

## ② income elasticity of demand:

$$\epsilon_m^x = \frac{\% \text{ change in } Q^x}{\% \text{ change in income}} \\ = \frac{dQ}{dm} \times \frac{m}{Q}$$

①  $\epsilon_m^x < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dm} < 0 \Rightarrow$  inferior good

②  $\epsilon_m^x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dm} = 0 \Rightarrow$  neutral goods

③  $\epsilon_m^x > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dm} > 0 \Rightarrow$  Normal goods

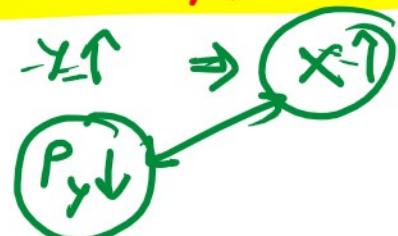
## cross price elasticity of demand

$$\epsilon_c^{x,y} = \frac{\% \text{ change in quantity demand for } X}{\% \text{ change in price of } Y}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{dQ^x}{dP_y} \times \frac{P_y}{Q_x} \right]$$

a)  $\epsilon_c^{x,y} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ^x}{dP_y} < 0 \Rightarrow$  complementary goods

- a)  $0 < \epsilon_m^x < 1$   
 (normal necessary goods)
- b)  $\epsilon_m^x > 1$   
 (luxury goods)



- a)  $\epsilon_{C}^{x,y} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dP_y} < 0 \rightarrow$  complementary goods
- b)  $\epsilon_{C}^{x,y} > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dP_y} > 0 \rightarrow$  Substitute goods.
- c)  $\epsilon_{C}^{x,y} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dP_y} = 0 \rightarrow$  indep / unrelated goods.

Q. The demand function for a commodity is given by  $x_1 = 300 - 0.5P_1^2 + 0.02P_2 + 0.05Y$

Find the income elasticity of demand

when  $P_1 = 12, P_2 = 10$

and  $Y = 200$

$$\frac{\partial x_1}{\partial Y} = 0.05$$

$$x_1 = 300 - 0.5(12)^2 + 0.02(10) + 0.05(200)$$

$$= 237.8$$

$$\therefore \text{dm}^x = \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial Y} \times \frac{Y}{x_1} = 0.05 \times \frac{200}{237.8} = 0.042 \text{ (approx)}$$

$$\text{I} \rightarrow \text{dm}^x > 0$$

$\therefore x_1$  is a normal necessary prod.

Q2. The following are two demand functions for two commodities  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ :

$$\dots -1.7 \quad 0.8 \quad \dots \quad \frac{0.5}{L} \quad -0.8$$

Two common - one more r<sub>2</sub>

$$x_1 = p_1^{-1.7} p_2^{0.8}, x_2 = p_1^{0.5} p_2^{-0.8}$$

Determine whether the two commodities are  
complements or substitutes.

$$\frac{\partial x_1}{\partial p_2} = p_1^{-1.7} 0.8 p_2^{-0.2} > 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{substitute goods.}$$
$$\frac{\partial x_2}{\partial p_1} = 0.5 p_1^{-0.5} p_2^{-0.8} > 0$$

Q2 A consumer's demand curve for X is given by

$$P = 100 - \sqrt{Q}$$

Calculate his point elasticity of demand  
when the price of x is 60.

$$P = 100 - \sqrt{Q}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{Q} &= 100 - P \\ Q &= (100 - P)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \begin{aligned} P &= 60 \\ \sqrt{Q} &= 100 - 60 = 40 \\ Q &= 1600 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial Q}{\partial P} = -2(100 - P)$$

$$\therefore ep^x = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial P} \times \frac{P}{Q}$$

$$= -2(100-P) \times \frac{60}{1600}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \times 100 \times 3}{1600}$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2}$$

$|Rep^2| = 3 > 1 \Rightarrow$  elastic demand.

## Production and cost

### Short-run Concept

(fixed and variable inputs are used)

$$Q = f(L, \bar{K}) \text{ or } f(L) \quad \text{where } K = \bar{K} = \text{fixed capital.}$$

and long run production function

(all factors are variable -  
no fixed factors are used).

$$Q = f(L, K)$$

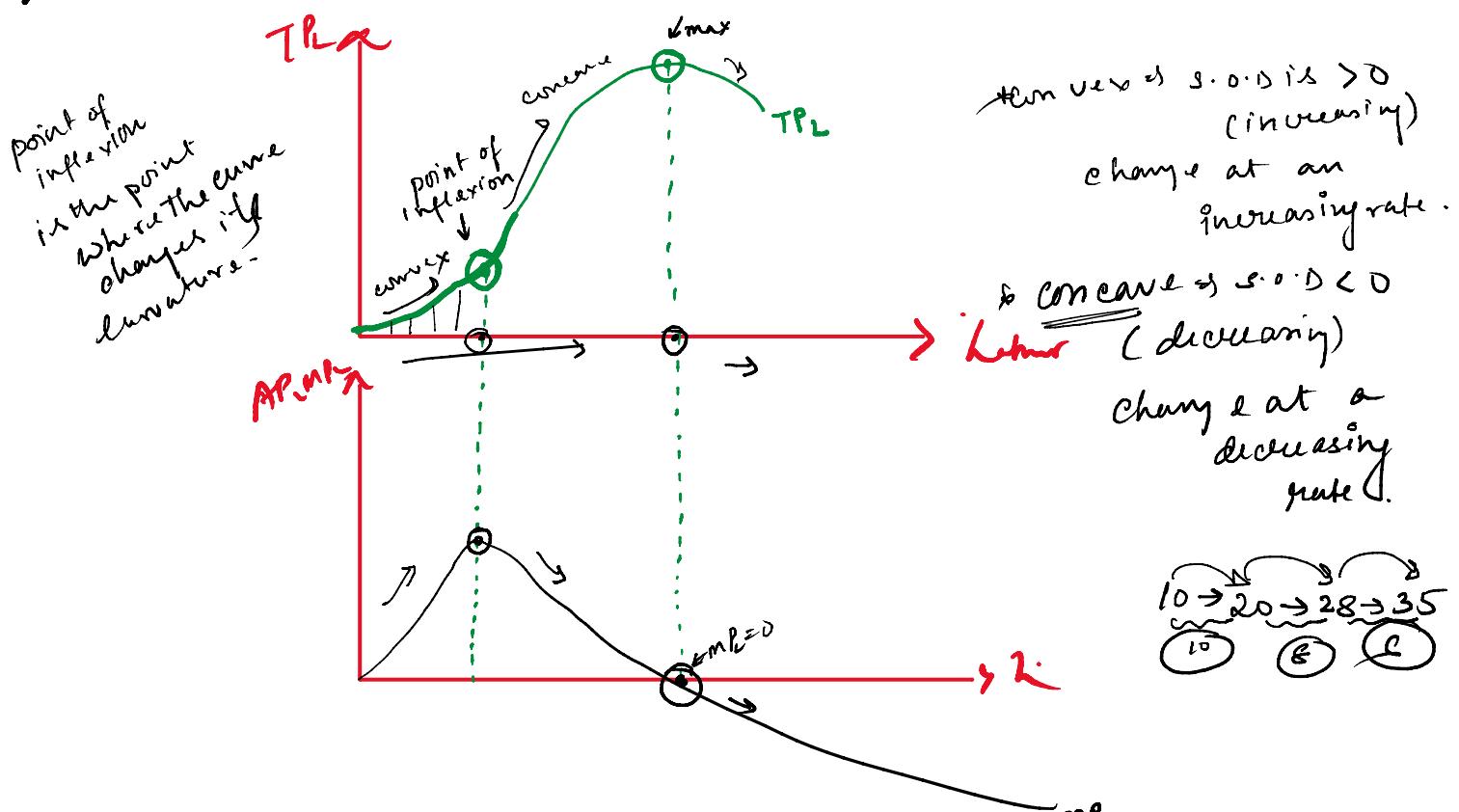
$$TP_L = Q \quad (= \text{final output})$$

$$PP_L = \frac{TP_L}{L} = Q/L$$

$$MP_L = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial L}$$

.. relation between  $TP_L$  and  $MP_L$

What is the relation between  $TPL$  and  $MP_L$

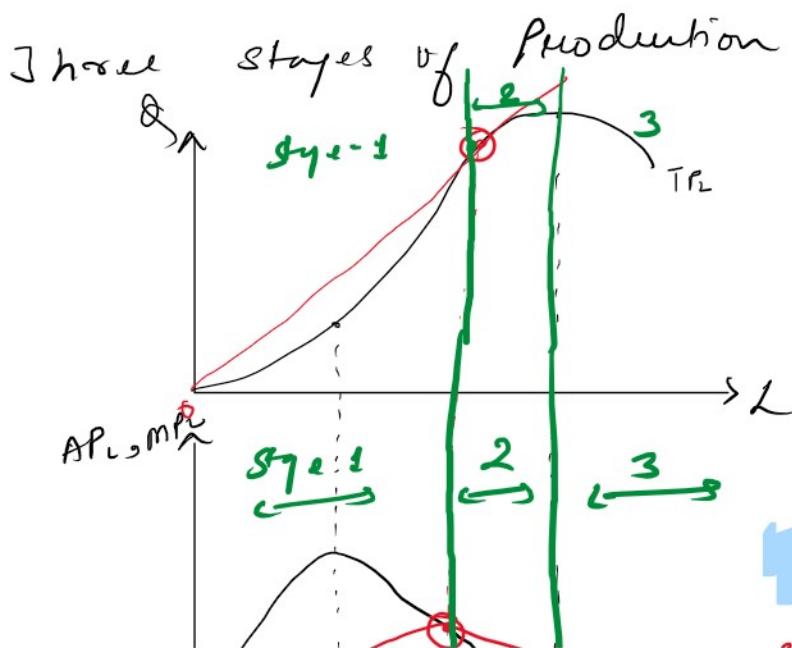


- ①  $TPL$  first increases at an increasing rate (convex)  
 $\Rightarrow$  change is increasing  
 $\Rightarrow MP_L > 0$  and increasing.
- ② At point of inflexion  $\Rightarrow MP_L$  is max (change is max)
- ③  $TPL$  then increases at decreasing rate (concave)  
 $\Rightarrow$  change is still decreasing  
 $\Rightarrow MP_L > 0$  but falling.
- ④  $TPL$  reaches maximum  $\Rightarrow MP_L = 0$  (no change)
- ⑤ further labor's employment  $\Rightarrow$  fall in production ( $TPL$ )  
 $\Rightarrow MP_L < 0$ .

Law of Diminishing  $MP_L$  or Law of variable proportion.  
 (This is ~~as~~ return to a factor)  
 → Short-run concept)

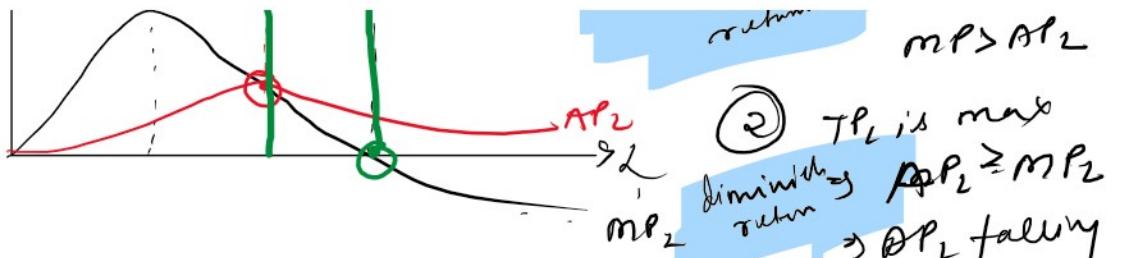
If Labour is the only <sup>variable</sup> factor of production increased on all other fixed variable of production, then  $TP_L$  initially increases, then it falls as a result change is diminishing  
 $\rightarrow MP_L$  is diminishing.

On fixed input, Labour is increased such that the K/L ratio keeps changing. This is known as Law of variable proportion.



Stage 2

①  $TP_L$  is increasing  $\rightarrow MP_L$  is max  
 increasing return  $\Rightarrow MP > AP_L$



$MP_L$  and  $AP_L$

- ① When  $AP_L$  is very high  $\Rightarrow MP_L > AP_L$
- ② At max  $AP_L \Rightarrow MP_L = AP_L$
- ③ ~~③~~ When  $AP_L$  is falling  $\Rightarrow MP_L < AP_L$

- ②  $TP_L$  is max  
diminishing return  
 $\Rightarrow AP_L$  falling  
 $\Rightarrow MP_L = 0$
- ③  $TP_L$  is falling  
 $\Rightarrow MP_L < 0$   
(negative returns)

short-run production  $Q = f(L, K)$

cost of variable input  $\rightarrow TVC$

$$TC = f(Q) = wL + rK^n$$

+ cost of fixed input  
(TFC)

$$\therefore TC = TVC + TFC$$

②  $\frac{TC}{Q} = \frac{TVC}{Q} + \frac{TFC}{Q}$

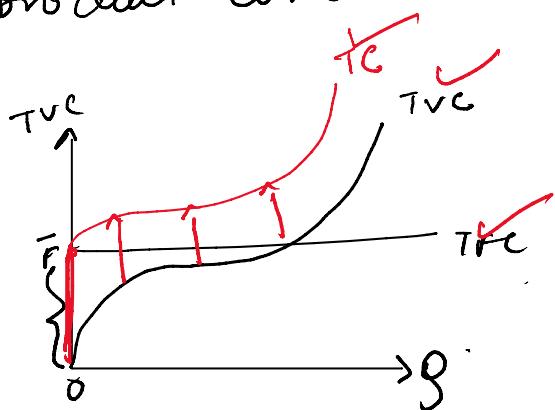
$$ATC = AVC + AFC$$

*short run*  
Cost curves are the reflection  
of demand curve.

③  $MC = \frac{\partial TC}{\partial Q} = \frac{\partial TVC}{\partial Q}$

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of product curve.



$$(3) MC = \frac{\partial TC}{\partial Q} = \frac{\partial TVC}{\partial Q}$$

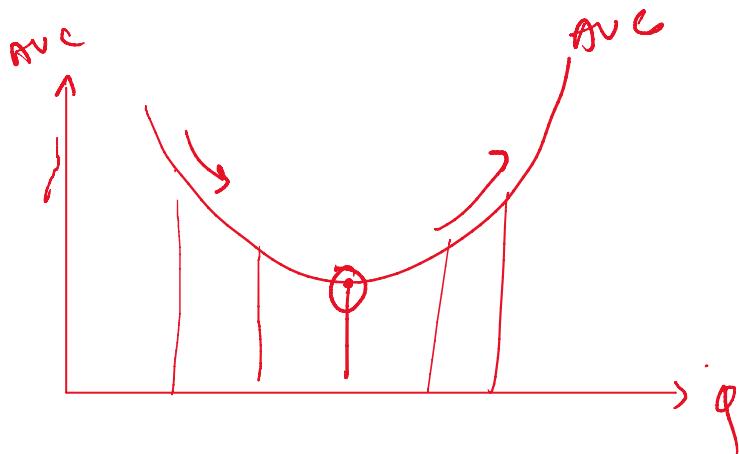
as  $Q=0 \Rightarrow TVL=0$

$TFC = \alpha F$  (indep of Q)

$$TC = TVL + TFC$$

$Q=0 \Rightarrow TC = TFC$

Avg and AFC  $\rightarrow$  AC.



$$AVC = \frac{TVCL}{QF}$$

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