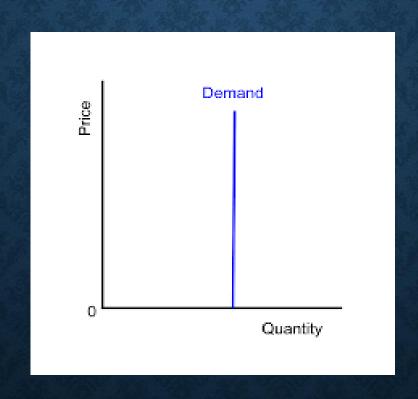
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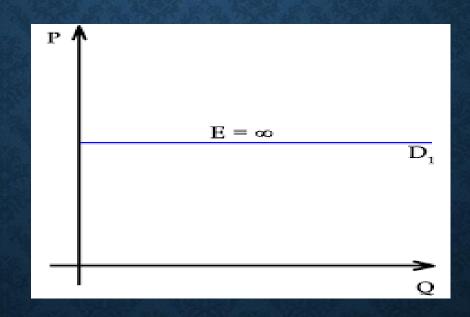
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- Perfectly Inelastic Demand
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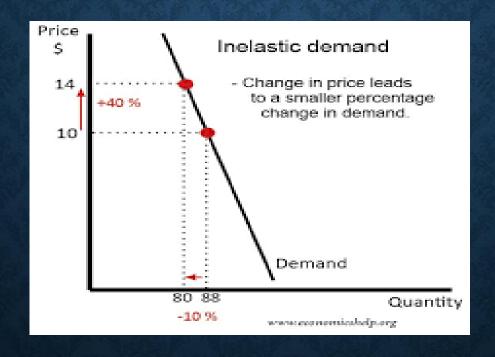
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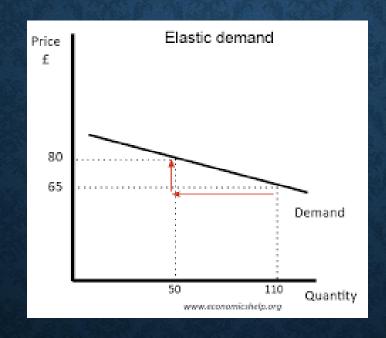
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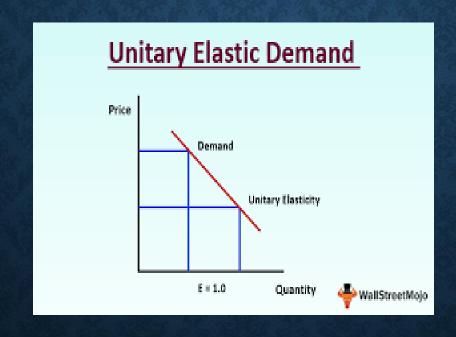
INELASTIC DEMAND



ELASTIC DEMAND



UNIT ELASTICITY



SUMMARY

- If $e_p = 0$, the demand is perfectly inelastic
- If $e_p = 1$, the demand has unitary elasticity
- If $e_p = \infty$, the demand is perfectly elastic
- If $0 < e_p < 1$, the demand is inelastic
- If $1 < e_p < \infty$, the demand is elastic

DETERMINANTS OF PRICE ELASTICITY OF DEMAND

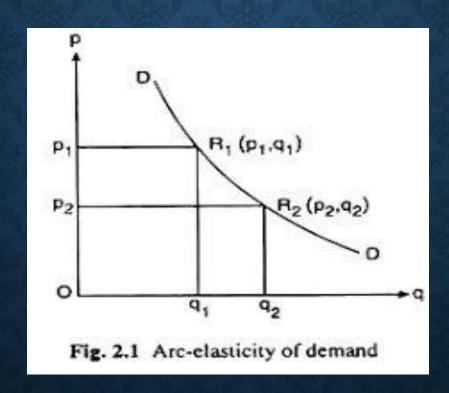
- The availability of substitutes
- Nature of the need that the commodity satisfies
- The time period
- The number of uses to which a commodity can be put
- The proportion of income spent on the particular commodity

ARC ELASTICITY OF DEMAND

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- The arc elasticity is a measure of the average elasticity
- The elasticity at the mid-point of the chord that connects the two points on the demand curve defined by the initial and the new price levels
- An approximation of the true elasticity of the section two points $(R_1 \text{ and } R_2)$ of the demand curve

ARC ELASTICITY



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$$e_{p} = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P} \times \frac{\frac{P_{1} + P_{2}}{2}}{\frac{Q_{1} + Q_{2}}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P} \times \frac{(P_1 + P_2)}{(Q_1 + Q_2)}$$