ECON 321, Class 22: BP Chapter 22, Dealers versus Platforms

- 1. Read the Introduction to Part IX, the Intro to Chapter 22, and the intro to 22.1. Keep all these examples and ideas in mind for discussion.
- 2. Skim 22.1.1.
- 3. Read Section 22.1.2 carefully. Do the analysis in Mathematica. As usual you work backwards, starting with stage 2 in the dealer game and with stage 3 and then 2 in the intermediation games. In your notebook, you can simply enter the Stage 2 and 3 demand functions as given rather than deriving them, but you should solve out the stage 1 problem of the intermediary completely.
- 4. You do not have to calculate the welfare functions in Mathematica, but do read the rest of the section to understand more about what's going on.