# Notes on the Construction of Demand \& Supply Schedules 

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## Clarification of Terminology

- In market analyses:
- Ordinary supply and demand schedules give quantity for each (per unit) price: $Q=S^{\circ}(P) ; Q=D^{\circ}(P)$
- Inverse supply and demand schedules give (per unit) price for each quantity: $P=S(Q)$; $P=D(Q)$.
- In this class we will stress price-setting agents who determine price for each quantity bought/sold, so we focus on inverse supply/demand functions.
- The exact relationship between ordinary/inverse supply and demand is illustrated at the end of these notes.


## EXAMPLE 1:

Seller 1 Supply Schedule
Inverse Form $P=S_{1}(Q)$


Let $Q=$ Apple Amount (in bushels)
Let $P=$ Per-unit price of apples (i.e., dollars \$ per bushel)

Given any $Q$, the function $P=S_{1}(Q)$ gives Seller 1's minimum per-unit sale price (\$/bushel) for the "last" unit supplied at this $\mathbf{Q}$.

Bushel Unit Seller 1 Min Sale Price

| 1 | $\$ 20$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| 2 | $\$ 30$ |
| 3 | $\$ 60$ |
| 4 | $\$ 80$ |
| 5 | $\$ 90$ |
| 6 | $\infty$ |

## Seller 2 Supply Schedule Inverse Form $P=S_{2}(Q)$



Given any $Q$, the function $P=S_{2}(Q)$ gives Seller 2's minimum per-unit sale price (\$/bushel) for the "last" unit supplied at this Q.

Bushel Unit Seller 2 Min Sale Price

| 1 | $\$ 10$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | $\$ 50$ |
| 3 | $\$ 90$ |
| 4 | $\infty$ |

## Total Supply Schedule (Sellers 1 \& 2) Inverse Form $P=S(Q)$



Bushel Unit Min Seller Price

| 1 | $\$ 10$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 2)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\$ 20$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 1)$ |
| 3 | $\$ 30$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 1)$ |
| 4 | $\$ 50$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 2)$ |
| 5 | $\$ 60$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 1)$ |
| 6 | $\$ 80$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 1)$ |
| 7 | $\$ 90$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 1 / \mathrm{S} 2)$ |
| 8 | $\$ 90$ | $(\mathrm{~S} 2 / \mathrm{S} 1)$ |
| 9 | $\infty$ |  |

## Buyer 1 Demand Schedule Inverse Form $P=D_{1}(Q)$



Given any $Q$, the function $P=D_{1}(Q)$ gives Buyer 1's maximum per-unit purchase price (\$/bushel) for the "last" unit purchased at this $Q$.

Bushel Unit Buyer 1's Max Per-Unit Price

| 1 | $\$ 84$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\$ 76$ |
| 3 | $\$ 70$ |
| 4 | $\$ 0$ |

## Buyer 2 Demand Schedule Inverse Form $P=D_{2}(Q)$



Given any $Q$, the function $P=D_{2}(Q)$ gives Buyer 2's maximum per-unit purchase price ( $\$ /$ bushel) for the "last" unit purchased at this $Q$.

Bushel Unit Buyer 2's Max Per-Unit Price

| 1 | $\$ 50$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\$ 30$ |
| 3 | $\$ 20$ |
| 4 | $\$ 0$ |

## Buyer 3 Demand Schedule Inverse Form $P=D_{3}(Q)$



Given any $Q$, the function $P=D_{3}(Q)$ gives Buyer 3's maximum per-unit purchase price (\$/bushel) for the "last" unit purchased at this $Q$.

Bushel Unit Buyer 3's Max Per-Unit Price

| 1 | $\$ 90$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\$ 80$ |
| 3 | $\$ 0$ |

## Total Demand Schedule (Buyers 1,2, \& 3) <br> Inverse Form $P=D(Q)$



## CMC Points (S=D)



## Remark: Inframarginal (traded) units versus extramarginal (non-traded) units at CMC Pts



## Total Net Surplus at CMC Points

 (invariant to particular choice of CMC Point)

## Total Net Surplus at CMC Points...



TOTAL NET SURPLUS: \$230


Net Buyer/Seller Surplus at CMC Points (surplus division DOES depend on CMC point)


## Net Buyer/Seller Surplus at CMC Points...



## Market Efficiency (ME)



## ME < 100\% under What Conditions?

- Some "inframarginal" quantity unit FAILS to trade
- Or some "extramarginal" quantity unit SUCCEEDS in being traded

NOTE: If the price received by the seller of some quantity unit is LESS than the price paid by the buyer of this quantity unit (so some net surplus is extracted by a "third party"), then Buyer Net Surplus + Seller Net Surplus < 100\%
$\rightarrow$ ISO's in wholesale power markets !

## Market Power: Ability to Extract More Actual Surplus Than at CMC Point



## Does any trader below have an incentive to offer or bid strategically?



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## More on CMC Points: Illustrative Example 2



## More on CMC Points: Illustrative Example 3



## More on CMC Points: Illustrative Example 4



## Relationship of "Inverse" to "Ordinary" Supply and Demand Schedules

- In all of the previous "inverse" supply and demand examples, the minimum per-unit sale prices (i.e., the "sale reservation prices") and the maximum per-unit purchase prices (i.e., the "purchase reservation prices") were given for each successive quantity unit $1,2,3, \ldots$
- Conversely, for "ordinary" supply and demand, the maximum sale and purchase quantities are given for each successive per-unit price \$1, \$2, \$3,...

Illustrative Comparison of Inverse and Ordinary Supply: Supply Schedule for Seller 1 Inverse Form $P=S_{1}(Q)$


Supply Unit Seller 1 Min per-Unit Sale Price

| 0 | $\$ 0$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1 | $\$ 2$ |
| 2 | $\$ 4$ |
| 3 | $\$ 5$ |
| 4 | $\infty$ |
| 5 | $\infty$ |
| 6 | $\infty$ |

## Supply Schedule for Seller 1 Re-Expressed in Ordinary Form $Q_{1}=S^{\circ}(P)$



## Supply Schedule for Seller 2 Inverse Form $P=S_{2}(Q)$



Supply Unit
Seller 2 Min Per-Unit Sale Price
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9


## Supply Schedule for Seller 2 Re-Expressed in Ordinary Form Q $=\mathrm{S}_{2}{ }^{2}(\mathrm{P})$



Q
$Q=\mathrm{S}_{2}(\mathrm{P})=$ Maximum amount of $Q$ that Seller 2 is willing to supply at per-unit sale price $P$

Seller 2 Max Supply

Per-Unit Sale Price

| 0 | $\$ 0$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\$ 1$ |
| 4 | $\$ 2$ |
| 5 | $\$ 3$ |
| 7 | $\$ 4$ |
| 8 | $\$ 5$ |
| 8 | $\$ 6$ |
| 8 | $\$ 7$ |
| 8 | $\$ 8$ |
| 8 | $\$ 9$ |

## Total Supply Schedule (Sellers 1 \& 2) <br> Inverse Form $P=S(Q)$



## Total Supply Schedule (Sellers 1 \& 2) Re-Expressed in Ordinary Form $Q=S^{\circ}(P)=\left[S^{\circ}(P)+S^{\circ}{ }_{2}(P)\right]$


$Q=S^{\circ}(P)=$ Maximum total amount of $Q$ that Sellers 1 and 2 are willing to supply at the per-unit sale price $P$

Max Supply
Unit Sale Price P $Q=Q_{1}+Q_{2}$

| $0=0+0$ | $\$ 0$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| $2=0+2$ | $\$ 1$ |
| $5=1+4$ | $\$ 2$ |
| $6=1+5$ | $\$ 3$ |
| $9=2+7$ | $\$ 4$ |
| $11=3+8$ | $\$ 5$ |
| $11=3+8$ | $\$ 6$ |
| $11=3+8$ | $\$ 7$ |
| $11=3+8$ | $\$ 8$ |
| $11=3+8$ | $\$ 9$ |

