Managerial Economics Additional Practice Questions for MT

- 1. You own a scooter repair shop in downtown Santa Cruz. You find that your production function is Q=K^{(1/2)}L^{(2/3)}, where K is the number of machines you purchase. Due to a leasing contract between the supplier and yourself, you cannot purchase anymore of or get rid of any machines. You have already spent a total of \$180 on 9 machines. The wage you face for labor, L, is \$100 per day. If you price each repair at \$200, what is the profit -maximizing level of labor you will hire.
- 2. CBA firm has \$2 million in sales, a Lerner index of 0.8 and marginal cost of \$100 and competes against a 1000 firms in its relevant market.
 - a) What price does the firm charge its consumers?
 - b)By what factor does the firm markup its price over marginal cost?
- c)Another firm, ZXY, charges \$300 for the same product. If Lerner index and the associated markup are the only differences between CBA and ZXY, which one has greater market power?
 - 3. The inverse market demand in a homogeneous-product Cournot duopoly is $P=200-6(Q_1+Q_2)$ and costs are $C_1(Q_1)=10Q_1$ and $C_2(Q_2)=30Q_2$.
 - a) Determine the reaction function for each firm
 - b)Calculate each firm's equilibrium output
 - c)Calculate the equilibrium market price
 - d) Calculate the profit each firm earns in equilibrium
- 4. Two firms compete in a market to sell a homogeneous product with inverse demand function P=100-2Q. Each firm produces at a marginal cost of \$10 and has no fixed costs. Use this to compare the output levels and profits in settings characterized by:
 - a) Stackelberg (Firm 1 is the leader)
 - b)Bertrand (Firm 1 and Firm 2 produce the same amount)
 - c)Collusive behavior

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		Firm B	
	Strategy	High Price	Low Price
Firm A	High Price	40,40	-10,50
	Low Price	50,-10	0,0

- a) Identify the dominant strategy (if there is any).
- b) Identify one-shot pure Nash equilibrium (if there is any).