4.1 Monopoly - Practice Problems

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Bob's Bats produces baseball bats, and has the following costs:

$$C(q) = 5q^2 + 720$$
$$MC(q) = 10q$$

and faces a market demand for bats:

$$q = 120 - 0.4p$$

where quantity is measured in thousands of bats

- 1. Write Bob's Marginal Revenue function.
- 2. Find the profit-maximizing quantity and price.
- 3. How much total profit does Bob's Bats earn? Should Bob stay or exit this industry in the long run?
- 4. At what price would Bob's Bats break even?
- 5. How much of Bob's price is markup (over marginal cost)?
- 6. Calculate the price elasticity of demand at Bob's profit-maximizing price.