

2.3: Applications of
Quadratics to Business
Math III

Objective:

- Profit, Revenue,
and Cost with
Quadratics

TOOLS FOR CONSTRUCTING

Revenue = (selling price) \cdot x where x is the number of units sold

Costs = (variable cost) \cdot x + fixed cost where x is the number of units produced

PROFIT = (Revenue) $-$ (Cost)

COMPETITIVE
MARKET

MONOPOLY
MARKET

TOOLS FOR ANALYZING

MAXIMIZE, use VERTEX $x = -\frac{b}{2a}$ is the units, then evaluate the function to find max \$\$\$.

BREAKEVEN: $R = C$

$R - C = 0$ then use the quadratic formula $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

1. In a monopoly market, the demand for a product is $p = 1600 - x$ where x is the number of units sold.
 - a. Find the Revenue function
 - b. Find the maximum Revenue and the number of units sold that will maximize Revenue.
 - c. Find the price that will maximize revenue.

2. Consider the revenue and cost functions given below.

$$C(x) = 2000 + 40x + x^2$$

$$R(x) = 130x$$

a. Is this a monopoly or competitive market?

b. Find the Profit function.

c. Find and interpret the maximum profit

d. Find and interpret the breakeven points

3. In a monopoly market, the demand function is $p = 500 - 2x$. Fixed costs are 3600 and variable costs are given by $100 + 2x$

a. Find and interpret the maximum Profit and the number of units produced and sold that will maximize Profit

b. Find and interpret the breakeven points.

c. Find and interpret the selling price that will maximize profits.