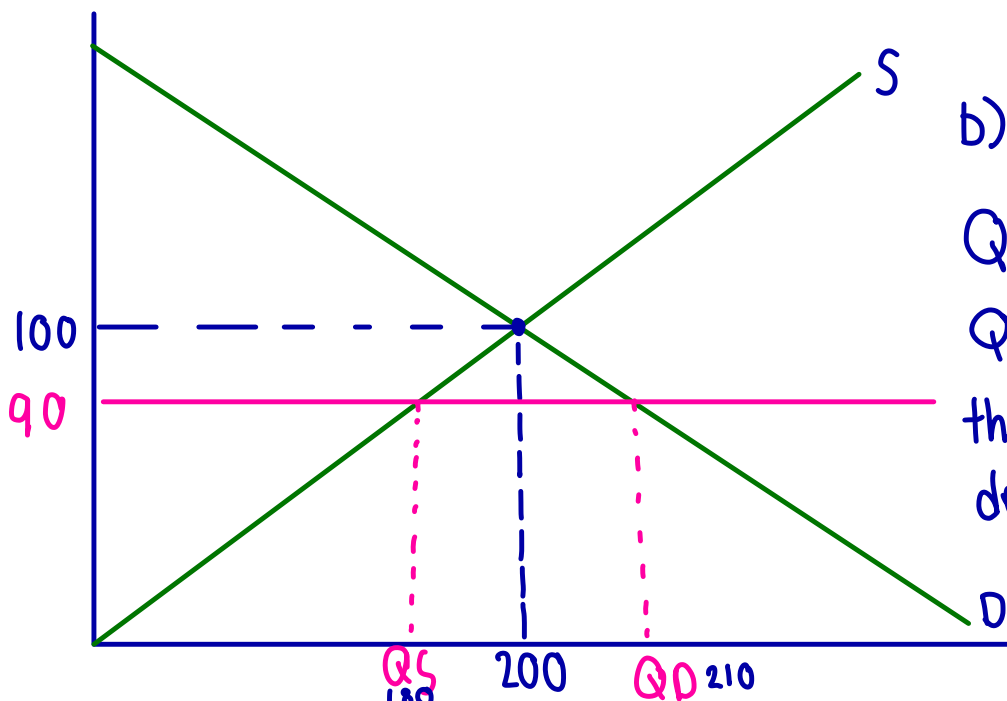
$$P = 100$$

$$Q = 2(100) = 200$$

At equilibrium (200, 100)

$$P = \frac{1}{2} Q^S$$

$$P = 300 - Q^D$$



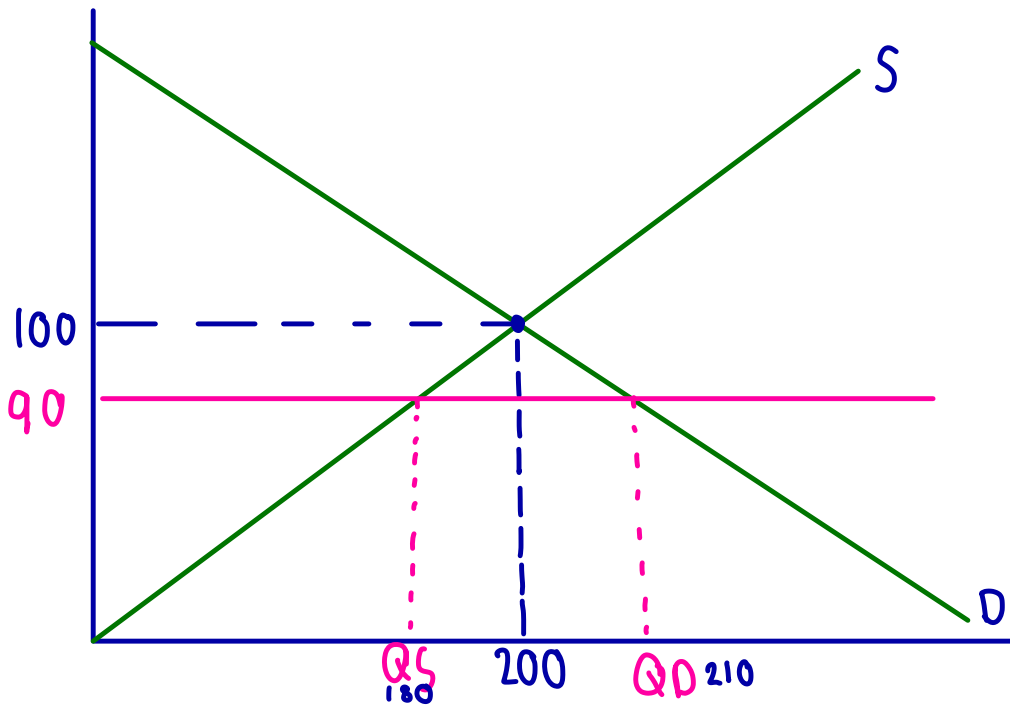
b) At $p = 90$

$$Q_S = 2(90) = 180$$

$$Q_D = 300 - (90) = 210$$

there is an excess demand $Q_D - Q_S > 0$ ($210 - 180 = 30$)

c)



When government creates price floor there would not be any shortage or surplus b/c there is no effect.

equilibrium

$$300 - P = 2(P - 30)$$

$$2P - 60 = 300 - P$$

$$3P = 360$$

$$P = 120, Q = 180$$

There is an excess demand at $200 - 140 = 60$ so the price will keep decreasing until there is no excess

d)

