

Closing Tuesday: 2.3 (part 1)  
 Closing Thursday: 2.3(part 2), 1.5  
 Warning: Start 2.3 NOW!  
 BIG assignment.

(c) At what quantities is profit zero?  
 (i.e. you break even)

Quadratic Business Applications

Example: You sell Things.  
 Costs Info: Each Thing costs \$6 to produce and you have FC of \$20.  
 Revenue Info: The price per Thing is given by a linear (demand) function of quantity; You will charge \$8 per Thing on an order of 7 Things and \$20 per Thing for an order of 1 Thing.

- (a) Find the price function.
- (b) Find TR(q), TC(q), profit functions.

PRICE:  $p = m(q - q_1) + p_1$   
 TWO PTS:  $(q, p) = (7, 8) \ \& \ (1, 20)$   
 $m = \frac{20 - 8}{1 - 7} = \frac{12}{-6} = -2$

WE CALL THIS THE DEMAND FUNCTION

$p = -2(q - 1) + 20$   
 $p = -2q + 22$

(b)  $TR(q) = (\text{PRICE})(\text{QUANTITY})$   
 $= (-2q + 22) \cdot q$

★ IMPORTANT  
 MULTIPLY PRICE BY QUANTITY TO GET TR FORMULA!

$\Rightarrow TR(q) = -2q^2 + 22q$

$TC(q) = 6q + 20$

PROFIT =  $TR(q) - TC(q)$   
 $= [-2q^2 + 22q] - [6q + 20]$   
 $= -2q^2 + 22q - 6q - 20$

$P(q) = -2q^2 + 16q - 20$

(c)  $TR(q) = TC(q)$  OR  $P(q) = 0$   
 $-2q^2 + 22q = 6q + 20$  SAME  $\rightarrow -2q^2 + 16q - 20 = 0$

$q = \frac{-16 \pm \sqrt{16^2 - 4(-2)(-20)}}{2(-2)}$   
 $q = \frac{-16 \pm \sqrt{96}}{-4} \rightarrow \frac{-16 - \sqrt{96}}{-4} \approx 1.5505$   
 $\frac{-16 + \sqrt{96}}{-4} \approx 6.4495$

ROUNDS TO 2 AND 6 THINGS

(d) Find AC(q) and AVC(q).

$$AC(q) = \frac{TC(q)}{q} = \frac{6q + 20}{q} = 6 + \frac{20}{q}$$

$$AVC(q) = \frac{VC(q)}{q} = \frac{6q}{q} = 6$$

(e) Find MR(q) and MC(q). OFE ITEM

$$MC(q) = \frac{TC(q+1) - TC(q)}{1}$$
$$= [6(q+1) + 20] - [6q + 20]$$
$$= \cancel{6q} + 6 + 20 - \cancel{6q} - 20$$

$$MC(q) = 6$$

$$MR(q) = \frac{Tr(q+1) - Tr(q)}{1}$$
$$= [-2(q+1)^2 + 22(q+1)] - [-2q^2 + 22q]$$
$$= -2(q^2 + 2q + 1) + 22q + 22 + 2q^2 - 22q$$
$$= -2q^2 - 4q - 2 + 22 + 2q^2$$

$$MR(q) = -4q + 20$$

(f) At what quantity is profit maximized? What is max profit? What is the selling price when profit is maximum?

OPTION 1

$$MR = MC \Rightarrow -4q + 20 = 6$$
$$\Rightarrow -4q = -14$$
$$\Rightarrow q = \frac{-14}{-4} = 3.5$$

ROUNDS TO  $q = 4$  THINGS

OPTION 2) TRY VERTEX OF PROFIT!

$$P(x) = -2q^2 + 16q - 20$$

$$q = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{16}{2(-2)} = 4 \text{ THINGS}$$

$$\text{MAX PROFIT} = P(4) = -2(4)^2 + 16(4) - 20$$
$$= -32 + 64 - 20$$
$$= 12 \text{ DOLLARS}$$

CORRESPONDING PRICE

$$= p = -2q + 22$$
$$= -2(4) + 22$$
$$= 14 / \text{THING}$$

How to approach the problems:

**STEP 0:** Read the question. Identify the function(s) in the question.

**STEP 1:** Find/simplify the functions. (Using 2.2 skills)

**STEP 2:** Roughly sketch the function. Is it a parabola that opens upward or downward? Is it a line with a positive slope or a negative slope?

**STEP 3:** Translate the question:

- (a) About the shape/vertex?
- (b) About solving/quad formula?
- (c) A particular business application?

$$TR(q) = p \cdot q$$

$$TC(q) = FC + VC(q)$$

$$P(q) = TR(q) - TC(q)$$

**BUSINESS DEFINI**

$$AC(q) = \frac{TC(q)}{q} \Leftrightarrow TC(q) = q \cdot AC(q)$$

$$AVC(q) = \frac{VC(q)}{q} \Leftrightarrow VC(q) = q \cdot AVC(q)$$

$$AR(q) = \frac{TR(q)}{q} \Leftrightarrow TR(q) = q \cdot AR(q)$$

$$MR(q) = \frac{TR(q + \text{"ONE"}) - TR(q)}{\text{"ONE"}}$$

$$MC(q) = \frac{TC(q + \text{"ONE"}) - TC(q)}{\text{"ONE"}}$$

$$q = \text{THOUSAND ITEMS} \Rightarrow 0.001 = \text{"ONE"}$$

$$q = \text{HUNDRED ITEMS} \Rightarrow 0.01 = \text{"ONE"}$$

$$q = \text{ITEMS} \Rightarrow 1 = \text{"ONE"}$$

# Random Problems from Homework:

2.3/2:

$$C(x) = 21000 + 55x + 0.3x^2 \text{ and}$$

$$P(x) = 425x - 0.7x^2.$$

Find break even points.

**Step 0-1** Profit = 0

DIFFERENT THAN BREAK EVEN PRICE

**STEP 2** WANT

$$21000 + 55x + 0.3x^2 = 425x - 0.7x^2$$

**STEP 3**  $\Rightarrow x^2 - 370x + 21000 = 0$

QUADRATIC FORMULA!

$$x = \frac{370 \pm \sqrt{(-370)^2 - 4(1)(21000)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{370 \pm \sqrt{52900}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{370 \pm 230}{2} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{370+230}{2} = 300 \\ \frac{370-230}{2} = 70 \end{cases}$$

$$x = \boxed{70, 300}$$

2.3/5: Price per item is  $p = 150 - 0.80x$ , Find the maximum revenue.

**STEP 0-1**  $TR(x) = (\text{PRICE}) \cdot (\text{QUANTITY})$   
 $= (150 - 0.8x)x$  \*

$$TR(x) = 150x - 0.8x^2$$

**STEP 2** PARABOLA

SKETCH THIS  $\rightarrow$



$a = -0.8$   
 $b = 150$   
 $c = 0$

**STEP 3** TRANSLATE!  
 MAX  $\Leftrightarrow$  VERTEX

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{150}{2(-0.8)} = 93.75 \text{ ITEMS}$$

DID WE ANSWER THE QUESTION?

NO, GIVE MAX TR = \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS!

$$TR(93.75) = 150(93.75) - 0.8(93.75)^2$$

$$= \boxed{\$7031.25}$$

DEMAND FROM A "MONOPOLY MARKET" i.e. YOU GET TO PICK PRICE AND THIS GIVES DEMAND

2.3/7(d): For what range of quantities is  $AVC(q) = (1/30)q^2 - (3/10)q + 1$  at most \$0.55?

STEP 0-1

$$AVC(q) = \frac{1}{30}q^2 - \frac{3}{10}q + 1$$

at most \$0.55?

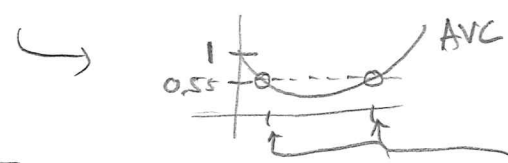
STEP 2 PARABOLA

$$a = \frac{1}{30}$$

$$b = -\frac{3}{10}$$

$$c = 1$$

SKETCH!



STEP 3 AVC IS BELOW 0.55 BETWEEN THESE

SOLVE  $AVC(q) \stackrel{?}{=} 0.55!$

$$\frac{1}{30}q^2 - \frac{3}{10}q + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 0.55$$

$$\frac{1}{30}q^2 - \frac{3}{10}q + 0.45 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$q = \frac{-(-\frac{3}{10}) \pm \sqrt{(-\frac{3}{10})^2 - 4(\frac{1}{30})(0.45)}}{2(\frac{1}{30})}$$

$$= \frac{0.3 \pm \sqrt{0.03}}{0.06}$$

ROUNDING

$$\frac{0.3 + 0.173205081}{0.06} \approx 7.09808 \rightarrow 7.10 \text{ hundred bags}$$

$$\frac{0.3 - 0.173205081}{0.06} \approx 1.90192 \rightarrow 1.90 \text{ hundred bags}$$

2.3/9(c): Give the longest interval on which  $TR(q) = -0.16q^2 + 24q$  and  $\text{Profit} = (-0.16q^2 + 24q) - (6q + 175)$  are both increasing.

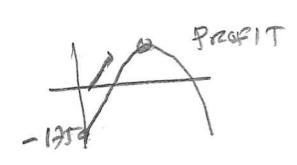
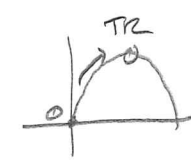
STEP 0-1

$$TR(q) = -0.16q^2 + 24q \begin{cases} a = -0.16 \\ b = 24 \\ c = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$P(q) = -0.16q^2 + 18q - 175 \begin{cases} a = -0.16 \\ b = 18 \\ c = -175 \end{cases}$$

STEP 2 PARABOLAS!

SKETCH



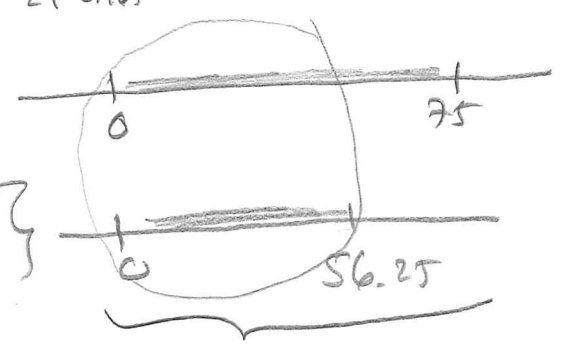
STEP 3 WANT BOTH INCREASING! THINK VERTEX!

VERTEX OF TR:  $x = -\frac{24}{2(-0.16)} \approx 75$

VERTEX OF PROFIT:  $x = -\frac{18}{2(-0.16)} \approx 56.25$

TR IS INCREASING FROM  $x=0$  TO  $x=75$

PROFIT IS INCREASING FROM  $x=0$  TO  $x=56.25$



WHEN ARE BOTH TRUE!

$0 \text{ TO } 56.25$

2,2/8,9:  $TR(q) = -0.25q^2 + 30q$

$TC(q) = 17.5q + 100$

q IN ITEMS

IF IN THOUSANDS

THEN 0.001 IS HERE

(a) Find MR and MC formulas

(b) Find AR and AC formulas

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \text{MR}(q) &= \frac{TR(q+1) - TR(q)}{1} = [-0.25(q+1)^2 + 30(q+1)] - [-0.25q^2 + 30q] \\ &= -0.25(q^2 + 2q + 1) + 30q + 30 + 0.25q^2 - 30q \\ &= -0.25q^2 - 0.5q - 0.25 + 30 + 0.25q^2 \\ &= \boxed{29.75 - 0.5q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MC}(q) &= \frac{TC(q+1) - TC(q)}{1} = (17.5(q+1) + 100) - (17.5q + 100) \\ &= 17.5q + 17.5 + 100 - 17.5q - 100 \\ &= \boxed{17.5} \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \text{AR}(q) = \frac{TR(q)}{q} = \frac{-0.25q^2 + 30q}{q} = \boxed{-0.25q + 30}$$

$$\text{AC}(q) = \frac{17.5q + 100}{q} = \boxed{17.5 + \frac{100}{q}}$$

**One More Big Example:**

You sell Objects. Your finance specialist analyzed your cost and given you following:

$$VC(q) = 0.01q^3 - 0.135q^2 + 0.6075q$$

$$MC(q) = 0.03q^2 - 0.27q + 0.6075$$

FC = 90 hundred dollars

Market price =  $p = 30$  dollars/Object

$q$  in hundreds of Objects

VC is in hundreds of dollars

MC is in dollars/Object (as it always is!)

$$TC(q) = FC + VC(q)$$

$$TC(q) = 90 + 0.01q^3 - 0.135q^2 + 0.6075q$$

$$AC(q) = \frac{90}{q} + 0.01q^2 - 0.135q + 0.6075$$

$\div q$

$\div q$

$$AVC(q) = 0.01q^2 - 0.135q + 0.6075$$

**Question 0:**

Find all the other business functions.

$$TR(q) = \text{PRICE} \cdot \text{QUANTITY}$$

$$TR(q) = 30q$$

$$\text{Profit} = P(q) = TR(q) - TC(q)$$

$$= 30q - 90 - 0.01q^3 + 0.135q^2 - 0.6075q$$

$$= -0.01q^3 + 0.135q^2 + 29.3925q - 90$$

Now let's forget the given market price and do a general cost analysis.

What is break even price (BEP)?

LOWEST y-VALUE OF AC

$$AC(q) = \frac{90}{q} + 0.01q^2 - 0.135q + 0.6075$$

WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO FIND THE LOWEST VALUE FOR THIS IN MATH!!!

What is shutdown price (SDP)?

LOWEST y-VALUE OF AVC

$$AVC(q) = 0.01q^2 - 0.135q + 0.6075$$

QUADRATIC!

$$q = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{-0.135}{2(0.01)} = 6.75$$

$$y\text{-VALUE} = AVC(6.75)$$

$$= 0.01(6.75)^2 - 0.135(6.75) + 0.6075$$

$$\approx 0.151875$$

$$SDP = \$0.15 / \text{ITEM}$$

OR y-VALUE WHEN  $AC = MC$

$$\text{OR } \frac{90}{q} + 0.01q^2 - 0.135q + 0.6075 \stackrel{?}{=} 0.03q^2 - 0.27q + 0.6075$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{90}{q} = 0.02q^2 - 0.135q \Rightarrow 90 = 0.02q^3 - 0.135q^2$$

SOLVER

$$\Rightarrow x \approx 19.094$$

$$y\text{-VALUE} = AC(19.094) \approx 6.38914$$

$$BEP = \$6.39 / \text{ITEM}$$

WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO SOLVE IN MATH!!!

OR y-VALUE WHEN  $AVC = MC$

$$\text{OR } 0.01q^2 - 0.135q + 0.6075 \stackrel{!}{=} 0.03q^2 - 0.27q + 0.6075$$

$$0 = 0.02q^2 - 0.135q \quad \leftarrow \text{FACTOR}$$

$$0 = q(0.02q - 0.135)$$

$$q=0 \quad \text{OR} \quad 0.02q - 0.135 = 0$$

$$q = \frac{0.135}{0.02} = 6.75$$

OR QUADRATIC FORMULA

$$AC(6.75) \approx 0.151875$$

$$SDP = \$0.15 / \text{ITEM}$$