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Microeconomics



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Law of Returns to Scale





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Production Function

Process through which a firm transforms inputs into output.



-Factors of production

$$Q = f(L,K,T)$$

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Fixed factors vs Variable factors

Variable factors refers to those factors which can be changed in the short run. they can vary with output.

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E.g. raw material, labour, power, fuel, etc





Production Function

 $Q_x = f(L, K)$



Where,

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 Q_x is the quantity of output of commodity x, f is the function,

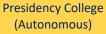
L and K are the units of labour and capital







Marginal Product Vs Variable factor

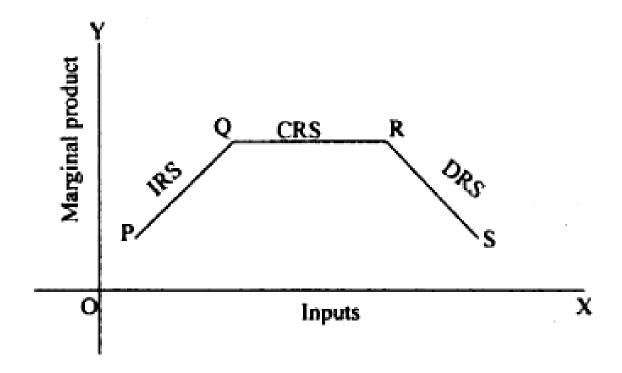




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Production Function - Total Product

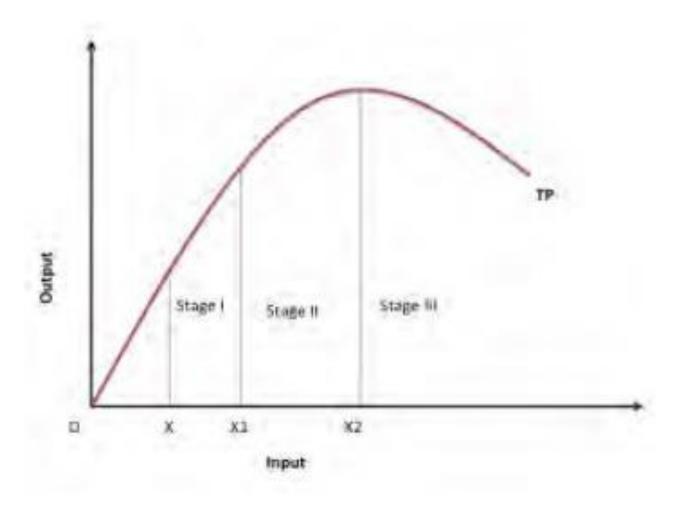
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Average Product & Marginal Product

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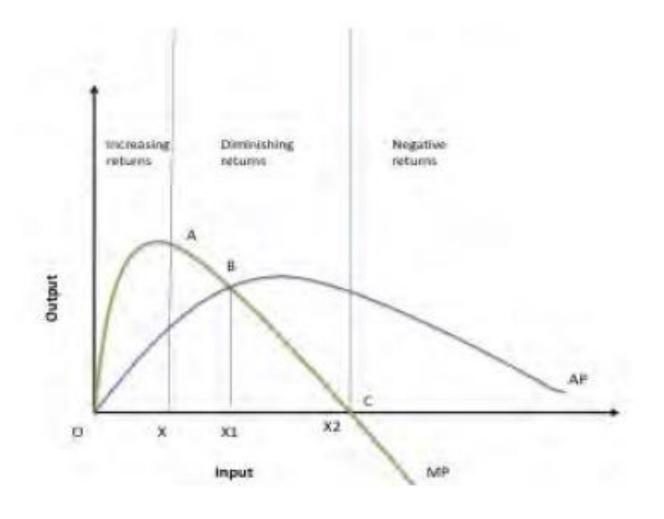
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Quiz

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Changes in Output for an increase in Input.

1 Unit of Input: Marginal Analysis

Changes can be made only to variable factor.

Increase in variable Input -> Increase in Output

$$Q = 5*L*K$$





Analysing the Equations

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1. Q = 5*L*K

2. $Q = 0.8 L^{K}$

3. $Q = 5*L^2 * K^2$

4. $Q = 5*L^{0.5} * K^{0.5}$

5. $Q = 5*L^{0.8} * K^{0.2}$

COBB - DOUGLAS PRODUCTION FUNCTION

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