





# The Average/Marginal Rule

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average

Average RISES

If the next worker's **MP** is lower than the previous  
average

Average FALLS

If the next worker's **MP** is equal to the previous  
average



Average stays the SAME

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If the next worker's **MP** is **higher** than the previous average

$$\text{MP} > \text{AP}_L \quad \text{Average RISES}$$

If the next worker's **MP** is **lower** than the previous average

$$\text{MP} < \text{AP}_L \quad \text{Average FALLS}$$

If the next worker's **MP** is **equal to** the previous average

$$\text{MP} = \text{AP}_L \quad \text{Average stays the SAME}$$



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