

SHUT DOWN DECISION

IN THE SHORT RUN, IF A FIRM FACES LOSSES, SHOULD IT CONTINUE TO PRODUCE OR

STOP PRODUCING TEMPORARILY ?
(= SHUTDOWN)

THE FIRM SHOULD SHUTDOWN IF

$$TR - FC - VC > 0 \leq TR = 0 - FC - 0 = VC$$

$$TR \leq VC$$

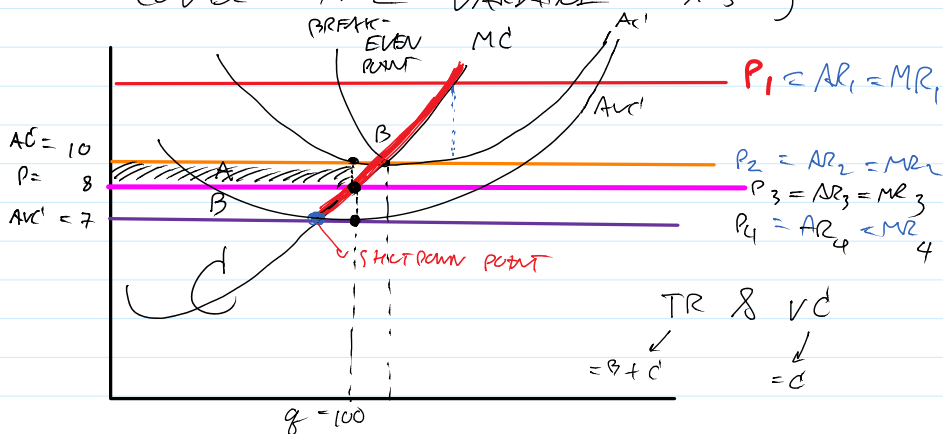
$$\frac{TR}{q} \leq \frac{VC}{q}$$

$$\frac{P \cdot q}{q} \leq \frac{VC}{q}$$

$$P \leq AVC$$

SHUTDOWN RULE

(WHEN THERE IS NOT ENOUGH REVENUE TO COVER ALL VARIABLE COSTS)



WHEN PRODUCED,

$$TR = B + C'$$

$$VC = C'$$

$$FC = A + B$$

THE FIRM SHOULD CONTINUE TO PRODUCE SINCE

$$TR > VC'$$

→ PAY ALL VARIABLE COSTS' (C)

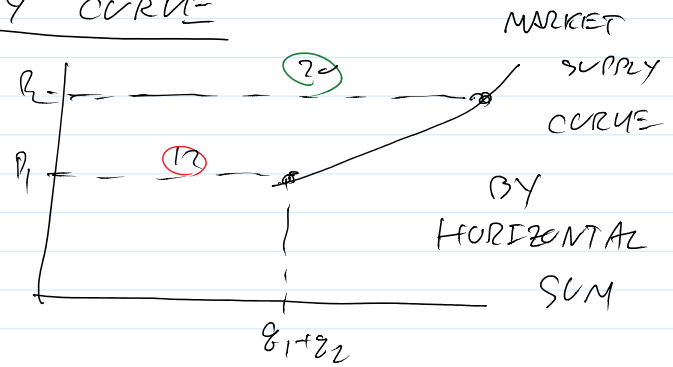
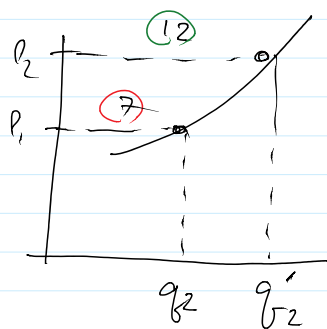
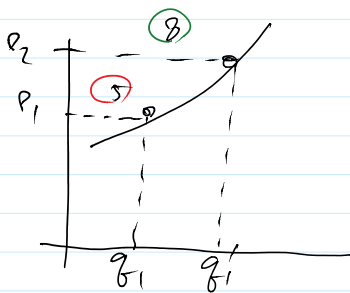
→ PAY "SOME PART" OF FIXED COST (B)

$$\text{LOSS}'_{q>0} = A < \text{LOSS}'_{q=0} = A + B$$

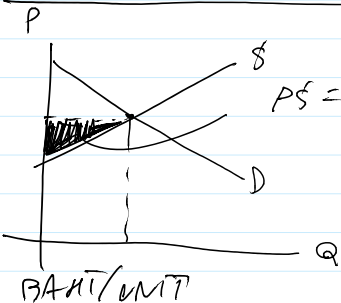
WHEN PRODUCING
WHEN SHUT DOWN

SHORT RUN SUPPLY CURVE IS A PART OF MC' CURVE (OF A FIRM) STARTING FROM THE BOTTOM OF AVC

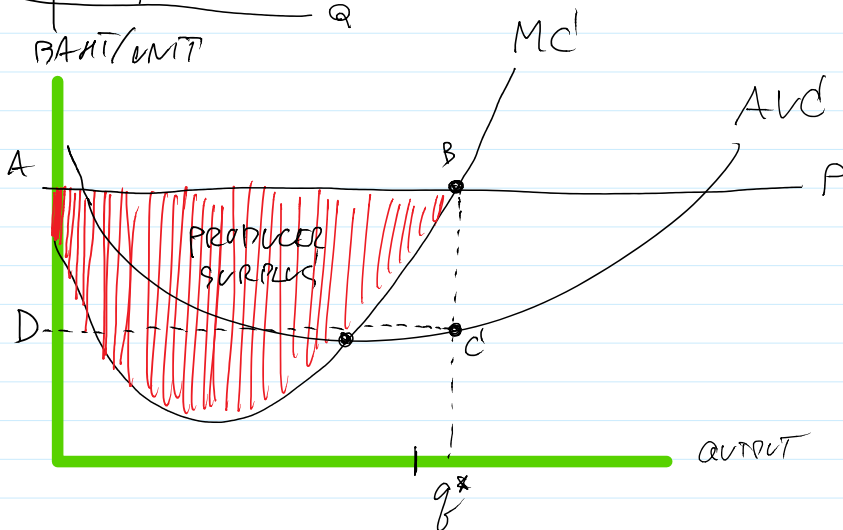
THE SHORT-RUN MARKET SUPPLY CURVE



PRODUCER SURPLUS IN THE SHORT RUN



PS = AREA ABOVE SUPPLY CURVE AND BELOW THE PRICE



PRODUCER SURPLUS
 = $TR - VC'$ — (1)
 (= AREA ABC'D)

PRODUCER SURPLUS
 = SUM OVER ALL UNITS PRODUCED BY A FIRM OF DIFFERENTIAL

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$$\text{PRODUCER SURPLUS} \\ = TR - VC$$

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$$= TR - FC - VC$$

PRODUCED BY A FIRM
OF DIFFERENCES
BETWEEN PRICE
AND MARGINAL COST

IN THE SHORT RUN

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PRODUCER SURPLUS

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