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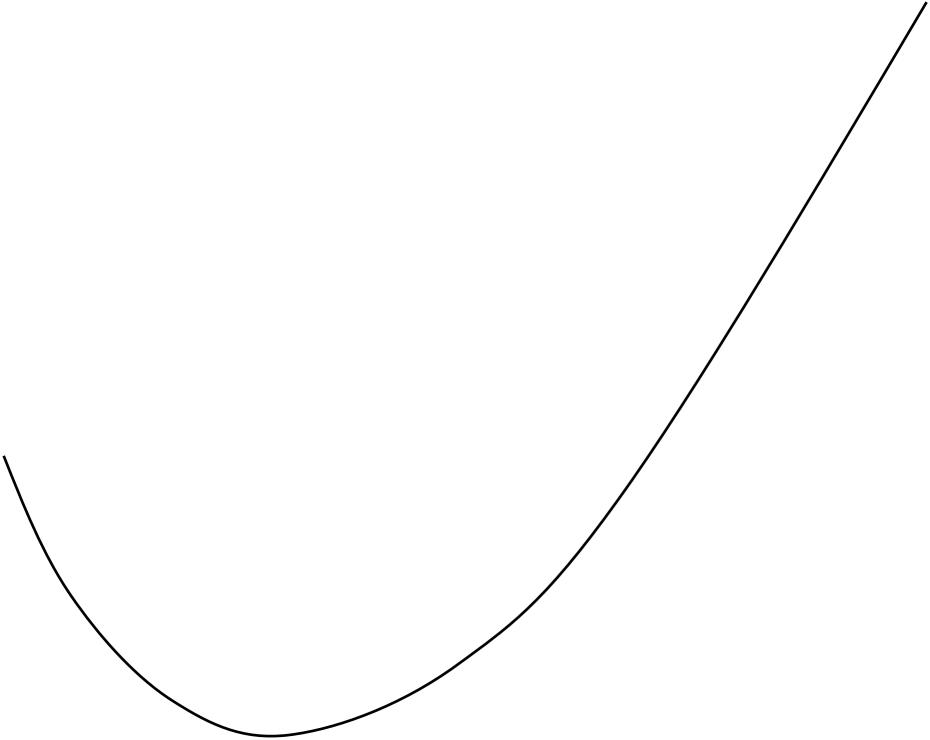
If Price < AVC the firm should shut down (produce zero units)

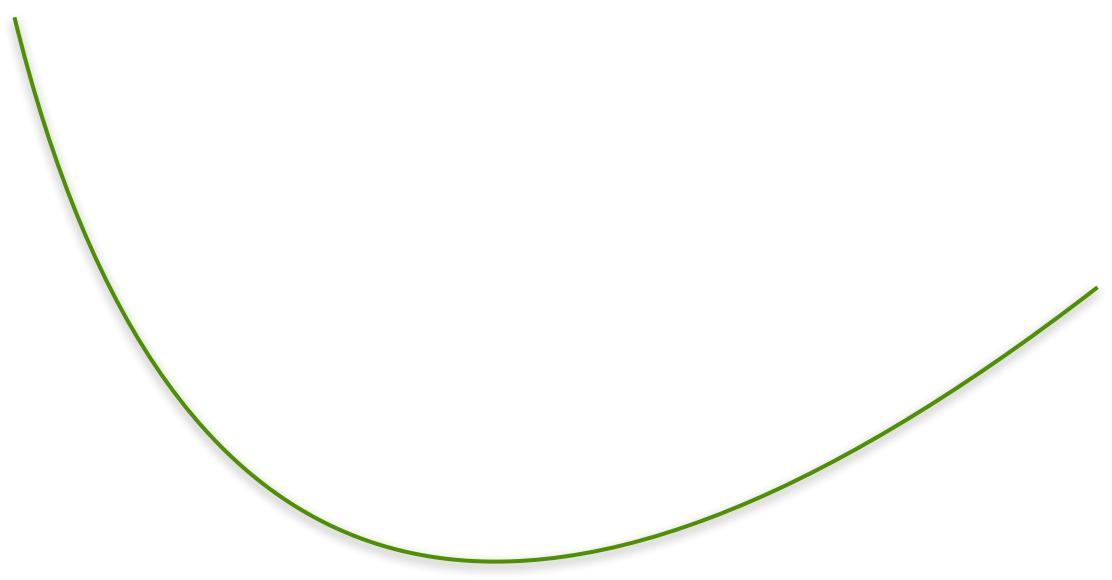
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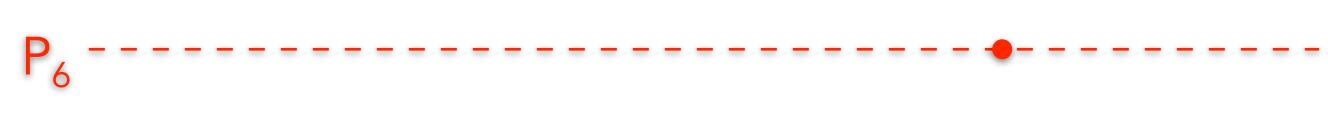


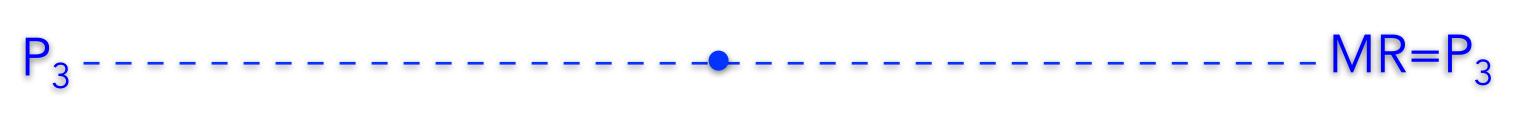




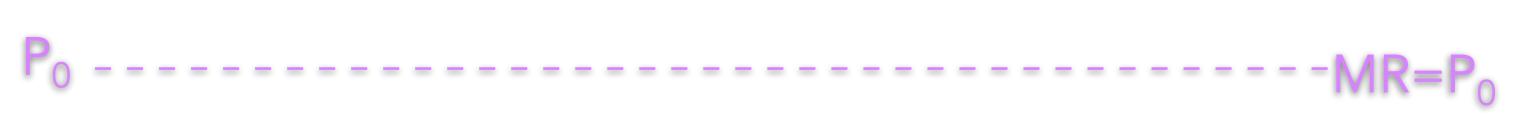












Quantity Supplied in

	the Short Run
Price	O ^S















If Price > AVC the firm should produce q* (where MC = MR)





































































































































































































Note that to make decisions in the short run the firm does NOT need the ATC, only the AVC







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(where MC = MR)

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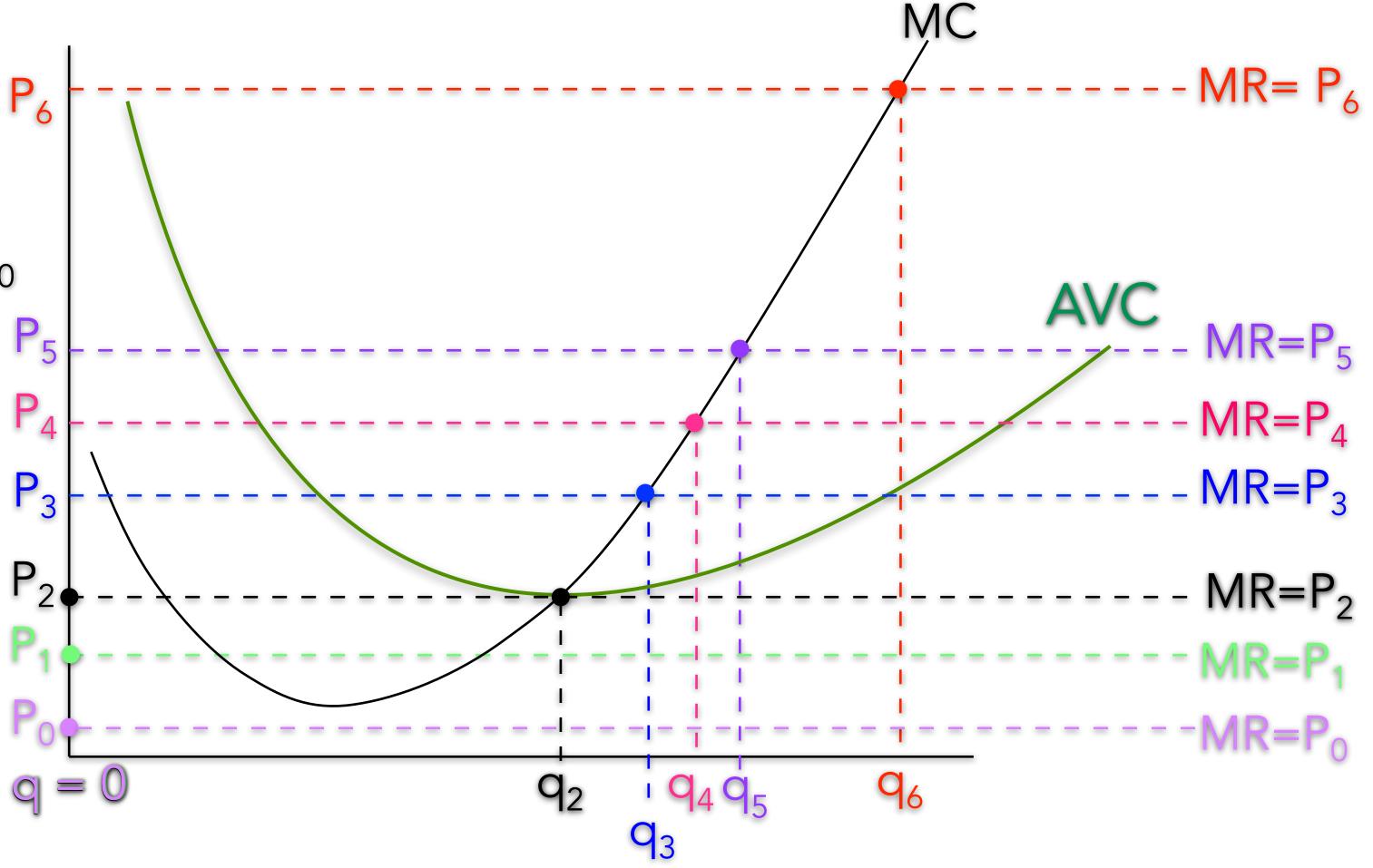
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If Price = AVC the firm is Indifferent between shutting down and producing q_0

If Price < AVC the firm should shut down (produce zero units)

Quantity
Supplied in
the Short Run

Price	Q s
P ₆	96
P ₅	q ₅
P ₄	q_4
P ₃	q_3
P ₂	$0 \text{ or } q_2$
P ₁	0
Po	0



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