

## References

### Main Textbooks

1. Andreu Mas-Colell, Michael D. Whinston and Jerry R. Green: Microeconomic Theory  
There is a solution manual for the exercises in this book, written by Hara, Segal and Tadelis
2. Hal R. Varian: Microeconomic Analysis.  
There is a solution manual for the exercises in this book. Gary Yohe: Exercises and Applications for Microeconomic Analysis
3. David M. Kreps: Microeconomic Foundations I. Choice and Competitive Markets

### Textbooks

1. Donald E. Campbell: Resource Allocation Mechanisms
2. W.D.A Bryant: General Equilibrium, Theory and Evidence
3. Arrow, Hahn: General Competitive Analysis
4. Atkinson, A. and Stiglitz, J: Lectures on Public Economics
5. Gareth D. Myles: Public Economics
6. Geoffrey A. Jehle and Philip J. Reny: Advanced Microeconomic Theory

### Optimization/convexity

1. Simon and Blume: Mathematics for Economists
2. Cambini, Martein: Generalized Convexity and Optimization
3. [optimization course](#)

### Vector optimization (Pareto optimality)

1. Jared L. Cohon: Multiobjective Programming and Planning
2. Vira Chankong, Yacov Y Haimes: Multiobjective Decision Making: Theory and Methodology

### Convexity/fixed point theory

1. Hukukane Nikaido: introduction to sets and mappings in modern economics
2. Roger Webster: convexity
3. Kim Border: Fixed Point Theorems with Applications to Economics and Game Theory

### Lecture notes

[e-class](#)  
[Kim border](#)  
[Gallier: basic mathematics](#)  
[Pivato](#)  
[Quah](#)

## Topics

### Producer Theory

Testable implications of producer theory (WAPM)  
 Aggregation problem: Representative firms.

### Consumer theory

Testable implications of consumer theory (WARP, GARP, SARP)  
 Properties of individual excess demand functions  
 Properties of market excess demand functions  
 Aggregation problem: Positive and normative representative consumers.

### Competitive equilibrium

Definition: computational examples, competitive equilibrium with taxes and lump-sum transfers  
 Special cases: (1x1x2 economy, 2x2x2 economy, exchange economy, small open economy, economies of Leontief and von Neumann).  
 Existence: large non-convexities relative to market size, non-interior endowments.  
 Uniqueness: WARP and constant returns to scale, WARP in an exchange economy, taxes, externalities, economies with an arbitrarily large number of equilibria, economies with Pareto-ranked equilibria.  
 Stability: WARP in an exchange economy, substitutes and complements, wealth effects, economies with a unique and

unstable equilibrium.

Comparative statics: substitutes and complements, wealth effects, the transfer paradox the paradox of productivity, the paradox of piecemeal policy reforms, the paradox of immiserating growth.

Testable implications: level of aggregation, externalities, testability of local stability and uniqueness.

### **Welfare analysis**

Pareto efficient points: definition, examples, two methods of calculation

First and second welfare theorems: conditions for efficient equilibria, interactions between efficiency and distribution

Distortions (third welfare theorem): efficiency when different agents face different relative prices.

Compensatory distortions (second-best theorem)

Equilibrium with externalities/public goods: The four kinds of externalities, market and non-market corrections.

The national income test: national income as an index of welfare, with and without distortions.

### **Evaluation**

Take-home exam, in-class exam.

