

Opt. condition for multi-mkt monopolist: $MR_1 = MR_2 = MC$.

Now, $MR_1 = P_1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right)$, $\epsilon_1 = \text{abs price elasticity of dd for Mkt 1}$

$$MR_2 = P_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_2}\right)$$

$$\therefore MR_1 = MR_2 \Rightarrow P_1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right) = P_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_1}{P_2} = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right)} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} > 1 \Rightarrow P_1 > P_2 \\ < 1 \Rightarrow P_1 < P_2 \end{array}$$

Suppose: $\epsilon_2 > \epsilon_1 \Rightarrow \epsilon_1 < \epsilon_2$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon_2} < \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}$$

$$-\frac{1}{\epsilon_2} > -\frac{1}{\epsilon_1}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_2}\right) > \left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_1}\right)} > 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{P_1}{P_2} > 1 \Rightarrow P_1 > P_2$$

The monopolist will charge higher price in the mkt in which demand is relatively inelastic.

9. Consider a monopolist operating in 2 mkt's having 10 customers each. A representative customer from mkt 1 has demand curve: $q_1 = 10 - P_1$, and for mkt 2 it is $q_2 = 8 - P_2$. $MC = 2$.

(a) If the monopolist can price discriminate, what prices would he charge? Find π .

$$\text{Demand in mkt 1} \Rightarrow Q_1 = 10(10 - P_1) \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\text{Demand in mkt 2} \Rightarrow Q_2 = 10(8 - P_2) \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Mkt 1: } \frac{Q_1}{10} = 10 - P_1 \Rightarrow P_1 = 10 - \frac{Q_1}{10} \\ \text{Mkt 2: } \frac{Q_2}{10} = 8 - P_2 \Rightarrow P_2 = 8 - \frac{Q_2}{10} \end{array} \right\} \text{Inverse demand curves.}$$

$$\pi = R_1 + R_2 - C = \left(10 - \frac{Q_1}{10}\right) \cdot Q_1 + \left(8 - \frac{Q_2}{10}\right) \cdot Q_2 - 2(Q_1 + Q_2)$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial Q_1} = 0 \Rightarrow 10 - \frac{Q_1}{5} - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow 8 - \frac{Q_1}{5} = 0 \Rightarrow Q_1^* = 40.$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial Q_2} = 0 \Rightarrow 8 - \frac{Q_2}{5} - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow 6 - \frac{Q_2}{5} = 0 \Rightarrow Q_2^* = 30.$$

$$P_1^* = 10 - \frac{40}{10} = 10 - 4 = 6, \quad P_2^* = 8 - \frac{30}{10} = 8 - 3 = 5.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^* &= 40 \times 6 + 30 \times 5 - 2(40 + 30) \\ &= 240 + 150 - 140 = 250. \end{aligned}$$

(b) If the monopolist cannot price discriminate, find π .

Monopolist will charge the same price in both mkt.

$$P_1 = P_2 = P.$$

$$\text{Mkt 1 demand} \Rightarrow Q_1 = 10(10 - P).$$

$$\text{Mkt 2 demand} \Rightarrow Q_2 = 10(8 - P)$$

$$\text{Total dd} \Rightarrow Q = Q_1 + Q_2 = 10(10 - P + 8 - P) = 10(18 - 2P).$$

$$Q = 180 - 20P \Rightarrow 20P = 180 - Q$$

$$P = 9 - \frac{Q}{20}.$$

$$\pi = \left(9 - \frac{Q}{20}\right) \cdot Q - 2 \cdot Q.$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial Q} = 0 \Rightarrow 9 - \frac{Q}{10} - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow 7 = \frac{Q}{10} \Rightarrow Q^* = 70.$$

$$P^* = 9 - \frac{Q}{20} = 9 - \frac{70}{20} = 9 - 3.5 = 5.5$$

$$\pi^* = 5.5 \times 70 - 2 \times 70.$$

$$= \frac{11}{2} \times 70 - 2 \times 70 = 70 \left(\frac{11}{2} - 2\right) = 70 \left(\frac{7}{2}\right) = 245.$$

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HW
 (c) In which situation are the customers of both the markets better off?

Case I: With price discrimination

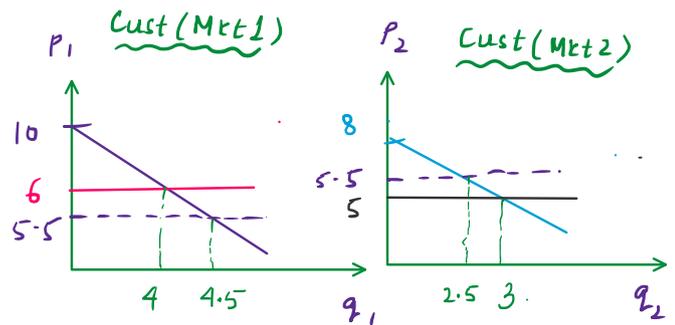
$$P_1^* = 6, \quad P_2^* = 5$$

$$\text{Welfare} = CS_1 + CS_2 =$$

Case II: Without price discrimination

$$P_1^* = P_2^* = P^* = 5.5$$

$$\text{Welfare} = CS_1 + CS_2 =$$



Q. Consider a multimarket monopolist selling his product in the domestic/home mkt & the international mkt. The domestic demand curve is: $P_h = 5 - \frac{3}{2}q_h$ and in the international mkt $P_f = 3$. The cost fn for the monopolist is $C(q) = q^2$, $q = q_h + q_f$. [monopolist is a price-taker in the international mkt]

(a) Find opt q_h^*, q_f^* .

$$P_h = 5 - \frac{3}{2}q_h \Rightarrow R_h = \left(5 - \frac{3}{2}q_h\right)q_h$$

$$P_f = 3 \Rightarrow R_f = 3q_f$$

$$\pi = R_h + R_f - C = \left(5 - \frac{3}{2}q_h\right)q_h + 3q_f - (q_h + q_f)^2$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial q_h} = 0 &\Rightarrow 5 - 3q_h - 2(q_h + q_f) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial q_f} = 0 &\Rightarrow 3 - 2(q_h + q_f) = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 5 - 3q_h &= 2(q_h + q_f) \\ 3 &= 2(q_h + q_f) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Compare: } 5 - 3q_h = 3 \Rightarrow 2 = 3q_h \Rightarrow q_h^* = \frac{2}{3}$$

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$$\frac{3}{2} = q_h + q_f \Rightarrow q_f^* = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{9-4}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

(b) Suppose the home govt restricts the sale in the int mkt to a max of $\frac{1}{6}$ units. Determine q_h^* , q_f^* .

Without restriction: $q_f^* = \frac{5}{6}$.

$$R_f = 3 \cdot q_f \Rightarrow q_f \uparrow \Rightarrow R_f \uparrow$$

$$\text{Restriction: } q_f = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow q_f^* = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\pi = \left(5 - \frac{3}{2} q_h\right) q_h + 3 \cdot q_f^* - (q_h + q_f^*)^2$$

$$\pi = \left(5 - \frac{3}{2} q_h\right) q_h + 3 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - \left(q_h + \frac{1}{6}\right)^2$$

$$\text{HW} \cdot \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial q_h} = 0 \Rightarrow$$