

Thursday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> 2014

Problem 1

$F$  = fixed cost (\$)

$C$  = production cost (\$/unit)

$S$  = selling Price (\$/unit)

$C(x)$  = cost function (\$)

$R(x)$  = Revenue function (\$)

$P(x)$  = Profit function (\$)

$$C(x) = cx + F = .60x + 12,100$$

$$R(x) = Sx = 1.15x$$

$$P(x) = R(x) - C(x) = .55x - 12,100$$

Problem 2

Let  $t$  denote the time ~~elapsed~~ elapsed (yr.) &  $V(t)$  denote the value of the asset at time  $t$ . Since the depreciation is linear,  $V(t)$  should be modeled as a line. Two points of the line are known  $(0, C)$  and  $(N, S)$ . So the slope is given by

$$m = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t} = \frac{S - C}{N - 0} = \frac{S - C}{N}$$

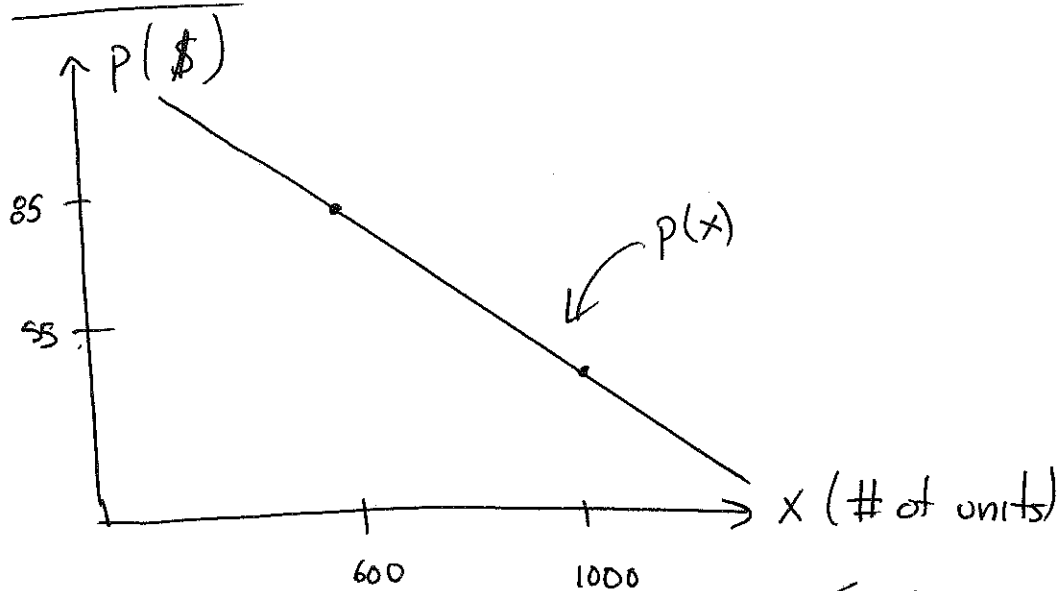
By the point-slope form for the equation of a line

$$V - V_0 = m \cancel{(x - x_0)} m(t - t_0)$$

$$V - C = \frac{S - C}{N} t$$

$$V(t) = C + \left( \frac{S - C}{N} \right) t$$

### Problem 3



The slope is given by  $m = \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta x} = \frac{85 - 55}{1000 - 600} = \frac{30}{400} = -\frac{3}{40}$

By the point-slope form for the equation of a line, the demand is given by

$$P(x) = 55 - \frac{3}{40}(x - 1000) = -\frac{3}{40}x + 130$$

Demand is zero when the graph crosses the p-axis, so demand is zero when the price is  $\boxed{\$130}$

The product is free when the graph crosses the x-axis, find the x-intercept by setting p equal to zero and solving for x.

The product is free when the quantity is  $\boxed{1734}$

### Problem 4

The break even point  $(x_0, p_0)$  is where  ~~$R(x_0)$~~   $R(x)$  and  $C(x)$  intersect. The revenue  $R(x) = 9x$ , and the cost

$$C(x) = (4)(9)x + 50,000 = 3.6x + 50,000. \text{ Setting } R(x) = C(x),$$

$$\text{or } (R(x) - C(x) = 0)$$

$$9x = 3.6x + 50,000$$

$$5.4x = 50,000$$

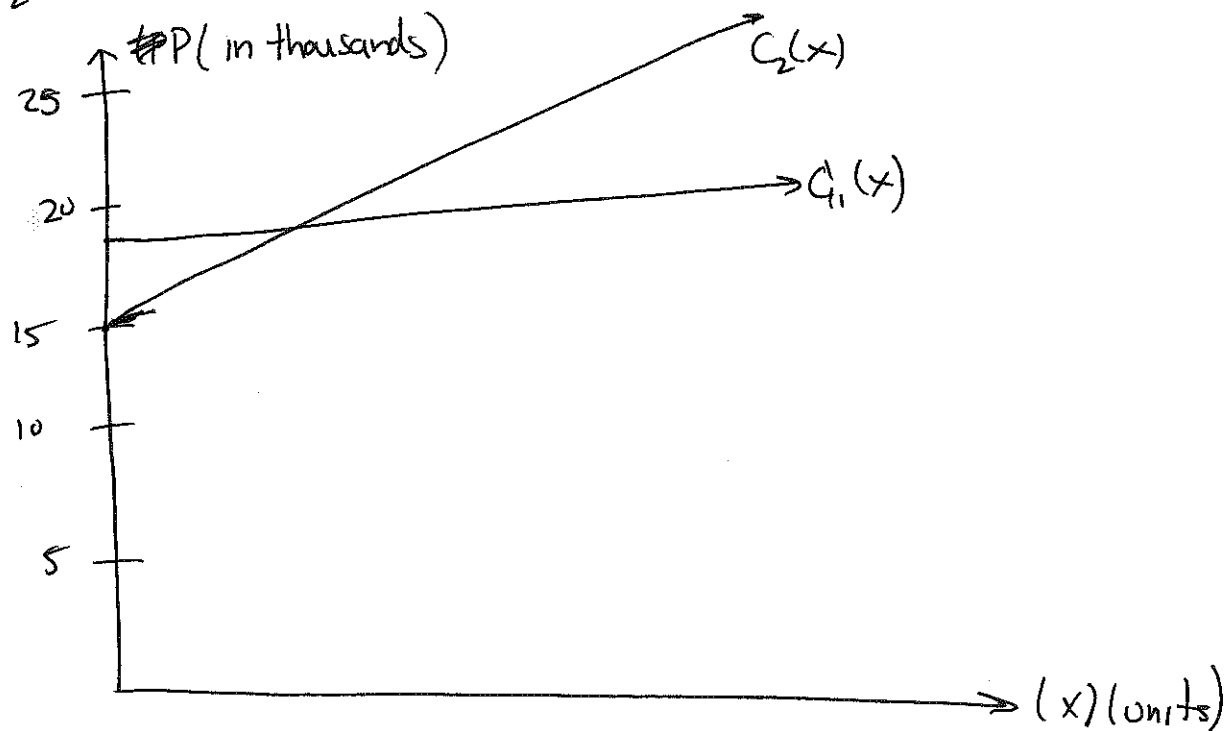
$$x = \frac{50,000}{5.4} \approx 9259.26$$

The corresponding break even price ~~is~~ is given by substituting the break even quantity into  $R(x)$  or  $C(x)$ . In any case the break even point is  $(9259.26, 83,333.34)$

### Problem 5

a)  $C_1 =$  cost function w/ machine I  $= 18,000 + 15x$

$C_2 =$  cost function w/ machine II  $= 15,000 + 20x$



b)  $R(x) =$  Revenue Function  $= 50x$ .

$P_1(x) =$  ~~profit~~ profit of machine I  $= 35x - 18,000$

$P_2 =$  profit of machine II  $= 30x - 15,000$

X	$P_1(x)$	$P_2(x)$
450	-2250	-1500
550	1250	1500
650	4750	4500

In the case of 450 units, use machine II because it operates with smaller losses, -\$1500. In the case of 550 units use machine II because it has more profits, \$1500. In the case of 650 units use machine I because it has more profits, \$4750.

### Problem 6

a) Set the equilibrium price & quantity equal to one another. So

$$-|a|x + b = cx + d$$

$$b - d = (c + |a|x)$$

$$x_{eq} = \frac{b-d}{c+|a|}$$

b)

$$x_{eq} = \frac{b-d}{c+|a|}$$

~~$$P(x_{eq}) = c x_{eq} + d$$

$$= \frac{c(b-d)}{c+|a|} + d$$~~

If  $c$  is increased the equilibrium quantity decreases & the equilibrium price increases.