

Total Revenue :

$$TR = P \times Q$$

Price      quantity

Average Revenue :

$$AR = \frac{TR}{Q} = \frac{P \times Q}{Q} = P$$

↑ price.

average of  
(per unit  
price)

Marginal Revenue, MR

$$= \frac{\Delta TR}{\Delta Q}$$

Total cost, TC

$$\text{Average cost, AC} = \frac{TC}{Q}$$

(per unit cost  
of production)

$$\text{Marginal cost, MC} = \frac{\Delta TC}{\Delta Q}$$

What's objective of firm?

To maximise profit

How can a firm maximise profit?

- (i) By increasing Tot Rev (TR)
- (ii) By decreasing Tot Cost (TC)

Ex:  $TR = [aQ - bQ^2]$

then:  $AR = \frac{TR}{Q}$

$$= \frac{aQ - bQ^2}{Q}$$

$$= \frac{aQ}{Q} - \frac{bQ^2}{Q}$$

$AR = a - bQ$

Now Suppose  $Q = 10$   
 $a = 3$ ,  $b = 0.2$

then calculate.

$$AR = 3 - 0.2 \times 10$$

$$= 3 - 2 = 1 \text{ ans.}$$

difference between  
Revenue and cost..

$$\text{Profit} = TR - TC$$

change  
profit  
due to  
change in  
 $Q$

change in  
TR due to  
change in  
 $Q$

change in  
TC  
due to  
change in  
 $Q$

$$\frac{\Delta \Pi}{\Delta Q} = \frac{\Delta TR}{\Delta Q} - \frac{\Delta TC}{\Delta Q}$$

$$\frac{\Delta \Pi}{\Delta Q} = MR - MC$$

maximum  $\Rightarrow$  MR is zero.  
...MC is zero

Profit

we know  $TR$  is maximum  $\Rightarrow$   $TC$  is minimum  $\Rightarrow$   $MC$  is zero  
 $\therefore$  At the point of max profit change in profit = 0.

$$\frac{\Delta \Pi}{\Delta Q} = \frac{\Delta TR}{\Delta Q} - \frac{\Delta TC}{\Delta Q}$$

$$\frac{\Delta \Pi}{\Delta Q} = [MR - MC]$$

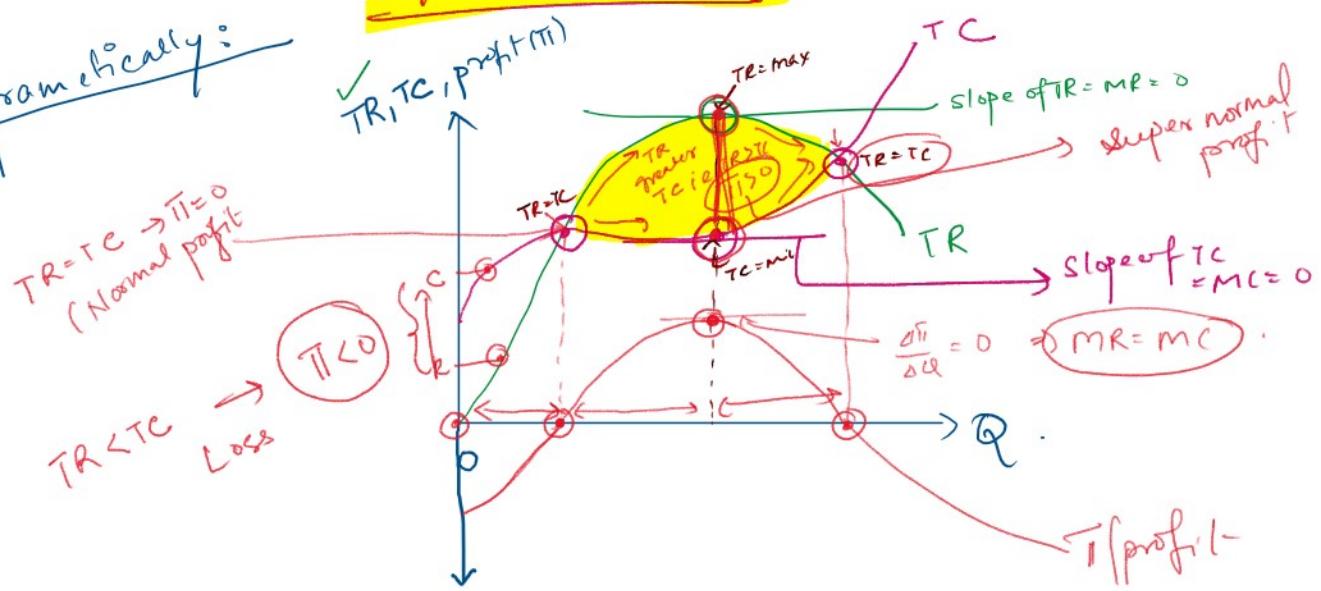
And for profit maximisation, change in  $\frac{\Delta \Pi}{\Delta Q} = 0$   
 $MR - MC = 0$

imp condition  $MR = MC$

$\therefore$  For any firm profit maximising condition is

$$[MR = MC]$$

Diagrammatically:



Classification of  
Market according to competition  
~~(That is number of Seller level)~~

① Perfect Competition:  
(Infinite no. of sellers)  
→ higher competition.

② Monopoly: (single seller)  
→ competition zero.

③ Monopolistic  
competition:  
many buyers  
many sellers  
(less than perfect market)

④ Oligopoly: (few sellers  
→ relatively less competition)

Arrange these market according to the degree of  
competition in ascending order of competition:  
[lowest competition to highest competition].

Monopoly < Oligopoly < Monopolistic  
competition < Perfect competition  
Degree of competition increasing →



## Perfect Competitive Market:

### Features:

- ① infinite number of sellers  
infinite number of buyers
- ② sellers are price takers.
- ③ Prices are given/constant.
- ④ Identical or homogeneous products.
- ⑤ There are perfect substitutes available for each goods.
- ⑥ There are free entry and free exit of firms.
- ⑦ No advertisement costs
- ⑧ No transportation cost
- ⑨ Buyers and sellers know each other completely/perfectly
- ⑩ No government intervention.
- ⑪ Mobility (movement) of factors of production.

### Difference between Perfect Competition and Pure competition.

- ① In perf comp  $\rightarrow$  factors of production are mobile (point 10)  
 $\rightarrow$  factors are immobile (do not include)

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 In pure comp  $\rightarrow$  factors of production are immobile (do not include point 5)
- ② In perf competition  $\rightarrow$  there is perfect knowledge between buyers and sellers. (points 6, 7, 8)  
 In pure competition  $\rightarrow$  there is imperfect knowledge (not included points 6, 7, 8).
- ③ In perfect competition  $\rightarrow$  not a realistic model  
 pure competition  $\rightarrow$  realistic.

# Free entry and free exit of firms.  
 Why?

Assumption:

① In short-run, perf competitive market there is super normal profit.  
 $\nabla (\Pi > 0 \Rightarrow TR > TC)$

$\rightarrow$  new firms will enter the market with an objective to earn profit (max)

(In a market  $\rightarrow$  initial condition is market is in equilibrium.  
 $\underline{\text{Demand} = \text{Supply}}$ )

Market

When these new firms enters the market, number of sellers will increase but number of buyers remain same.

Then there is incidence of excess supply  
(i.e. Supply > Demand)

In this situation to clear market that is to bring the market back to equilibrium Demand should increase.

↳ Price will decrease in market to increase demand.

if price falls  $\Rightarrow$  what will happen total revenue  
will fall.

for a given  $Q \Rightarrow$  if  $P$  is falling  
then  $(TR = P \times Q)$  will decrease

$\therefore \Pi = TR - TC$   
so with fall in price  $TR$  decreases and increase in Total cost for  $Q \uparrow$ .

Total profit,  $\Pi = TR - TC$   
because  $(TR = TC)$   
 $\Pi = 0$  (normal profit)

( $\Pi = \text{TR} - \text{TC}$  profit)

Any further fall in price will lead to fall in TR such that  $\text{TR} < \text{TC}$

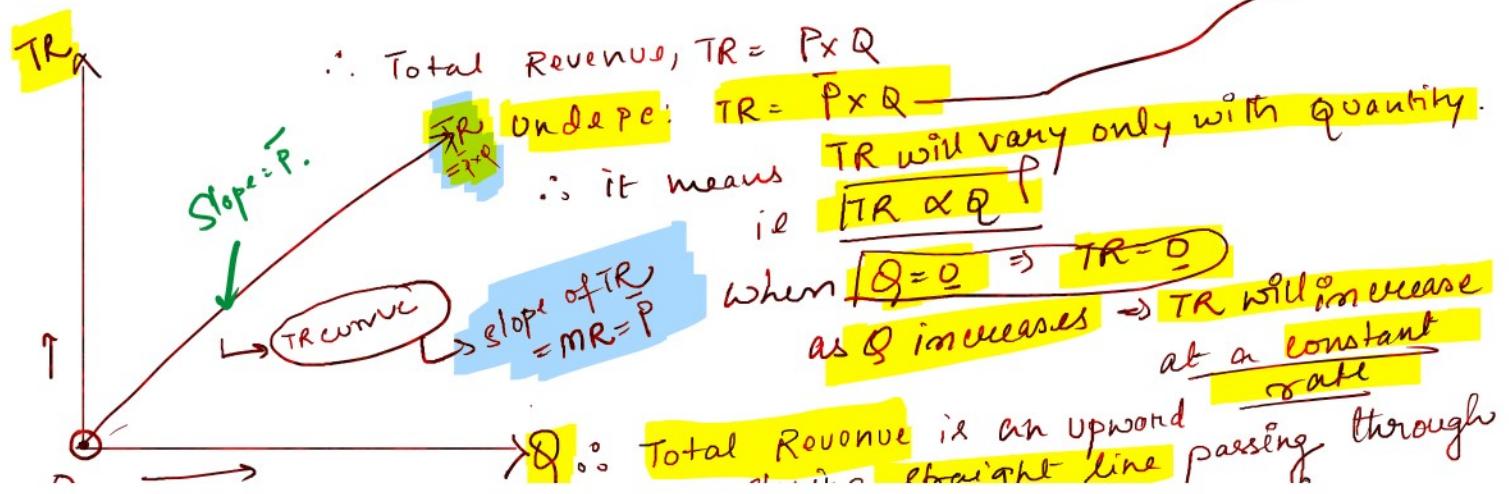
Conclusion:

- ① Due to supernormal profit  $\Pi > 0$  in perfect competition in short-run (new firms enter freely.) ~~He will exit from market~~
- ② To avoid loss the firms exit the market freely and there is Normal profit ( $\Pi = 0$ ) in Long-run in perfect competition.

Very important: Revenue Curves under Perfect Competition:

under the assumption that price is given or constant in a perfectly competitive market.

Let us assume price is given/fixed at  $P$ .





$\Rightarrow \therefore$  Total Revenue is an upward sloping straight line passing through the origin in a perfectly competitive market.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{Average Revenue curve, } (AR) = \frac{TR}{Q} = \frac{\bar{P} \times Q}{Q}$$

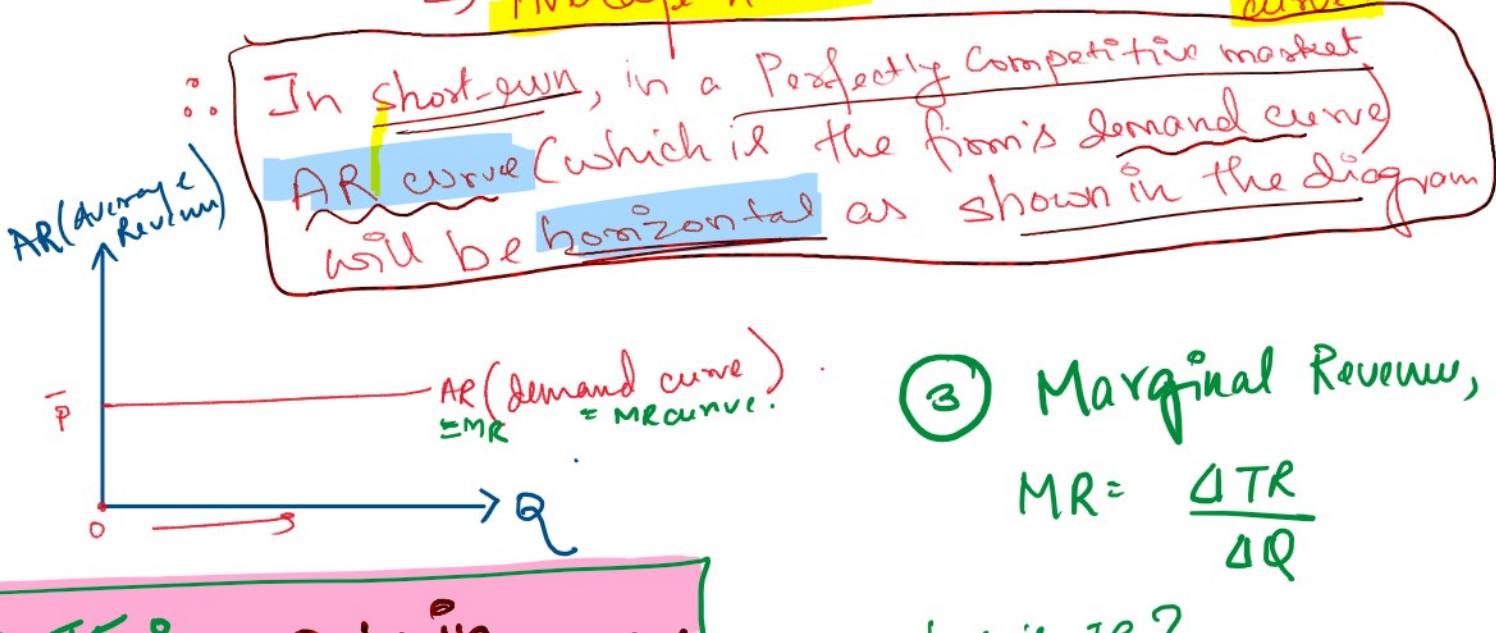
$$\boxed{AR = \bar{P}} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

that means in a perfectly competitive market,

Average Revenue (AR) is fixed at  $\bar{P}$  for any level of output produced i.e., AR does not depend on Quantity (Q)

$\therefore$  AR is a horizontal curve parallel to quantity-axis.

↳ Average Revenue curve is the demand curve.



$\textcircled{3}$  Marginal Revenue,

$$MR = \frac{\Delta TR}{\Delta Q}$$

NOTE

Only in  
Perfectly Competitive market,  
 $MR = AR = \bar{P}$  (constant)

$\Delta Q$

what is  $TR$ ?

In Perf Comp,  $TR = \bar{P} \times Q$

Change in  $TR = \Delta TR = \bar{P} \Delta Q$

$$\therefore \frac{\Delta TR}{\Delta Q} = \bar{P}$$

$$MR = \bar{P}$$

$\therefore$  In a perfectly competitive market  
 $MR = \bar{P} = \text{const.}$   
 $\therefore$  MR is a horizontal line equal to  $AR = \bar{P}$ .

So from ① and ②

$$AR = MR = \bar{P}$$

(very imp)

$$MR = \text{change in } TR = \text{slope of } TR = \bar{P}$$