

HW#10 Due November 10, 2020

4. Nimbus, Inc., makes brooms and then sells them door-to-door. Here is the relationship between the number of workers and Nimbus's output during a given day:

Workers	Output	Marginal Product	Total Cost	Average Total Cost	Marginal Cost	TFC
0	0		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		0
		<u>20</u>			<u>1</u>	
1	20		<u>20</u>	<u>1</u>		300
		<u>10</u>			<u>1.4</u>	
2	50		<u>70</u>	<u>1.4</u>		400
		<u>40</u>			<u>2.8</u>	
3	90		<u>160</u>	<u>1.78</u>		500
		<u>30</u>			<u>4</u>	
4	120		<u>280</u>	<u>2.33</u>		600
		<u>20</u>			<u>9</u>	
5	140		<u>420</u>	<u>3</u>		700
		<u>10</u>			<u>15</u>	
6	150		<u>570</u>	<u>3.8</u>		800
		<u>5</u>			<u>31</u>	
7	155		<u>725</u>	<u>4.68</u>		900

- Fill in the column of marginal products. What pattern do you see? How might you explain it?
 - A worker costs \$100 a day, and the firm has fixed costs of \$200. Use this information to fill in the column for total cost.
 - Fill in the column for average total cost. (Recall that $ATC = TC/Q$.) What pattern do you see?
 - Now fill in the column for marginal cost. (Recall that $MC = \Delta TC / \Delta Q$.) What pattern do you see?
5. You are the chief financial officer for a firm that sells gaming consoles. Your firm has the following average-total-cost schedule:

Quantity	Average Total Cost
600 consoles	\$300
601	301

Your current level of production is 600 consoles, all of which have been sold. Someone calls, desperate to buy one of your consoles. The caller offers you \$550 for it. Should you accept the offer? Why or why not?

- c. Average cost will keep increasing as the output increases through the column.
 - d. The marginal cost will keep increasing as the number of workers increase.
- 5) Yes, because the average total cost of \$301 with 601 consoles means that you will generate more profit from this offer. The company will gain \$550 from the offer in which the average total cost is only \$301.