

This review sheet is intended to cover everything that could be on the exam. However, it is possible that I may have inadvertently overlooked something. You are still responsible for everything in the chapters covered except anything that I explicitly say you are not responsible for. Therefore, if I left something off of this sheet, it can still be on the exam. There will be no multiple-choice questions. Most of the questions will be like the ones on the homework assignments, and possibly a few definition questions. I am more likely to ask questions that make you use definitions rather than have you recite them. I will probably ask one of the questions from the book at the end of the chapters.

The review session for this class will be Sunday, 2/8, at 7:00, in Richardson 21 (not the normal room).

Chapter 1:

What do macroeconomics, microeconomics, and managerial economics mean? How and why do we use present value calculations for valuing the firm, doing a cost-benefit analysis, or determining whether a project is worthwhile to do? What is the principle-agent problem? Understand the difference between economic and business profits? Understand the five theories of how a firm can earn positive economic profits. Even though business ethics is an extremely important topic for the real world, it is barely relevant to this course and the book goes into too little detail to do the topic justice. Therefore, we are skipping it. Why are globalization and the internet important for a manager?

Chapter 1's appendix:

Understand the difference between changes in demand and changes in quantity demanded. The same distinction applies to changes in supply and changes in quantity supplied. Know what moves each curve. Note that virtually nothing moves both curves, so do not move them both. However, if it is expected that prices in the future will change, then both curves will move. Also, since a good that is a complement or substitute in consumption **could** also be a complement or substitute in production, price changes in those goods **could** move both curves. If you are stuck about how the two products are related, they are probably substitutes or complements in production. Note that two of the three labels on the vertical axis on figures 1-2 through 1-6 are correct and one is wrong. The \$ should be \$/Q.

Chapter 2:

Know the relationships between total, average and marginal. They apply to all variables that can have those three terms put in front of them. Know that $A \equiv T/Q$, and $M \equiv \Delta T/\Delta Q \approx dT/dQ$. When plotting them, the marginal goes through the minima and maxima of the average, if there are minima and maxima. Be able to prove that statement. Note that the marginal and average costs must have \$/Q on the y-axis while total costs has \$. Therefore, the three functions cannot be on the same graph, only the marginal and average can be on the same graph. Pages 45 - 47 will be discussed in detail in later chapters, so reading it will help you later, but I will not ask about them now. Be able to fill in a big table with Q, TC, TVC, TFC, ATC, AVC, AFC, MC, P and TR. Be able to plot all of those functions. The derivative is the slope. If you have $Y = 5X + 3X^2$ or any similar function, you take each term separately. Multiply the constant by the exponent and reduce the exponent by 1. This will give you $dY/dX = 5*1X^0 + 3*2X^1 = 5 + 6X$. Ignore pages 53 - 54, and the bottom of 55 - 63 because they involve calculus that is unnecessary. The little bit on page 55 says that if you want to maximize or minimize a function, set the derivative equal to zero. Because of the canceled class, I will skip pages 64 - 74. Do read the first case study.

Chapter 3:

Understand the difference between demand and quantity demanded. What moves the demand

curve? What causes movements along the curve? How do we get the industry demand curve from the individual demand curve? What is the difference between the firm's demand curve and the industry demand curve? Be able to find the point price elasticity of demand and the arc elasticity of demand. What does the elasticity of demand tell us? How do total revenue and marginal revenue relate to the elasticity of demand? What determines the elasticity of demand? For income elasticity of demand and cross-price elasticity of demand, know how to calculate them, interpret what the numbers mean, and understand why different products have different elasticities. The appendix will be covered after the exam.

This is the non-graded assignment #2A that will be covered with assignment #2.

1) (20 points each) For each item below, determine if it will have an elastic, unitary-elastic, or an inelastic demand. Determine whether the income elasticity of demand will have $E_I > 1$, $1 \geq E_I \geq 0$, or $E_I < 0$. Explain your logic for both parts.

A) Refrigerators

B) Bananas

2) (15 points) If when bananas sell for \$0.25/lb you buy 2 pounds of apples, and when bananas sell for \$0.30/lb, you buy 3 pounds of apples, then calculate the cross price elasticity and determine if they are substitutes or complements. Explain your logic.

3) (10 points) Would the demand for the firm or the demand for the industry be more elastic? Explain your logic.

4) (20 points) Suppose the straight-line demand curve is given by $P = mQ + b$, where m and b are numbers. Use the demand function to find the total revenue function. Use the total revenue function to derive the marginal revenue function. (Hint: Since m and b are numbers that do not change, pretend they are a number like 113.) Use this information to find the relationship between marginal revenue and demand for a straight-line demand curve. Show all work, briefly explain each step and explain how you reached your conclusion.

5) (15 points) What is the economic reason that $MR < D$ for all quantities except $Q = 1$?