

Q1) a) from $Q = f(K, L) = A(K^n + L^n)$

increase $K, L \rightarrow \Delta K, \Delta L$

$$Q^n = A((\Delta K)^n + (\Delta L)^n)$$

$$Q^n = A^n (A(K^n + L^n))$$

$$Q^n = A^n Q^0$$

\therefore it will have a decreasing return to scale when $Q^n < Q^0$
 $\therefore n < 1$, because A^n will decrease, then $Q^n < Q^0$

b) $MPK = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial K} = AnK^{n-1}$

$$\frac{\partial MPK}{\partial K} = (n-1)AnK^{n-2}$$

\downarrow
nc1 (from a) $\therefore (n-1)AnK^{n-2} < 0$

\therefore from law of diminishing, K will go up and MPK goes down. \downarrow

$MP_L = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial L} = AnL^{n-1}$

$$\frac{\partial MP_L}{\partial L} = (n-1)AnL^{n-2}$$

\downarrow
nc1 (from a) $\therefore (n-1)AnL^{n-2} < 0$

\therefore from law of diminishing, L will go up and MP_L goes down. \downarrow

c) from $Q = A(K^n + L^n)$

$$Q = AK^n + L^n$$

$$MP_L = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial L} = nAL^{n-1}$$

$$MPK = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial K} = nAK^{n-1}$$

$$MRTS = \frac{MP_L}{MPK}$$

$$MRTS = \frac{nAL^{n-1}}{nAK^{n-1}} = \left(\frac{L}{K}\right)^{n-1}$$

d) $MRTS = \left(\frac{L}{K}\right)^{n-1}$

$$\frac{\partial MRTS}{\partial L} = (n-1) \left(\frac{L^{n-2}}{K^{n-1}}\right)$$

if $n < 1$ from a) $\rightarrow n-1 < 0$

$$\frac{\partial MRTS}{\partial L} < 0 \text{ if } L \uparrow \rightarrow MRTS \downarrow$$

$$L \downarrow \rightarrow MRTS \uparrow$$

e) $K; Q = AK^n + AL^n$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial K} = nAK^{n-1}$$

\therefore the second order condition makes K negative

$$\frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial K^2} = n(n-1)AK^{n-2}$$

\therefore it is concave

\downarrow
from a) $n < 1, n-1 < 0$

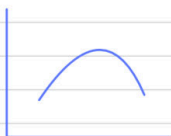
$L; Q = AK^n + AL^n$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial L} = nAL^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial L^2} = n(n-1)AL^{n-2}$$

\downarrow
 < 0

\therefore it is concave



$$f) \quad Q^n = A((kx)^n + (aL)^n)$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = Ank^{n-1} \cdot dk + AnL^{n-1} \cdot dL$$

$$\frac{dk}{dt} = t+2$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = te^{t-1}$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = Ank^{n-1}(t+2) + AnL^{n-1}(te^{t-1})$$

$\therefore Q$ is increasing.

$$g) \quad \left. \frac{dQ}{dt} \right|_{t=0} ; \quad k(t) = \frac{1}{2}(t)^2 + 3(t) + 3 \quad *$$

$$L(t) = \frac{1}{e^t} + 3 = 4 \quad *$$

$$\left. \frac{dQ}{dt} \right|_{t=0} ; \quad Ank^{n-1}(t+2) + AnL^{n-1}(te^{t-1}) \quad ; \text{ from f)}$$

$$Ank^{n-1}(2) + AnL^{n-1}(0)$$

$$k(t) = 3 ; \quad 2An(3)^{n-1}$$

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Q.2

$$b) \text{ Profit} = TR - TC$$

$$\text{find } TR = P \cdot Q$$

$$= (a^{-\frac{1}{4}}) a^1$$

$$= Q^{\frac{3}{4}} \quad \text{and } Q = k^{\frac{1}{3}} L^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \left[k^{\frac{1}{3}} L^{\frac{1}{3}} \right]^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= k^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

find TC

Price of labor = w

Price of capital = r

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Price of labor} = w \\ \text{Price of capital} = r \end{array} \right\} TC = wL + rK$$

$$\text{Profit} = k^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{\frac{1}{4}} - wL - rK$$

$$C) \text{ Profit} = k^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{\frac{3}{4}} - wL - rK$$

$$\text{FOC}; \quad \pi_K = \frac{1}{4} k^{-\frac{3}{4}} L^{\frac{3}{4}} - r = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{4} k^{-\frac{3}{4}} L^{\frac{3}{4}} = r \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\pi_L = \frac{2}{4} k^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{-\frac{1}{4}} - w = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{4} k^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{-\frac{1}{4}} = w \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\frac{\text{(1)}}{\text{(2)}}; \quad \frac{\frac{1}{4} k^{-\frac{3}{4}} L^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\frac{2}{4} k^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{-\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{r}{w}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot k^{-\frac{3}{4}-\frac{1}{4}} L^{\frac{3}{4}-(-\frac{1}{4})} = \frac{r}{w}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} k^{-1} L = \frac{r}{w}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{L}{K} = \frac{r}{w}$$

$$L = \frac{2rK}{w}$$

Solution (2)

$$\frac{2}{4} \frac{k^{\frac{1}{4}}}{L^{\frac{1}{4}}} = w$$

$$L^{\frac{2}{4}} = \frac{2}{4w} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{4}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} k^{-\frac{3}{4}} \left(\frac{2}{4w} k^{\frac{1}{4}} \right) = r$$

$$\frac{2}{8w} k^{-\frac{3}{4}} = r$$

$$\frac{1}{4w} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{2}} = r$$

$$k^{\frac{1}{2}} = 4rw$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} = 4rw$$

$$\sqrt{k} = \frac{1}{4rw}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{16r^2w^2}$$

$$L^{\frac{2}{4}} = \frac{2}{4w} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{16r^2w^2}$$

$$L^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2w} \left[\frac{1}{16r^2w^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$L = \frac{1}{4w^2} \left[\frac{1}{16r^2w^2} \right]^{\frac{2}{4}}$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{16r^2w^2} \quad L = \frac{1}{4w^2} \left[\frac{1}{16r^2w^2} \right]^{\frac{2}{4}}$$

$$e) \quad \pi_K = \frac{1}{4} K^{-\frac{3}{4}} L^{\frac{3}{4}} - r$$

$$\pi_L = \frac{2}{4} K^{\frac{1}{4}} L^{-\frac{3}{4}} - w$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \pi_{KK} & \pi_{KL} \\ \pi_{LK} & \pi_{LL} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{7}{4}}L^{\frac{3}{4}} & \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}} \\ \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}} & \left(\frac{2}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{\frac{1}{4}}L^{-\frac{5}{4}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi_{KK} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{7}{4}}L^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\pi_{KL} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\pi_{LK} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\pi_{LL} = \left(\frac{2}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{\frac{1}{4}}L^{-\frac{5}{4}}$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{7}{4}}L^{\frac{3}{4}} & \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}} \\ \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}} & \left(\frac{2}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{\frac{1}{4}}L^{-\frac{5}{4}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_1 = \left| \begin{pmatrix} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{7}{4}}L^{\frac{3}{4}} \\ \left(\frac{2}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{\frac{1}{4}}L^{-\frac{5}{4}} \end{pmatrix} \right| < 0$$

$$H_2 = \left[\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{7}{4}}L^{\frac{3}{4}} \right] \left[\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)\left(-\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{\frac{1}{4}}L^{-\frac{5}{4}} \right] - \left[\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right)K^{-\frac{3}{4}}L^{-\frac{1}{4}} \right]^2 > 0$$

$\therefore L$ and K Max

Q3

a) Cournot environment

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Profit}_1 &= p \cdot q_1 - C_1 \\ &= (100 - (q_1 + q_2)) q_1 - 10q_1 \\ &= 100q_1 - q_1^2 - q_1q_2 - 10q_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_1 = 90q_1 - q_1^2 - q_1q_2$$

$$\text{Max } \pi \Rightarrow \pi_1 = 2513.8$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dq_1} = 90 - 2q_1 - q_2 = 0$$

$$q_1 = 45 - 0.5q_2$$

$$\text{Profit}_2 = p \cdot q_2 - C_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (100 - (q_1 + q_2)) q_2 - q_2^2 \\ &= 100q_2 - q_1q_2 - q_2^2 - q_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_2 = 100q_2 - q_1q_2 - 2q_2^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi_2}{\partial q_2} = 100 - q_1 - 4q_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_2 = 492.98$$

$$q_1 = 100 - 4q_2$$

$$100 - 4q_2 = 45 - 0.5q_2$$

$$55 = 3.5q_2$$

$$q_2 = 15.7$$

$$q_1 = 37.2$$

$$\text{Total Quantity} = 15.7 + 37.2 = 52.9$$

$$\text{Price} = 100 - 52.9 = 47.1$$

$$b) \text{ Total } \pi = \pi_1 + \pi_2$$

$$= p \cdot Q - C_1 - C_2$$

$$= (100 - q_1 - q_2)(q_1 + q_2) - 10q_1 - q_2^2$$

$$= 100q_1 - q_1^2 - q_1q_2 + 100q_2 - q_1q_2 - q_2^2 - 10q_1 - q_2^2$$

$$= 90q_1 - 2q_1q_2 - 2q_2^2 - q_1^2 + 100q_2$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dq_1} = 90 - 2q_2 - 2q_1 = 0$$

$$q_1 = 45 - q_2 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dq_2} = -2q_1 - 4q_2 + 100 = 0$$

$$q_1 = 50 - 2q_2 \quad (2)$$

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$$45 - q_2 = 50 - 2q_2$$

$$q_2 = 5$$

$$q_1 = 40$$

$$Q = 45$$

$$p = 55$$

$$\pi_1 = p \cdot q_1 - C_1 = 1800$$

$$\pi_2 = p \cdot q_2 - C_2 = 250$$

c)

$$\begin{array}{l} \pi_1 = 2513.8 \\ \pi_2 = 492.98 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \end{array}} \right\} \text{Cournot}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \pi_1 = 1600 \\ \pi_2 = 250 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \pi_1 \\ \pi_2 \end{array}} \right\} \text{collusion}$$

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As we can see $\pi_1 (\text{collusion}) < \pi_1 (\text{Cournot})$

Firm 1 is not colluding (deviate)

$$\pi_2 (\text{collusion}) < \pi_2 (\text{Cournot})$$

Firm 2 is not colluding (deviate)

Hence, collusion is not stable.

Q4

a) Market equilibrium A

Demand = Supply

$$10 - 2Q_A = 1 + Q_A$$

$$3Q_A = 9$$

$$Q_A = 3, P_A = 4$$

Market equilibrium B

Demand = Supply

$$20 - Q_B = 2 + 2Q_B$$

$$Q_B = 6$$

$$P_B = 14$$

b) $t = P^D - P^S$

Market A

$$t_A = [10 - 2Q_A] \cdot [1 + Q_A]$$

$$t_A = 9 - 3Q_A$$

$$Q_A = \frac{9 - t_A}{3}$$

$$P_A = \frac{1 + 9 - t_A}{3}$$

Market B

$$t_B = [20 - Q_B] - [2 + 2Q_B]$$

$$= 18 - 3Q_B$$

$$Q_B = \frac{18 - t_B}{3}$$

$$P_B = 2 + 2 \left(\frac{18 - t_B}{3} \right)$$

c) tax revenue = $t_A + t_B$

$$tax\ R = t_A Q_A + t_B Q_B$$

$$tax\ R = t_A \left(\frac{9 - t_A}{3} \right) + t_B \left(\frac{18 - t_B}{3} \right)$$

d) Max

$$\text{Tax } R = 3t_a - \frac{t_a^2}{3} + b t_b - \frac{t_b^2}{3}$$

$$\frac{d \text{ tax } R}{d t_a} = 3 - \frac{2}{3} t_a = 0$$

$$t_a = 4.5$$

$$\frac{d \text{ tax } R}{d t_b} = b - \frac{2}{3} t_b = 0$$

$$t_b = 9$$

$$a = \text{tax } A = 4.5$$

$$\text{tax } B = 9$$

$$G_5 \text{ Demand Equation } Q = 2000 + 4\sqrt{A} - 20P$$

When A = dollar amount of expenditure on advertisement

P = unit price

Q = quantity demanded

Advertising can boost the total demand in the market as potential customers get more information

Monopolist cost function is given by $CCQ, A) = CCQ) + A$ where $CCQ) = 2Q + 1000$

Consider the following problem.

a) Construct the profit function

$$\pi = TR - TC$$

When demand f_1 : $Q = 2000 + 4\sqrt{A} - 20P$

$$P = \frac{2000 + 4\sqrt{A} - Q}{20}$$

$$P = 100 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5} - \frac{Q}{20}$$

$$\pi = (100 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5} - \frac{Q}{20})Q - (2Q + 1000 + A)$$

$$= \left(100Q + \frac{\sqrt{A}Q}{5} - \frac{Q^2}{20}\right) - (2Q + 1000 + A)$$

$$\pi = 100Q + \frac{\sqrt{A}Q}{5} - \frac{Q^2}{20} - 2Q - 1000 - A$$

$$\pi = \frac{-Q^2}{20} + (100 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5} - 2)Q - (1000 + A)$$

$$\pi = \frac{-Q^2}{20} + (98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5})Q - (1000 + A)$$

b) Determine the optimal pricing P^* , optimal advertising A^* that maximizing profit

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial Q} = \frac{-2Q}{20} + (98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5})$$

$$0 = -\frac{Q}{10} + 98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5}$$

$$Q = 10(98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5}) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial A} = \frac{Q}{10\sqrt{A}} - 1$$

$$0 = \frac{Q}{10\sqrt{A}} - 1$$

$$10\sqrt{A} = Q$$

$$Q = 10\sqrt{A} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2}; \quad 10(98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5}) = 10\sqrt{A}$$

$$980 + 2\sqrt{A} = 10\sqrt{A}$$

$$980 = 8\sqrt{A}$$

$$A^* = 15006.25$$

$$Q^* = 1225$$

$$P^* = 100 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5} - Q$$

$$= 100 + \frac{\sqrt{15006.25}}{5} - \frac{1225}{20}$$

$$P^* = 13.25$$

c. confirm with second-order differential test

$$\text{1st derivative } \Pi = -\frac{Q^2}{20} + (98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5})Q - (1000 + A)$$

$$\frac{d\Pi}{dQ} = -\frac{Q}{10} + (98 + \frac{\sqrt{A}}{5})$$

$$\text{and derivative } \frac{d^2\Pi}{dQ^2} = -\frac{1}{10} < 0$$

So, It is maximize profit at Q^*

Hessian-matrix

$$Q = 2\sqrt{A} = 980 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$Q = 10\sqrt{A} = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q \\ \sqrt{A} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 980 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -10 \end{vmatrix} = (-10) - (-2) = -8$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 980 & -2 \\ 0 & -10 \end{vmatrix} = (-9800) - 0 = -9800$$

$$Q^* = \frac{-9800}{-8} = 1225$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 980 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0 - (980) = -980$$

$$\sqrt{A} = \frac{-980}{-8}$$

$$A^* = 15006.25$$