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Test 3 – Econ 3144 Fall 2005 – Dr. Rupp

20 Multiple Choice Questions (50 points) & 4 Discussion (50 points) Signature\_\_\_\_\_

"I have neither given nor received aid on this exam"

Q	ATC	AVC	MC			
1	44	4	4			
2	28	8	12			
4	26	16	32			
6	30.67	24	48			
8	37	32	64			

Use this table to answer questions 1-4:

1. At a price of \$12, how many units of output will this firm produce in the short run?

A) 0 (since closed in short run)

B) 2

C) 4

D) 6

E) 8

2. At a price of \$12, how many units of output will this firm produce in the long run?

- A) 0 (since closed in long run)
- B) 2
- C) 4
- D) 6
- E) 8

3. What is the profit (or loss) at price of \$12 in the **short run**?

- A) \$0
- B) \$24
- C) -\$24
- D) -\$56
- E) -\$32
- 4. How much are fixed cost?
  - A) \$0
  - B) \$12
  - C) \$16
  - D) \$24
  - E) \$40

5. Which of the following is the definition for **consumer surplus**?

- $A. \ \ Total \ revenue Total \ cost$
- B. Total revenue Total variable cost
- C. Total revenue Fixed cost
- D. Willing to pay price actually paid
- E. Price Average total cost
- 6. Which of the following is the definition for **producer surplus**?
  - A. Total revenue Total cost
  - B. Total revenue Total variable cost
  - C. Total revenue Fixed cost
  - D. Willing to pay price actually paid
  - E. Price Average total cost
- 7. What is the definition of **marginal revenue**?
  - A. the additional output when you spend \$1 more renting a machine
  - B. the additional output when you spend \$1 more hiring a worker
  - C. the additional revenue from producing 1 more unit of output
  - D. the additional cost of producing 1 more unit of output
  - E. the additional profit from producing 1 more unit of output

Use the following information to answer questions #8 - #10. A perfectly competitive firm has a total cost function of:  $TC = 0.5Q^2 - 5Q + 10$  and MC = Q - 5. The firm faces a price of \$7.

8. How much are fixed costs?

- A. 5
- B. 8
- C. 7
- D. 10
- E. 12

## 9. How much quantity in the short-run should the firm sell?

- A. 0 (better to be closed in the short-run)
- B. 5
- C. 7
- D. 10
- E. 12
- 10. How much profit does the firm earn?
  - A. 0
  - B. 22
  - C. 12
  - D. 84
  - E. 62

11. The difference between economic profit and accounting profit is due to a different definition for:

- A. total revenue
- B. price
- C. implicit cost
- D. explicit cost
- E. marginal cost

Use the following information to answer questions 12-14: the demand in the perfectly competitive cotton industry is: P = 100 - 5Q, the MC = 10 + Q.

12. Find the profit maximizing output in the perfectly competitive cotton industry in the short-run.

- A) 5
- B) 8
- C) 10
- D) 15
- E) 20

13. Find the profit maximizing price in the perfectly competitive cotton industry in the short-run.

- A) \$20
- B) \$75
- C) \$50
- D) \$60
- E) \$25

14. Find the consumer surplus in the perfectly competitive cotton industry (Hint, graph it).

- A) \$562.50
- B) \$160
- C) \$62.50
- D) \$1000
- E) \$250

15. Which of the following is *not* an assumption of the theory of perfect competition?

- A. There are many sellers and many buyers
- B. All firms in the market sell an identical product
- C. Prices are free to adjust
- D. All consumers and firms have perfect information
- E. All consumers are quantity-takers

16. Theaters typically charge different prices for children, adults, & senior citizens. This is an example of:

- A. product differentiation
- B. mark-up pricing
- C. price leadership
- D. price discrimination
- E. marginal cost pricing

17. Which of the following factors does *not* lead to a monopoly?

- A. control over a key input
- B. diseconomies of scale
- C. patent
- D. government licenses

18. Proctor and Gamble is the sole seller of Crest toothpaste. Therefore economists would say that Proctor and Gamble is a monopoly.

- A. True
- B. False

19. True or False: All monopolists in the short and long-run earn economic profits.

- A. True.
- B. False.

20. At a price of \$32, the monopolist is current producing: Q = 10, the ATC = \$12, AVC = \$8, MR = \$20 & MC = \$16. How can this monopolist increase profits?

- A. Increase quantity.
- B. Reduce quantity.
- C. Keep quantity the same since already maximizing profits.
- D. Shut down since losing money.

## Extra credit: (+2.5 points each)

21. In the short-run, US Airways should shutdown if airline ticket prices are less than:

- a. Average fixed cost
- b. Marginal cost
- c. Implicit cost
- d. Average variable cost
- e. Average total cost

## 22. In the long run, what prevents firms in perfect competition from making economic profits?

- A) Taxes
- B) Economies of scale
- C) Entry
- D) Diseconomies of scale
- E) Law of diminishing returns

- II. Discussion Questions (12.5 points per discussion question)
- 1. A perfectly competitive firm has the cost curves: MC = 4 + 4Q and AVC = 4 + 2Q.
- a. How many units of output (if any) will it produce at a market price of \$16?

b. What level of fixed costs will this firm earn zero economic profit?

c. Lightly shade the producer surplus in the graph below. Label all axes & curves!

d. How much is the producer surplus?

2. There are 10 identical firms in the textbook industry. Each has the same short-run marginal cost of: SMC = 4 + 2Q. The demand curve for textbooks is: P = 10 - Q

A. Find the market supply curve.

B. Graph the market supply curve and market demand curve on one graph below. Label all axes & curves!

C. On the graph above, pin stripe the consumer surplus region & lightly shade the producer surplus.

D. How much is the consumer surplus? How much is the producer surplus?

3. A monopoly has a demand curve of: P = 120 - Q and total cost: TC = 10Q and marginal cost: MC = 10. A. Find the profit maximizing quantity.

B. Find the profit maximizing price.

C. Find the profit.

- D. On a graph below pin stripe the producer surplus.
- E. On the same graph, heavily shade the consumer surplus.
- F. On the same graph, lightly shade the deadweight loss.

4. Given fixed cost = \$100 and marginal cost = \$8 per unit produced.

Total	Р	TC	TR	MR	Profit
Product					
0	21				
1	20				
2	19				
3	18				
4	17				
5	16				
6	15				
7	14				
8	13				
9	12				
10	11				

- a) Fill in every blank in the table above. (4.5 points)
- b) Will this monopolist produce in the short run? If yes, how much does it produce? (2 points)
- c) Will this monopolist produce in the long run? If yes, how much will it produce? (2 points)
- d) How much profit or loss does the monopolist incur in the short run? (2 points)
- e) How much profit or loss does the monopolist incur in the long run? (2 points)

Test #3 – Key

1.B 2.A 3.E 4.E 5.D 6.B 7.C 8.D 9.E 10. E 11. C 12. D 13. E 14. A 15. E 16. D 17. B 18. B 19. B 20. A 21. D

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