

3. [12 points] Oren plans to grow kale on his community garden plot, and he has determined that he can grow up to 160 bunches of kale on his plot. Oren can sell the first 100 bunches at the market and any remaining bunches to wholesalers. The revenue in dollars that Oren will take in from selling  $b$  bunches of kale is given by

$$R(b) = \begin{cases} 6b & \text{for } 0 \leq b \leq 100 \\ 4b + 200 & \text{for } 100 < b \leq 160. \end{cases}$$

- a. [2 points] Use the formula above to answer each of the following questions.
- i. What is the price (in dollars) that Oren will charge for each bunch of kale he sells at the market?

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$6**

- ii. What is the price (in dollars) that Oren will charge for each bunch of kale he sells to wholesalers?

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$4**

For  $0 \leq b \leq 160$ , it will cost Oren  $C(b) = 20 + 3b + 24\sqrt{b}$  dollars to grow  $b$  bunches of kale.

- b. [1 point] What is the fixed cost (in dollars) of Oren's kale growing operation?

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$20**

- c. [4 points] At what production level(s) does Oren's marginal revenue equal his marginal cost?

*Solution:* Oren's marginal revenue is  $R'(b) = 6$  for  $0 < b < 100$  and  $R'(b) = 4$  for  $100 < b < 160$ . His marginal cost is  $C'(b) = 3 + 12/\sqrt{b}$ . Thus,  $R'(b) = C'(b)$  for  $b = 16$  and  $b = 144$ .

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **at 16 bunches and 144 bunches**

- d. [5 points] Assuming Oren can grow up to 160 bunches of kale, how many bunches of kale should he grow in order to maximize his profit, and what is the maximum possible profit? *You must use calculus to find and justify your answer. Be sure to provide enough evidence to justify your answer fully.*

*Solution:* Since Oren's profit function,  $\pi(b) = R(b) - C(b)$ , is continuous on  $0 \leq b \leq 160$ , it has a global maximum (by the Extreme Value Theorem) and the global maximum occurs at a critical point or an endpoint. The critical points of  $\pi(b)$  occur when  $\pi'(b) = 0$  (at  $b = 16$  and  $144$  (when MR=MC)), and when  $\pi'(b)$  is undefined (at  $b = 100$ ). We check the value of  $\pi(b)$  at the critical points and end points:  $\pi(0) = -20$ ,  $\pi(16) = -68$ ,  $\pi(100) = 40$ ,  $\pi(144) = 36$ , and  $\pi(160) \approx 36.42$ , and conclude that the maximum occurs at  $b = 100$ , with a resulting maximum profit of \$40.

**Answer:** bunches of kale: \_\_\_\_\_ **100** and max profit: \_\_\_\_\_ **\$40**

5. [8 points] Reggie is starting a fruit punch company. He has determined that the total cost, in dollars, for him to produce  $q$  gallons of fruit punch can be modeled by

$$C(q) = 100 + q + 25e^{q/100}.$$

Reggie can sell up to 100 gallons to Chris at a price of \$4 per gallon, and he can sell the rest to Alice at a price of \$3 per gallon. Assume that Reggie sells all of the fruit punch that he produces.

Note: Assume that the quantities of fruit punch produced and sold do not have to be whole numbers of gallons. (For example, Reggie could produce exactly  $50\sqrt{2}$  gallons of fruit punch and sell all of these to Chris, who would pay a total of  $200\sqrt{2}$  dollars for them.)

- a. [4 points] For what quantities of fruit punch sold would Reggie's marginal revenue equal his marginal cost?

*Solution:* Reggie's marginal cost is  $MC = C'(q) = 1 + \frac{1}{4}e^{q/100}$

and his marginal revenue is  $MR = \begin{cases} 4 & \text{if } 0 < q < 100 \\ 3 & \text{if } 100 < q. \end{cases}$

So we solve  $MR = MC$  separately for the two intervals  $0 < q < 100$  and  $q > 100$ .

$$\text{For } 0 < q < 100: \quad 1 + \frac{1}{4}e^{q/100} = 4$$

$$\frac{1}{4}e^{q/100} = 3$$

$$e^{q/100} = 12$$

$$q = 100 \ln(12) \approx 248.49.$$

For  $q > 100$ :

$$1 + \frac{1}{4}e^{q/100} = 3$$

$$\frac{1}{4}e^{q/100} = 2$$

$$e^{q/100} = 8$$

$$q = 100 \ln(8) \approx 207.94$$

So marginal cost does not equal marginal revenue anywhere on the interval  $0 < q < 100$  (because  $100 \ln(12) > 100$ ).

Hence, marginal revenue equals marginal cost at  $q = 100 \ln(8)$ .

**Answer:** 100 ln(8) ≈ 207.94 gallons

- b. [4 points] Assuming that Reggie can produce at most 200 gallons of fruit punch, how much fruit punch should he produce in order to maximize his profit, and what would that maximum profit be? *You must use calculus to find and justify your answer. Be sure to provide enough evidence to justify your answer fully.*

*Solution:* First, we find all critical points of the profit function  $\pi(q)$  in the interval  $0 \leq q \leq 200$ . In part a., we found that  $\pi'(q) = 0$  only at  $q \approx 207.94$ , which is not in the interval  $[0, 200]$ . The other critical points of  $\pi(q)$  occur where  $\pi'(q)$  is not defined, namely, at  $q = 100$ .

Note that Reggie's revenue is a continuous function of  $q$ . So  $\pi(q)$  is continuous on the interval  $[0, 200]$  and we can apply the Extreme Value Theorem. It therefore suffices to compare the value of  $\pi(q)$  at the endpoints ( $q = 0$  and  $q = 200$ ) and at the critical point ( $q = 100$ ):

$$\pi(0) = 0 - (100 + 0 + 25e^0) = -125$$

$$\pi(100) = 4(100) - (100 + 100 + 25e^1) \approx 132.04$$

$$\pi(200) = 4(100) + 3(100) - (100 + 200 + 25e^2) \approx 215.27$$

Hence, Reggie should produce 200 gallons of fruit punch for a profit of about \$215.27.

**Answer:** gallons of fruit punch: 200 and max profit: \$215.27

6. [11 points] Ben has recently acquired a cabbage press and is opening a business selling cabbage juice. Let  $R(x)$  and  $C(x)$  be the revenue and cost, in dollars, of selling and producing  $x$  cups of cabbage juice. Ben only has resources to produce up to a hundred cups. After some research, Ben determines that

$$R(x) = 6x - \frac{1}{40}x^2 \quad \text{for} \quad 0 \leq x \leq 100$$

and

$$C(x) = \begin{cases} 60 + 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 20 \\ 70 + 1.5x & 20 < x \leq 100. \end{cases}$$

- a. [3 points] What is the smallest quantity of juice Ben will need to sell in order for his profit to not be negative? Round your answer to the nearest hundredth of a cup. Show your work.

*Solution:* We consider values of  $x$  such that  $R(x) = C(x)$ . We first look in  $[0, 20]$

$$60 + 2x = 6x - \frac{1}{40}x^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{40}x^2 - 4x + 60 = 0.$$

Using the quadratic formula we get  $x = 80 \pm 20\sqrt{10}$ . Only one of these two solutions,  $x = 80 - 20\sqrt{10} \approx 16.75$ , is in the interval  $[0, 20]$ .

The last step is to verify that  $R(x) - C(x)$  is negative on the interval  $[0, 80 - 20\sqrt{10})$  and positive on the interval  $(80 - 20\sqrt{10}, 20]$ . We can test this by picking points in each interval. For example,  $R(0) - C(0) = -60$  and  $R(20) - C(20) = 10$ . **Answer:** 16.75 cups.

For the following parts, determine how many cups of cabbage juice Ben needs to sell in order to maximize the given quantity. If there is no such value, write NONE. Use calculus to find and justify your answers.

- b. [3 points] Ben's revenue.

*Solution:* The critical points of  $R(x)$  can be found by solving  $R'(x) = 6 - \frac{1}{20}x = 0$ . This occurs when  $x = 120$  which is not in  $[0, 100]$ . Hence the maximum has to be at one of the endpoints  $x = 0$  or  $x = 100$ . Since  $R(0) = 0$  and  $R(100) = 350$ , the maximum revenue is attained at  $x = 100$ . **Answer:** 100 cups.

- c. [5 points] Ben's profit.

*Solution:* Since  $P(20) = 10$  and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 20^-} P(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 20^-} 6x - \frac{1}{40}x^2 - (60 + 2x) = 10$$

and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 20^+} P(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 20^+} 6x - \frac{1}{40}x^2 - (70 + 1.5x) = 10.$$

Then  $P(x)$  is continuous on  $[0, 20]$ . The critical points of  $P(x)$  can be found by solving  $P'(x) = R'(x) - C'(x) = 0$  in the intervals  $(0, 20)$  and  $(20, 100)$ .

- On  $(0, 20)$  we need to solve  $6 - \frac{1}{20}x = 2$ . This yields  $x = 80$  (outside the interval).
- On  $(20, 100)$  we need to solve  $6 - \frac{1}{20}x = 1.5$ . This yields  $x = 90$ .

Hence the critical points of  $P(x)$  are  $x = 0$  and  $x = 90$ . Since  $P(x)$  is continuous then the global maximum must lie on the critical points or in the endpoints.

$x$	0	20	90	100
$P(x)$	-60	10	132.5	130

**Answer:** 90 cups.

7. [10 points] Zerina owns a small business selling custom screen-printed and embroidered apparel.
- a. Zerina receives orders for embroidered polo shirts, which she sells for \$11 each. The cost, in dollars, for her to complete an order of  $q$  embroidered polo shirts is

$$C(q) = \begin{cases} 6q - \frac{1}{8}q^2 + \frac{56}{9} & 0 \leq q \leq 16 \\ \frac{2}{9}q^{3/2} + 10q - 104 & q > 16. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $C(q)$  is continuous for all  $q \geq 0$ .

- i. [1 point] What is the fixed cost, in dollars, of an order of embroidered polo shirts?

**Answer:** 56/9

- ii. [5 points] Find the quantity  $q$  of embroidered polo shirts in an order that would result in the most profit for Zerina. Assume that, because of storage constraints, Zerina cannot accept an order for more than 80 embroidered polo shirts. Use calculus to find and justify your answer, and make sure you provide enough evidence to fully justify your answer.

*Solution:* We are given  $C(q)$ , and know that  $R(q) = 11q$ . Then since  $\pi(q) = R(q) - C(q)$ , any point at which  $MR = MC$  is a critical point of  $\pi(q)$ . Now  $MR(q) = 11$  and

$$MC(q) = \begin{cases} 6 - \frac{1}{4}q & 0 \leq q < 16 \\ \frac{1}{3}q^{1/2} + 10 & q > 16. \end{cases}$$

We set  $MR = MC$  in both of these cases:

$$\begin{array}{ll} 6 - \frac{1}{4}q = 11 & \frac{1}{3}q^{1/2} + 10 = 11 \\ -\frac{1}{4}q = 5 & q^{1/2} = 3 \\ q = -20 & q = 9 \end{array}$$

but neither critical point falls within the domain of the appropriate formula. So there are no points at which  $MR = MC$ . However,  $MC$  is undefined at  $q = 16$ , since if we plug 16 in to both pieces of  $MC(q)$  we get different values. Therefore  $\pi'(q)$  is also undefined at  $q = 16$ . This is the only critical point.

So the possible locations for the global maximum are the endpoints 0 and 80 and the critical point 16. Since  $\pi(0) = -56/9$ ,  $\pi(80) \approx 25$ , and  $\pi(16) \approx 42$ , an order of 16 polo shirts would result in the most profit for Zerina.

**Answer:**  $q =$  16

- b. [3 points] Zerina also receives orders for screen-printed t-shirts. When a customer places such an order, they pay a \$6 setup fee, plus \$9 per t-shirt for the first 20 t-shirts ordered. Any additional t-shirts ordered only cost \$7 per t-shirt. Let  $P(s)$  be the total price, in dollars, a customer pays for an order of  $s$  screen-printed t-shirts. Find a formula for  $P(s)$ .

**Answer:** 
$$P(s) = \begin{cases} 6 + 9s & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq 20 \\ 186 + 7(s - 20) & \text{if } s > 20 \end{cases}$$

10. [10 points] Yukiko has a small orchard where she grows Michigan apples. After careful study last season, Yukiko found that the total cost, in dollars, of producing  $a$  bushels of apples can be modeled by

$$C(a) = -25500 + 26000e^{0.002a}$$

for  $0 \leq a \leq 320$ .

Qabil has promised to buy up to 100 bushels of apples for his famous apple ice cream. If Yukiko has any remaining apples, she has an agreement to sell them to Xanthippe's cider mill at a reduced price. Let  $R(a)$  be the revenue generated from selling  $a$  bushels of apples. Then

$$R(a) = \begin{cases} 70a & \text{if } 0 \leq a \leq 100 \\ 2000 + 50a & \text{if } 100 < a \leq 320. \end{cases}$$

- a. [1 point] How much will Xanthippe's cider mill pay per bushel?

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$50** \_\_\_\_\_

- b. [1 point] What is Yukiko's fixed cost?

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$500** \_\_\_\_\_

- c. [4 points] For what quantities of bushels of apples sold would Yukiko's marginal revenue equal her marginal cost? Write NONE if appropriate.

*Solution:* Yukiko's marginal revenue is given by

$$MR = \begin{cases} 70 & \text{if } 0 < a < 100 \\ 50 & \text{if } 100 < a < 320 \end{cases}$$

and her marginal cost is  $52e^{0.002a}$ . We have  $52e^{0.002a} = 70$  when  $a \approx 148.63$ , but this is greater than 100, so it is not in the correct domain. Also  $52e^{0.002a} = 50$  when  $a \approx -19.61$ , which is also not in the domain. Thus there are no values of  $a$  where  $MC = MR$ .

**Answer:** \_\_\_\_\_ **None** \_\_\_\_\_

- d. [4 points] Assuming Yukiko can produce up to 320 bushels of apples, how many bushels should she produce in order to maximize her profit, and what would that maximum profit be? You must use calculus to find and justify your answer. Make sure to provide enough evidence to justify your answer fully.

*Solution:* Let  $\pi(a) = R(a) - C(a)$  be the profit function. Note that  $C(a)$  and  $R(a)$  are continuous on this closed interval, so we can apply the Extreme Value Theorem. Since we found in the previous part that  $MC$  and  $MR$  are never equal, we only need to consider endpoints and points where  $\pi'(a)$  does not exist. This happens when  $q = 100$ . Using the formulas we've been given, we find

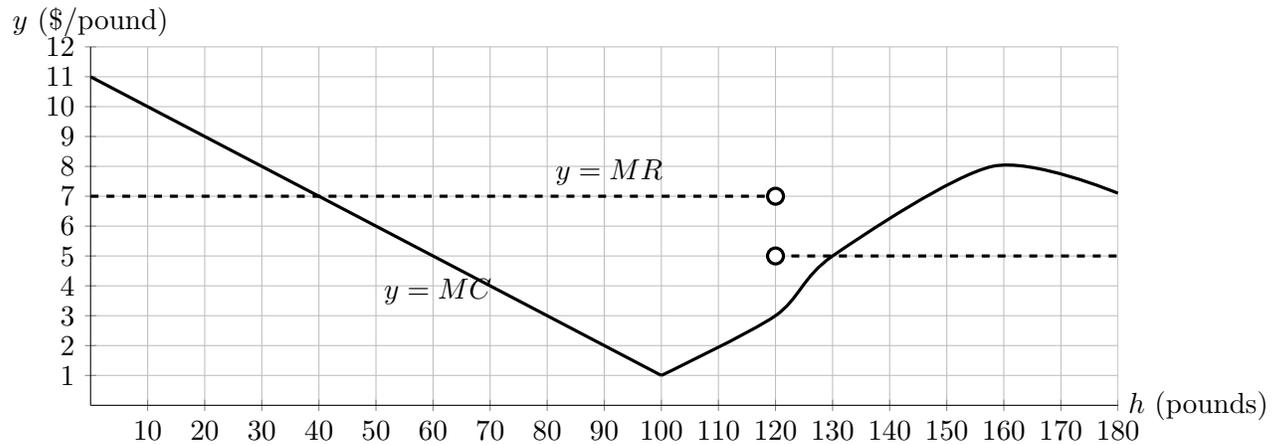
$$\pi(0) = -500$$

$$\pi(100) \approx 743.53$$

$$\pi(320) \approx -5808.50$$

**Answer:** bushels of apples: \_\_\_\_\_ **100** \_\_\_\_\_ and max profit: \_\_\_\_\_ **\$743.53** \_\_\_\_\_

10. [10 points] The Happy Hives Bee Farm sells honey. The graph below shows marginal revenue  $MR$  (dashed) and marginal cost  $MC$  (solid), in dollars per pound, where  $h$  is the number of pounds of honey.



- a. [7 points] Use the graph to estimate the answers to the following questions. You do not need to show work. If an answer can't be found with the information given, write "NEI".
- For what value(s) of  $h$  in the interval  $[0, 180]$  is the cost function  $C$  minimized?

**Answer:**  $h = 0$ .

- For what value(s) of  $h$  in the interval  $[0, 180]$  is  $MC$  minimized?

**Answer:**  $h = 100$ .

- For what value(s) of  $h$  in the interval  $[0, 180]$  is profit maximized?

**Answer:**  $h = 130$ .

- What are the fixed costs of the farm?

**Answer:** NEI

- For what values of  $h$  in the interval  $[0, 180]$  is the profit function concave up?

**Answer:**  $(0, 100) \cup (160, 180)$