

of Notes on max rev, ave cost

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Extrema (MAX/MIN) of y ^{cont} on

closed interval \leftarrow CR NOS / E
END

open interval \leftarrow CR NOS
MAY NOT EXIST

$y = x + \frac{1}{x}$ 1^o $x > 0$ CR NOS. $x = +1$ (also -1 but, thrown out)
NO MAX

2^o $[\frac{1}{2}, 2]$ CR NOS. ENDS

ABS MIN at 1 (center)

ABS MAX at [both] END POINTS



3^o $[2, 4]$ CR NOS outside
END

4^o $(2, 4)$ NO MAX NO MIN

5^o $[1, 4]$

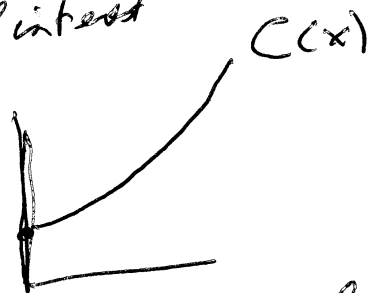
Problem 1. Max Revenue for $q = 240 - 2b$

$$R = b \cdot q = b(240 - 2b) \text{ find } b$$

$0 \leq b \leq 120$ of interest

2. Average Cost

$C(x)$ cost of producing
first x units



$A(x) = \frac{C(x)}{x}$: Average Price of first x units

Minimize $A(x)$, $0 < x < +\infty$

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{C(x)}{x} = \frac{x C'(x) - 1 C(x)}{x^2} = 0 \text{ (for } x > 0)$$

when $x C'(x) = C(x)$ or $C'(x) = \frac{A(x)}{x}$

Problems 3.4:

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5. ABS MAX min

$$y = 3t^5 - 5t^3, -2 \leq t \leq 0$$

[10]

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$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 15t^4 - 15t^2 = 15t^2(t^2 - 1)$$

Roots 0, 0, 1, -1

$$y_1(-2) = -56 \leftarrow \text{ABS MIN}$$

$$y_1(-1) = 2 \leftarrow \text{ABS MAX}$$

$$y_1(0) = 0 \leftarrow \text{endpoint \& REL MIN?}$$

pp. 17ff (a) Profit $P(q)$
Marginal Revenue $\frac{dR}{dq}$
Marginal Cost $\frac{dC}{dq}$
Maximize $P(q)$ $\left[\frac{dP}{dq}\right] = 0$

$$[17.] p(q) = 49 - q; C(q) = \frac{1}{8}q^2 + 4q + 200$$

$$\text{Profit } q(49 - q) - \left(\frac{1}{8}q^2 + 4q + 500\right)$$

$$\dots \frac{dR}{dq} = 49 - 2q;$$

$$\dots \frac{dC}{dq} = \frac{1}{4}q + 4$$

$$\frac{dP}{dq} = 0 \text{ wh } \frac{dR}{dq} = \frac{dC}{dq}$$

$$49 - 2q = \frac{1}{4}q + 4$$

$$45 = \frac{9}{4}q;$$

$$q = \frac{180}{9} = 20.$$

Average Cost $C(q) = \frac{1}{8}q^2 + 4q + 200$ 20090225 3/

$$A(q) = \frac{1}{8}q + 4 + \frac{200}{q}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dq} = \frac{1}{8} - \frac{200}{q^2}, \dots, q^2 = 1600, \boxed{q=40}$$

MIN.

$$C'(q) = \frac{1}{4}q + 4$$

$$C'(40) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 40 + 4 = 14$$

$$A(40) = \frac{1}{8}(40) + 4 + \frac{200}{40} = 5 + 4 + 5 = 14!$$

Elasticity Definition "Price elasticity of Demand"
 Ratio of Relative (small) change

$$\frac{\frac{\Delta q}{q}}{\frac{\Delta p}{p}} = \frac{p}{q} \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta p} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{p}{q} \frac{dq}{dp}}$$

$E(p)$: change p by Δp
vs. Revenue ~~R~~ ~~changes~~ price

price changed by $+\epsilon\%$
 q changed by $\pm |E(p)|\epsilon\%$

$$\text{New } R = R(1+\epsilon\%)(1 \mp |E(p)|\epsilon\%)$$

$$\bar{R} \left(\underbrace{-|E|^2}_{\text{much smaller than } \epsilon} + \epsilon(1 \mp E(p)) \right)$$

$$|E(q)| > 1 \quad (E(q) < -1)$$

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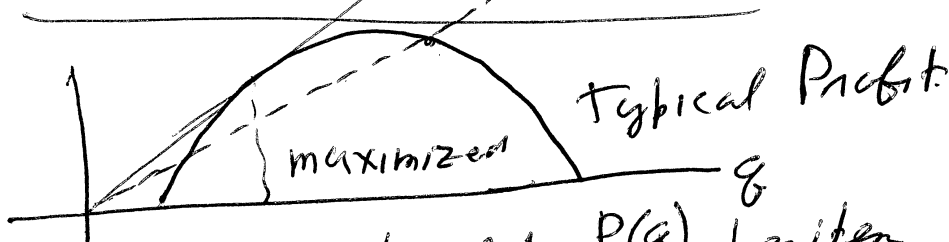
Elastic Demand - size of change
in q larger than % change in p

$R(p)$ decreasing

$$|E(q)| < 1 \quad (-1 < E(q) < 0)$$

Inelastic

$|E(q)| = 1$ unitary elasticity
unit elastic



Average profit $\frac{P(q)}{q}$ per item

$$\frac{dP}{dq} = P'(q) \quad (\text{definitely not } 0)$$