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Exam-importance ranking:

- Reading 14: Topics in Demand and Supply Analysis
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- Reading 19: International Trade and Capital Flows

Brief Introduction

考纲对比:

- 与2016年相比, 2017年的考纲总体变化较大。
- 微观经济学部分删掉很多考点, 由 4个reading缩减到2个reading。
- 宏观经济学和国际经济学这两部分考纲几乎没有变化



Brief Introduction

有助于你理解经济学的几大原理:

- 人们面临交替关系
- 某种东西的成本是为了得到它而放弃的东西
- 理性人考虑边际量
- 人们通过比较成本与收益作出决策
- 市场通常是组织经济活动的一种好办法
- 一国的生活水平取决于它生产物品与服务的能力
- 当政府发行了过多货币时, 物价上升
- 社会面临通货膨胀与失业之间的短期交替关系



Brief Introduction

学习建议:

- 本课程知识点多, 覆盖面广, 记住经济学的重要原理将有助于你把这些知识点统一起来
- 如果经济学基础薄弱, 在时间允许下, 建议阅读 CFA协会原版教材, 或曼昆《经济学原理》
- 听课前务必提前预习, 课后务必及时复习
- 每完成一个章节的学习, 应通过做题来检验学习成果
- 考试题型包括概念和计算, 但考察重点偏向概念



Brief Introduction

学而时习之, 不亦乐乎!



Demand, Substitution and Income Effect

Tasks:

- **Compare** Substitution and Income effects
- **Distinguish** between normal goods and inferior goods

Basic Concepts of Demand

Demand

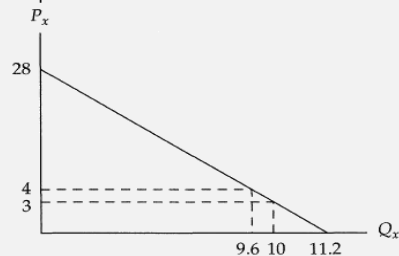
- **Demand**: **willingness** and **ability** of consumers to purchase a given amount of a good or service at a given price.
- **Law of demand**(需求定律): as price of a good rises, buyers buy less of it, and as its price falls, they buy more.
- **Demand function**: the relationship between quantity of demand and variables that have influence on demand

$$Q_x^d = f(P_x, I, P_y, \dots)$$

Basic Concepts of Demand

Demand Curve

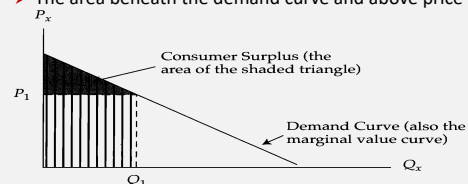
- Graph of the **inverse demand function**



Consumer Surplus

Consumer Surplus(消费者剩余)

- The difference between the **highest price** consumers are willing to pay for each additional unit and the **actual price** they pay
- The area beneath the demand curve and above price



Substitution and Income Effect

Substitution Effect(替代效应)

- When the price of A decreases, the relative price of A against B will decrease, which results in an increase in the demand of A.

Income Effect(收入效应)

- Nominal income is constant, when the price of A decreases, consumer's real purchasing power will increase, which results in a change in the demand of A.

Normal and Inferior Goods

Normal goods (e.g. restaurant meals)

- the income effect reinforces the substitution effect, both leading to a negatively sloped demand curve.

Inferior goods (e.g. generic beverages)

- the income effect and the substitution effect work in opposite directions; the income effect tends to mitigate the substitution effect.

Giffen and Veblen Goods

Exceptions to the Law of Demand

➤ Giffen goods (吉芬商品)

- Giffen goods are inferior goods
- Demand decreases as price decreases, demand curve has positive slope.
- Negative Income effect > Positive Substitution effect

➤ Veblen goods (韦伯伦商品)

- Demand increase as price rises, goods are not inferior goods.
- Demand curve has positive slope

Substitution and Income Effect

Substitution and income effect conclusion

When price down		Substitution Effect	Income Effect	Total Effect	Demand curve
Normal Goods		+	+	+	Downward
Inferior goods	Not Giffen	+	-	+	Downward
	Giffen	+	-	-	Upward

Practice

Which of the following statements best illustrates the difference between a Giffen good and a Veblen good?

- A. The Giffen good alone is an inferior good.
- B. The substitution effect for each is in opposite directions.
- C. The Veblen good alone has a positively sloped demand curve.

Answer: A

Veblen goods are not inferior goods, whereas Giffen goods are. An increase in income for consumers of a Veblen good leads to an increase in the quantity purchased at each price. The opposite is true for a Giffen good.

Summary

➤ **Importance:** ☆☆

➤ **Content:**

- Definition of demand
- Consumer Surplus
- Substitution and Income effects
- Normal and Inferior goods

➤ **Exam tips:**

- 理解需求定义和消费者剩余
- 比较替代效应和收入效应
- 区别正常商品和低档商品，以及吉芬商品和韦伯伦商品

Demand Elasticity

Tasks:

- **Calculate** and **Interpret** price, income, and cross-price elasticity of demand
- **Describe** factors that affect each elasticity

Demand Elasticity

Price Elasticity of Demand (价格弹性)

➤ The responsiveness of the quantity demanded to a change in price.

$$E_{P_x}^d = \frac{\% \Delta Q_x^d}{\% \Delta P_x} = \frac{\frac{\Delta Q_x^d}{Q_x^d}}{\frac{\Delta P_x}{P_x}} = \left(\frac{\Delta Q_x^d}{\Delta P_x} \right) \left(\frac{P_x}{Q_x^d} \right)$$

➤ **Arc method (弧弹性):** Use **average quantity** and **average price** as the base for calculating the percentage changes.

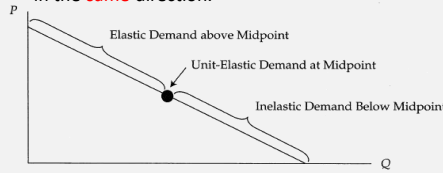
$$E = \left(\frac{\Delta Q}{Q_{avg}} \right) / \left(\frac{\Delta P}{P_{avg}} \right)$$

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Demand Elasticity

Price Elasticity of Demand (价格弹性)

- Total revenue is maximized when demand is **unit elastic**.
 - When demand is **elastic**, price and total expenditure move in **opposite** direction.
 - When demand is **inelastic**, price and expenditure move in the **same** direction.

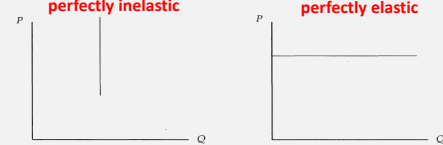


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Demand Elasticity

Price Elasticity of Demand (价格弹性)

- **Perfectly elastic**(完全弹性): Demand curve is horizontal, elasticity is infinite.
- **Perfectly inelastic**(完全不耐弹性): Demand curve is vertical, elasticity is zero.



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Demand Elasticity

Factors that Influence Price Elasticity of Demand

- **Portion of income spent on a good**
 - The larger the proportion of income spent on a good, the more elastic the demand for that good.
- **Availability and closeness of substitutes**
 - If good substitutes are available, elasticity of demand tends to be greater.
- **Time**
 - Elasticity of demand tends to be greater the longer the time period since the price change.

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Demand Elasticity


Income Elasticity of Demand(收入弹性)

- The responsiveness of the quantity demanded to a change in income.

$$E_I^d = \frac{\% \Delta Q_x^d}{\% \Delta I} = \frac{\frac{\Delta Q_x^d}{Q_x^d}}{\frac{\Delta I}{I}} = \left(\frac{\Delta Q_x^d}{\Delta I} \right) \left(\frac{I}{Q_x^d} \right)$$

- Key points of income elasticity
 - **Normal good**(正常商品): **positive** income elasticity
 - **Inferior good**(低档商品): **negative** income elasticity






Demand Elasticity


Cross-Price Elasticity of Demand(交叉价格弹性)

➤ The responsiveness of the quantity demanded to a change in price of substitutes or complements.

$$E_{p_y}^d = \frac{\% \Delta Q_x^d}{\% \Delta P_y} = \frac{\frac{\Delta Q_x^d}{Q_x^d}}{\frac{\Delta P_y}{P_y}} = \left(\frac{\Delta Q_x^d}{\Delta P_y} \right) \left(\frac{P_y}{Q_x^d} \right)$$


- **Substitutes(替代品): positive** cross-price elasticity
- **Complements(互补品): negative** cross-price elasticity






Summary

- **Importance:** ☆ ☆ ☆
- **Content:**
 - Price elasticity of demand
 - Income elasticity of demand
 - Cross-price elasticity of demand
- **Exam tips:**
 - 记住三种弹性的计算公式
 - 理解价格弹性与总收入的关系
 - 能根据收入弹性和交叉价格弹性的计算结果判断商品属性







Revenue, Cost, Product

Tasks:

- **Calculate, Interpret, and Compare** total, average, and marginal revenue; total, average, fixed, and variable costs; total, marginal, and average product of labor
- **Describe** the phenomenon of diminishing marginal product





Economic Profit

Opportunity Costs(机会成本)

➤ The foregone return from using resources for one action versus another.


Explicit costs (accounting costs)(显性成本)

➤ Payments to non-owner parties for goods and services that they supply to the firm.

Implicit costs(隐形成本)

➤ Opportunity costs of resources supplied to the firm by its owners.

➤ **Total Economic costs = Explicit costs + Implicit costs**


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Economic Profit

Economic Profit(经济盈利)

Accounting profit = total revenue - accounting costs (explicit costs)

Economic profit = total revenue – total economic costs
 = total revenue - explicit costs - implicit costs
 = accounting profit - implicit costs
 = accounting profit - normal profit

➤ **Normal Profit(正常盈利):** The accounting profit that makes economic profit zero.


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Revenue, Cost, Product

Summary of revenue


➤ **Total revenue (TR)(总收入):** Sum of individual units sold times their respective prices, $TR = P * Q$

➤ **Average revenue (AR)(平均收入):** Total revenue divided by quantity, $AR = TR / Q = P * Q / Q = P$

➤ **Marginal revenue (MR)(边际收入):** Change in total revenue divided by change in quantity, $MR = AR = P$

- The relationship between MR and price elasticity:

$$MR = P \left[1 - \frac{1}{\epsilon_p} \right]$$


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Revenue, Cost, Product

Summary of cost

➤ **Total fixed cost (TFC):** Sum of all fixed expenses

➤ **Total variable cost (TVC):** Sum of all variable expenses


➤ **Total costs (TC):** $TFC + TVC$

➤ **Average fixed cost (AFC):** $TFC \div Q$

➤ **Average variable cost (AVC):** $TVC \div Q$

➤ **Average total cost (ATC):** $TC \div Q$ or $AFC + AVC$

➤ **Marginal cost (MC)(边际成本):** Change in total cost divided by change in quantity.


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Revenue, Cost, Product

Factors of production(生产要素)

➤ The inputs(投入量)to the production of goods and services.

- Land, labor, capital, materials

Production function(生产函数)

➤ Assume only consider capital and labor.

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

➤ **In the short-run:** Capital is fixed, only consider **labor**.

$$Q = f(L)$$

Revenue, Cost, Product

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Summery of product

- **Total product (TP)**(总产量): Sum of the output from all inputs during a time period.
- **Average product (AP)**(平均产量): Total product divided by the quantity of a given input.
- **Marginal product (MP)**(边际产量): The amount of additional output resulting from using one more unit of input assuming other inputs are fixed.

Revenue, Cost, Product

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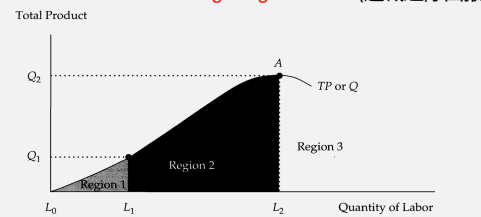
A Firm's Production Function

- **Increasing Marginal Return**: the productivity of each additional unit of a resource —increases as additional units of that input are employed.
- **Diminishin Marginal Return** (递减边际回报): when more and more workers are added to a fi xed capital base, the marginal return of the labor factor eventually decreases .

Revenue, Cost, Product

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- Firm's production function has **three distinct regions** where both the direction of change and the rate of change in total product vary as production changes.
- Labor exhibits **diminishing marginal return** (递减边际回报).



Summary

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- **Importance:** ☆☆☆
- **Content:**
 - Revenue, cost, and product
 - Diminishing marginal return
- **Exam tips:**
 - 理解收入，成本，和产量的相关概念
 - 理解递减边际回报

Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run

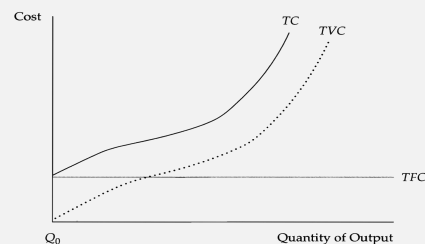
Tasks:

- Describe how economies of scale and diseconomies of scale affect costs

Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run

Short-run cost curve

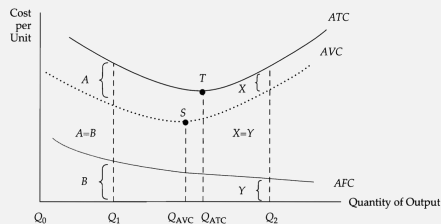
TC (total cost) = TFC (total fixed cost) + TVC (total variable cost)



Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run

Short-run average cost curve

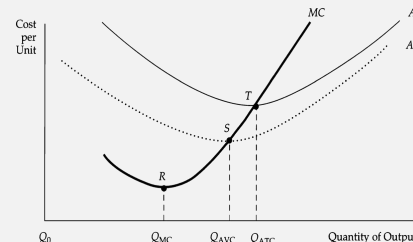
ATC (average total cost) = AFC (average fixed cost) + AVC (average variable cost)



Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run

Short-run average and marginal cost curve

- MC intersects AVC and ATC at their **minimum points**.

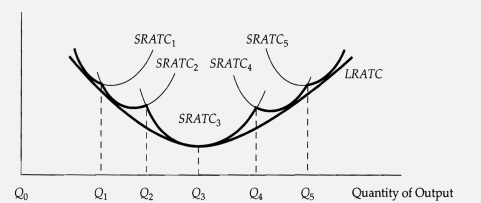


Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run


Long-run average cost curve

➤ Q3 (minimum efficient scale, MES) is the scale the firm can produce at lowest average cost.

Per Unit Cost



Quantity of Output




Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run

Economies of scale (increasing returns to scale)(规模经济)

➤ A firm moves to lower cost structures when it grows in size.

➤ Reasons:

- Division of labor
- Being able to afford more-expensive, but more-efficient equipment
- Effectively reducing waste and lowering costs
- Making better use of market information and knowledge
- Discounted price on resources when buying larger quantities



Cost Analysis in the Short and Long Run

Diseconomies of scale (decreasing returns to scale)(规模不经济)


➤ A firm becomes less efficient with size.

➤ Reasons:

- Management inefficiency
- Overlap and duplication of business functions
- Higher resource prices due to supply constraints

Minimum efficient scale(成本最低有效规模)

➤ The **minimum point** on the LRATC(long run average total cost)



Summary


➤ **Importance:** ★ ★

➤ **Content:**

- Cost analysis in the short run
- Economies of scale and diseconomies of scale

➤ **Exam tips:**

- 理解和区别短期与长期的成本分析
- 掌握规模经济, 规模不经济, 和成本最低有效规模的概念



Profit Maximization

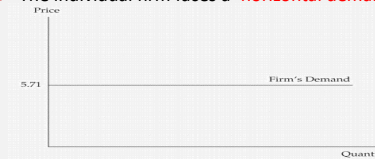
Tasks:

- **Describe** approach to determining the profit-maximizing level of output
- **Determine** and **describe** breakeven and shutdown points of production
- **Distinguish** between short-run and long-run profit maximization

Perfect Competition

Perfect competition(完全竞争)

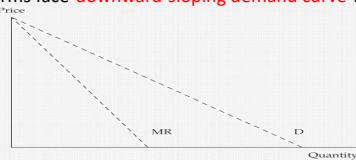
- The individual firm has virtually no impact on market price (**price taker**)
- It is assumed to be a very small seller among a very large number of firms selling essentially **identical** products.
- The individual firm faces a **horizontal demand curve**.



Imperfect Competition

Imperfect competition(不完全竞争)

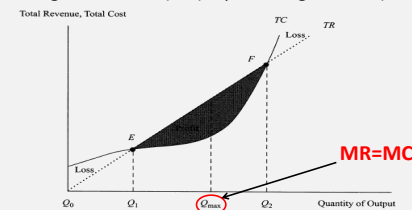
- The individual firm has enough share of the market and is able to exert some influence over price(**price maker**).
- A smaller number of firms in the market and in the extreme case only one firm.
- Firms face **downward-sloping demand curve**.




Profit Maximization

Profit maximization(盈利最大化)

- The difference between total revenue (TR) and total costs (TC) is the greatest.
- Marginal revenue (MR) equals marginal cost (MC).

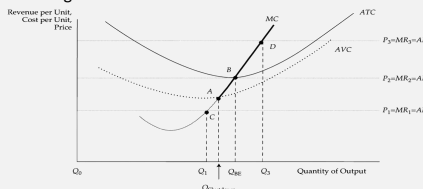





Shutdown and Breakeven Point

Shutdown and Breakeven Point(停业和盈亏平衡点)


- $AR \geq ATC$, firm **stay** in the market.
- $ATC > AR \geq AVC$, firm **stay** in market in the **short run**, but will **exit** the market in the **long run**.
- $AR < AVC$, firm **shut down** in the short run and **exit** the market in the long run.





Shutdown and Breakeven Point

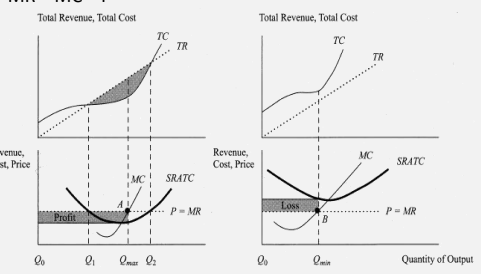
- **Short-run shutdown point** : When average revenue is less than average variable cost.
- **Long-run shutdown point** : When average revenue is less than average total cost.
- **Breakeven point(盈亏平衡点)**: When price, average revenue and marginal revenue equal average total cost.




Profit Maximization

Short-run equilibrium

- $MR = MC = P$

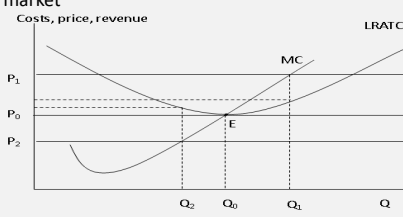




Profit Maximization

Long-run equilibrium

- $MR = MC = P = ATC$
- Firms earn **zero economic profits** in perfect competition market



Practice 1

The short-term breakeven point of production for a firm operating under perfect competition will most likely occur when:

- A. price is equal to average total cost.
- B. marginal revenue is equal to marginal cost.
- C. marginal revenue is equal to average variable costs.

Answer: A

Under perfect competition, price equals marginal revenue. A firm breaks even when marginal revenue equals average total cost.



Practice 2

Under conditions of perfect competition, in the long run firms will most likely earn:

- A. normal profits.
- B. positive economic profits.
- C. negative economic profits.

Answer: A

Competition should drive prices down to long-run marginal cost, resulting in only normal profits being earned.



Summary

➤ Importance: ★ ★ ★

➤ Content:

- Profit maximization(short-run and long run)
- Shutdown and breakeven point

➤ Exam tips:

- 必须掌握盈利最大化的条件，区分完全竞争市场的短期和长期盈利最大化
- 必须掌握短期和长期的停业和盈亏平衡点

