

Answer Keys: Chapter3 Differential calculus in Economic Theory

1. A) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$
b) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 6x^2$
c) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-2}$
d) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x^{-3}$
e) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 16x^3 - 6x^2 + 2x - 3$
f) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 36x^2 + 8x - 6$
g) $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-5x^2 + 5}{(1+x^2)^2}$
h) $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + 3\ln|x|$
2. a) $f(x) = 16x^5 - 2x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x - 32$
 $f'(x) = 80x^4 - 6x^2 + 8x - 3$
 $f''(x) = 320x^3 - 12x + 8$
 $f'''(x) = 960x^2 - 12$
b) $f(x) = (3x+2)^3$
 $f'(x) = 3(3x+2)^2(3) = 9(3x+2)^2$
 $f''(x) = 18(3x+2)(3) = 162x + 108$
 $f'''(x) = 162$
c) $f(x) = (6x-1)(2x-3)^2$
 $f'(x) = (6x-1)2(2x-3)(2) + (2x-3)^2(6)$
 $f''(x) = 144x - 152$
 $f'''(x) = 144$
3. a) $f_x = 6x - 2y$ $f_{xx} = 6$
 $f_y = -2x + 8y$ $f_{yy} = 8$
b) $f_u = 4u + 4 + 5v$ $f_{uu} = 4$
 $f_v = 5u + 10$ $f_{vv} = 0$
4. a) $dy = (8x+5) dx$
b) $dy = (28x^3 - 6x^2 + 5) dx$

$$c) dy = \frac{1}{(x+5) \ln 10} dx$$

$$d) dy = (-3x^2 - 6x) dx$$

$$e) dy = (4x - 1) dx$$

$$5. a) \frac{dy}{dx} = 6(4x-1)4 = 96x - 24$$

$$b) \frac{dy}{dx} = 3(5 - x^2)^2(-2x) = -6x(5 - x^2)^2$$

$$c) \frac{dy}{dx} = 2a(bx^2 + cx)(2bx + c)$$

$$d) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-F_x}{F_y} = \frac{-(3x^2 - 4yx + 3y^2)}{-2x^2 + 6xy}$$

$$e) \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-F_x}{F_y} = \frac{-(2xy^2 + e^x)}{2x^2y - e^y}$$

$$6. a) f'(1) = 18 \quad f'(2) = 18$$

$$b) f'(1) = 10 \quad f'(2) = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$c) f'(1) = \frac{9}{4} \quad f'(2) = 9$$

$$d) f'(1) = 2 \quad f'(2) = 2^{-\frac{1}{3}} = 0.79$$

$$7. z = x^2 - 8xy - y^2 = 9t^2 - 8(3t)(1-t) - (1-t)^2 = 32t^2 - 22t - 1$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = 64t - 22$$

$$8. x = t + \frac{1}{t}, \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = 1 - \ln|t|$$

$$y = t - \frac{1}{t}, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 1 + \ln|t|$$

$$z = (t + \frac{1}{t})^2 + (t + \frac{1}{t})(t - \frac{1}{t}) + (t - \frac{1}{t})^2, \text{ then } \frac{dz}{dt} = 6t - 2t^{-3}$$

$$9. g(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{(1+x)1-x}{(1+x)^2}$$

$$g''(x) = -2(1+x)^{-3}$$

$$g'''(x) = 6(1+x)^{-4}$$

$$10. a) TR = PQ = 18Q - 0.2Q^2$$

$$AR = 18 - 0.2Q$$

$$MR = 18 - 0.4Q$$

$$b) TR = 10Q$$

$$AR=MR=10$$

$$11.a) MC=0.06Q^2 - 6Q+12$$

$$AC= 0.02Q^2 - 3Q+12 + \frac{300}{Q}$$

$$b)MC= \frac{1}{3} Q^{-\frac{2}{3}} - 1.2Q +30$$

$$AC= Q^{-\frac{2}{3}} - 0.6Q +30+ \frac{120}{Q}$$

$$12.a) MU_1= Q_1^{-0.5} Q_2^{0.5}$$

$$MU_2= Q_2^{-0.5} Q_1^{0.5}$$

$$b)MU_1= 12Q_1+2Q_2$$

$$MU_2= 2Q_1+8Q_2$$

$$13. \text{ From } c=500+0.75Y^d$$

$$MPC= 0.75 \text{ and } MPS = 1 - MPC=1-0.75= 0.25$$

$$14.VC= Q^3-5Q^2+12Q$$

$\frac{dVC}{dQ} = 3Q^2 - 10Q +12 = MVC$ (Marginal Variable cost) which is the change in variable cost due to one unit change in quantity.

$$15. Q_d=10-0.5P$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dP} = - 0.5$$

$$a) E_p^d = \frac{dQ}{dP} \left(\frac{P}{Q} \right) = -0.5 \left(\frac{2}{9} \right) = \frac{-1}{9}$$

$$|E_p^d| = \frac{1}{9} < 1 \text{ Inelastic}$$

$$b) E_p^d = \frac{dQ}{dP} \left(\frac{P}{Q} \right) = -0.5 \left(\frac{10}{5} \right) = -1$$

$$|E_p^d| = 1 \text{ Unitary Elastic}$$

$$c) E_p^d = \frac{dQ}{dP} \left(\frac{P}{Q} \right) = -0.5 \left(\frac{18}{1} \right) = -9$$

$$|E_p^d| > 1 \text{ Relatively Elastic}$$

$$16.Q_x=100-2P_x+P_y+0.1I$$

$$a) E_p^d = \frac{dQ_x}{dP_x} \left(\frac{P_x}{Q_x} \right) = -2 \left(\frac{10}{192} \right) = \frac{-5}{48}$$

$$b) E^c = \frac{dQ_x}{dP_y} \left(\frac{P_y}{Q_x} \right) = 1 \left(\frac{12}{192} \right) = \frac{1}{16}$$

$|E^c| = \frac{1}{16} < 1$ **Inelastic, then Good x and Good y are substitute goods.**

$$c) E^l = \frac{dQ_x}{dI} \left(\frac{I}{Q_x} \right) = 0.1 \left(\frac{1000}{192} \right) = \frac{25}{48}$$

$0 < |E^l| < 1$, **then Good x is necessary good.**

$$17. TP = Q = 10L^{0.5} K^{0.5}$$

$$MPL = \frac{dTP}{dL} = 5 L^{-0.5} K^{0.5}$$

$$MPK = \frac{dTP}{dK} = 5 L^{0.5} K^{-0.5}$$

$$18. S = (12000 - 900P)A^{0.5} R^{0.5} \text{ At } P=6, R=49, A=8100$$

a) Elasticity of sale with respect to advertising

$$E_{S,A} = \frac{dS}{dA} \left(\frac{A}{S} \right) = 0.5(12000 - 900P)A^{-0.5} R^{0.5} \left(\frac{A}{S} \right) = 0.5$$

b) Elasticity of sale with respect to price

$$E_{S,P} = \frac{dS}{dP} \left(\frac{P}{S} \right) = -900A^{0.5} R^{0.5} \left(\frac{P}{S} \right) = \frac{-9}{11}$$

c) Elasticity of sale with respect to representative

$$E_{S,R} = \frac{dS}{dR} \left(\frac{R}{S} \right) = 0.5(12000 - 900P)A^{0.5} R^{-0.5} \left(\frac{R}{S} \right) = 0.5$$

$$19. \text{From } Q = 1.1 L^{0.6} K^{0.2}$$

$$\text{Output elasticity of } L = \frac{dQ}{dL} \left(\frac{L}{Q} \right) = 0.66 L^{-0.4} K^{0.2} \left(\frac{L}{Q} \right) = 0.6$$

$$\text{Output elasticity of } K = \frac{dQ}{dK} \left(\frac{K}{Q} \right) = 0.22 L^{0.6} K^{-0.8} \left(\frac{K}{Q} \right) = 0.2$$

Proof: From $f(L,K) = 1.1 L^{0.6} K^{0.2}$

$$\begin{aligned} f(tL, tK) &= 1.1 (tL)^{0.6} (tK)^{0.2} = t^{0.8} 1.1 L^{0.6} K^{0.2} \\ &= t^{0.8} f(L,K) \end{aligned}$$

Then, it shows decreasing return to scale.

20. From $Q = a + bP^2 + R^{1/2}$

$$\text{Price elasticity of supply} = E^s_p = \frac{dQ}{dP} \left(\frac{P}{Q} \right) = 2bP \left(\frac{P}{Q} \right) = \frac{2bP^2}{Q}$$

$$\text{Rainfall elasticity of supply} = E^s_R = \frac{dQ}{dR} \left(\frac{R}{Q} \right) = \frac{1}{2} R^{-1/2} \left(\frac{R}{Q} \right) = \frac{R^{1/2}}{2a + 2bP^2 + 2R^{1/2}}$$

21. From $X = Y^{1/2} + P^{-2}$

$$E_{X,P} = \frac{dX}{dP} \left(\frac{P}{X} \right) = -2P^{-3} \left(\frac{P}{X} \right) = \frac{-2P^{-2}}{Y^{1/2} + P^{-2}}$$

22. $Y = a + b(Y - T_0 - tY) + I_0 + dY + G_0 + X_0 - M_0 - mY$ ($M_0 > 0$, $0 < m < 1$)

$$(1 - b + bt - d + m)Y = a - bT_0 + I_0 + G_0 + X_0 - M_0$$

$$Y^* = \frac{a - bT_0 + I_0 + G_0 + X_0 - M_0}{1 - b + bt - d + m}$$

$$\frac{dy^*}{dI_0} = \frac{1}{1 - b + bt - d + m}$$

$$\frac{dy^*}{dG_0} = \frac{1}{1 - b + bt - d + m}$$

$$\frac{dy^*}{dT_0} = \frac{-b}{1 - b + bt - d + m}$$

$$\frac{dy^*}{dM_0} = \frac{-1}{1 - b + bt - d + m}$$

23. $Q_d = Q_s$

$$30 - 2P = 5P - 6$$

$$\text{Equilibrium: } P^* = \frac{36}{7}, Q^* = \frac{138}{7}$$

When the demand is changed to $40 - 2P$

$$\frac{dP^*}{da} = \frac{1}{2+5} = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\frac{dQ^*}{da} = \frac{5}{2+5} = \frac{5}{7}$$

