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Unit: 05a – Mathematics 1

GROUP(C)-VERSION C

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Candidates should answer **NINE** of the following **ELEVEN** questions: **SEVEN** from section A (60 marks in total) and **TWO** from section B (20 marks each).

Candidates are strongly advised to divide their time accordingly.

Graph paper is provided at the student request.

Calculators **May NOT** be used for this paper.

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SECTION A

Answer all **SEVEN** questions from this section (60 marks in total)

1. The supply equation for a good is

$$q = p^2 - 14p - 4$$

and the demand equation is

$$q = -p^2 + 2p + 50$$

where p is the price.

Sketch the supply and the demand functions for $p \geq 0$

Determine the equilibrium price and quantity.

Supply $q = p^2 - 14p - 4$

(1) It has U shape since it has positive p^2 term

(2) Intercepts: p-intercepts : $q = 0$, $p^2 - 14p - 4 = 0$,

$$p = \frac{14 \pm \sqrt{212}}{2}$$

q-intercept: $p = 0 \Rightarrow q = -4$; (0, -4)

(3) The minimum : $q' = 2p - 14 = 0 \Rightarrow p = 7$

$$\Rightarrow q = 7^2 - 14(7) - 4 = -53; (7, -53)$$

$$\text{OR, } p = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{14}{2} = 7 \Rightarrow q = -53 \Rightarrow V(7, -53)$$

Demand $q = -p^2 + 2p + 50$

(1) It has \cap shape since it has negative p^2 term

(2) Intercepts: p-intercepts : $q = 0$, $-p^2 + 2p + 50 = 0$,

$$p = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{204}}{-2}$$

q-intercept: $p = 0 \Rightarrow q = 50$; (0, 50)

(3) The minimum : $q' = -2p + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow p = 1$

$$\Rightarrow q = 1^2 + 2(1) + 50 = 53 ; (1, 51)$$

$$\text{OR, } p = \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-2}{-2} = 1 \Rightarrow q = 53 \Rightarrow V(1, 51)$$

Equilibrium price and quantity

$$p^2 - 14p - 4 = -p^2 + 2p + 50 \Rightarrow 2p^2 - 16p - 54 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - 8p - 27 = 0 \Rightarrow p = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{172}}{2} = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{4 \times 43}}{2}$$

$$p = \frac{8 \pm 2\sqrt{43}}{2} = 4 \pm \sqrt{43}$$

$p = 4 - \sqrt{43}$ which is economically not feasible, $p = 4 + \sqrt{43}$

$$\Rightarrow q = (4 + \sqrt{43})^2 - 14(4 + \sqrt{43}) + 50 = 45 - 6\sqrt{43}$$

Sketch of the graphs 5 marks each.

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2. Find the value of x that maximises the function:

$$f(x) = (1+x)e^{-x/4}$$

Verify that it is a maximum.

$$f'(x) = (1) e^{-x/4} - (1/4)(1+x) e^{-x/4} = e^{-x/4} (1 - 1/4 - x/4)$$

$$f'(x) = 1/4 e^{-x/4} (3-x), \quad f'(x) = 0, \quad 3-x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

$$f''(x) = 1/4 [(-1) e^{-x/4} - (1/4)(3-x) e^{-x/4}] = 1/4 e^{-x/4} (-7+x/4)$$

$$f''(3) = 1/4 e^{-3/4} (-7+3/4) = -1/4 e^{-3/4} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ maximises } f(x)$$

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3. Determine the following integrals

$$\int \frac{dx}{x(2-\ln x)^3}, \quad u = 1-\ln x \Rightarrow du = -dx/x$$

$$-\int \frac{du}{u^3} = -\int u^{-3} du = -\frac{u^{-2}}{-2} + C = \frac{1}{2u^2} + C = \frac{1}{2(1-\ln x)^2} + C$$

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$$\int \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{1+\sin x}} dx, \quad u = 1+\sin x \Rightarrow du = \cos x dx$$

$$\int \frac{du}{\sqrt{u}} = \int u^{-1/2} du = 2\sqrt{u} + C = 2\sqrt{1+\sin x} + C$$

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4. A firm has average variable cost

$$q^2 + 2q + \frac{e^{q^2+1}}{q}$$

and fixed costs of 8. Find the total cost function and the marginal cost function.

$$AVC = q^2 + 2q + \frac{e^{q^2+1}}{q}, \quad AVC = \frac{VC}{q}, \quad VC : \text{ the variable cost}$$

$$VC = q \times AVC = q \left(q^2 + 2q + \frac{e^{q^2+1}}{q} \right) = q^3 + 2q^2 + e^{q^2+1}$$

$$TC = VC + FC = q^3 + 2q^2 + e^{q^2+1} + 8$$

$$MC = (TC)' = 3q^2 + 4q + 2qe^{q^2+1}$$

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5. A firm has marginal cost qe^{q^2} and fixed costs are 5. Find its total cost function.

$$TC = \int MCdq = \int qe^{q^2} dq, \quad t = q^2, \quad dt = 2q dq$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int e^t dt = \frac{1}{2} e^t + C = \frac{1}{2} e^{q^2} + C$$

$$FC = TC(0) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} e^0 + C = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + C = 5, \quad C = 9/2$$

$$TC = \frac{1}{2} e^{q^2} + 9/2$$

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6. A monopolist's cost function is given by :

$$q^2 - 1$$

Where q is the quantity produced, the inverse demand function for the good is $p = 32 - 7q$

Determine expressions, in terms of q , for the revenue and The profit and determine the value of q that maximizes the profit. Find the maximum profit.

$$TR = pxq, \quad \text{but } p = 32 - 7q$$

$$TR = (32 - 7q)xq = 32q - 7q^2$$

$$TC = q^2 - 1$$

$$\pi = TR - TC = 32q - 7q^2 - q^2 + 1 = -8q^2 + 32q + 1$$

$$\pi' = -16q + 32 = 0 \Rightarrow q = 2$$

$$\pi'' = -16 < 0, \Rightarrow q = 2 \text{ maximises the profit.}$$

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7. Determine the following integral

$$\int \frac{x+1}{x^2+2x+5} dx, \quad u = x^2 + 2x + 5, \quad du = 2(x+1) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{du}{u} = \frac{1}{2} \ln |u| + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2 + 2x + 5| + C$$

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$$\int \sin^2 x \cos^5 x dx, \quad u = \sin x, \quad du = \cos x dx$$

$$= \int \sin^2 x \cos^4 x \cos x dx, \quad \text{but } \cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$$

$$= \int u^2 (1 - \sin^2 x)^2 du = \int u^2 (1 - u^2)^2 du$$

$$= \int u^2 (1 - 2u^2 + u^4) du = \int (u^2 - 2u^4 + u^6) du$$

$$= \frac{u^3}{3} - 2\frac{u^5}{5} + \frac{u^7}{7} + C = \frac{\sin^3 x}{3} - 2\frac{\sin^5 x}{5} + \frac{\sin^7 x}{7} + C$$

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SECTION B

Answer **TWO** questions from this section (20 marks each)

8. (a) A firm has average variable cost

$$2q^2 + 5q + \frac{\ln(q^3 + 2)}{q}$$

and fixed costs of 4. Find the total cost function and the marginal cost function.

$$\begin{aligned} VC &= q \times AVC = 2q^3 + 5q^2 + \ln(q^3 + 2) \\ TC &= VC + FC = 2q^3 + 5q^2 + \ln(q^3 + 2) + 4 \end{aligned}$$

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$$MC = (TC)' = 6q^2 + 10q + \frac{3q^2}{q^3 + 2}$$

(b) Determine the following integrals

$$\int x^2 \sqrt{2x+1} \, dx, \quad u^2 = 2x+1, \quad 2udu = 2dx, \quad dx = u \, du$$

$$= \int x^2 u^2 \, du, \quad \text{But } u^2 = 2x+1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{4}(u^2 - 1)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int (u^2 - 1)^2 u^2 \, du = \frac{1}{4} \int (u^4 - 2u^2 + 1)u^2 \, du$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int (u^6 - 2u^4 + u^2) \, du = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{u^7}{7} - 2\frac{u^5}{5} + \frac{u^3}{3} \right) + C$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{2x+1})^7}{28} - \frac{(\sqrt{2x+1})^5}{10} + \frac{(\sqrt{2x+1})^3}{12} + C$$

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$$\int \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} \, dx, \quad u = e^x + 1, \quad du = e^x \, dx$$

$$= \int \frac{du}{u^2} = \int u^{-2} \, du = \frac{u^{-1}}{-1} + C = \frac{-1}{u} + C = \frac{-1}{e^x + 1} + C$$

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9. (a) A firm's demand function is $p = aq + b$ ($a < 0$; $b > 0$)
fixed costs are c and variable costs are d per unit.

Show that the profit is maximized when $q = \frac{d-b}{2a}$

The profit $\pi = TR - TC$

$TR = p \times q$ and $TC = VC + FC = dq + c$

Now $p = aq + b \Rightarrow TR = (aq + b) \times q = aq^2 + bq$

$\pi = TR - TC = aq^2 + bq - dq - c = aq^2 + (b-d)q - c$

$$\pi' = 2aq + b - d = 0 \Rightarrow q = \frac{d-b}{2a}$$

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$\pi'' = 2a < 0$ (since $a < 0$) $\Rightarrow q = \frac{d-b}{2a}$ maximises the profit.

(b) Find the critical points of the function:

$$f(x) = x^4 - 8x^3 - 80x^2 + 15$$

and specify their nature.

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 24x^2 - 160x = 0 \Rightarrow 4x(x^2 - 6x - 40) = 0$$

$$x = 0, x^2 - 6x - 40 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{196}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 14}{2}$$

$$x = 10, x = -4$$

$$f''(x) = 12x^2 - 48x - 160$$

$$\text{at } x = 0, f''(0) = -160 < 0, \text{ maximum : } (0, 15)$$

$$\text{at } x = 10, f''(10) = 560 > 0, \text{ minimum : } (10, 1215)$$

$$\text{at } x = -4, f''(-4) = 224 > 0, \text{ minimum : } (-4, -497)$$

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10. (a) A firm's marginal revenue function is $MR = 11 - q$

The firm's marginal cost function is

$$MC = q^2 - 3q + 3$$

where q is either the quantity sold or produced.

Find the profit-maximizing level of output and verify that it is a maximum.

$$TC = \int (q^2 - 3q + 3) dq = q^3/3 - 3q^2/2 + 3q + C$$

$$TR = \int (11 - q) dq = 11q - q^2/2$$

$$\pi = TR - TC = 11q - q^2/2 - q^3/3 + 3q^2/2 - 3q - C$$

$$\pi' = -q^3/3 + q^2 + 8q - C \Rightarrow \pi' = -q^2 + 2q + 8 = 0$$

$$q = -2 \text{ which is economically not feasible, } q = 4$$

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$$\pi'' = -2q + 2 = -2(4) + 2 = -6 < 0, q = 4 \text{ maximises the profit}$$

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Another method

$$MR = MC, 11 - q = q^2 - 3q + 3 \Rightarrow -q^2 + 2q + 8 = 0$$

$$q = -2 \text{ which economically not feasible, } q = 4$$

(b) Determine the following integrals

$$\int_1^2 \frac{(\ln x)^3}{x} dx, u = \ln x, du = dx/x$$

$$= \int u^3 du = u^4/4 + C = (\ln x)^4/4 \Big|_1^2 = (\ln 2)^4/4 - (\ln 1)^4/4 = (\ln 2)^4/4 - 0$$

$$= 4(\ln 2)/4 = \ln 2$$

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$$\int x^2 e^x dx, \text{ integration by parts, } u = x^2, du = 2x dx, dv = e^x dx$$

$$, v = e^x \int x^2 e^x dx = \int u dv = uv - \int v du = x^2 e^x - 2 \int x e^x dx$$

$$= x^2 e^x - 2(xe^x - e^x) + C \quad (\int x e^x dx = x e^x - e^x + c, \text{ By Parts})$$

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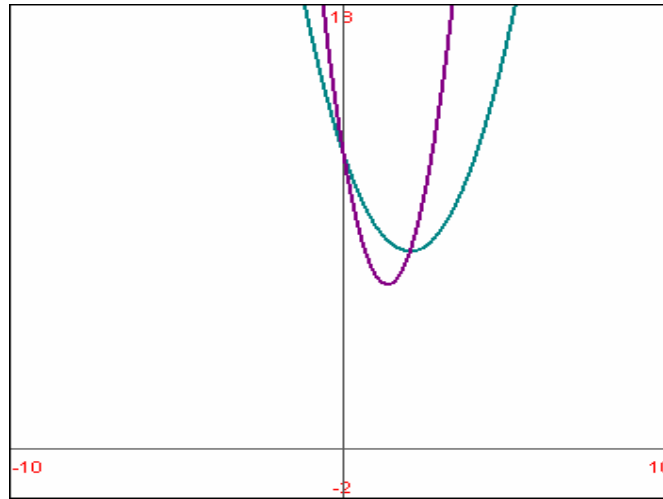
11. A firm faces a total cost function $TC = \frac{1}{2}q^3 - 4q^2 + 6q$

(i) Determine the firm's average cost (AC) and marginal cost (MC) functions.

$$AC = \frac{TC}{q} = \frac{1}{2}q^2 - 4q + 6, \quad MC = (TC)' = \frac{3}{2}q^2 - 8q + 6$$

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(ii) Sketch the average cost (AC) and the marginal cost (MC) on the same graph.



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(iii) If price is \$ 15, which level of output will a profit maximising firm choose?

$$TR = 15q$$

$$\pi = TR - TC = 15q - \frac{1}{2}q^3 + 4q^2 - 6q = -\frac{1}{2}q^3 + 4q^2 + 9q$$

$$\pi' = -\frac{3}{2}q^2 + 8q + 9 = 0 \Rightarrow -3q^2 + 16q + 18 = 0$$

$$q = \frac{-16 \pm \sqrt{472}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{4 \times 118}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{118}}{2} = 3 \pm \sqrt{118}$$

$\Rightarrow q = 3 - \sqrt{118}$ which is economically not feasible, $q = 3 + \sqrt{118}$

$$\pi'' = -6q + 16 = -6(3 + \sqrt{118}) + 16 < 0$$

$\Rightarrow q = 3 + \sqrt{118}$ maximises the profit

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