

HW#11 Due November 24, 2020

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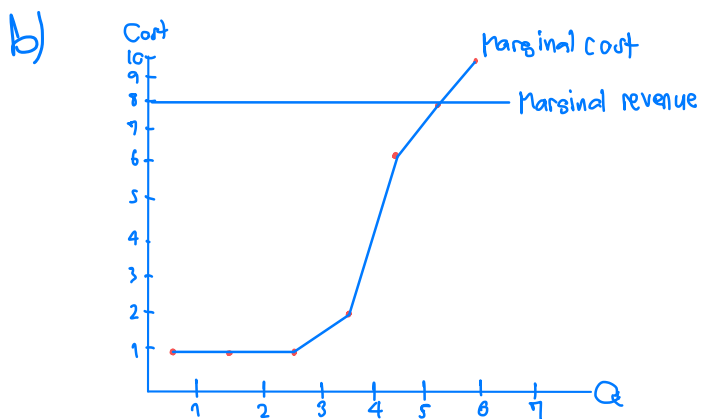
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<b>Marginal revenue</b>	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
<b>Marginal cost</b>		1	1	1	2	6	8	10

a) The firm produce the maximum profit at  $q = 5, 6$  (with a profit of 21)



$\therefore$  Marginal cost and Marginal revenue.

$\therefore$  The curve cross at a quantity between 5,6 units

c) The industry is competitive because marginal revenue is the same for each quantity.

The industry is not in long-run equilibrium because profit is not equal to zero.

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$$a) = (10 \times 100) - (8 \times 100) = 200$$

$$\text{Profit} = 200$$

b) In a competitive market, marginal revenue (MR) = average revenue (AR)

According to the profit maximization objective, marginal revenue

(MR) = marginal cost (MC). So the marginal cost will be equal to

average revenue of \$10.

$$c) \text{ average variable cost} = \frac{\text{variable cost}}{\text{quantity}} = \frac{600}{100} = 6 \text{ \$}$$

total cost - fixed cost

$$= (8 \times 100) - (200) = 600$$

d) The average total cost is \$8. The marginal cost is \$10. So ATC is

less than MC. So an efficient scale of production will be when

the firm produce less than 100 units of output