

**Caution:** Equilibrium notion requires the information of the *market* demand and *market* supply. Mostly, this information needs to be derived from the given individual demand and supply.

**Definition:**

1. Market demand is the total quantity demanded of each individual (consumer/buyer) combined.

$$Q^d = \sum_{i=1}^N Q_i^d \quad N - \text{buyers}$$

where  $Q^d$  is total quantity demanded at the market level.  
 $Q_i^d$  is the quantity demanded for i-th individual.

2. Market supply is the total quantity supplied of each individual (firm/seller) combined.

$$Q^s = \sum_{i=1}^M Q_i^s \quad M - \text{firms}$$

where  $Q^s$  is total quantity demanded at the market level.  
 $Q_i^s$  is the quantity demanded for i-th firm.

**Two methods for the aggregation!**

- Direction summation approach
  - Apply basic sigma operation
- Horizontal summation approach
  - Deriving market demand curve from individual demand curves
  - Find the mathematical equation that represent the derived market curve

See Example 3.E below

## Example 3.E: Market demand

Consumer 1:  $Q_1^d = 3 - P$

Consumer 2:  $Q_2^d = 2 - P$

$$Q_1^d = \begin{cases} 0 & ; P \geq 3 \\ 3 - P & ; P < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$Q_2^d = \begin{cases} 0 & ; P \geq 2 \\ 2 - P & ; P < 2 \end{cases}$$

Direct Summation:

$$Q^d = \sum_{i=1}^2 Q_i^d$$

$$= Q_1^d + Q_2^d$$

$$= 3 - P + 2 - P$$

$$= 5 - 2P$$

$$P = 2.5 \rightarrow Q = 0$$

$$P = 2.5 \Rightarrow 3 - 2.5 = 0.5 \quad \left. \vphantom{P = 2.5} \right\} = 0$$

$$P = 2.5 \Rightarrow 2 - 2.5 = -0.5 \quad \left. \vphantom{P = 2.5} \right\} = 0$$

$$\underline{P = 2.5 \rightarrow \#2}$$

$P > 2 \rightarrow \#2$  is not  
in the market.

heterogeneous demand.

$$Q^d = Q_1^d + Q_2^d$$

$Q_1^d = 3 - P$  ;  $P > 0$  ;  $Q_2^d = 2 - P$  ;  $2 \leq P < 3$   
 $Q_2^d = 3 - P + 2 - P = 5 - 2P$  ;  $P < 2$

#1  $Q_1^d + 0$  ; #2  $0 + 0$   
 $Q_1^d > 0$  ; #1  $P > 0$  ; #2  $P > 0$   
 #1  $Q_1^d > 0$  ; #2  $Q_2^d > 0$

$$Q_i^d = 3 - P \text{ homogeneous demand}$$

10 individuals  $\rightarrow$  has the same demand  $f^2$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^2 Q_i^d$$

$$\Rightarrow Q^d = N(Q_i^d)$$

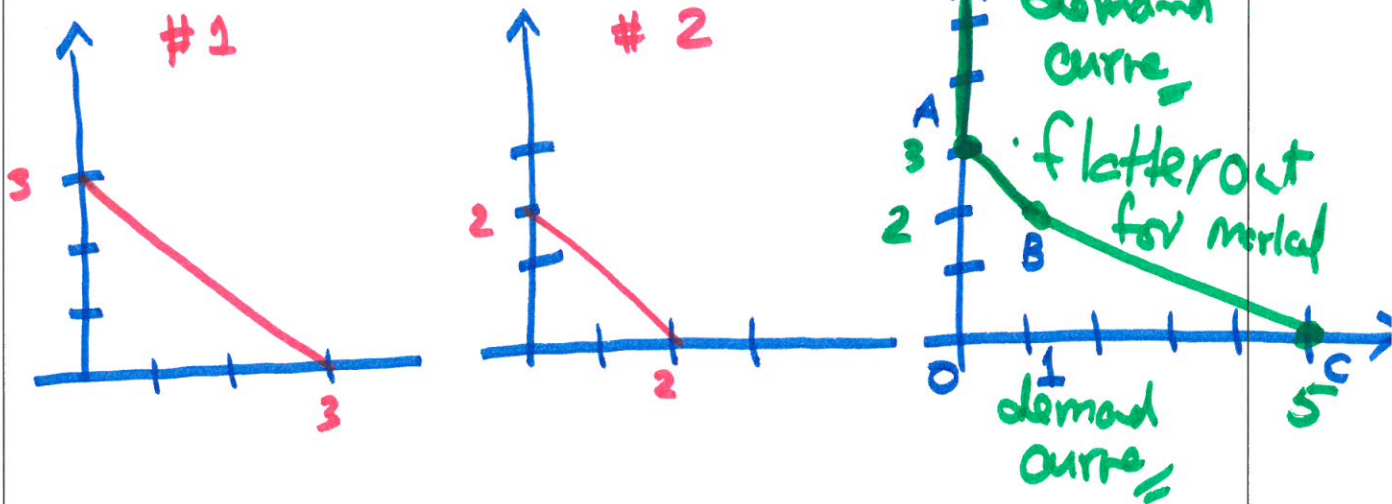
$$= 10(3 - P)$$

$$= 30 - 10P \#$$

$$Q_1^d = 3 - P \quad ; \quad Q_2^d = 2 - P$$

Deriving market demand curve from individual demand curves.

$$P = 3 - Q_1^d \quad ; \quad P = 2 - Q_2^d$$



What is the mathematical equation that represents the market demand curve when using the horizontal summation method? Derive the equation/function.

$$\overline{AB} \Rightarrow -1 \Rightarrow Q \in [0, 1] ; P = 3 - Q$$

$$\overline{BC} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \quad Q > 1 ; P = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2}Q$$

$$P = \begin{cases} 3 - Q & ; 0 \leq Q \leq 1 \\ \frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2}Q & ; Q > 1 \\ & 1 < Q \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

### Example 3.F: (market supply):

A market has two firms, A and B. Each has the supply equation given by,

$$\text{Firm A: } P = 15 + Q_a \quad \Rightarrow \quad Q_a = 0 ; P \leq 15$$

$$\text{Firm B: } Q_b = 0.5P - 5 \quad \Rightarrow \quad Q_b = 0 ; P \leq 10$$

Derive the market supply equation

$$Q^S = \sum Q_i^S = Q_a + Q_b =$$

$$Q^S = \begin{cases} 0 + 0 ; & 0 < P \leq 10 \\ 0.5P - 5 + 0 ; & 10 < P \leq 15 \\ 0.5P - 5 + P - 15 ; & P > 15 \\ & = 1.5P - 20 \end{cases}$$

$$Q^S = \begin{cases} 0 & ; 0 < P \leq 10 ; \text{ no firm} \\ 0.5P - 5 & ; 10 < P \leq 15 ; \text{ one firm } \#B \\ 1.5P - 20 & ; P > 15 ; \text{ two firms } \#A, \#B \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow p^* \Rightarrow Q^d = Q^s$$

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

$$Q^d = \begin{cases} 0 & ; & p \geq 3 \\ 3-p & ; & 2 < p < 3 \\ 5-2p & ; & p < 2 \end{cases}$$

highest maximum price for consumer.

$$Q^s = \begin{cases} 0 & ; & 0 \leq p \leq 10 \\ 0.5p-5 & ; & 10 \leq p \leq 15 \\ 1.5p-20 & ; & p > 15 \end{cases}$$

lowest minimum price for producer

max Price < min Price

No way.

$$Q^d = Q^s$$

Impossible to have  $p^*$  such that  $Q^d = Q^s$  in the positive quadrant

## Some extensions: Government interventions

### Taxation

- The first type of government intervention is *taxation*
- Micro-market model allows us to understand the impact of commodity tax.
- Basically, there are two types of commodity tax.
  - Unit tax → \$t per each unit of production.
  - Ad-valorem tax → t% of value.
- Let's start from the impact of unit tax. Then, we will come back to the analysis on Ad-valorem tax later.
- The purpose of this part is to show:
  - A rigorous way to analyze the impact taxation on price and allocation in the market equilibrium.
  - Showing that the implication of tax on the welfare, and distribution of welfare cost among stakeholders in the market.

## Impact of the unit taxation

The basic set up of linear market model typically takes the form:

$$\text{Demand: } p = a - bQ^d \quad ; \quad a \geq 0, \quad b \geq 0.$$

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

- Equilibrium can be then solved by imposing the market clearing condition, i.e.  $Q^d = Q^s$

When the government imposes tax, the followings happen.

1. With the imposition of tax, *price that consumer's paying will no longer be equal to price that producer's receiving.*

- The single "p" concept that underlies the basic set up of linear market model would no longer be sensible!
- So, to analyze the impact of taxation, we need to make it clear from now that

- $p^s =$  price that producer gets
- $p^d =$  price that consumer pays
- $p^s \neq p^d \rightarrow$  price gap or price wedges

tax imposition on consumer  
 $p^d = p^s + t$

Behavior of buyers and suppliers would focus at their perceived prices.

That is, the market model needs to be rewritten in the following way.

$$\text{Demand: } p^d = a - bQ^d \quad ; \quad a \geq 0, \quad b \geq 0.$$

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

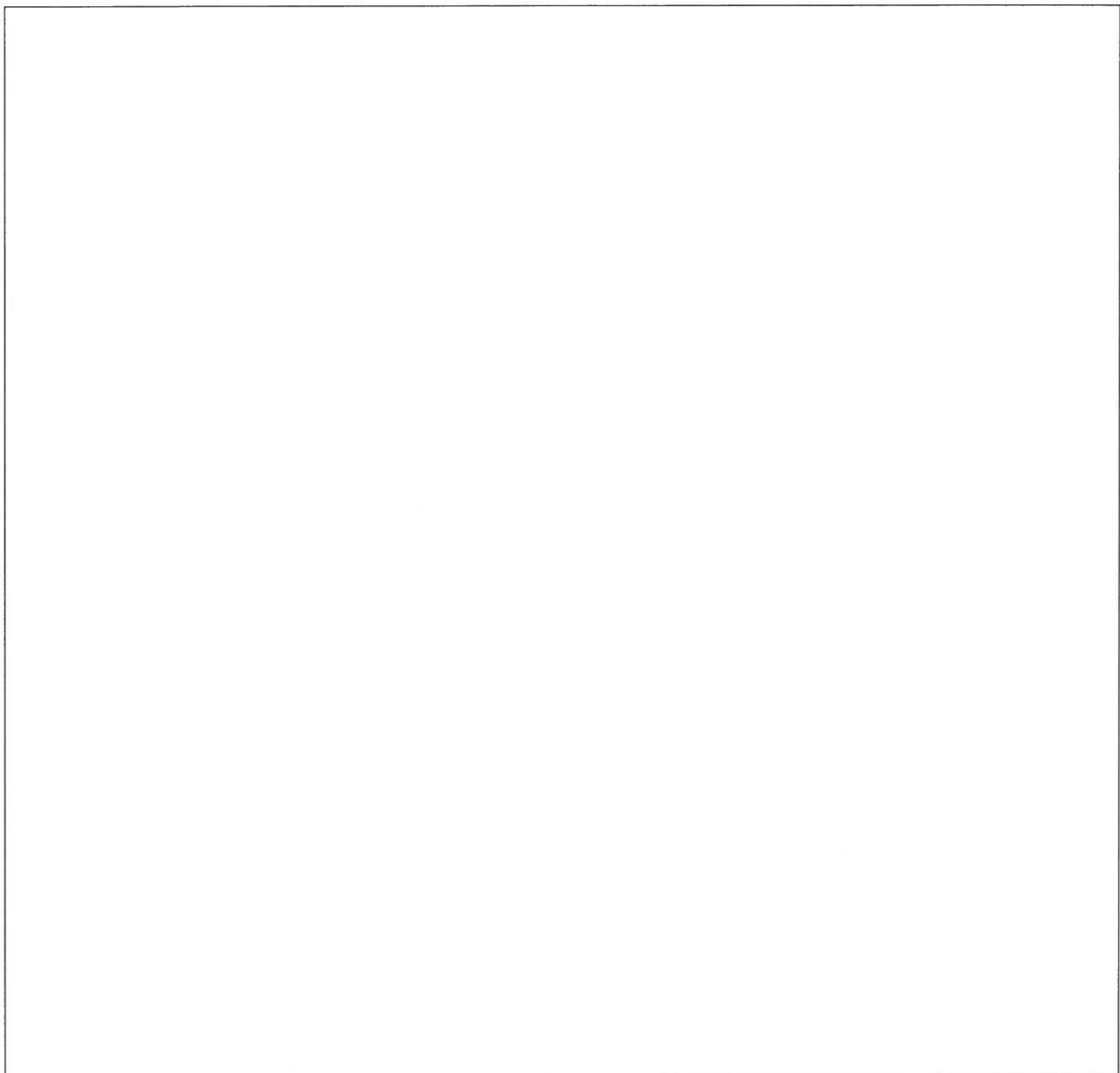
tax on producer  
 $p^s = p^d - t$

2. With the imposition of tax, equilibrium allocation would be affected!

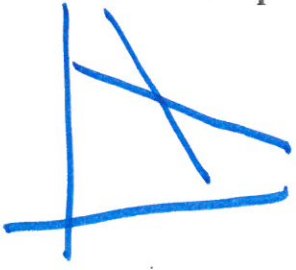
- VERY SIMPLE, we solve for equilibrium by imposing that  $Q^d = Q^s$ .
- BUT!!!!

**Example 3.H** Can we solve for the equilibrium by simply imposing the only market clearing condition?

Solvable? If not, what else do we need?



Example 3.1 Suppose that demand/supply equation can be given by



$$P^d = 80 - 3Q^d \rightarrow \text{steeper}$$

$$P^s = 10 + 2Q^s \rightarrow \text{flatter}$$

- Find the market equilibrium.

$$P^d = P^s \Rightarrow 80 - 3Q = 10 + 2Q$$

$$70 = 5 \cdot Q$$

$$Q^* = 14 \text{ Units}$$

$$P^* = 10 + 2(14) = 10 + 28 = 38 \$$$

- Suppose that government imposes tax on producer equal to \$5 per unit, determine market equilibrium under taxation.

$\rightarrow P^s = P^d - 5$  (clear the market:  $Q^d = Q^s$ )

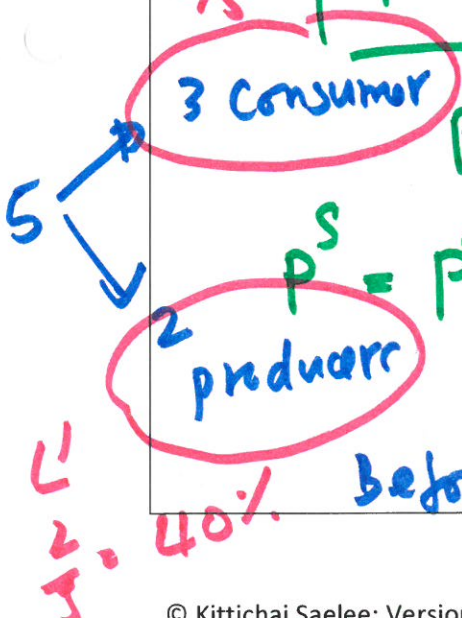
$$80 - 3Q = 15 + 2Q$$

$$65 = 5 \cdot Q$$

$$Q^* = 13 \text{ Units}$$

$$P_{d^*} = 41 \$$$

$$P_{s^*} = 41 - 5 = 36 \$$$



$$TR = 13 \times 5 = 65 \$$$

Consumer price =