

Chapter 02 :- Theory of Demand & Supply

Unit 1 :- Law of Demand & Elasticity of Demand

Effective Demand \rightarrow Desire + Purchasing power + willing to buy

• Demand Expressed \rightarrow Quantity + Given Price + Per period of time \rightarrow Quantity demand

\rightarrow Flow concept

1.1 What Determines Demand?

(i) Price of Commodity \rightarrow $P \uparrow, Q \downarrow \rightarrow$ Inversely relation

\rightarrow Happens bcz \rightarrow Income & substitution effect

\rightarrow Other things remains constant/equal

(ii) Price of related commodity

\rightarrow Complementary Goods \rightarrow Consumed together

\rightarrow Relation \rightarrow Inverse Relation $\rightarrow P_c \uparrow, D \downarrow$

\rightarrow Substitutes/Competing Goods \rightarrow Satisfy same want

\rightarrow Relation \rightarrow Direct Relation $\rightarrow P_s \uparrow, D \uparrow$

(iii) Disposable Income of the consumer

\rightarrow Business Manager fully aware

\rightarrow Nature of Goods

\rightarrow Nature of Relationship

\rightarrow Generally $\rightarrow I \uparrow, D \uparrow$ \rightarrow Depends on Nature of Goods

\rightarrow Normal Goods $\rightarrow I \uparrow, D \uparrow \rightarrow$ Direct Relation

\rightarrow Inferior Goods $\rightarrow I \uparrow, D \downarrow \rightarrow$ Inverse Relation

\rightarrow Essential Goods $\rightarrow I \uparrow, D \uparrow \rightarrow$ But Invariant Demand \leftarrow Income

\rightarrow E.g. \rightarrow Luxury/Pretence Goods \rightarrow People become richer

For Assessing \rightarrow Current + Future Demand

(iv) Tastes & Preferences of Consumers

Demand Depends \rightarrow taste + Preferences

Consumer \checkmark
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External Effects on Utility

term coined \rightarrow James Duesenberry \rightarrow Copy 7211

Demonstration Effect

Desire of people \rightarrow Emulate consumer behaviour \rightarrow others \checkmark

Jealousy feeling
अगर जोस रिज जिसे जोस के पास है तो मेरे पास वचो नही है तो उस परसेना कसो का खरीद सकते है तो वे भी खरीद सकते है

People Demand \rightarrow buy or have things \rightarrow boz they see \rightarrow other people able to have them \checkmark

Bandwagon Effect

Demand \uparrow \rightarrow Other are consuming the same commodity \checkmark

जो हर को purchase कर रहे है वो भी करनी

Conform to people \rightarrow wish to associated with

Group ki part बनने में left out feel नही करनी

Snob Effect

Desire of people \rightarrow Different + Dissociate themselves \rightarrow Common herd \checkmark

वे जोसो से अलग करनी है

Demand \downarrow Consumer Goods \rightarrow Boz others are also consuming same

American economist Thorstein Veblen

Veblen Effect

Higher price Goods \rightarrow Consumed \checkmark \rightarrow Status seeking rich people \rightarrow conspicuous consumption \checkmark

अपनी Status माथेन पहना जो के rich people करनी है

Fⁿ of Price

Consumer Expectations

Regarding Future prices \rightarrow Direct Relation \checkmark

Regarding Income \rightarrow Direct Relation \checkmark

Regarding Supply \rightarrow Inverse Relation

Other Factors :-

of Population

Population \uparrow Demand \uparrow

Vice-versa

less children, Geriatric care services

Distribution of Population

Older age group \uparrow \rightarrow Demand \uparrow

Children age group \uparrow \rightarrow Demand \uparrow

migrate \rightarrow Urban areas \rightarrow Demand in Rural area \downarrow

Level of National and its Distribution

Generally \rightarrow NI \uparrow D \uparrow

Wealth \rightarrow Unevenly distribute \rightarrow Rich Peo. \leftarrow Poor Peo. \rightarrow Propensity to consume \downarrow

evenly distribute \rightarrow Rich Peo. = Poor Peo. \rightarrow PTC \uparrow \rightarrow Demand \uparrow

(1) Consumer - Credit Facility
 and interest rates

Availability credit
 + Low interest rate
 → Demand ↑

People borrow
 → Demand ↑

(2) Government policies & Regulations

Taxation → DD ↓
 Subsidies → DD ↑
 Regulation (Restriction) → DD ↓
 Demand (Dependent variable) ✓
 Determinate (Independent variable) ✓

★ Demand F^D → Relationship Between
 $Q^D = F(P_x, Y, P_r, P_c)$

Price of demand
 Price of related goods

★ Law of Demand → Ceteris paribus ✓
 Inverse Relation
 Price ↓ → Demand ↑

★ Demand Schedule → Table showing
 Per unit of time
 Demand at given price

For ex

Price	60	50	40
Quantity demanded	2	3	4

★ Demand Curve → Graphical representation
 of D.S



★ Market Demand Schedule → Sum of individual demand Curve

For ex

Price	0	3	0	2
Quantity demanded in	0	1	2	1
Market Demand	0	2	3	4

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★ Market Demand → obtained by Horizontal (total) summation of all individual demand curves

★ Rationality of the law of Demand → Goods whose substitutes are more readily available → substitution effect



(2) Utility Maximising behaviour → Rational consumer → Pay more → satisfaction of consumers

→ More utility for same unit of purchase

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(3) Arrival of New → P ↓ → More consumer start buying → More demand

→ More utility for same unit of purchase

(4) Different uses → P ↓ → More uses → More demand

→ More utility for same unit of purchase

★ Exceptions to the law of Demand

(i) Conspicuous goods → Rich → Consumed → Higher price → Higher prestige value → Higher satisfaction

→ More utility for same unit of purchase

Sir Robert S. S. → Scottish Economist & Statistician

→ More utility for same unit of purchase

(ii) Giffen Goods → Exhibit direct Price - Demand relationship

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(iii) Conspicuous Necessities → Demand - X → Goods → Constant usage → become necessities

→ More utility for same unit of purchase

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(vi) Future expectations - If consumers expect a rise in the price of a commodity in the future, they will buy more of it now, leading to an increase in demand.

(vii) Incomplete Information & Irrational Behaviour - If consumers are not fully informed about the market conditions, they may make irrational decisions, leading to changes in demand.

(viii) Demand for Necessaries - \rightarrow necessary commodity \rightarrow Consumed by people \rightarrow Irrespective of price changes.

(ix) Speculative Goods - \rightarrow Speculative market \rightarrow More demanded \rightarrow Price \uparrow \rightarrow Stocks & Shares \rightarrow Price \downarrow \rightarrow Demand \uparrow

★ Expansion & Contraction of Demand \rightarrow Change in own price \rightarrow Expansion & Contraction of Demand

- Demand \rightarrow Total Demand of Demand \rightarrow Demand \uparrow \rightarrow Demand \downarrow
- Quantity Demand \rightarrow Particular price \rightarrow Quantity demanded \uparrow \rightarrow Quantity demanded \downarrow

Contraction of Demand \rightarrow Fall in Quantity Demanded \rightarrow Upward movement along the demand curve

Expansion of Demand \rightarrow Increase/Rise in Quantity Demanded \rightarrow Downward movement along the demand curve

★ Increase & Decrease in Demand \rightarrow due to other factors other than price

Increase in Demand \rightarrow Ex: Inc. price of substitute goods, Income \uparrow etc. \rightarrow Rightward Shift

Decrease in Demand \rightarrow Ex: Decrease in price of substitute goods, Income \downarrow etc. \rightarrow Leftward Shift



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2.6 Elasticity of Demand

Quantitative
 ↳ Demand in Qty change with price
 ↳ Demand in Price change with Qty
 ↳ Demand in Qty change with price & price change with Qty

Δ Qd
 Δ in Quantity/Variables

★ Price Elasticity
 ↳ Expresses the response of Q^d to a change in price due to its own price
 ↳ Part of profit maximizing pricing decision

$E_p \Rightarrow -ve$ (Always)

Formula \rightarrow

$\frac{\% \Delta Q}{\% \Delta P}$

Change in Q^d / Demand

OR $\frac{\Delta Q}{Q} \times \frac{P}{\Delta P}$

* Steeper \rightarrow slope \rightarrow steeper
 ↳ Factors \rightarrow slope \rightarrow steep

Types of Elasticity

1) Unitary Elasticity $[E_p = 1]$
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in QD = $\% \Delta$ in Price
 Diagram \rightarrow

2) Elastic Relatively Elastic $[E_p > 1]$
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in QD $>$ $\% \Delta$ in Price
 Diagram \rightarrow

Q.D. is relatively sensitive

3) Inelastic Relatively Inelastic $[E_p < 1]$
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in Price $>$ $\% \Delta$ in QD
 Diagram \rightarrow

Q.D. is relatively insensitive to price

4) Perfectly Inelastic $[E_p = 0]$
 ↳ Diagram \rightarrow

Other case of price elasticity

Unit's perfectly inelastic
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in Price = 0
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in QD = ∞
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in Price = ∞
 ↳ $\% \Delta$ in QD = 0

5) Perfectly Elastic $[E_p = \infty]$
 ↳ Diagram \rightarrow

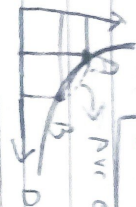
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Point Elasticity

Δ in Price \rightarrow **Inelastic** (small % of price of \rightarrow extremely small)

Formula \rightarrow $\epsilon_p = -\frac{dq}{dp} \times \frac{p}{q}$

Mid Point Method



Arc Elasticity

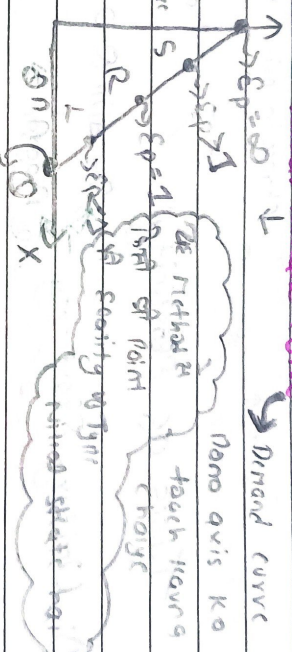
Formula \rightarrow $\epsilon_p = \frac{Q_2 - Q_1}{Q_2 + Q_1} \times \frac{P_2 + P_1}{P_2 - P_1}$

Geometric Method \rightarrow Use when \rightarrow **Linear Demand Curve** ✓

Method: Use elasticity \rightarrow Know type of elasticity \rightarrow Elastic, Inelastic, Straight line demand curve

$\epsilon_p = \frac{\text{Lower Segment}}{\text{Upper Segment}}$

Question type \rightarrow K.S $>$ U.S \rightarrow Ans \rightarrow $\epsilon_p > 1$



Total Outlay Method

Expenditure (P x Q) \rightarrow Revenue (P x Q) \rightarrow Derive Relation bet Price & Exp. (Carefully Read each step)

Find \rightarrow type of elasticity only ✓

1) **Unitary Elastic** [$\epsilon_d = 1$] \rightarrow Price & Exp./Revenue \rightarrow **Same**

2) **Elastic** [$\epsilon_d > 1$] \rightarrow Price & Exp./Revenue \rightarrow **Inverse Relation**

3) **Inelastic** [$\epsilon_d < 1$] \rightarrow Price & Exp./Revenue \rightarrow **Direct Relation**

15.8 Determinants of Price elasticity of Demand

(i) Availability of Substitutes

Cross/Perfect Substitutes \rightarrow **Highly Elastic**

Substitutes avoid \rightarrow **Inelastic Demand**

But Particular Brand \rightarrow **Elastic Demand**

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(2) Position of a commodity in a consumer's Budget
 Greater the Proportion of income spent on commodity → Elastic demand
 Smaller the proportion spent → Inelastic demand

(3) Nature of the need that a commodity satisfies
 Luxury Goods → Elastic demand
 Necessitating Goods → Inelastic demand
 Postpone the consumption? → Elastic demand

(4) No. of uses to which a commodity can be put
 Goods Multiple uses → Elastic Demand
 Goods limited uses → Inelastic Demand

(5) Time period
 longer time period + adjustment time \uparrow → Elastic Demand
 Shorter time period + adjustment time \downarrow → Inelastic Demand

(6) Consumer habits → Habitual consumer of commodity → Inelastic demand

(7) Tied Demand → Complementary Goods → Inelastic Demand

(8) Price Range
 High price Range → Inelastic Demand
 Lower price Range → Elastic Demand
 Middle price Range → Elastic Demand

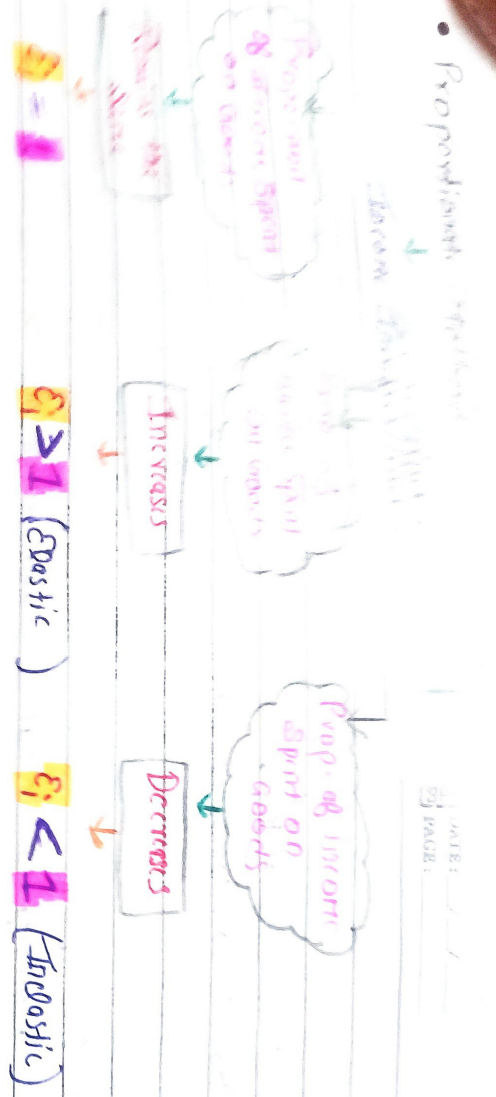
(9) Minor complementary items → Demand for cheap Complementary items
 Costlier produce → Inelastic Demand
 Use together

1.6 Income Elasticity of Demand
 Responsiveness of q^d demanded due to ΔY

• % Method

$$\epsilon_i = \frac{\% \Delta Q}{\% \Delta Y}$$

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta Y} \times \frac{Y}{Q}$$



In Case of Goods

Normal Goods $E_i = +ve$
 N.G. has positive elasticity

Inferior Goods $E_i = -ve$
 I.G. has negative elasticity

luxury $E_i > 1$ Elastic
 Essentials $E_i < 1$ Inelastic

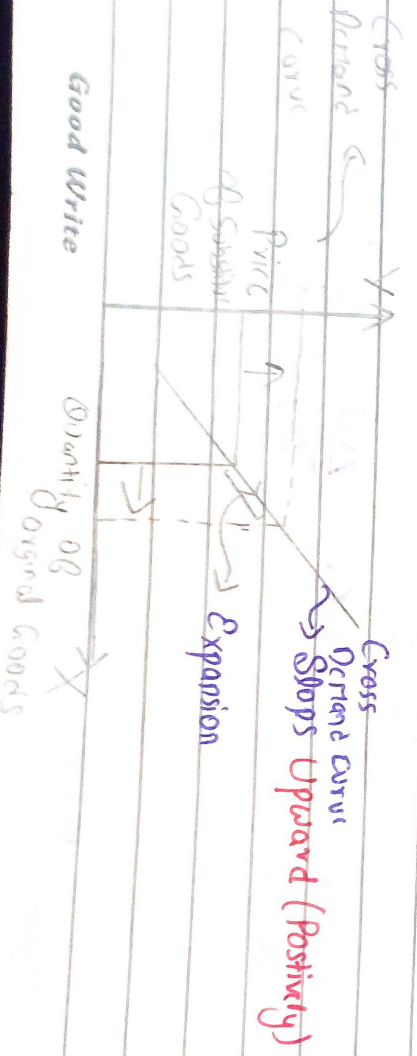
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Price of Related goods & Demand

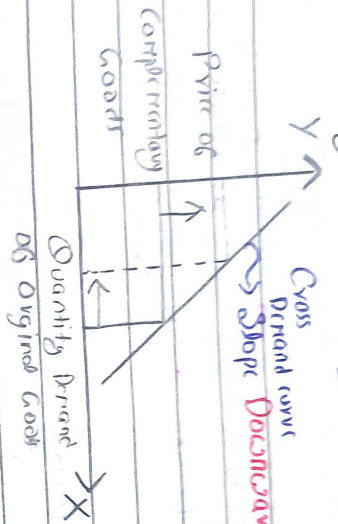
complementary goods

Substitute goods

1. Substitute Goods \rightarrow Direct Relation $\rightarrow P_s \uparrow \rightarrow D_o \uparrow$



2. Complementary Goods \rightarrow Indirect Relation \sim $P_1 \uparrow \sim P_2 \downarrow$



- Weak comp. \rightarrow Steeper Downward Sloping Cross Demand curve
- Strong comp. \rightarrow Flatter Downward Sloping COC
- Coor. Subs. \rightarrow Flatter Upward Sloping COC
- Revert. Subs. \rightarrow Steeper Upward Sloping COC

Elasticity (E_c) = % Δ in demand (T_e)

Sign Importance :-

* $E_c \Rightarrow -ve \rightarrow$ Inverse Relation (Complementary Goods)

* $E_c \Rightarrow +ve \rightarrow$ Direct Relation (Substitute Goods)

Substitute Goods Elasticity

- Perfect Subs. $\rightarrow E_c = \infty$
- Coor. Subs. $\rightarrow E_c =$ Positive + large
- Revert. Subs. $\rightarrow E_c = +ve +$ small
- Totally Unrelated $\rightarrow E_c = 0$

1.8 Advertisement Elasticity \rightarrow Responsiveness of good demand due to Δ in firm's spending on advertisement

Same Commodity \rightarrow typically positive \rightarrow to ∞ demand

1.9 Demand Forecasting \rightarrow Measuring the status of demand

Forecasting \rightarrow Regress \rightarrow Knowing Nature of demand \rightarrow Predicting the probability of demand

Forecasting \rightarrow Art + Science \rightarrow Predicting the probability of demand

Scope \rightarrow D.F \rightarrow can be Interfunctional & Dependent upon price or Biz level \rightarrow Cost of Forecasting \rightarrow Benefits from such Forecasting

Types of Forecasts

- (1) Macro level Forecasting → ^{of economy} Forecasting
- (2) Industry level Forecasting → ^{concern with demand} Industry product as whole
- (3) Firm level Forecasting → ^{particular firm's product} Demand

→ Based on time period of Demand Forecasts

- (i) Short term demand Forecasting → ^{Part of strategic decision} Tactical decisions → usually 6 months or less than 3 year

- (ii) long term demand Forecasting → Strategic decision → 2 to 5 year or more year

★ Demand Distinctions

a) Producer's goods → used for prodⁿ of other goods → Consumer goods or Producer's goods

b) Goods → Durable → quickly wear out → consumed more than once → ^{yield utility over a period of time}

c) Demand → Derived → Demand for commodity → Due to Demand for Parent Goods

→ Non-Durable → Consumed more than once → ^{Derived Demand} → Demand for commodity → ^{Complementary Goods} → Demand for commodity → Independent ✓

d) Demand → Firm's product → Total Demand Product → Particular firm → ^{Similar market share} → Industry → Total Demand Product → Particular Industry

e) Demand → Short Run → Immediate reaction → To change → ^{Price related commodities etc}

→ Long Run → Exist over a long period → ^{After enough time} → Market adjust → To New situation

Factor Affecting Demand for Non-Durable Consumer Goods

(i) Disposable Income \rightarrow Demand Depends \rightarrow D.I \checkmark [Personal Inc. - Personal Taxes]

(ii) Prices \checkmark \rightarrow Demand Depends \checkmark \rightarrow Demand Depends upon prices of related goods

(iii) Demography \checkmark \rightarrow Demand Depends upon population, urban etc.

\rightarrow Non-Durable Goods \rightarrow Repaired Demand \checkmark \rightarrow Depends upon nature of w.o.g.

Factor Affecting the Demand For Durable-Consumer Goods

(i) Consumer can postpone \rightarrow Replacement of D.G.

(ii) Goods require \rightarrow Special Facilities for their use

(iii) Consumer Durables \rightarrow Used by more than one person.

(iv) Greater the current holding of D.G. \Rightarrow Greater will be replacement demand \checkmark

(v) Demand for Consumer Durables \rightarrow Influenced \checkmark \rightarrow by their price \checkmark \rightarrow credit facilities \checkmark

Factor Affecting the demand for producer Goods :-

Product/Goods \rightarrow Demand Depends upon \rightarrow Rate of profitability of user industry \checkmark

Capital \rightarrow Demand Depends upon \rightarrow Size of Market of the user industry \checkmark

Estimating Demand \rightarrow Growth prospects of user industries \checkmark

for Producer Goods \rightarrow Rate of consumption of Capital Goods/unit of installed capacity \checkmark

Investment in producer Goods \rightarrow Greater \rightarrow when \rightarrow lower cost of Borrowing \checkmark

Higher profit making \rightarrow Greater inducement to demand Capital Goods \checkmark

Prospectus \rightarrow Greater incentive to invest in producer Goods \checkmark

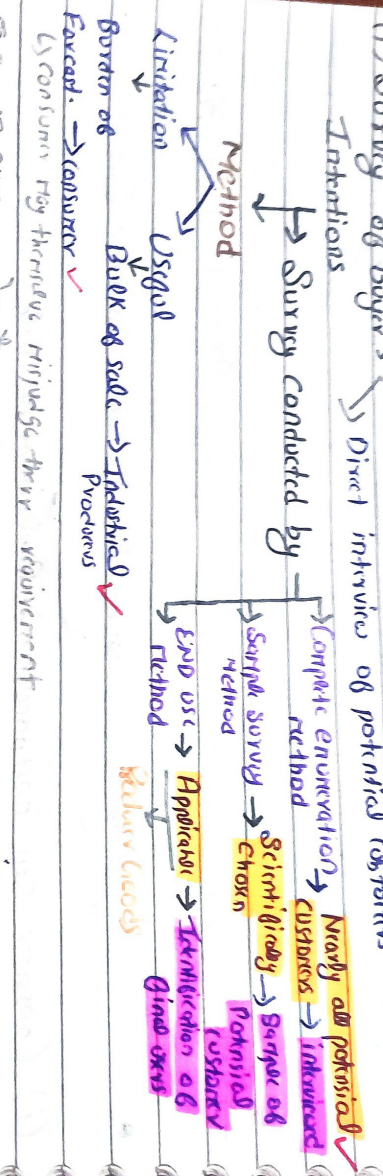
Firm are optimistic \rightarrow Greater incentive to invest in producer Goods \checkmark

1-3 Methods of Demand Forecasting

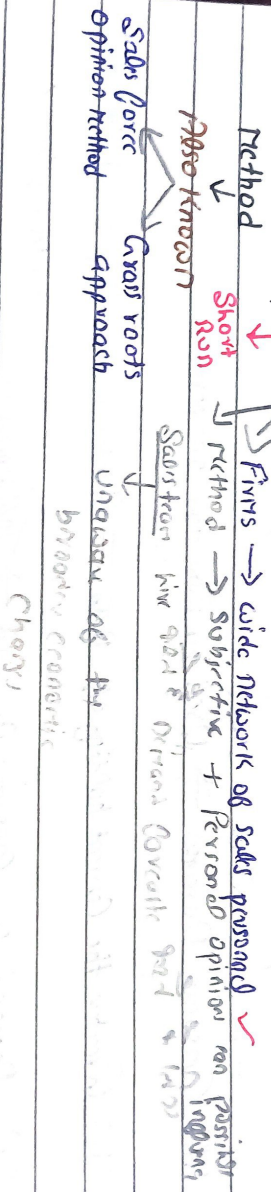
Direct method → Short Run
 To ask what they are planning to buy
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(i) Survey of Buyer's Intentions

Survey conducted by



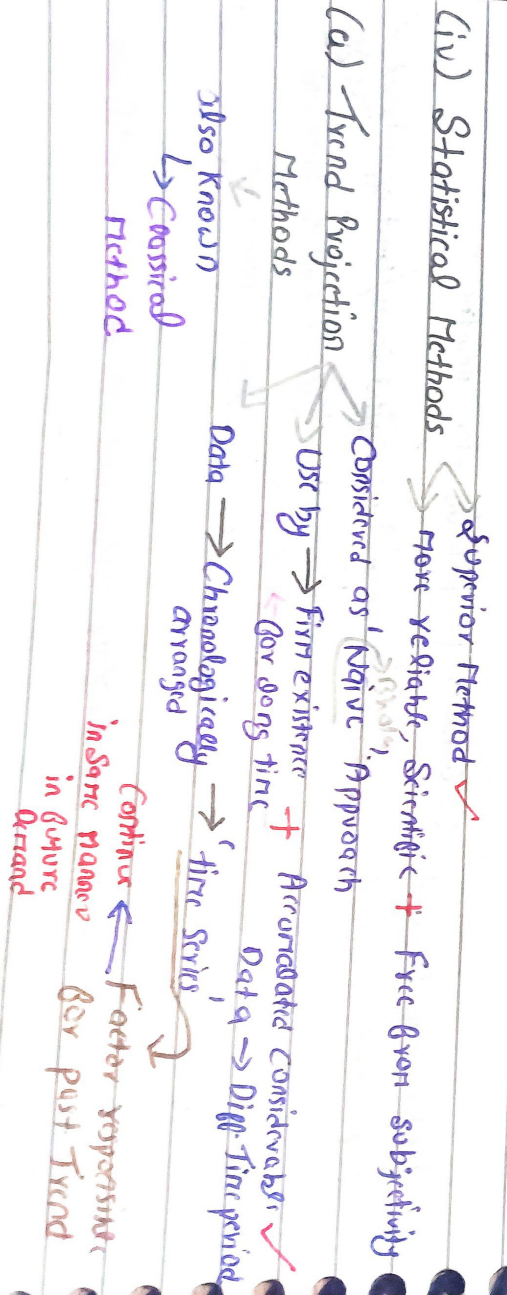
(ii) Collective opinion



(iii) Expert Opinion Method

Also known as **Delphi technique**
 Developed by **DROG HANES**
 at Rand corpor. of USA

(iv) Statistical Methods



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(i) Graphical Method
Free hand projection Method

Free hand curve ✓
Limitation → Shows the trend ✓
but **radioactive** X

(ii) Fitting Trend Method

Least Square Method
Very Popular Method

Mathematical Procedure → Fitting a curve
Provides **fairly reliable** ✓
Sharp turnings → Peaks
↓
Cyclical trend ✓

(b) Regression Analysis

Most popular Method

Relationship between Independent variable & change in dependent variable
↓
Dependent variable → change in demand of a product
Independent variable → change in price of a product

(v) Controlled Experiments

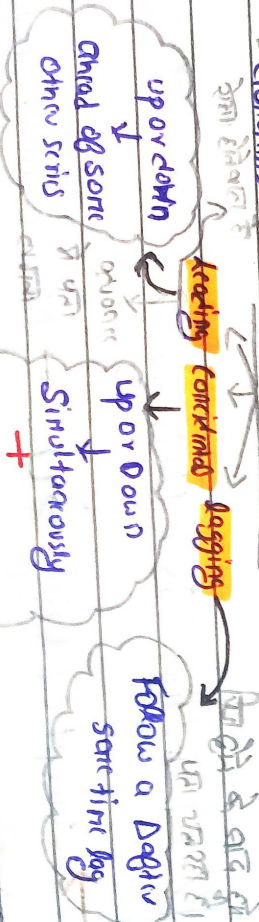
Market Experiment Method

Future demand estimates
Conducting market studies
experiments on consumer behaviour
Other factor remains constant
Market → **Heterogeneous**
Experiment ✓
Market Division
↓
Risk → leads to → **Unfavourable Reaction** ✓
↓
Expensive ✓
Time consuming ✓

• Better version of this method → **'Controlled Laboratory Experiments'**
+ **'Consumer Clinics'**

(vi) Barometric Method

Study of economic behaviour
Economic Indicators → To Forecasts ✓



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