

**Test 3**

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*Television is something the Russians  
invented to destroy American education.*

Paul Erdős (1913 - 1996)  
Hungarian mathematician

**No work = no credit****Closed Book & Closed Notes**

Warm-ups (1 pt each)  $7 \times 8 = \underline{56}$        $\frac{7}{0} = \underline{\text{undefined}}$        $-7^2 = \underline{-49}$

1.) (5 pts) Suppose a computer manufacturer has the total cost function  $C(x) = 85x + 3300$  and the total revenue function  $R(x) = 385x$ .

a. What is the equation of the profit function for this commodity?

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= R(x) - C(x) \\ &= 385x - (85x + 3300) \\ &= 300x - 3300 \end{aligned}$$

b. What is the profit on 351 items?

$$P(351) = 102000$$

c. How many items must be sold to avoid losing money?

solve  $P(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 300x - 3300$$

$$\Rightarrow 3300 = 300x \Rightarrow x = 11$$

11 items.

d. What is the marginal profit?

$$\overline{MP} = 300.$$

e. Interpret the marginal profit.

profit increases \$300 for each additional unit sold.

- 2.) (4 pts) Suppose that the total cost function for a stereo is linear, that the marginal cost is \$27, and that the total cost for 50 stereos is \$4250. Write the equation of this cost function.

$$C(x) = 27x + b \quad \leftarrow \text{Fixed cost.}$$

$$C(50) = 4250 = 27x + b \quad \leftarrow 50$$

$$\Rightarrow 4250 - 27(50) = b$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 2900$$

$$C(x) = 27x + 2900.$$

- 3.) (4 pts) If the supply function for a commodity is  $s(p) = q^2 + 8q + 20$  and the demand function is  $D: p = 100 - 4q - q^2$ , find the equilibrium quantity and equilibrium price.

$$q^2 + 8q + 20 = 100 - 4q - q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2q^2 + 12q - 80 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 + 6q - 40 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (q + 10)(q - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow q = -10 \text{ OR } q = 4$$

$$q = 4 \quad \Sigma \quad p = 4^2 + 8 \cdot 4 + 20 = 68$$

$$\text{price} = \$68$$

$$\text{quantity} = 4.$$

- 4.) (4 pts) If the total costs are  $C(x) = 1600 + 1500x$  and total revenues are  $R(x) = 1600x - x^2$ , find the break-even points.

$$C = R$$

$$\Rightarrow 1600 + 1500x = 1600x - x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 100x + 1600 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 80)(x - 20) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 80 \text{ OR } x = 20.$$

equilibrium when 20 or 80 items made/sold.

- 5.) (4 pts) If, in a monopoly market, the demand for a product is  $p = 1600 - x$  and the revenue is  $R = p \cdot x$ , where  $x$  is the number of units sold, what price will maximize revenue?

$$R = p \cdot x$$

$$= (1600 - x) \cdot x$$

$$\text{max } Q \quad x = 800$$

$$\text{w/price } \$800.$$

- 6.) (4 pts) The profit function for a firm making widgets is  $P(x) = 88x - x^2 - 1200$ . Find the number of units at which maximum profit is achieved, and find the maximum profit.

$$\text{max } P(x) = -x^2 + 88x - 1200$$

$$\text{vertex } Q \left( -\frac{b}{2a}, P\left(-\frac{b}{2a}\right) \right)$$

$$x = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-88}{2(-1)} = 44$$

$$P(44) = \$736$$

max profit of \$736 when  
44 units are made/sold.

7.) (2 pts) Find the infinite sum,  $S_{\infty}$ , of this geometric sequence: 81, 27, 9, 3, ...

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{81}{1 - 1/3} = \frac{81}{2/3} = \frac{243}{2}$$

8.) (2 pts) Find the twenty-fourth term,  $a_{24}$ , and the sum,  $S_{24}$ , of the first 24 terms of the following arithmetic sequence: 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, ...

$$\begin{aligned} a_{24} &= 3 + 4(n-1) \Big|_{n=24} \\ &= 3 + 4(23) \\ &= 95 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{24} &= \frac{24}{2} (3 + 95) \\ &= 1176 \end{aligned}$$

9.) (2 pts) Write an expression for the sum,  $S_{240}$ , of the first two hundred forty terms of the geometric sequence: 2, 8, 32, 128, ...

$$S_{240} = \frac{2(1 - 4^{240})}{1 - 4}$$