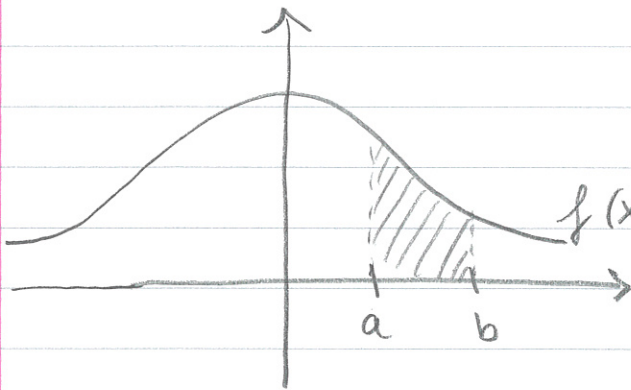


# other applications

## Probabilities (continuous random variables):



$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$ , called the  
 std. normal probability  
 distribution.  $X \sim N(0, 1)$ .

random variable

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

"instantaneous probability"  $\rightarrow$

Corresponds to

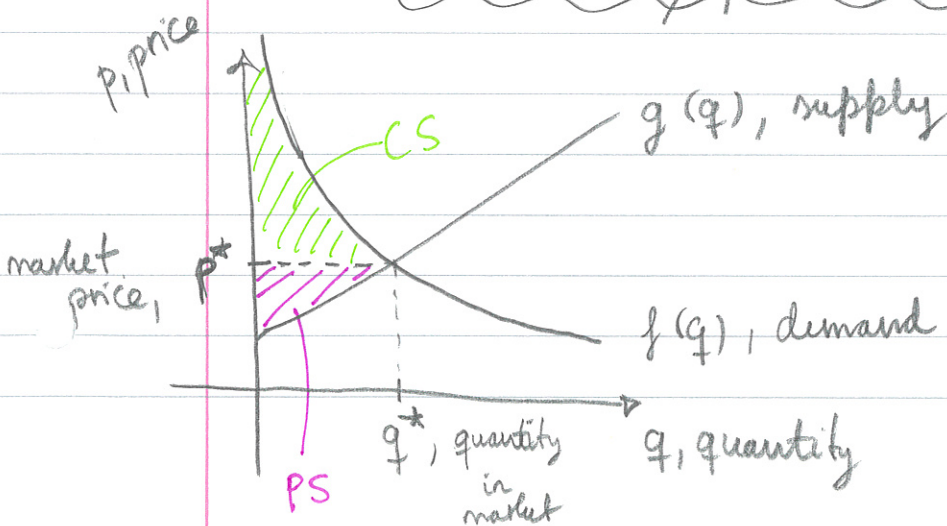
$P(X=x)$  for  
discrete random  
variables

Probability that the cont.  
r.v.  $X$  takes a value  
in  $[a, b]$ .

EX: Height, temperature, stock price etc.

at a particular  
time

## Consumer/producer surplus



$p = f(q)$ , demand  
function  
(inverse)

$p = g(q)$ , supply  
function  
(inverse)

## CS : Consumer surplus

$$CS = \int_0^{q^*} f(q) - p^* dq$$

## PS : Producer surplus

$$PS = \int_0^{q^*} p^* - g(q) dq$$

In the setting above:

Ex:  $f(q) = \frac{100}{q+5}$  ,  $g(q) = q+5$

What is the market price?

$$f(q) = g(q)$$

$$\frac{100}{q+5} = q+5$$

$$100 = (q+5)^2$$

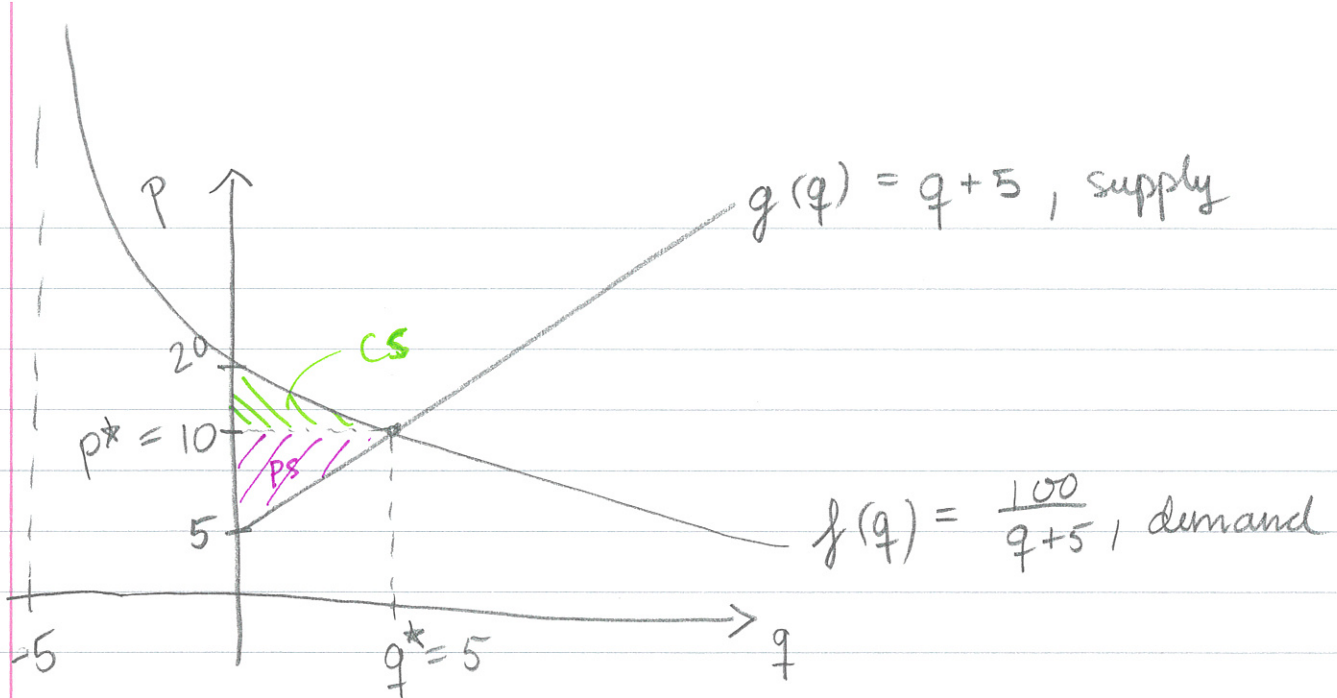
$$q+5 = \pm \sqrt{100} = \pm 10 = 10$$

$$q = 10 - 5 = 5$$

$$\underline{q^* = 5}$$

Market price:  
Where ~~demand~~  
demand = supply

since ~~price~~ quant  
must be  
non-neg.



Producer surplus:

$$PS = \int_0^5 \overbrace{10}^{p^*} - g(q) dq = \int_0^5 10 - (q+5) dq$$

From formula

$$= \int_0^5 10 - q - 5 dq$$

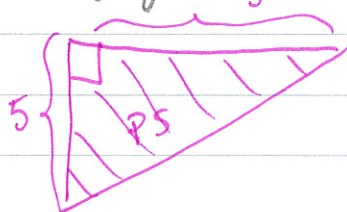
$$= \int_0^5 5 - q dq = \left[ 5q - \frac{1}{2} q^2 \right]_{q=0}^5$$

$$= \left( 5 \cdot 5 - \frac{1}{2} 5^2 \right) - \left( 5 \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{2} 0^2 \right)$$

$$= 25 - \frac{25}{2} = \underline{12,5}$$

Same!

NOTE: From figure:



Area of triangle = PS =  $\frac{5 \cdot 5}{2} = \underline{12,5}$

$$CS = \int_0^5 \overbrace{\frac{100}{q-5}}^{f(q)} - \overbrace{10}^{P^*} dq$$

from formula

$$= [100 \ln(q+5) - 10q]_{q=0}^5$$

$$= 100 \ln 10 - 50 - (100 \ln(5) - 0)$$

$$= 100(\ln(10) - \ln(5)) - 50$$

$$= 100 \ln\left(\frac{10}{5}\right) - 50$$

$$= 100 \ln 2 - 50 \approx 19$$

$$\ln a - \ln b$$

$$= \ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$$

### Exercises

$$\int 30x \sqrt{x} dx = \int 30x^{1+\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

TRICK:  $x^1 \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$= \int 30x^{\frac{3}{2}} dx$$

$$= 30 \int x^{\frac{3}{2}} dx$$

$$= 30 \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} + C$$

$$= 30 \frac{2}{5} x^{\frac{5}{2}} + C$$

$$= 12x^{\frac{5}{2}} + C = 12x^{2+\frac{1}{2}} + C$$

$$= 12x^2 \sqrt{x} + C$$