

$$TC(q) = \overbrace{q^2 + 5q}^{\text{variable cost}} + \underbrace{10}_{\text{Fixed cost}}, \quad TR(q) = 25q$$

(a) $TC(q) = VC(q) + FC$ so $VC(q) = TC(q) - FC$
 Note: $FC = TC(0) = 10$

So $VC(q) = q^2 + 5q$
 Thus, $VC(4) = (4)^2 + 5(4) = 16 + 20 = \boxed{36 \text{ dollars}}$

(b) $MC(q) = TC(q+1) - TC(q)$
 $= [(q+1)^2 + 5(q+1) + 10] - [q^2 + 5q + 10]$
 $= [q^2 + 2q + 1 + 5q + 5 + 10] - [q^2 + 5q + 10]$
 $= \boxed{2q + 6}$

(c) TWO METHODS

Method 1: Find vertex of the profit function.

$$P(q) = TR(q) - TC(q)$$

$$= [25q] - [q^2 + 5q + 10]$$

$$= 25q - q^2 - 5q - 10$$

$P(q) = -q^2 + 20q - 10$

VERTEX $q = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{20}{2(-1)} = \boxed{10 \text{ items}}$

$P(10) = -(10)^2 + 20(10) - 10$
 $= -100 + 200 - 10 = \boxed{90}$

Method 2: Solve $MR(q) = MC(q)$

$MR(q) = TR(q+1) - TR(q)$
 $= 25(q+1) - 25q = 25q + 25 - 25q = 25$

$MR = MC \Rightarrow 25 = 2q + 6$

$19 = 2q \Rightarrow q = 9.5$

ROUND UP! $\Rightarrow \boxed{q = 10 \text{ item}}$

GET PROFIT SAME AS ABOVE $\boxed{P(10) = 90}$

(d) $TR(q) - TC(q) = 26$ $\leftarrow -(q-2)(q-18) = 0$
 $-q^2 + 20q - 10 = 26$ $-q^2 + 20q - 36 = 0$
QUADRATIC FORMULA OR FACTOR $\boxed{q = 2, 18}$

$$\boxed{2} \quad D_A(t) = t^3 - 7t^2 + 20t$$

$$ATS_B(t) = 9 + 2t$$

$$(a) \quad ATS_A(t) = \frac{D_A(t)}{t} = \frac{t^3 - 7t^2 + 20t}{t} = \boxed{t^2 - 7t + 20}$$

$$D_B(t) = t \cdot ATS_B(t) = \boxed{9t + 2t^2}$$

$$(b) \quad \boxed{\text{VERTEX OF } ATS_A(t)}$$

$$t = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{-7}{2(1)} = \boxed{3.5 \text{ hours}}$$

$$(c) \quad \text{Find } \frac{D_B(5) - D_B(2)}{5 - 2}$$

$$D_B(5) = 9(5) + 2(5)^2 = 95$$

$$D_B(2) = 9(2) + 2(2)^2 = 26$$

$$\frac{D_B(5) - D_B(2)}{5 - 2} = \frac{95 - 26}{3} = \frac{69}{3} = \boxed{23 \text{ mph}}$$

$$(d) \quad \text{Solve } ATS_A(t) = ATS_B(t) + 5$$

$$t^2 - 7t + 20 = 9 + 2t + 5$$

$$t^2 - 7t + 20 = 14 + 2t$$

$$t^2 - 9t + 6 = 0$$

$$\boxed{\text{QUADRATIC FORMULA}} \quad t = \frac{-(-9) \pm \sqrt{(-9)^2 - 4(1)(6)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{81 - 24}}{2}$$

$$= 8.27, 0.725$$

$$t = \boxed{8.27}, \boxed{0.73} \text{ hours.}$$

$$\boxed{3} \quad p = 15 - 0.2q, \quad AC(q) = 3 + \frac{20}{q}$$

$$(a) \quad \begin{aligned} TR(q) &= q(15 - 0.2q) = \boxed{15q - 0.2q^2} \\ TC(q) &= q\left(3 + \frac{20}{q}\right) = \boxed{3q + 20} \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad AVC(q) = \frac{VC(q)}{q} = \frac{3q}{q} = \boxed{3}$$

Note: $VC(q) = 3q$ and $FC = 20$.

$$(c) \quad \text{Find the vertex of } TR \text{ and compute the value}$$

$$q = -\frac{b}{2a} = -\frac{15}{2(-0.2)} = 37.5 \text{ hundred things}$$

$$TR(37.5) = \boxed{281.25} \text{ hundred dollars}$$

$$(d) \quad \begin{aligned} MC(5) &= TC(5.01) - TC(5) \\ &= [3(5.01) + 20] - [3(5) + 20] \\ &= 35.03 - 35 \\ &= 0.03 \text{ hundred dollars} \\ &= \boxed{\$3.00} \end{aligned}$$

$$(e) \quad \text{Solve } AC(q) = 14$$

$$3 + \frac{20}{q} = 14$$

$$\frac{20}{q} = 11$$

$$20 = 11q$$

$$q = \frac{20}{11} = 1.8181\dots$$

$$\boxed{182 \text{ Things}}$$

ASIDE

As stated in the problem, q is in hundreds of Things. So in (d): 500 to 501 is $q=5$ to $q=5.01$.
in (e): $q=1.818$ is 182 Things.