

(2.5)

$$q = 200 - \pi$$

Find price (π) and price elasticity of demand (E_d) = 0, 50, 100, 150, 200

$$\epsilon = \frac{dq}{q} \cdot \frac{\pi}{d\pi} = \frac{\pi}{q} \cdot \frac{dq}{d\pi}$$

→ express price in terms of quantity: $q = 200 - \pi \rightarrow \pi = 200 - q$

$$\frac{dq}{d\pi} = -1, \quad E_d = (-1) \frac{\pi}{q} = -\frac{\pi}{q}$$

1. $q = 0$

$$\pi = 200 - 0 = 200$$

$$E_d = \frac{-200}{0} \rightarrow \text{undefined}, \text{ perfectly } \cancel{\text{elastic}}$$

2. $q = 50$

$$\pi = 200 - 50 = 150$$

$$E_d = \frac{-150}{50} = -3$$

3. $q = 100$

$$\pi = 200 - 100 = 100$$

$$E_d = \frac{-100}{100} = -1$$

4. $q = 150$

$$\pi = 200 - 150 = 50$$

$$E_d = \frac{-50}{150} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

5. $q = 200$

$$\pi = 200 - 200 = 0$$

$$E_d = \frac{-0}{200} = 0 \quad (\text{perfectly inelastic})$$

$$q = \frac{10,000}{\pi}$$

$$\pi = \frac{10,000}{q}$$

$$\frac{dq}{d\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} 10,000$$

$$\frac{dq}{d\pi} = -10000\pi^{-2} = \frac{-10000}{\pi^2}$$

$$Ed = \frac{dq}{d\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi}{q} = \left(-\frac{10000}{\pi^2}\right) \cdot \frac{\pi}{q} = \frac{-10,000}{\pi \cdot q}$$

$$\pi \cdot q = 10,000 \rightarrow Ed = \frac{-10,000}{10,000} = -1$$

1. $q = 0$

$$\pi = \frac{10,000}{0} \text{ (undefined, } q \rightarrow 0, \pi \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$Ed = -1$$

2. $q = 50$

$$\pi = \frac{10,000}{50} = 200$$

$$Ed = -1$$

3. $q = 100$

$$\pi = \frac{10,000}{100} = 100$$

$$Ed = -1$$

4. $q = 150$

$$\pi = \frac{10,000}{150} \approx 66.67$$

$$Ed = -1$$

5. $q = 200$

$$\pi = \frac{10,000}{200} = 50$$

$$Ed = -1$$

$$(2.8) \quad C(y) = 10y^2 + 200y + 100,000$$

price per Gizmo: \$12400

a)

profit: total revenue - total cost

$$: 2400y - (10y^2 + 200y + 100,000)$$

$$= 2400y - 10y^2 - 200y - 100,000$$

$$= -10y^2 + 2200y - 100,000$$

Break-even points $\rightarrow (\text{profit} = 0)$

$$\pi(y) = 0, \quad -10y^2 + 2200y - 100,000 = 0$$

$$10y^2 - 2200y + 100,000$$

$$y^2 - 220y + 10,000 = 0$$

$$\text{Solve quadratic eq; } y_1 = \frac{220 + \sqrt{8400}}{2} \approx \frac{220 + 91.65}{2}$$

$$y_1 = 64.175$$

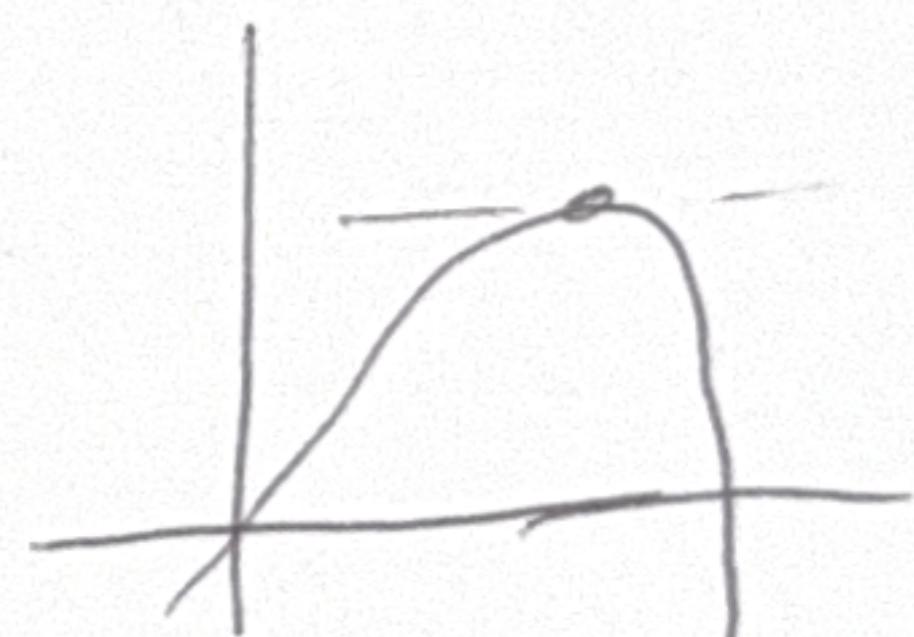
$$y_2 = 155.825$$

profit is positive when output is b/w $64.18 < y < 155.85$

\therefore Output that maximizes profit

$$-10y^2 + 2200y - 100,000$$

$$\frac{d\pi}{dy} = -20y + 2200$$



$$-20y + 2200 = 0 \rightarrow 20y = 2200 \rightarrow y = 110$$

$$\frac{d^2\pi}{dy^2} = -20 < 0 \quad (\text{so it has a maximum})$$

profit-maximizing output would be $y = 110$

b)

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b) Total Revenue: $2400y - (10y^2 - 200y + 200,000)$

$$= -10y^2 + 2200y - 200,000$$

$$-10y^2 + 2200y - 200,000 = 0$$

$$y^2 - 220y + 20,000 = 0$$

solve quadratic eq: $\frac{220 \pm \sqrt{-31,600}}{2}$

$$\Delta = -31,600 < 0, \rightarrow \text{NO REAL ROOTS}$$

\therefore FUNCTION NEVER EQUALS 0

\therefore PROFIT ALWAYS NEGATIVE

$$\frac{d\pi}{dy} = -20y + 2200 = 0, 20y = 2200, y = 110$$

$$\frac{d^2\pi}{dy^2} = -20 < 0 \quad (\text{maximum})$$

Compute profit at $y = 110$:

$$\pi(110) = -10(110)^2 + 2200(110) - 200,000$$

$$= -121,000 + 242,000 - 200,000$$

$$= -121,000 + 242,000 - 200,000 = -79,000$$

max profit is $-79,000$ (loss of \$79,000)

\therefore Fixed cost went from $100,000 \rightarrow 200,000$

Fixed cost is too high, there is no range of production at which the firm would make a profit.