

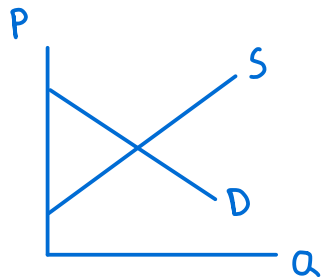
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EE320 Placement test

1. Attempt all.
2. Submit your work (in .pdf) on the Moodle. The required format of your filename is **studentID\_PT**
3. You will get **TWO** bonus points if you submit this placement test by the deadline.
4. **This placement test is due on Friday 14<sup>th</sup>, at 11 AM. Late submission will not be accepted.**

1. Suppose that market demand is given by  $P = 10 - Q^2$  and the market supply is given by  $Q = a + P$ , where  $P$  is the unit price,  $Q$  is the quantity of output, and  $a$  is the coefficient in the supply equation.
  - 1.1) Graph the market demand and market supply curve in a  $P$ - $Q$  diagram. Set the value of  $a$  equal to  $-14$ .
  - 1.2) Solve for the market equilibrium quantity ( $Q^*$ ) and price ( $P^*$ ) when  $a = -14$ . Show your work.
  - 1.3) If " $a$ " increases to  $-12$ , what would happen to the market equilibrium quantity and price? State the qualitative predictions without redoing the algebra.

1)  $D: P = 10 - Q^2$   
 $Q = a + P$   
 $\therefore P = Q - a$   
 $= Q + 14$   $S$



$D = P$

2)  $D = S$   
 $10 - Q^2 = Q + 14$   
 $0 = Q^2 + Q + 4$   
$$\frac{-a \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 2ac}}{2a}$$
  
$$= \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 2(1)(4)}}{2}$$

3)  $Q = P - 12$

If  $a$  increase, the market equilibrium quantity and price will decrease.

2. Suppose that the revenue function is given by  $R(Q) = \ln(Q^2 + 1) + 3\left(\frac{Q}{Q+1}\right)$ ,  $Q \geq 0$ . Use the derivative technique and calculate the marginal revenue function. Is the revenue function an increasing or decreasing function?

$$\frac{dR(Q)}{dQ} = \frac{1}{Q^2+1} (2Q) + 3 \left[ \frac{(Q+1) - Q}{(Q+1)^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2Q}{Q^2+1} + \frac{3}{(Q+1)^2}$$

$$MR = \frac{2Q}{Q^2+1} + \frac{3}{(Q+1)^2}$$

$$\frac{dMR}{dQ} =$$

3. Suppose that the profit function is given by  $\pi(Q) = -\frac{1}{3}Q^3 - Q^2 + 8Q - 1$  where  $Q$  is the level of output. Use the calculus and solve for the level of profit-maximizing output. Confirm your answer with the second derivative.

$$\frac{d\pi(Q)}{dQ} = -\frac{1}{3}Q^2 - 2Q + 8 = 0$$

$$-Q^2 - 2Q + 8 = 0$$

$$Q^2 + 2Q - 8 = 0$$

$$(Q + 4)(Q - 2)$$

$$Q = 2, -4$$

4. Suppose that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 9 \\ 10 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$ , calculate the following object. Show your work.

4.1  $A + B$

$$m \times n [A] \neq m \times n [B] \quad + \text{ invalid}$$

4.2  $A * B$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 8(1) + 9(4) & 8(2) + 9(5) & 8(3) + 9(6) \\ 10(1) + 11(4) & 10(2) + 11(5) & 10(3) + 11(6) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 44 & 61 & 78 \\ 51 & 75 & 96 \end{bmatrix}$$

4.3  $\det(A)$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A) &= ad - bc \\ &= 8(11) - 9(10) \\ &= 88 - 90 = -2 \end{aligned}$$

4.4  $\det(B)$

$$[(5 \times 1) + (6 \times 2)] - [(4 \times 2) + (5 \times 3)] = -6$$

4.5  $\det(C)$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 \\ 7 & 8 \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(C) &= [1(5)(9) + 2(6)(7) + 3(4)(8)] - [(7)(5)(3) + 8(6)(1) + (9)(4)(2)] \\ &= (45 + 84 + 96) - (85 + 48 + 72) \\ &= 225 - 205 = 20 \end{aligned}$$

5. Suppose that  $U(x, y) = x^a y^b + \ln\left(\frac{x}{x+y}\right)$ . Use the partial derivative technique, calculate  $\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial U}{\partial y}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} &= a x^{a-1} y^b + \frac{\cancel{x+y}}{x} \left[ \frac{(\cancel{x+y}) - \cancel{x}}{(x+y)^2} \right] \\ &= a x^{a-1} y^b + \frac{y}{x(x+y)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} &= x^a b y^{b-1} + \frac{\cancel{x+y}}{\cancel{x}} \left[ \frac{(x+y)(0) - (\cancel{x})(1)}{(x+y)^2} \right] \\ &= x^a b y^{b-1} - \frac{1}{x+y}\end{aligned}$$