

1. (12 points)

(a) Suppliers are willing to produce 56 items if the price is \$440/item and 136 items if the price is \$530/item. The supply curve is linear.

i. Give the equation for the supply curve. (Use  $p$  for price and  $q$  for quantity).

$$m = \frac{530 - 440}{136 - 56} = \frac{90}{80} = 1.125$$

$$p = 1.125(q - 56) + 440$$

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ii. You are also told that the demand curve is  $2p + 6q = 1447$ .

Find the quantity and price that corresponds to market equilibrium.

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$$2(1.125q + 377) + 6q = 1447$$

$$2.25q + 754 + 6q = 1447$$

$$8.25q = 693$$

$$q = 84$$

$$p = 1.125(84) + 377 = 471.50$$

$$q = 84 \text{ items}$$
$$p = 471.50 \text{ dollars/item}$$

(b) Solve  $3(1 + 4e^{0.1x}) = 27$  for  $x$  (give your final answer accurate to 3 digits after the decimal).

$$1 + 4e^{0.1x} = 9$$

$$4e^{0.1x} = 8$$

$$e^{0.1x} = 2$$

$$0.1x = \ln(2)$$

$$x = \frac{\ln(2)}{0.1} \approx 6.931471806$$

$$x = 6.931$$

2. (12 points) You are given average variable cost and marginal cost for a product:

$$AVC(x) = x^2 - 3.4x + 7 \text{ dollars/item} \quad \text{and} \quad MC(x) = 3x^2 - 6.8x + 7 \text{ dollars/item,}$$

where  $x$  is in thousands of items. You also know that fixed cost is  $FC = 2$  thousand dollars.

Round your final answers to the nearest item or nearest cent.

(a) Find and simplify the formulas for total cost and average cost.

$$VC(x) = x AVC(x) = x(x^2 - 3.4x + 7) = x^3 - 3.4x^2 + 7x$$

$$TC(x) = \frac{x^3 - 3.4x^2 + 7x + 2}{1} \text{ thousand dollars}$$

$$AC(x) = \frac{x^3 - 3.4x^2 + 7x + 2}{x} \text{ dollars/item}$$

(b) Find the shutdown price.

LOWEST  $y$ -VALUE OF  $AVC(x)$

$$x = -\frac{-3.4}{2(1)} = 1.7$$

$$AVC(1.7) = (1.7)^2 - 3.4(1.7) + 7 = 4.11$$

OR solve  $AVC(x) = MC(x)$   
to get this



$$SDP = \underline{4.11} \text{ dollars/item}$$

(c) Find the range of quantities over which  $MC(x)$  is less than or equal to \$6 per item.

$$MC(x) = 6 \Rightarrow 3x^2 - 6.8x + 7 = 6$$

$$3x^2 - 6.8x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{6.8 \pm \sqrt{6.8^2 - 4(3)(1)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{6.8 \pm \sqrt{34.24}}{6} \approx \frac{6.8 \pm 5.851495535}{6}$$

$$x \approx 0.158084078 \text{ to } x \approx 2.108582589$$



$$x = \underline{0.158} \text{ to } x = \underline{2.109} \text{ thousand items}$$

3. (14 points) The total cost to produce  $x$  tennis balls is given by:  $TC(x) = 0.5x + 42$  dollars.  
 The price per ball for an order of  $x$  tennis balls is given by:  $p = 4 - 0.05x$  dollars/ball.

(a) Find the quantity at which Average Cost is equal to \$7.50 per ball.

$$AC(x) = \frac{0.5x + 42}{x} = 0.5 + \frac{42}{x} \stackrel{?}{=} 7.50$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.5x + 42 = 7.5x$$

$$42 = 7x$$

$$x = 6$$

$$x = \underline{6} \text{ balls}$$

(b) Find and simplify the formulas for Total Revenue and Marginal Revenue.

(Recall:  $MR(x) = TR(x+1) - TR(x)$ ).

$$TR(x) = (\text{price}) \times x = (4 - 0.05x)x = 4x - 0.05x^2$$

$$MR(x) = [4(x+1) - 0.05(x+1)^2] - [4x - 0.05x^2]$$

$$= [4x + 4 - 0.05(x^2 + 2x + 1)] - [4x - 0.05x^2]$$

$$= \cancel{4x} + 4 - \cancel{0.05x^2} - 0.1x - 0.05 - \cancel{4x} + \cancel{0.05x^2}$$

$$= -0.1x + 3.95$$

$$TR(x) = \underline{4x - 0.05x^2} \text{ dollars}$$

$$MR(x) = \underline{-0.1x + 3.95} \text{ dollars/ball.}$$

(c) Find the price that corresponds to maximum profit.

$$\text{PROFIT} = TR(x) - TC(x) = [4x - 0.05x^2] - [0.5x + 42]$$

$$P(x) = -0.05x^2 + 3.5x - 42$$

$$x = -\frac{3.5}{2(-0.05)} = 35$$

$$p = 4 - 0.05(35) = 2.25$$

$$p = \underline{2.25} \text{ dollars/ball.}$$

4. (12 points) Your company makes two kinds of soda: Regular and Diet.

Your total daily production of soda is limited to 1000 gallons.

Production requires 2 cup of sugar per gallon of Regular and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of sugar per gallon of Diet. Today, you are limited to 626 cups of sugar.

The profit is \$1 per gallon of Regular soda and \$1.20 per gallon of Diet soda.

Let  $x$  = the gallons of Regular soda and  $y$  = the gallons of Diet soda that you produce and sell.

(a) Give the constraints, then sketch and shade the feasible region.

You must label ALL  $x$ -intercepts,  $y$ -intercepts, and intersection points for full credit.

	$x$	$y$	TOTAL
SUGAR	2	$\frac{1}{2}$	$2x + \frac{1}{2}y$
PROFIT	1	1.20	$x + 1.20y$

CONSTRAINTS:

$$x + y \leq 1000 \quad (0, 1000) \quad (1000, 0)$$

$$2x + \frac{1}{2}y \leq 626 \quad (0, 1252) \quad (313, 0)$$

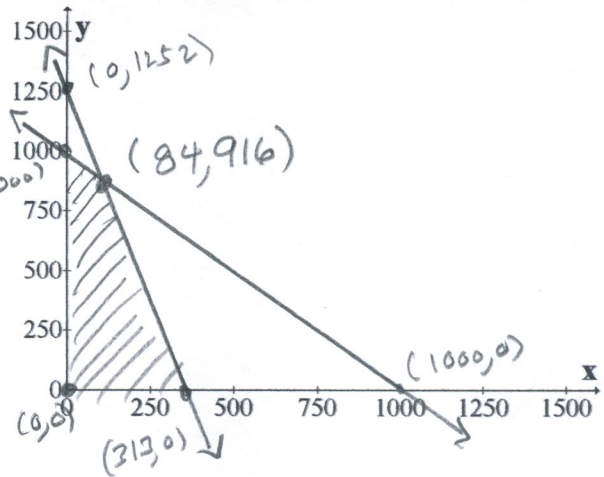
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$$x + y = 1000 \Rightarrow y = 1000 - x$$

$$2x + \frac{1}{2}(1000 - x) = 626$$

$$2x + 500 - \frac{1}{2}x = 626$$

$$1.5x = 126 \quad x = 84 \quad \Rightarrow y = 1000 - 84 = 916$$



(b) How much of each type of soda should you produce to give maximum profit? Also give the value of maximum profit? (Show your work)

$$P(0, 0) = 0$$

$$P(0, 1000) = (0) + 1.20(1000) = 1200$$

$$P(313, 0) = (313) + 1.20(0) = 313$$

$$P(84, 916) = (84) + 1.20(916) = 1183.20$$

$x =$	0	gallons of Regular soda
$y =$	1000	gallons of Diet soda
Max Profit =	1200	dollars