## AS/ECON 4070 3.0AF Midterm Exam Wednesday October 242007

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Do all 3 questions. All questions count equally.

1. How would the burden of a $100 \%$ tax (expressed as a fraction of the "before-tax" price) be split between buyers and sellers, in a perfectly competitive market in which the quantity demanded is

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Q^{D}=75-2\left(P^{D}\right)^{2}
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and the quantity supplied is

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Q^{s}=\left(p_{s}\right)^{2}
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where $P^{D}$ is the price paid by buyers and $p_{s}$ is the price received by sellers?
2. Describe, as precisely as possible, the incidence of a proportional tax on all wages and salaries paid in service industries.
3. Is the local property tax a regressive tax, or a progressive tax? Explain your answer.

