

1. (11 pts=2+4+5) Two cars, an Audi and a Bug, start at the same place and drive in the same direction on a straight road. The **distance** covered by the **Audi** in the first  $t$  minutes is given by:

$$D_A(t) = 0.75t \text{ (in miles)}$$

The **average trip speed (ATS) of the Bug** during the first  $t$  minutes is given by the function:

$$s_B(t) = 0.08t + 0.2 \text{ (in miles per minute)}$$

- a) Find the formula, in terms of  $t$ , for the distance covered by the Bug in the first  $t$  minutes.

Use:  $D(t) = t \cdot \text{ATS}(t)$ :

$$D_B(t) = t s_B(t) = t(0.08t + 0.2) = 0.08t^2 + 0.2t$$

Answer:  $D_B(t) = \underline{0.08t^2 + 0.2t}$ .

- b) At  $t = 2$  minutes, which car is ahead, and by how many miles?

In the first 2 minutes, the Audi traveled:  $D_A(2) = 0.75(2) = 1.5$  miles.

In the same 2 minutes, the Bug traveled:  $D_B(2) = 0.08(2)^2 + 0.2(2) = 0.72$  miles.

Hence the Audi is ahead of the Bug, by  $1.5 - 0.72 = 0.78$  miles.

Answer: Car Audi is ahead of Car Bug by 0.78 miles .

- c) When is the Bug exactly 1 mile ahead of the Audi?

The Bug is ahead by 1 mile when the distance it traveled is larger by 1 mile.

That is, we want to find the time  $t$  when:

$$D_B(t) = D_A(t) + 1$$

$$0.08t^2 + 0.2t = 0.75t + 1$$

Solve for  $t$ :

$$0.08t^2 - 0.55t - 1 = 0$$

Applying the quadratic formula we get:  $t \approx -1.49$  or  $t \approx 8.37$  minutes.

Trip starts at  $t=0$ , so only the 2nd time is valid.

Answer: The Bug is 1 mile ahead of the Audi at  $t = \underline{8.37}$  minutes.

2. (15 pts=6+3+6) Water is flowing in and out of a vat. The formula for the amount of water in the vat, at  $t$  hours, is:  $A(t) = 0.5t^2 - 6t + 20$  gallons.

- a) Sketch the graph of  $A(t)$  and find all the times when the vat contains **at most** 10 gallons of water.

The graph of  $A(t)$  is a concave-up parabola.

Its y-intercept is  $A(0)=20$

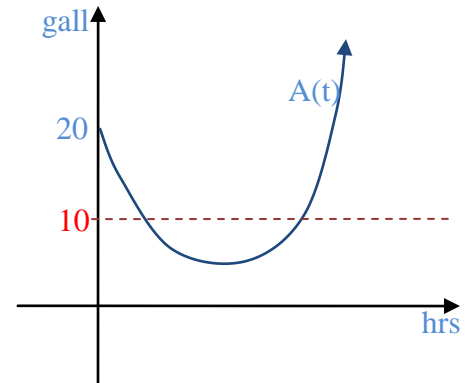
$A(t)=10$ :

$$0.5t^2 - 6t + 20 = 10$$

$$0.5t^2 - 6t + 10 = 0$$

Quadratic Formula gives:  $t = 2$  and  $t = 10$

Looking at the graph, we see that the graph of  $A(t)$  is at most height 10 between the two times where it's equal to 10, so from  $t=2$  to  $t=10$ .



Answer: Vat A contains  $\leq 10$  gallons at times: \_\_\_\_\_ **from  $t=2$  to  $t=10$  hours** \_\_\_\_\_.  
(your answer should be one or more time intervals)

- b) Another vat, vat B, contains 10 gallons of water initially. Water is added to vat B at a constant rate of 5 gallons an hour. Find a formula (in terms of  $t$ ) for the amount of water in vat B at time  $t$  hours. (You don't need to show work.)

Answer:  $B(t) = \underline{5t+10}$  gallons.

- c) At what time is the **difference** between the amount of water in vat B and the amount of water in vat A the greatest?

The difference is given by the function:  $B(t)-A(t)=(5t+10)-(0.5t^2-6t+20) = -0.5t^2+11t-10$ .

This is a quadratic function, whose graph is a concave-down parabola, so it's max at its vertex:

$$t = -\frac{11}{2(-0.5)} = 11$$

Answer: At  $t = \underline{11}$  hours

3. (15 pts=3+6+6) You produce Blivets in batches of 1 to 60. Each Blivet costs you \$5 to produce, and your fixed costs are \$100.

Your total revenue from selling  $q$  Blivets is:  $TR(q) = -0.3q^2 + 25q$  dollars.

- a) Find a formula for your Average Revenue from selling  $q$  Blivets. Simplify and specify the units for AR.

$$AR(q) = \frac{TR(q)}{q} = \frac{-0.3q^2 + 25q}{q} = -0.3q + 25$$

Answer:  $AR(q) = -0.3q + 25$  Units: \$ per Blivet

- b) Recall that  $MR(q) = TR(q + 1) - TR(q)$ . Find a formula, in  $q$ , for the Marginal Revenue  $MR(q)$ . Simplify as much as possible.

$$\begin{aligned} MR(q) &= TR(q + 1) - TR(q) \\ &= [-0.3(q + 1)^2 + 25(q + 1)] - [-0.3q^2 + 25q] \\ &= [-0.3(q^2 + 2q + 1) + 25(q + 1)] - [-0.3q^2 + 25q] \\ &= -0.3q^2 - 0.6q - 0.3 + 25q + 25 + 0.3q^2 - 25q \\ &= -0.3q^2 - 0.6q - 0.3 + 25q + 25 + 0.3q^2 - 25q \\ &= -0.6q + 24.7 \end{aligned}$$

Answer:  $MR(q) = -0.6q + 24.7$

- c) What number of Blivets maximizes your profit?

You could solve this either one of two ways:

Method I: Set  $MR=MC$ , and solve for  $q$ .

You have found a formula for MR in part b). Since the problem specifies that each Blivet costs you \$5 to produce,  $MC(q)=5$  for all  $q$ .

So:  $-0.6q + 24.7 = 5$ , which gives  $q = 19.7 / 0.6 \approx 32.833$

With this method, we need to round UP to the next whole number of Blivets:  $q=33$ .

Method II:

Since each Blivet costs you \$5 to produce, and your fixed costs are \$100, your Total Cost formula is

$$TC(q) = 5q + 100.$$

Then the Profit is:

$$P(q) = TR(q) - TC(q) = (-0.3q^2 + 25q) - (5q + 100) = -0.3q^2 + 20q - 100.$$

This is a concave-down parabola, so it's max at its vertex:

$$q = -20 / (2(-0.3)) = 20 / 0.6 \approx 33.33$$

With this method, we need to round off to the nearest whole number, so to  $q=33$ .

Either method, the answer should be:

Answer: Profit will be maximal at  $q = 33$  Blivets (answer should be a whole number)

4. (9 pts=4+5) You are producing Items.  
 Your **average cost** for producing  **$q$  hundred Items** is given by the function:

$$AC(q) = \frac{50}{q} + 3 \text{ (dollars per Item)}$$

- a) For what number of Items is your average cost \$7 per item?

$$AC=7$$

$$50/q+3=7$$

$$50/q=4$$

$$50=4q$$

$$q=50/4=12.5 \text{ hundred items}$$

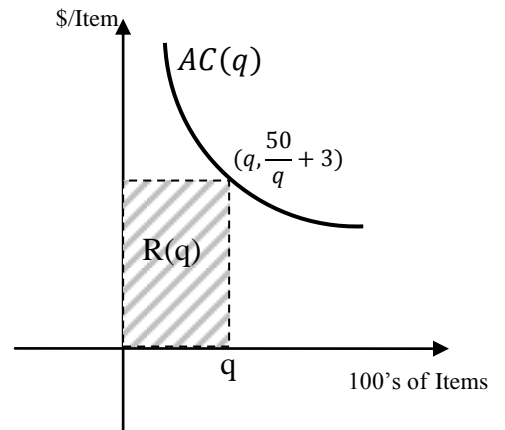
Answer: For  $q=$  1250 Items.

- b) Define a new function,  $R(q)$ , to be:

the area of the rectangle under the graph of the average cost  $AC(q)$ ,  
 with a corner at the point  $(q, \frac{50}{q} + 3)$ , and sides along the axes.

Compute  $R(50)$  and state what this area represents, in terms of your costs.

Include correct units.



$$R(50)=(\text{base})(\text{height})=50(50/50+3)=50+3(50)=200$$

$$\text{Units: (100's of Items)}(\$/ \text{Item}) = 100\text{'s of } \$$$

$$R(q)= (\text{base})(\text{height})= (q) \cdot AC(q)=TC(q)$$

Answer:  $R(50) =$  200 Units: hundreds of dollars

This area represents: the Total Cost for producing 5000 Items.