

Group Homework 7 & 8

Semester 2/2021 EE320 Introductory mathematical economics

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2. Theory of consumer

a) step 1 set objective

$$\min C = wL + rK$$

$$\text{st } Q = \alpha\sqrt{K} + \beta L$$

step 2 Lagrangian function

$$\alpha = wL + rK + \lambda (\alpha\sqrt{K} + \beta L - Q)$$

step 3 FOC

$$\alpha_L = w - \beta\lambda = 0$$

$$w = \beta\lambda \quad (1)$$

$$\alpha_K = r - \frac{1}{2}\alpha K^{-1/2}\lambda = 0$$

$$r = \frac{1}{2}\alpha K^{-1/2}\lambda \quad (2)$$

$$\alpha_Q = \alpha\sqrt{K} + \beta L - Q = 0$$

$$Q = \alpha\sqrt{K} + \beta L \quad (3)$$

$$(1) : \frac{w}{\beta} = \lambda$$

$$\frac{w}{r} = \frac{\beta}{2\alpha} \cdot K^{1/2}$$

$$K^{1/2} = \frac{2\alpha w}{r\beta}$$

$$K = \left(\frac{2\alpha w}{r\beta}\right)^2 \text{ sub in (3)}$$

$$Q = \alpha \sqrt{\left(\frac{2\alpha w}{r\beta}\right)^2} + \beta L$$

$$Q = \frac{2\alpha^2 w}{r\beta} + \beta L$$

$$r\beta Q = 2\alpha^2 w + r\beta^2 L$$

$$r\beta^2 L = r\beta Q - 2\alpha^2 w$$

$$L = \frac{r\beta Q - 2\alpha^2 w}{r\beta^2}$$

$$b) \sigma_L = v - \beta h$$

$$\lambda h = \gamma - \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2} h$$

$$\alpha_{21} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{22} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{23} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{24} = \frac{1}{4} \alpha h^{-3/2} h$$

$$q(x) = \alpha \sqrt{h} + \beta h$$

$$q_1 = \beta$$

$$q_2 = \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2}$$

$$\bar{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \beta & \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2} \\ \beta & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2} & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \alpha h^{-3/2} h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \beta & \beta \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$H_1 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \beta \\ \beta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -\beta^2 < 0$$

$$H_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \beta & \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2} & 0 & \beta \\ \beta & 0 & 0 & \beta & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2} & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \alpha h^{-3/2} h & \frac{1}{2} \alpha h^{-1/2} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \alpha h^{-3/2} \lambda \beta^2 < 0$$

H_1 and H_2 have the same sign Min

$$k = \left(\frac{2 \alpha v}{r \beta} \right)^2$$

$$L = \frac{\sigma \rho \alpha - 2 \alpha^2 v}{\sigma \beta^2}$$

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$$\textcircled{c} K = \left(\frac{2dW}{\partial p} \right)^2$$

$$L = \frac{\partial p Q - 2\alpha^2 W}{\partial p^2}$$

$\therefore K^2$ means it always be positive

L being positive when

$$\frac{\partial p Q - 2\alpha^2 W}{\partial p^2} > 0$$

$$\partial p Q - 2\alpha^2 W > 0$$

$$\partial p Q > 2\alpha^2 W$$

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$$Q > \frac{2\alpha^2 W}{\partial p}$$

$$Q > \frac{2\alpha W}{p} \#$$

$$\textcircled{d} C = wL + rK$$

$$\therefore K = \left(\frac{2dW}{\partial p} \right)^2 \quad L = \frac{\partial p Q - 2\alpha^2 W}{\partial p^2}$$

$$C = w \left(\frac{\partial p Q - 2\alpha^2 W}{\partial p^2} \right) + r \left(\frac{2dW}{\partial p} \right)^2$$

marginal cost = $\frac{dC}{dQ}$

$$\frac{dC}{dQ} = \frac{\partial p W}{\partial p^2} = \frac{W}{p}$$

$$\therefore MC = \frac{W}{p}$$

$$W = p\lambda$$

$$\lambda = \frac{W}{p}$$

Equal

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$$a) \Delta U = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \Delta y$$

$$\text{step 1 } \frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x)$$

$$\text{step 2 } \frac{\partial U}{\partial y}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2y)$$

step 3

$$\Delta U = \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x) + \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2y) \quad \times$$

$$b) \max U = [x^2 + y^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\text{st } M = P_x X + P_y Y$$

$$d = [x^2 + y^2]^{\frac{1}{2}} + h [M - P_x X - P_y Y]$$

FoC:

$$dx = \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x) - P_x h = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x) = P_x h \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$dy = \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2y) - P_y h = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2y) = P_y h \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$dh = M - P_x X - P_y Y = 0$$

$$M = P_x X + P_y Y \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\frac{(1)}{(2)} ; \frac{\frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x)}{\frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2y)} = \frac{P_x h}{P_y h}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{P_x}{P_y}$$

$$x = \frac{P_y y}{P_x}$$

$$M = P_x \left[\frac{P_y y}{P_x} \right] + P_y y$$

$$P_y M = P_x y + P_y y$$

$$P_y M = [P_x + P_y] y$$

$$y = \frac{P_y M}{[P_x + P_y]} \quad \times$$

$$x = \frac{P_x M}{[P_x + P_y]} \quad \times$$

$$c) X = \frac{P_x M}{[P_x^2 + P_y^2]}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dP_x} = \frac{[P_x^2 + P_y^2]M - P_x M (2P_x)}{[P_x^2 + P_y^2]^2}$$

$$= \frac{MP_x^2 + MP_y^2 - 2MP_x^2}{[P_x^2 + P_y^2]^2}$$

$$= \frac{MP_y^2 - MP_x^2}{[P_x^2 + P_y^2]^2} = \frac{M[P_y^2 - P_x^2]}{[P_x^2 + P_y^2]^2}$$

⊖ $P_x > P_y \rightarrow$ law of demand

⊕ $P_y > P_x \rightarrow$ Not follow the law of demand

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$$y = \frac{p_y M}{[p_x^2 + p_y^2]}$$

$$x = \frac{p_x M}{[p_x^2 + p_y^2]}$$

$$2d. \frac{dy}{dp_x} = \frac{[p_x^2 + p_y^2][0] - [p_y M][2p_x]}{[p_x^2 + p_y^2]^2}$$

$$= \frac{-p_y M 2p_x}{[p_x^2 + p_y^2]^2}$$

$$p_x \uparrow - y \downarrow$$

$$2e \quad \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + y^2]^{\frac{1}{2}} [2x] = p_x \lambda \quad \text{or } \lambda$$

$$y = \frac{p_y M}{[p_x^2 + p_y^2]} = \frac{300(1)}{[1^2 + 1^2]} = 150$$

$$x = \frac{p_x M}{[p_x^2 + p_y^2]} = \frac{300(1)}{1^2 + 1^2} = 150$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [150^2 + 150^2]^{\frac{1}{2}} [2(150)] = \lambda$$

$$\lambda = 0.7071$$

$$f \quad \lambda = 0.70$$

$$M \uparrow \quad U \uparrow = 0.7$$

$$M \uparrow 10 \quad U \uparrow = 0.7 \times 10 = 7$$

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a) $TC = \int 16 + 6q^2 dq$
 $TC = 16q + \frac{6q^3}{3} + C$
 $= 16q + 2q^3 + C$
 $= 16(9) + 2(9)^3 + C$

let $a = q$: $TC = 1890$

$ATC = \frac{1890}{9} = 209.67$ ✖

b) $TR - TC$
 $= (160 - 10q^2)q - (16q + 2q^3 + 240)$
 $= 160q - 10q^3 - 16q - 2q^3 - 240$
 $= 144q - 12q^3 - 240$
 $\frac{d\pi}{dq} = 144 - 36q^2 = 0$
 $36q^2 - 144 = 0$
 $q^2 - 4 = 0$
 $(q+2)(q-2) = 0$
 $q = 2$
 $P = 110$

single variable

$\frac{d^2\pi}{dq^2} = -72a$
 $a = 2$

$\therefore \frac{d^2\pi}{dq^2} = -144 < 0$
 -
 Max

c) $CS = \int_0^2 (160 - 10a^2) da - 2C(120)$
 $= 160a - \frac{10a^3}{3} \Big|_0^2 - 2C(120)$

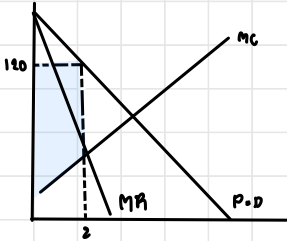
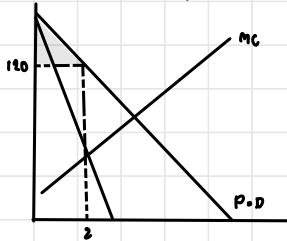
$= 53.33$

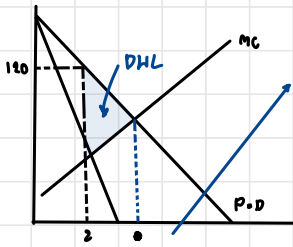
PS = $PA - \int_0^2 S da$

PS = $2C(120) - \int_0^2 (16 + 6a^2) da$

PS = $2C(110) - \left[16a - \frac{6a^3}{3} \right]_0^2$

PS = 192 ✖





step 1 $P = MC$

$$160 - 10q^2 = 16 + 6q^2$$

$$144 = 16q^2$$

$$q^2 = 9$$

$$q = 3$$

step 2

$$DHL = \int_2^3 D \, d - \int_1^3 S \, d$$

$$= \int_2^3 (160 - 10d^2) \, d - \int_2^3 (16 + 6d^2) \, d$$

$$= \int_2^3 (160 - 10d^2 - 16 - 6d^2) \, d$$

$$= \int_2^3 (144 - 16d^2) \, d$$

$$DHL = 144 \cdot \frac{d}{1} - \frac{16d^3}{3} \Big|_2^3$$

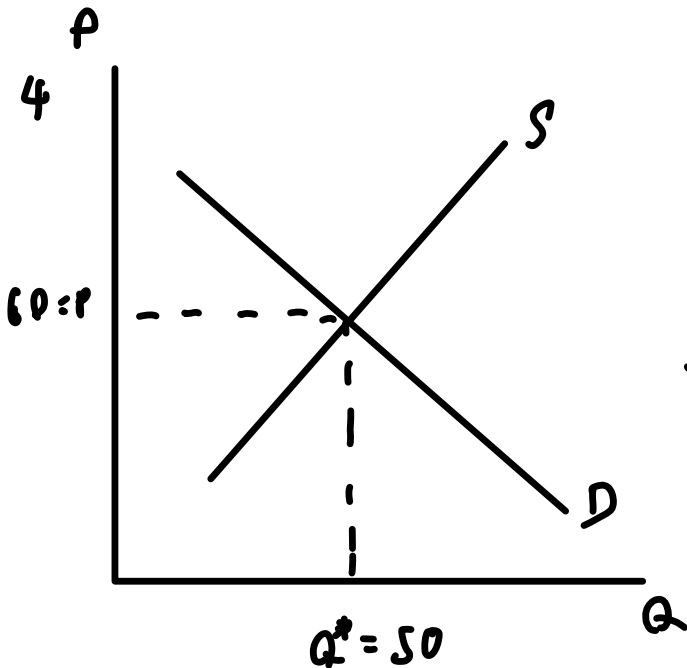
$$= \left[144(3) - \frac{16(3)^3}{3} \right] - \left[144(2) - \frac{16(2)^3}{3} \right]$$

$$= 42.67$$

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$$CS = \int D da - P \cdot Q$$

$$PS = P \cdot Q - \int S da$$

step 1

$$D = S$$

$$\underline{6000} = Q + 10$$

$$Q + 50$$

$$6000 = (Q + 10)(Q + 50)$$

$$6000 = Q^2 + 50Q + 10Q$$

$$Q^2 + 60Q - 5500 = 0$$

$$(Q + 100)(Q - 50) = 0$$

$$Q = 50$$

step 2 $PS = P \cdot Q - \int S da$

$$PS = (60)(50)$$

$$- \int_0^{50} (Q + 10)$$

$$PS = 3000 - \left[\frac{Q^2}{2} + 10Q \right]$$

$$PS = 3000 - \left[\frac{50^2}{2} + 10(50) \right]$$

$$PS = 1250$$

$$\text{Step 3 } CS = \int D dQ - P \cdot Q$$

$$\int_0^{50} \frac{6000}{Q+50} dQ$$

$$6000 \int_0^{50} \frac{1}{Q+50} dQ$$

$$6000 [\ln(Q+50)] \Big|_0^{50}$$

$$6000 [\ln(100) - \ln(50)]$$

$$= 4168$$

$$CS = 4168 - 60(50)$$

$$CS = 1168.444$$

5. Max profit: $MR = MC$

$$\text{Profit} = TR - TC$$

$$TR = \int MR dx$$

$$TC = \int MC dx$$

Perfect Price Discriminate

① $P = MC$

$$\text{Profit} = TR - TC$$

$$TR = \int P dx$$

$$TC = \int MC dx$$

$$MR = MC$$

$$25 - 5x - 2x^2 = 10 - 3x - x^2$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$(x+5)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = 3$$

$$TR = \int MR dx$$

$$= \int (25 - 5x - 2x^2) dx$$

$$TR = 25x - \frac{5x^2}{2} - \frac{2x^3}{3} + C$$

$$TR(0) = 0$$

$$C = 0$$

$$TR = 25x - \frac{5x^2}{2} - \frac{2}{3}x^3$$

$$TC = \int (10 - 3x - x^2) dx$$

$$= 10x - \frac{3x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

$$TC(0) = 0 - 0 - 0 + C = 7$$

$$\therefore TC = 10x - \frac{3x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} + 7$$

$$\text{Profit} = TR - TC$$

$$x = 3$$

$$TR = 34.5$$

$$TC = 20.125$$

$$\text{Profit} = 14.375$$