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ABSTRACT

A rationale for the use of gaming and simulation for instructional purposes is developed in the introduction to this paper. The major portion of the text is comprised of several models of computer programs for economics instruction. (SHM)

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PROGRAMS FOR ECONOMICS INSTRUCTION

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## INTRODUCTION

### Game Theory

The theory of games provides a means of describing the strategic behavior of one or more actors who have to make choices in conflict situations (games) in which the payoffs (potential outcomes) are a function of the choices made by all parties to the conflict. Game theory modeling is normative in that it prescribes the choice or combination of choices that lead to the best payoff under given circumstances. The theory postulates a rational actor who will always follow his best strategy. In other words, game theory is a set of mathematical tools for dealing with explicit types of conflict situations. (E.g., the minimax principle is derived from game theory.) Payoffs may be zero sum (one actor wins, the other loses), or non zero sum (both players win, or both may lose). Even two-person games may be quite complex. For example, the "Prisoner's Dilemma" may be solved via game theory.

Two suspects are taken into custody and separated. The district attorney is certain that they have been partners in crime, but he does not have adequate evidence to convict them. He gives each prisoner two alternatives: to confess to the crime the police know he and his partner are guilty of, or deny it. If neither confesses, then the district attorney states that he will book them on a minor charge (such as illegal possession of a weapon), and they will receive minor punishment. If they both confess, they will be prosecuted, but with recommendation of leniency. If one confesses and the other does not, the confessor will be treated leniently for turning state's evidence, whereas the other will have "the book" thrown at him.

PAYOFF (years in prison) MATRIX

		PERSON B	
		Not confess	Confess
PERSON A	Not confess	2      2 neither confesses	10      0 B only confesses
	Confess	0      10 A only confesses	5      5 both confess

Note that the rational strategy for the individual play (minimize expected prison sentence) would dictate a "confess" strategy. However, both parties pursuing this strategy will cause both to receive 5 year sentences. Cooperation in refusing to confess

would result in a 2-year sentence for both players.

Thus, even in a simple situation we have exhibited an inconsistency between individual and group or coalition decision-making (the fallacy of composition) which has important implications in both welfare economics and the theory of public goods.

But game theory, as a formal mathematical tool of behavioral research (perhaps best exemplified in the classic work by von Neuman and Morgenstern) has little to do with the practical aspects of gaming and simulation for instructional purposes.

### Games and Simulations

A "simile" is a figure of speech directly denoting a resemblance in one or more aspects of one thing to another. A simulation is a special kind of model--and a model is a special way of expressing theory.

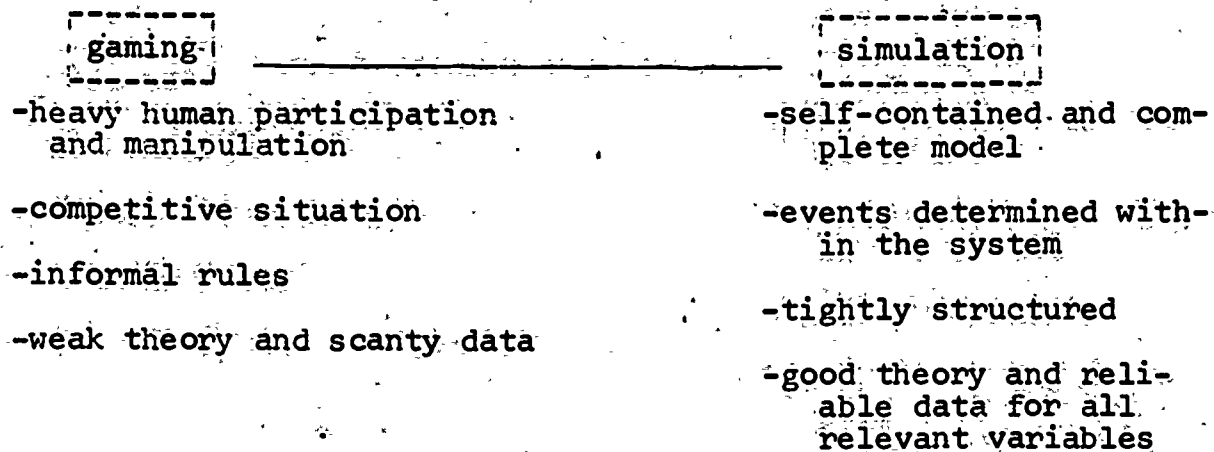
THEORY Attempts to describe the components of some aspect of reality and to specify the nature of the relationship among components. A theory which has become verified via evidence is called a law.

MODEL A model is a way of expressing a theory. Models may be expressed by physical objects (e.g., pipes carrying a liquid to represent the national income and product flows), or a mathematical expression (in symbolic or graphical form), or as a diagram indicating relationships, causality, or flows.

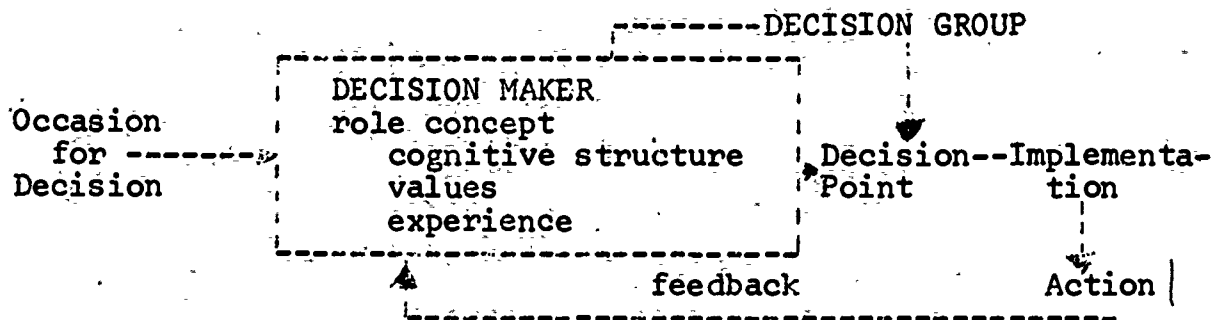
A simulation is an operating model of a referent system or subsystem which allows us to investigate the dynamic properties of the system via abstraction, simplification, and aggregation. Simulations of social systems are more primitive than simulations of physical systems. There is more randomness, unpredictability, and uncertainty when dealing with social systems due to their complexity.

What is the distinction between a "simulation" and a "game"? If we have two computers playing chess (the game of chess itself simulates medieval warfare), we have a simulated chess game. The

extent to which a simulation can be called a game depends wholly upon whether the operating model is deterministic or tentative, and the extent to which the model relies upon human participation as an intrinsic component of its operation.



Gaming involves players intellectually and emotionally in a situation replicating some aspect of the real world. The players become goal oriented and may manipulate decision variables to achieve desired outcomes under laboratory conditions involving ambiguity or probabilistic situations. Players are free to explore the consequences of their actions and to learn (modify their behavior) as feedback from the model confronts their values, cognitive structure, and acquired experience.



The advantages of games and simulations in discovering reality may be summarized as follows:

1. They provide a laboratory midway between simplistic and fragmented models on one hand, and the bewildering real world on the other.



2. They provide replication and experimenter-controlled manipulation.
3. They permit time compression.
4. They may reduce the number of variables that must be considered.
5. They permit study of processes that cannot be studied directly in nature.
6. They are serendipity-prone because the gamer is experimenting in a rich environment and will therefore usually discover something he did not expect.

The game constitutes a kind of caricature of some aspect of social life. For children, games are an introduction to life. There is no reason why games cannot serve as an introduction to the world of economics.

Three postulates concerning education:

1. The mind is an instrument to be honed, rather than a bin to be filled.
2. If you make a horse thirsty, he will find the water for himself and drink deeply.
3. The future will not belong to those who are merely information storage and retrieval systems, but rather to those who understand a world of simultaneous determination and multiple causality and who have learned to learn.

In summary, gaming as a teaching technique allows for individualized variation in pace, scope, and depth of study for each student. Gaming heightens the interest and motivation of students by involving them in a learning experience. Gaming serves as a common, shared experience promoting comraderie, discussion, and a sense of discovery. Gaming provides an opportunity to apply and test knowledge or theories gleaned from other sources. Gaming, though participation, elicits in-

sight, empathy, and understanding of the world experienced by real decision-makers. Gaming and simulations provide a simplified world that is easier for the participant to comprehend than the whole of the referent systems being represented. Games and simulations are therefore vicarious experiences introducing us all, like the child at play, to life.

TO USE THE COMPUTER TERMINAL:

- 1) PLUG IN THE TERMINAL AND ACOUSTIC COUPLING
- 2) TURN THE POWER 'ON' FOR BOTH THE COUPLING AND THE TERMINAL.
- 3) BE SURE THE TERMINAL IS IN THE 'COM' MODE
- 4) DIAL THE UCR COMPUTER AT 7874307
- 5) LISTEN BRIEFLY TO THE VOICE OF THE COMPUTER
- 6) PLACE THE TELEPHONE HEADSET SECURELY INTO THE ACOUSTIC COUPLING
- 7) WAIT FOR THE 'CARRIER' LIGHT TO COME ON
- 8) USE THE LOG-IN PROCEDURE AS FOLLOWS:

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)450502
OPR: APL IS NOW RUNNING UNTIL 5:00 P.M.
012) 16.44.23 03/15/72 THOMPSONRCC
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DSTAT 1 5 3 4 2 6 7 8 9 20 11 2 4.5
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MAXIMUM 20
MINIMUM 1
RANGE 19
MEAN 6.346153846
VARIANCE 25.55769231
STANDARD DEVIATION 5.055461632
MEAN DEVIATION 3.579881657
MEDIAN 5
MODE 2
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)OFF
012 16.46.30 03/15/72 THO
CONNECTED 0.02.07 TO DATE 1.15.52
CPU TIME 0.00.01 TO DATE 0.00.43
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- 9) NOW HANG UP THE TELEPHONE AND TURN OFF THE TERMINAL.

F. THOMPSON 3-15-72



)450502

NUMBER NOT IN SYSTEM

)450502:FAT

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014) 14.24.27 05/17/72 THOMPSONRCC

A P L \ 3 6 0

)LOAD MACRO

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WAS 100

)FNS

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DMACRO DWALIN EOMER FANGORN FARAMIR FILI FRODO GANDALF GIMLI  
GLOIN GO GORBAG INITIALIZE KILI LEGOLAS MERIADOC  
MODEL OIN PEREGRIN SAMWISE SARUMAN SAURON SHAGRAT  
SMEAGOL THEODEN THORIN  
DMACRO

THIS IS A FAIRLY SOPHISTICATED MACROECONOMIC MODEL DESIGNED TO  
ENABLE THE STUDENT TO LEARN SOME MACROECONOMIC PRINCIPLES TO ACHIEVE  
POLICY GOALS. THESE GOALS GENERALLY ARE 1) FULL EMPLOYMENT, 2) PRICE  
STABILITY, AND 3) ECONOMIC GROWTH. THE POLICY VARIABLES ARE 1) THE  
CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT SPENDING, 2) THE CHANGE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE,  
AND 3) THE CHANGE IN THE MONEY SUPPLY. THE GOAL FUNCTION IS SPECIFIED  
IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MEASURE THE STUDENTS RELATIVE SUCCESS IN ACHIEVING  
THE GOALS SPECIFIED WITH THE POLICY VARIABLES AT HIS DISPOSAL.

(ALL DATA IN THIS MODEL IN CONSTANT PERIOD 0 DOLLARS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.)

VARIABLES:

Y=NET NATIONAL PRODUCT

C=CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE

I=NET INVESTMENT

G=GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE

T=TOTAL TAXES

D=DISPOSABLE INCOME

E=RETAINED EARNINGS+CAPITAL CONSUMPTION ALLOWANCES

M=MONEY SUPPLY (CURRENT DOLLARS)

R=INTEREST RATE

U=UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

P2=RATE OF INFLATION

Y2=RATE OF CHANGE IN NNP

P=PRICE LEVEL (DECIMAL FORM)

Q=POTENTIAL NNP

A=INVENTORY DISINVESTMENT

T0=INTERCEPT OF TAX FUNCTION

T1=MARGINAL TAX RATE

W=WELFARE OR GOAL FUNCTION

TO INITIATE THE PROGRAM, SIMPLY TYPE IN THE CODE NAME GIVEN TO YOU  
BY YOUR INSTRUCTOR. THE PROGRAM WILL HENCEFORTH SAVE YOUR RESULTS  
FOR YOU AS YOU SIGN ON OVER A PERIOD OF TIME.

)450502:FAT  
OPR: APL IS NOW RUNNING UNTIL 6:00 P.M.  
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A P L \ 3 6 0

)LOAD MACRO  
SAVED 15.05.29 05/05/72  
SHAGRAT

QUARTER 0 DECISION FOR PLAYER STUDENT 030

GNP ACCOUNTS, QUARTER 0  
Y 528.432 C 322.329 I 108.102 G 98 T 113.245  
D 335.922 E 79.2647 M 131.6 R 4.16365 U 3.97805  
P2 2.32349 Y2 7.88308 P 1.0101 Q 553.209 A 0  
TO -40 T1 0.29 W 500

TYPE IN THE POLICY DECISION VALUES FOR CHANGES IN M, G, T1.  
WHEN THE TYPEWRITER PAUSES ENTER NUMERICAL DATA IN THE ORDER  
INDICATED, SEPARATING EACH ITEM BY AT LEAST ONE BLANK. TYPE  
A ZERO FOR NO CHANGE. A NEGATIVE ENTRY IS PRECEDED BY  
THE NEGATION SIGN, E.G., -5 0 -.01  
WHICH MEANS: REDUCE M BY 5, LEAVE G UNCHANGED, REDUCE T1 BY .01

TO SAVE TERMINAL TIME, THE PROGRAM WILL HENCEFORTH BE RECYCLED  
TO AVOID THIS OPENING STATEMENT. YOU WILL BE ASKED TO ENTER  
THE THREE DECISION VALUES AGAIN FOR THE NEXT QUARTER.

READY FOR YOUR FIRST DECISION TODAY? HERE GOES. ENTER M, G, T1

□:  
1.5 2.5 -0.01

GNP ACCOUNTS, QUARTER 1  
Y 542.053 C 334.073 I 107.48 G 100.5 T 111.775  
D 348.97 E 81.308 M 133.1 R 4.36768 U 3.44396  
P2 2.32349 Y2 10.311 P 1.0101 Q 558.015 A 0  
TO -40 T1 0.28 W 512.397

DO YOU WISH TO RENDER ANOTHER POLICY DECISION?  
TYPE: 1 FOR YES; 0 FOR NO

□:  
1  
PLEASE ENTER THREE VALUES FOR M, G, T1 AGAIN  
□:  
10 15 -.01

THE COMPUTER HAS DETECTED AN INFLATIONARY GAP = 31.2794 YOU WILL NOTICE THE EFFECTS OF YOUR SPENDTHRIFT POLICIES NEXT QUARTER.

GNP ACCOUNTS, QUARTER 2

Y 562.817 C 349.791 I 97.5267 G 115.5 T 111.961  
D 366.434 E 84.4226 M 143.1 R 4.71493 U 2.5  
P2 3.4668 Y2 15.3227 P 1.01886 Q 562.817 A 9.5402  
TO <sup>-</sup>40 T1 0.27 W 528.473

DO YOU WISH TO RENDER ANOTHER POLICY DECISION?

TYPE: 1 FOR YES; 0 FOR NO

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1

PLEASE ENTER THREE VALUES FOR M, G, T1 AGAIN

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<sup>-</sup>10 <sup>-</sup>10 .10

YOU HAVE GENERATED A DEFLATIONARY GAP = 78.0294 CAREFUL, OR YOU JOIN THE RANKS OF THE UNEMPLOYED TOO.

GNP ACCOUNTS, QUARTER 3

Y 489.383 C 267.413 I 116.469 G 105.5 T 141.072  
D 274.904 E 73.4074 M 133.1 R 3.59156 U 7.03809  
P2 12.7932 Y2 <sup>-</sup>52.1908 P 1.05144 Q 567.412 A 0  
TO <sup>-</sup>40 T1 0.37 W 402.328

DO YOU WISH TO RENDER ANOTHER POLICY DECISION?

TYPE: 1 FOR YES; 0 FOR NO

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1

PLEASE ENTER THREE VALUES FOR M, G, T1 AGAIN

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5 5 <sup>-</sup>.05

GNP ACCOUNTS, QUARTER 4

Y 526.527 C 307.153 I 108.874 G 110.5 T 128.489  
D 319.059 E 78.979 M 138.1 R 3.94329 U 5.14648  
P2 <sup>-</sup>0.43518 Y2 30.3599 P 1.0503 Q 572.434 A 0  
TO <sup>-</sup>40 T1 0.32 W 451.09

DO YOU WISH TO RENDER ANOTHER POLICY DECISION?

TYPE: 1 FOR YES; 0 FOR NO

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1

PLEASE ENTER THREE VALUES FOR M, G, T1 AGAIN

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0 0 0.05.

GNP ACCOUNTS, QUARTER 5

Y 566.267 C 351.592 I 104.176 G 110.5 T 112.892  
D 368.435 E 84.9401 M 138.1 R 4.78626 U 3.13067  
P2 0.552946 Y2 30.1907 P 1.05175 Q 577.3 A 0  
TO 40 T1 0.27 W 503.625

DO YOU WISH TO RENDER ANOTHER POLICY DECISION?

TYPE: 1 FOR YES; 0 FOR NO

□:

0

END OF SESSION. SEE YOU NEXT TIME.

SAVE YOUR RESULTS FOR YOUR NEXT DECISION.

BE SURE TO SIGN OFF LIKE THIS:

)SAVE MACRO

)OFF

)SAVE MACRO

14.22.44 05/17/72

)OFF

014 14.22.52 05/17/72 THO

CONNECTED 0.23.01 TO DATE 23.22.49

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)LOAD MACRODRILL  
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)WIDTH 70  
WAS 110

)FNS  
DET DMAC DUMP ERROR ERRORS MACL1 MACO3 MACS3 MODEL1  
MODEL2 MODEL3 MODEL4 TESTIT TIMECALL TIMEUP  
DMAC

MACO3 HAS FOUR LEVELS OF COMPLEXITY. LEVEL 1 SHOWS THE PERIOD BY PERIOD MOVEMENT OF AN ECONOMY TOWARDS EQUILIBRIUM WHEN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT OR SAVINGS IS CHANGED. LEVEL 2 INTRODUCES GOVERNMENT INTO THE MODEL AND DOES COMPUTATIONAL WORK FOR PROBLEMS SUPPLIED BY THE PROGRAM. TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS, GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE AND THE INVESTMENT RATE ARE THE POLICY VARIABLES. LEVEL 3 INTRODUCES THE CONCEPT OF THE MARGINAL TAX RATE (TAX RECEIPTS ARE A LINEAR FUNCTION OF GNP). THE MARGINAL TAX RATE IS A POLICY VARIABLE ALONG WITH GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE AND THE RATE OF INVESTMENT. LEVEL 4 IS A TWO COUNTRY MODEL WITH THE FUNCTIONS OF LEVEL 3 PLUS NET EXPORTS AS A POLICY VARIABLE. IN ALL LEVELS THE STUDENT IS ASKED TO FIND THE MARGINAL PROPENSITY TO CONSUME AND THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION, AND IN LEVELS 3 AND 4 THE FIRST MARGINAL TAX RATE. IN LEVEL 4 THE MARGINAL PROPENSITY TO IMPORT MUST ALSO BE FOUND. SINCE THE BASIC EQUATIONS ARE GIVEN TO THE STUDENT, HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO CALCULATE THESE VALUES. IN LEVELS 2, 3, AND 4, THE PROBLEMS ARE SUPPLIED AND THE COMPUTER CAN DO THE ARITHMETIC. ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS CAN BE DEvised BY THE INSTRUCTOR.

IF YOU WISH THE IMPLICIT FORMS OF THE EQUATIONS USED IN LEVELS 1, 2, 3, AND 4, TYPE: )COPY 515 WS1 MODEL AND THEN MODEL1, MODEL2, MODEL3, MODEL4.

TO INITIATE MACO3 TYPE: MACO3

MODEL1  
MODEL 1

ENDOGENOUS VARIABLES: Y, C, S  
EXOGENOUS VARIABLES: I  
PARAMETERS:  $\alpha$ , MPC  
CONSUMPTION FUNCTION:  $C = \alpha + MPC \times Y$   
AGGREGATE DEMAND:  $Y = C + I$   
AGGREGATE SUPPLY:  $Y = C + S$   
EQUILIBRIUM CONDITION:  $AS = AD$

$Y = C + I = \alpha + MPC \times Y + I$  MULTIPLIER =  $1 \div (1 - MPC)$  I.E.,  $\Delta Y = \Delta I \div (MPS)$

MODEL2  
MODEL 2

ENDOGENOUS VARIABLES:  $Y, C, S, DY$   
EXOGENOUS VARIABLES:  $I, G, T$   
PARAMETERS:  $\alpha, MPC$   
CONSUMPTION FUNCTION:  $C = \alpha + MPC \times DY$   
INCOME AFTER TAXES:  $DY = Y - T$   
AGGREGATE DEMAND:  $Y = C + I + G$   
AGGREGATE SUPPLY:  $Y = C + S + T$   
EQUILIBRIUM CONDITION:  $AS = AD$

$$Y = C + I + G = \alpha + MPC(Y - T) + I + G$$

MULTIPLIERS: THE CHANGE IN  $Y$  IN RESPONSE TO CHANGES IN  $I, G, T$   
E.G.,  $\Delta Y = \Delta G \times \text{MULTIPLIER}$  [WHICH IS  $1 \div (1 - MPC)$  FOR  $I, G$ , AND  $-MPC \div (1 - MPC)$  FOR  $T$ ].

MODEL3  
MODEL 3

ENDOGENOUS VARIABLES:  $Y, C, S, T, DY$   
EXOGENOUS VARIABLES:  $I, G$   
PARAMETERS:  $\alpha, MPC, MTR$   
CONSUMPTION FUNCTION:  $C = \alpha + MPC \times DY$   
INCOME AFTER TAXES:  $DY = Y - T$   
TAX FUNCTION:  $T = MTR \times Y$   
AGGREGATE DEMAND:  $Y = C + I + G$   
AGGREGATE SUPPLY:  $Y = C + S + T$   
EQUILIBRIUM CONDITION:  $AS = AD$

$$Y = C + I + G = \alpha + MPC(Y - MTR \times Y) + I + G \quad \text{WHERE THE MULTIPLIER} = 1 \div (1 - MPC + MPC \times MTR)$$

MODEL4  
MODEL 4

ENDOGENOUS VARIABLES:  $Y, C, S, T, IM, DY$   
EXOGENOUS VARIABLES:  $I, G, EX$   
PARAMETERS:  $\alpha, MPC, MTR, MPI$   
CONSUMPTION FUNCTION:  $C = \alpha + MPC \times DY$   
INCOME AFTER TAXES:  $DY = Y - T$   
TAX FUNCTION:  $T = MTR \times Y$   
IMPORT FUNCTION:  $IM = MPI \times Y$   
AGGREGATE DEMAND:  $Y = C + I + G + (EX - IM)$   
AGGREGATE SUPPLY:  $Y = C + S + T$   
EQUILIBRIUM CONDITION:  $AS = AD$

$$Y = C + I + G + (EX - IM) = (\alpha + I + G + EX) \div (1 - MPC + MPC \times MTR + MPI)$$
$$\text{MULTIPLIER} = 1 \div (MPC + MTR + MPI - MPC \times MTR)$$



MAC03

HI! THIS IS MACROECONOMIC PROGRAM \*\*\*MAC03\*\*\*.  
TYPE IN A 1, 2, 3, OR 4 FOR THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY THAT YOU WISH TO ATTEMPT.

DIFFICULTY RANKING: 1<2<3<4.

□:

1

THIS IS A SIMPLE KEYNESIAN MACROECONOMIC MODEL WITHOUT GOVERNMENT.  
YOUR FIRST TASK IS TO FIND THE MPC AND THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION.

THE VARIABLES USED IN THIS MODEL ARE:

GNP=GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT.  
C=TOTAL CONSUMPTION.  
S=TOTAL SAVINGS.  
I=NET PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT.

HERE ARE THE (EQUILIBRIUM) VALUES FOR TWO YEARS.

YEAR= 1 GNP= 650 C= 615 S= 35 I= 35

YEAR= 2 GNP= 680 C= 642 S= 38 I= 38

WHAT IS THE MPC?  $MPC = \Delta C \div \Delta GNP$

□:

(642-615) ÷ (680-650)

RIGHT! THE MPC IS 0.9

WHAT IS THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION?  $INTERCEPT = C - (MPC \times GNP)$

□:

20

\*\*\* THE INTERCEPT YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.

□:

30

VERY GOOD. YOU ARE CORRECT. THE INTERCEPT IS 30  
DO YOU WANT TO GO ON TO THE SECOND PART OF THIS LEVEL? TYPE YES OR NO.  
YES

THIS IS THE SECOND PART OF LEVEL ONE. YOU WILL BE GIVEN AN EQUILIBRIUM LEVEL OF GNP AND WITH THE AID OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION YOU ARE TO RAISE OR LOWER THE GNP TO THE STATED LEVEL BY RAISING OR LOWERING ONLY THE RATE OF NET PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT.

DO YOU KNOW HOW TO CALCULATE THE MULTIPLIER?

NO

THE MULTIPLIER IN THIS MODEL IS DEFINED AS:  $1 \div (1 - MPC)$ ,  $\Delta GNP = MULTIPLIER \times \Delta I$

THE EQUILIBRIUM LEVEL OF GNP IS NOW 680 WITH C I AND S AS ABOVE.

RAISE GNP TO 714

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT

□:

41.4

PERIOD	GNP	C	I	S	AGG DMND	AGG SPLY	AD-AS
1	683.40	642.00	41.40	38.00	683.40	680.00	3.40
2	686.46	645.06	41.40	38.34	686.46	683.40	3.06
3	689.21	647.81	41.40	38.65	689.21	686.46	2.75
4	691.69	650.29	41.40	38.92	691.69	689.21	2.48
5	693.92	652.52	41.40	39.17	693.92	691.69	2.23
6	695.93	654.53	41.40	39.39	695.93	693.92	2.01
7	697.74	656.34	41.40	39.59	697.74	695.93	1.81
8	699.36	657.96	41.40	39.77	699.36	697.74	1.63
9	700.83	659.43	41.40	39.94	700.83	699.36	1.46
10	702.14	660.74	41.40	40.08	702.14	700.83	1.32
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35	713.15	671.75	41.40	41.31	713.15	713.05	0.09

TASK ACCOMPLISHED!

THE EQUILIBRIUM LEVEL IS NOW 713.149

LOWER GNP TO 570.519

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT

□:

31.3

PERIOD	GNP	C	I	S	AGG DMND	AGG SPLY	AD-AS
1	703.13	671.83	31.30	41.31	703.13	713.15	10.01
2	694.12	662.82	31.30	40.31	694.12	703.13	9.01
3	686.01	654.71	31.30	39.41	686.01	694.12	8.11
4	678.71	647.41	31.30	38.60	678.71	686.01	7.30
5	672.14	640.84	31.30	37.87	672.14	678.71	6.57
6	666.22	634.92	31.30	37.21	666.22	672.14	5.91
7	660.90	629.60	31.30	36.62	660.90	666.22	5.32
8	656.11	624.81	31.30	36.09	656.11	660.90	4.79
9	651.80	620.50	31.30	35.61	651.80	656.11	4.31
10	647.92	616.62	31.30	35.18	647.92	651.80	3.88
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45	613.87	582.57	31.30	31.40	613.87	613.97	0.10

YOU HAVE EXCEEDED YOUR GOAL BY 43.35

THE EQUILIBRIUM LEVEL IS NOW 613.874

RAISE GNP TO 736.649

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT

□:

43.5

PERIOD	GNP	C	I	S	AGG DMND	AGG SPLY	AD-AS
1	625.99	582.49	43.50	31.39	625.99	613.87	12.11
2	636.89	593.39	43.50	32.60	636.89	625.99	10.90
3	646.70	603.20	43.50	33.69	646.70	636.89	9.81
4	655.53	612.03	43.50	34.67	655.53	646.70	8.83
5	663.48	619.98	43.50	35.55	663.48	655.53	7.95
6	670.63	627.13	43.50	36.35	670.63	663.48	7.15
7	677.07	633.57	43.50	37.06	677.07	670.63	6.44
8	682.86	639.36	43.50	37.71	682.86	677.07	5.79
9	688.07	644.57	43.50	38.29	688.07	682.86	5.21
10	692.77	649.27	43.50	38.81	692.77	688.07	4.69
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MAC03

HI! THIS IS MACROECONOMIC PROGRAM \*\*\*MAC03\*\*\*.  
TYPE IN A 1, 2, 3, OR 4 FOR THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY THAT YOU WISH TO ATTEMPT.

DIFFICULTY RANKING: 1<2<3<4.

□:

2

THIS IS A KEYNESIAN MACROECONOMIC MODEL. NO WORLD TRADE.  
INVESTMENT, GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE AND TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS ARE POLICY VARIABLES.

YOUR FIRST TASK IS TO FIND THE MPC AND THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION.

THE VARIABLES USED IN THIS MODEL ARE:

GNP=GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT.

C=TOTAL CONSUMPTION.

S=TOTAL SAVINGS.

I=NET PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT.

DY=DISPOSABLE INCOME.

G=GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE.

T=TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS.

HERE ARE THE (EQUILIBRIUM) VALUES FOR TWO YEARS.

YEAR= 1 GNP= 380 T= 15 DY= 365 C= 239 S= 126 I= 101 G= 40

YEAR= 2 GNP= 377.75 T= 14 DY= 363.75 C= 238.25 S= 125.5 I= 103.5 G= 36

WHAT IS THE MPC?  $MPC = \Delta C \div \Delta DY$

□:

(239-238.25) ÷ (365-363.75)

RIGHT! THE MPC IS 0.6

WHAT IS THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION?  $INTERCEPT = C - (MPC \times DY)$

□:

30

\*\*\* THE INTERCEPT YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.

□:

25

\*\*\* THE INTERCEPT YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.

□:

20

VERY GOOD. YOU ARE CORRECT. THE INTERCEPT IS 20

DO YOU WANT TO GO ON TO THE SECOND PART OF THIS LEVEL? TYPE YES OR NO.

YES

LET'S TRY SOME PROBLEMS.

PROBLEM NUMBER 1

THE GNP IS NOW 377.75

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

105.5

TYPE IN THE TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

14  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

36  
YEAR= 3 GNP= 382.75 T= 14 DY= 368.75 C= 241.25 S= 127.5 I=  
105.5 G= 36

PROBLEM NUMBER 2  
THE GNP IS NOW 382.75  
TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

105.5  
TYPE IN THE TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

15  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

36  
YEAR= 4 GNP= 381.25 T= 15 DY= 366.25 C= 239.75 S= 126.5 I=  
105.5 G= 36

PROBLEM NUMBER 3  
THE GNP IS NOW 381.25  
TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

105.5  
TYPE IN THE TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

15  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

15  
YEAR= 5 GNP= 328.75 T= 15 DY= 313.75 C= 208.25 S= 105.5 I=  
105.5 G= 15

PROBLEM NUMBER 4  
THE GNP IS NOW 328.75  
TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

100  
TYPE IN THE TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

50  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

50  
YEAR= 6 GNP= 350 T= 50 DY= 300 C= 200 S= 100 I= 100 G=  
50

THE END HAS COME FOR \*\*\*MAC03\*\*\* LEVEL 2

MAC03

HI! THIS IS MACROECONOMIC PROGRAM \*\*\*MAC03\*\*\*.  
TYPE IN A 1, 2, 3, OR 4 FOR THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY THAT YOU WISH TO A  
TTEMPT.

DIFFICULTY RANKING: 1<2<3<4.

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3

THIS IS A KEYNESIAN MACROECONOMIC MODEL. NO WORLD TRADE.  
TAXES ARE A FUNCTION OF GNP. INVESTMENT, GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE,  
AND THE MARGINAL TAX RATE ARE POLICY VARIABLES.  
YOUR FIRST TASK IS TO FIND THE MPC, THE INTERCEPT OF THE  
CONSUMPTION FUNCTION, AND THE MARGINAL TAX RATE.

THE VARIABLES USED IN THIS MODEL ARE:

GNP=GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT.

C=TOTAL CONSUMPTION.

S=TOTAL SAVINGS.

I=NET PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT.

DY=DISPOSABLE INCOME.

G=GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE.

T=TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS.

HERE ARE THE (EQUILIBRIUM) VALUES FOR TWO YEARS.

YEAR= 1 GNP= 564.189 T= 67.7027 DY= 496.486 C= 417.189 S=  
79.2973 I= 107 G= 40

YEAR= 2 GNP= 567.568 T= 68.1081 DY= 499.459 C= 419.568 S=  
79.8919 I= 105 G= 43

WHAT IS THE MARGINAL TAX RATE?  $MTR = \Delta T \div \Delta GNP$

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$(68.1 - 67.7) \div (567.5 - 564.1)$

YOUR ANSWER IS CORRECT. THE MTR IS 0.12

WHAT IS THE MPC?  $MPC = \Delta C \div \Delta DY$

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$(419.5 - 417.1) \div (567.5 - 564.1)$

RIGHT! THE MPC IS 0.8

WHAT IS THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION?  $INTERCEPT = C - (MPC \times DY)$

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$419.568 - (0.8 \times 499.459)$

VERY GOOD. YOU ARE CORRECT. THE INTERCEPT IS 20

DO YOU WANT TO GO ON TO THE SECOND PART OF THIS LEVEL? TYPE YES OR NO.  
YES

LET'S TRY SOME PROBLEMS.

PROBLEM NUMBER 1

THE GNP IS NOW 567.568

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

:

110

TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.

:

43

TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

□:

0.12

YEAR= 3 GNP= 584.459 T= 70.1351 DY= 514.324 C= 431.459 S=  
82.8649 I= 110 G= 43

PROBLEM NUMBER 2

THE GNP IS NOW 584.459

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

110.

TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

43

TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

□:

.15

YEAR= 4 GNP= 540.625 T= 81.0937 DY= 459.531 C= 387.625 S=  
71.9062 I= 110 G= 43

PROBLEM NUMBER 3

THE GNP IS NOW 540.625

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

110

TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

43

TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

□:

.10

YEAR= 5 GNP= 617.857 T= 61.7857 DY= 556.071 C= 464.857 S=  
91.2143 I= 110 G= 43

PROBLEM NUMBER 4

THE GNP IS NOW 617.857

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

110

TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

50

TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

□:

.10

YEAR= 6 GNP= 642.857 T= 64.2857 DY= 578.571 C= 482.857 S=  
95.7143 I= 110 G= 50

THE END HAS COME FOR \*\*\*MACO3\*\*\*

LEVEL 3



NAC03

HI! THIS IS MACROECONOMIC PROGRAM \*\*\*NAC03\*\*\*.  
TYPE IN A 1, 2, 3, OR 4 FOR THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY THAT YOU WISH TO A  
TTEMPT.

DIFFICULTY RANKING: 1<2<3<4.

□:

4

THIS IS A KEYNESIAN MACROECONOMIC MODEL WITH WORLD TRADE.  
IMPORTS AND TAXES ARE A FUNCTION OF GNP. INVESTMENT, GOVERNMENT  
EXPENDITURES, THE MARGINAL TAX RATE, AND TOTAL EXPORTS ARE  
THE POLICY VARIABLES. YOUR FIRST TASK IS TO FIND THE MPC, THE INTERCEP  
T OF THE  
CONSUMPTION FUNCTION, THE MARGINAL TAX RATE, AND THE MPI.

THE VARIABLES USED IN THIS MODEL ARE:

GNP=GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT.

C=TOTAL CONSUMPTION.

S=TOTAL SAVINGS.

I=NET PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT.

DY=DISPOSABLE INCOME.

G=GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE.

T=TOTAL TAX RECEIPTS.

EX=TOTAL EXPORTS.

IM=TOTAL IMPORTS.

HERE ARE THE (EQUILIBRIUM) VALUES FOR TWO YEARS.

YEAR= 1 GNP= 421.488 C= 289.636 I= 94 G= 40 EX= 40  
T= 50.5785 DY= 370.909 S= 81.2727 IM= 42.1488

YEAR= 2 GNP= 442.149 C= 302.364 I= 98 G= 43 EX= 43  
T= 53.0579 DY= 389.091 S= 86.7273 IM= 44.2149

WHAT IS THE MARGINAL PROPENSITY TO IMPORT?  $MPI = \Delta IM \div \Delta GNP$

□:

(44.2-42.1)÷(442.1-421.4)

CORRECT! THE MPI IS 0.1

WHAT IS THE MARGINAL TAX RATE?  $MTR = \Delta T \div \Delta GNP$

□:

.12

YOUR ANSWER IS CORRECT. THE MTR IS 0.12

WHAT IS THE MPC?  $MPC = \Delta C \div \Delta DY$

□:

.9

\*\*\* THE MPC YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.

□:

.85

\*\*\* THE MPC YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.

□:

.89

→→→ SORRY. THE MPC IS 0.7

WHAT IS THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION?  $INTERCEPT = C - (MPC \times D$   
Y)

□:

43 - (.7 × 389)

\*\*\* THE INTERCEPT YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.

□:

302-(.7×389)  
\*\*\* THE INTERCEPT YOU HAVE ENTERED IS INCORRECT. PLEASE TRY AGAIN.  
□:

302-(.7×389)  
→→→ TOO BAD. THE INTERCEPT OF THE CONSUMPTION FUNCTION IS  
30  
DO YOU WANT TO GO ON TO THE SECOND PART OF THIS LEVEL? TYPE YES OR NO.  
YES.  
LET'S TRY SOME PROBLEMS.

PROBLEM NUMBER 1  
THE GNP IS NOW 442.149  
TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

100  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

43  
TYPE IN EXPORTS FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

50  
TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

.12  
YEAR= 3 GNP= 460.744 C= 313.818 I= 100 G= 43 EX= 50  
T= 55.2893 DY= 405.455 S= 91.6364 IM= 46.0744

PROBLEM NUMBER 2  
THE GNP IS NOW 460.744  
TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

100  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

100  
TYPE IN EXPORTS FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

50  
TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

.12  
YEAR= 4 GNP= 578.512 C= 386.364 I= 100 G= 100 EX= 50  
T= 69.4215 DY= 509.091 S= 122.727 IM= 57.8512

PROBLEM NUMBER 3  
THE GNP IS NOW 578.512  
TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

100  
TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

100  
TYPE IN EXPORTS FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

50  
TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR NEXT YEAR.  
□:

.20

YEAR= 5 GNP= 518.519 C= 320.37 I= 100 G= 100 EX= 50  
T= 103.704 DY= 414.815 S= 94.4444 IM= 51.8519

PROBLEM NUMBER 4

THE GNP IS NOW 518.519

TYPE IN THE RATE OF INVESTMENT FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

110

TYPE IN GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

100

TYPE IN EXPORTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

50

TYPE IN THE MARGINAL TAX RATE FOR NEXT YEAR.

□:

0.20

YEAR= 6 GNP= 537.037 C= 330.741 I= 110 G= 100 EX= 50  
T= 107.407 DY= 429.63 S= 98.8889 IM= 53.7037

THE END HAS COME FOR \*\*\*MAC03\*\*\* LEVEL 4

)LOAD SUMERIAN  
SAVED 15.47.13 05/10/72  
)WIDTH 70  
WAS 120  
SUMER

MY LORD AND MASTER, ABSOLUTE DICTATOR OF SUMER, I, YOUR HUMBLE (SNICKE  
R) SERVANT  
BEG TO REPORT ON THE STATE OF YOUR VAST DOMAIN.  
LAST YEAR, 0 PEOPLE DIED OF STARVATION,  
AND 5 NEW PEOPLE CAME INTO YOUR DOMAIN.

THE POPULATION OF YOUR DOMAIN IS NOW 95 LOYAL SUBJECTS.

YOU NOW OWN 1000 ACRES OF LAND.  
WE PLANTED 1000 ACRES LAST YEAR. WE HARVESTED 3 BUSHELS PER ACRE.  
THE TOTAL HARVEST WAS THEREFORE 3000 BUSHELS.  
YOUR ENEMIES CAUSED RATS TO EAT (YUM) 200 BUSHELS.  
THEREFORE, YOU NOW HAVE 2800 BUSHELS IN YOUR STOREHOUSE.

MASTER, I AM READY TO EXECUTE YOUR COMMANDS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.  
IF THOU ART READY TO ISSUE THEM, TYPE YES. IF NOT, TYPE NO.  
YES

MASTER, THIS YEAR WE CAN BUY OR SELL MORE LAND FOR 18 BUSHELS PER ACRE

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO BUY THIS YEAR?

□:

0

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO SELL?

□:

10

HOW MANY BUSHELS OF GRAIN DO YOU WISH TO DISTRIBUTE AS FOOD?

□:

1000

YOUR PEOPLE WILL STARVE! DO YOU WISH THIS TO HAPPEN?

NO

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HOW MANY BUSHELS OF GRAIN DO YOU WISH TO DISTRIBUTE AS FOOD?

□:

2000

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

1000

COME NOW MASTER. THERE ARE ONLY 990 ACRES IN YOUR DOMAIN.

PRAY TELL ME AGAIN, MASTER;

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

990

THINK AGAIN, MASTER. YOU HAVE ONLY 980 BUSHELS LEFT IN YOUR STORE HOUS  
E.

THE GODS DECREE THAT 1 BUSHEL IS REQUIRED TO PLANT 1 ACRE.

PRAY TELL ME AGAIN, MASTER;

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

\*\* A YEAR PASSETH...

LAST YEAR, 0 PEOPLE DIED OF STARVATION,  
AND 1 NEW PEOPLE CAME INTO YOUR DOMAIN.

THE POPULATION OF YOUR DOMAIN IS NOW 96 LOYAL SUBJECTS.

YOU NOW OWN 990 ACRES OF LAND.

WE PLANTED 980 ACRES LAST YEAR. WE HARVESTED 3 BUSHELS PER ACRE.

THE TOTAL HARVEST WAS THEREFORE 2940 BUSHELS.

YOUR ENEMIES CAUSED RATS TO EAT (YUM) 98 BUSHELS.

THEREFORE, YOU NOW HAVE 2842 BUSHELS IN YOUR STOREHOUSE.

MASTER, I AM READY TO EXECUTE YOUR COMMANDS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

IF THOU ART READY TO ISSUE THEM, TYPE YES. IF NOT, TYPE NO.

YES

MASTER, THIS YEAR WE CAN BUY OR SELL MORE LAND FOR 18 BUSHELS PER ACRE

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO BUY THIS YEAR?

:

0

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO SELL?

:

0

HOW MANY BUSHELS OF GRAIN DO YOU WISH TO DISTRIBUTE AS FOOD?

:

2000

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

:

842

\*\* A YEAR PASSETH...

LAST YEAR, 0 PEOPLE DIED OF STARVATION,  
AND 1 NEW PEOPLE CAME INTO YOUR DOMAIN.

THE POPULATION OF YOUR DOMAIN IS NOW 97 LOYAL SUBJECTS.

YOU NOW OWN 990 ACRES OF LAND.

WE PLANTED 842 ACRES LAST YEAR. WE HARVESTED 4 BUSHELS PER ACRE.

THE TOTAL HARVEST WAS THEREFORE 3368 BUSHELS.

YOUR ENEMIES CAUSED RATS TO EAT (YUM) 168.4 BUSHELS.

THEREFORE, YOU NOW HAVE 3199.6 BUSHELS IN YOUR STOREHOUSE.

MASTER, I AM READY TO EXECUTE YOUR COMMANDS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

IF THOU ART READY TO ISSUE THEM, TYPE YES. IF NOT, TYPE NO.

YES

MASTER, THIS YEAR WE CAN BUY OR SELL MORE LAND FOR 15 BUSHELS PER ACRE

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO BUY THIS YEAR?

:

10

HOW MANY BUSHELS OF GRAIN DO YOU WISH TO DISTRIBUTE AS FOOD?

:

22x97

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

1000

THINK AGAIN, MASTER. YOU HAVE ONLY 915.6 BUSHEL LEFT IN YOUR STORE NO USE.

THE GODS DECREE THAT 1 BUSHEL IS REQUIRED TO PLANT 1 ACRE.

PRAY TELL ME AGAIN, MASTER;

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

915.6

\*\* A YEAR PASSETH...

LAST YEAR, 1 PEOPLE DIED OF STARVATION,  
AND 2 NEW PEOPLE CAME INTO YOUR DOMAIN.

THE POPULATION OF YOUR DOMAIN IS NOW 98 LOYAL SUBJECTS.

YOU NOW OWN 1000 ACRES OF LAND.

WE PLANTED 915.6 ACRES LAST YEAR. WE HARVESTED 2 BUSHEL PER ACRE.

THE TOTAL HARVEST WAS THEREFORE 1831.2 BUSHEL.

YOUR ENEMIES CAUSED RATS TO EAT (YUM) 457.8 BUSHEL.

THEREFORE, YOU NOW HAVE 1373.4 BUSHEL IN YOUR STOREHOUSE.

MASTER, I AM READY TO EXECUTE YOUR COMMANDS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

IF THOU ART READY TO ISSUE THEM, TYPE YES. IF NOT, TYPE NO.

YES

MASTER, THIS YEAR WE CAN BUY OR SELL MORE LAND FOR 15. BUSHEL PER ACRE

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO BUY THIS YEAR?

□:

0

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO SELL?

□:

100

HOW MANY BUSHEL OF GRAIN DO YOU WISH TO DISTRIBUTE AS FOOD?

□:

2000

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

900

THINK AGAIN, MASTER. YOU HAVE ONLY 873.4 BUSHEL LEFT IN YOUR STORE NO USE.

THE GODS DECREE THAT 1 BUSHEL IS REQUIRED TO PLANT 1 ACRE.

PRAY TELL ME AGAIN, MASTER;

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED?

□:

873.4

\*\* A YEAR PASSETH...

LAST YEAR, 4 PEOPLE DIED OF STARVATION,  
AND 1 NEW PEOPLE CAME INTO YOUR DOMAIN.

THE POPULATION OF YOUR DOMAIN IS NOW 96 LOYAL SUBJECTS.

YOU NOW OWN 900 ACRES OF LAND.

WE PLANTED 873.4 ACRES LAST YEAR. WE HARVESTED 5 BUSHEL PER ACRE.

THE TOTAL HARVEST WAS THEREFORE 4367 BUSHEL.

YOUR ENEMIES CAUSED RATS TO EAT (YUM) 262.02 BUSHEL.

THEREFORE, YOU NOW HAVE 4104.98 BUSHEL IN YOUR STOREHOUSE.

MASTER, I AM READY TO EXECUTE YOUR COMMANDS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

IF THOU ART READY TO ISSUE THEM, TYPE YES. IF NOT, TYPE NO.



YES

MASTER, THIS YEAR WE CAN BUY OR SELL NOPE LAND FOR 15 BUSHELS PER ACRF

HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO BUY THIS YEAR?

□:

100

HOW MANY BUSHELS OF GRAIN DO YOU WISH TO DISTRIBUTE AS FOOD?

□:

20×96

YOU HAVE ALLOTTED JUST ENOUGH GRAIN FOR YOUR PFOPLE TO SURVIVE. DO Y  
OU WISH THIS?

YES

TYRANT! ALL THY PEOPLE WILL STARVE! I SHALL LEAD THE REVOLUTION!  
FAREWELL!

)LOAD ONION  
 SAVED 16.23.00 03/20/72  
 )WIDTH 71  
 WAS 120  
 )FNS  
 DFT DIGITS MIC03 MODELONION ONIONS WIDTH  
 MODELONION

BASED UPON D.B. SUITS AND S. KOIZUMI, THE DYNAMICS OF THE ONION  
 MARKET, JOURNAL OF FARM ECONOMICS, VOL. 38, 1956, PP. 475-84.

PT=PRICE PER UNIT IN TIME PERIOD T  
 QST=QUANTITY SUPPLIED IN TIME PERIOD T  
 QDT=QUANTITY DEMANDED IN TIME PERIOD T  
 CT=INDEX OF COST PER UNIT IN TIME PERIOD T  
 WT=INDEX OF WAGES PAID IN TIME PERIOD T  
 UT=UNHARVESTED CROP IN TIME PERIOD T  
 WET=WEATHER INDEX IN TIME PERIOD T  
 YDT=INDEX OF DISPOSABLE INCOME IN PERIOD T

LOG PT = .681 -2.27\*LOG QDT + 1.31\*LOG YDT  
 LOG QST = .134 + .0123\*(T-1924) + .324\*LOG PT-1 - .512\*LOG CT-1  
 LOG UT = .13 + 2.4\*LOG WET + 2.56\*LOG QST  
 EQUILIBRIUM CONDITION: QST=QDT-UT

NOTE: EACH SIGN-ON PRODUCES UNIQUE EQUILIBRIUM VALUES VIA RANDOM  
 NUMBER TRANSFORMS OF FUNCTION PARAMETERS.

ONIONS

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THIS PROGRAM ILLUSTRATES THE COBWEB MODEL OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND. IN  
 THIS MODEL QUANTITY DEMANDED DEPENDS ON CURRENT PRICES, QUANTITY  
 SUPPLIED DEPENDS ON LAST SEASONS PRICES AND THE MARKET IS CLEARED  
 EXCEPT FOR RANDOM ERROR THE AMERICAN ONION MARKET IS A TYPICAL  
 EXAMPLE OF SUCH A MARKET. YOU ARE ASKED TO ASSUME THE  
 ROLE OF AN ONION FARMER WHO HAS RESOURCES TO PRODUCE A  
 MAXIMUM OF FIFTY THOUSAND SACKS OF ONIONS PER YEAR.  
 ALL OF THE ONIONS YOU HARVEST ARE SOLD, AND YOU WILL  
 BE WORKING TO FIND THE PRODUCTION LEVEL WHICH MAXIMIZES  
 YOUR OWN PROFITS. ASSUMING YOU ARE A TYPICAL ONION  
 FARMER, THIS LEVEL WILL CORRESPOND TO THE POINT  
 AT WHICH THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND CURVES FOR THE WHOLE MARKET  
 INTERSECT. HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE IN  
 THE FIRST YEAR? (USE A MINUS NUMBER TO QUIT BEFORE THE END.

□:

3500

YOU SOLD 3499 SACKS AT 58.93 DOLLARS  
 PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 206254.66 DOLLARS.  
 YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 45401.12844 DOLLARS.  
 HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

3400

YOU SOLD 3399 SACKS AT 62.94 DOLLARS  
 PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 213988.8 DOLLARS.  
 YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 45499.60789 DOLLARS.  
 HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

3350

YOU SOLD 3349 SACKS AT 65.09 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 218052.92 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 45522.35315 DOLLARS.  
CONGRATULATIONS, YOU HAVE COME CLOSE TO PROFIT MAXIMIZING  
QUANTITY = 3317 SACKS OF ONIONS

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BUT UNFORTUNATELY, THE ONION MARKET IS NOT REALLY SO  
SIMPLE BECAUSE IT IS AFFECTED BY MANY ENVIRONMENTAL AND  
ECONOMIC CONDITIONS. FOR AN EXAMPLE, WE WILL LET NATIONAL  
DISPOSABLE INCOME INCREASE, WHICH WILL CAUSE A SHIFT IN  
THE ONION MARKET'S DEMAND CURVE. DECIDE WHAT EFFECT  
THIS WILL HAVE ON THE LEVEL OF PRODUCTION NECESSARY TO  
MAXIMIZE YOUR OWN PROFITS, AND CONTINUE.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

:

4000

YOU SOLD 3999 SACKS AT 55.26 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 221047.84 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 53643.22695 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

:

3400

YOU SOLD 3399 SACKS AT 79.91 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 271718.04 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 54603.0164 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

:

3500

YOU SOLD 3499 SACKS AT 74.83 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 261897.41 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 54621.68929 DOLLARS.  
CONGRATULATIONS, YOU HAVE COME CLOSE TO PROFIT MAXIMIZING  
QUANTITY = 3469 SACKS OF ONIONS

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A WAGE INCREASE IS NECESSARY FOR YOUR WORKERS DURING  
THE NEXT SEASON, AND THIS WILL SHIFT YOUR SUPPLY CURVE.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

:

4000

YOU SOLD 3999 SACKS AT 55.26 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 221047.84 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 47737.89159 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

:

3800

YOU SOLD 3799 SACKS AT 62.08 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 235925.74 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 47793.49335 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

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3850

YOU SOLD 3849 SACKS AT 60.27 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 232041.6 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 47803.07873 DOLLARS.  
CONGRATULATIONS, YOU HAVE COME CLOSE TO PROFIT MAXIMIZING  
QUANTITY = 3853 SACKS OF ONIONS

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THE COST OF ONION SEEDS HAS JUST GONE DOWN ENABLING  
YOU TO PRODUCE MORE AT A LOWER COST.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

4500

YOU SOLD 4499 SACKS AT 42.29 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 190338.99 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 44505.4461 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

3900

YOU SOLD 3899 SACKS AT 58.53 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 228270.31 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 44918.03461 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

4050

YOU SOLD 4049 SACKS AT 53.72 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 217588.08 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 44979.04378 DOLLARS.  
CONGRATULATIONS, YOU HAVE COME CLOSE TO PROFIT MAXIMIZING  
QUANTITY = 4042 SACKS OF ONIONS

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POOR WEATHER IS PREDICTED FOR THE COMING SEASONS, AND  
THIS WILL REDUCE YOUR HARVEST SIGNIFICANTLY.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

4500

YOU SOLD 4332 SACKS AT 46.1 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 199737.42 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 44774.40952 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

4300

YOU SOLD 4150 SACKS AT 50.81 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 210898.51 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 44948.2024 DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY SACKS WILL YOU TRY TO PRODUCE NEXT YEAR.

□:

4200

YOU SOLD 4059 SACKS AT 53.44 DOLLARS  
PER SACK. YOUR TOTAL REVENUE WAS 216938.61 DOLLARS.  
YOUR OVERALL PROFIT WAS 44978.41019 DOLLARS.  
CONGRATULATIONS, YOU HAVE COME CLOSE TO PROFIT MAXIMIZING  
QUANTITY = 4042 SACKS OF ONIONS

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YOU HAVE RECEIVED RECOGNITION AS AN OUTSTANDING ONION  
FARMER. THIS IS THE END OF THIS PROGRAM.

)LOAD PRESENTVALUE  
SAVED 16.57.03 04/21/72

)FNS  
ANNUITY DFT      DPRESENTVALUE    HYP      INTEREST      PRESENTVALUE  
REPAY    SAVE    SIZE    SQRT  
DPRESENTVALUE

THIS PROGRAM CALCULATES PRESENT VALUES, FUTURE VALUES,  
AND DISCOUNT RATES, USING DISCRETE OR CONTINUOUS COMPOUNDING.  
THE CALCULATIONS ARE BASED ON THE FORMULAS:

$$F = P \times e^{(Y \times R)} \quad \text{CONTINUOUS COMPOUNDING}$$
$$F = P \times (1 + R \div T)^{(Y \times T)} \quad \text{DISCRETE COMPOUNDING}$$

WHERE

P=PRESENT VALUE  
F=FUTURE VALUE  
Y=NUMBER OF YEARS (PERIODS) COMPOUNDED  
R=INTEREST RATE PER YEAR (PERIOD)  
T=NUMBER OF COMPOUNDINGS PER YEAR (PERIOD).

IN USING THE PROGRAM, ALL PARAMETERS, INCLUDING THE ONE  
UNKNOWN, ARE ENTERED, AND THE UNKNOWN IS SOLVED FOR. WHEN  
THE UNKNOWN QUANTITY IS REQUESTED, TYPE→ FIND .AN EXAMPLE  
OF THIS IS:

P=24, R=.05, T=4, Y=300, F=FIND

WHEN ALL QUANTITIES EXCEPT THE FUTURE VALUE ARE ASKED FOR,  
ENTER THE QUANTITY BY TYPING 24 .05 4 ETC.  
WHEN THE PROGRAM ASKS 'ENTER FUTURE VALUE', TYPE→ FIND  
THE PROGRAM WILL THEN SOLVE FOR THE FUTURE VALUE AND  
PRINT ALL THE VALUES INVOLVED.

TO USE THE PROGRAM TYPE→ PRESENTVALUE

PRESENTVALUE  
ENTER PRESENT VALUE  
[]:  
FIND  
ENTER FUTURE VALUE  
[]:  
1000  
ENTER INTEREST RATE  
[]:  
.08  
CONTINUOUS OR DISCRETE COMPOUNDING?  
[]:  
DISCRETE  
ENTER NUMBER OF COMPOUNDINGS PER YEAR (PERIOD)  
[]:  
4  
ENTER NUMBER OF YEARS (PERIODS)  
[]:  
10

\*\*\*\*\*

PRESENT VALUE =452.8904152

FUTURE VALUE =1000

INTEREST RATE =0.08

COMPOUNDED 4 TIMES A YEAR (PERIOD)

COMPOUNDED 10 YEARS (PERIODS)

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NTVALUE

ENTER PRESENT VALUE

□:

500

ENTER FUTURE VALUE

□:

1000

ENTER INTEREST RATE

□:

FIND

CONTINUOUS OR DISCRETE COMPOUNDING?

□:

DISCRETE

ENTER NUMBER OF COMPOUNDINGS PER YEAR (PERIOD)

□:

4

ENTER NUMBER OF YEARS (PERIODS)

□:

10

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PRESENT VALUE =500

FUTURE VALUE =1000

INTEREST RATE =0.06991876841

COMPOUNDED 4 TIMES A YEAR (PERIOD)

COMPOUNDED 10 YEARS (PERIODS)

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ANNUITY

ENTER THE AMOUNT OF THE ANNUITY

□:

100

ENTER THE NUMBER OF YEARS OVER WHICH THE ANNUITY WILL BE RECEIVED

□:

20

ENTER THE APPROPRIATE DISCOUNT RATE

□:

.08

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YEAR	AMOUNT
1	92.59259259
2	85.73388203
3	79.3832241
4	73.50298528
5	68.0583197
6	63.01696269
7	58.34903953
8	54.02688845
9	50.02489671
10	46.31934881
11	42.88828593
12	39.71137586
13	36.76979247
14	34.04610414
15	31.5241705
16	29.18904676
17	27.02689514
18	25.02490291
19	23.1712064
20	21.45482074

THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE ANNUITY STREAM IS 981.8147407 DOLLARS

SIZE

ENTER PRINCIPAL TO BE BORROWED

:  
30000

ENTER ANNUAL INTEREST RATE

:  
.075

ENTER THE NUMBER OF YEARS OVER WHICH MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS ARE TO BE PAID

:  
30

YOUR MONTHLY PAYMENT WILL BE APPROXIMATELY: 209.7643526 DOLLARS

IF YOU WISH, YOU MAY CHECK THIS VALUE BY USING THE PROGRAM REPAY.

END

REPAY

ENTER PRINCIPAL TO BE BORROWED

:  
30000

ENTER ANNUAL INTEREST RATE

:  
.075

ENTER APPROXIMATE MONTHLY PAYMENT FROM PROGRAM SIZE

:



209.76

YOU WILL HAVE A TOTAL OF 361 PAYMENTS

OF WHICH 360 ARE 209.76 DOLLARS,

AND THE LAST PAYMENT IS 6.24

YOUR PAYMENTS WILL SUM TO 75519.84 DOLLARS.

IF YOU WISH YOU MAY EXECUTE THIS  
PROGRAM AGAIN WITH A SLIGHTLY  
LARGER OR SMALLER PAYMENT.

END

INTEREST

ENTER PRINCIPAL

[ ]:

100.00

ENTER NUMBER OF YEARS

[ ]:

10

ENTER RATES OF INTEREST UNDER CONSIDERATION,

E.G., .05 .06 .07

[ ]:

.05 .075 .10

	0.05	0.075	0.1
0			
1	105	107.5	110
2	110.25	115.5625	121
3	115.7625	124.2296875	133.1
4	121.550625	133.5469141	146.41
5	127.6281562	143.5629326	161.051
6	134.0095641	154.3301526	177.1561
7	140.7100423	165.904914	194.87171
8	147.7455444	178.3477826	214.358881
9	155.1328216	191.7238662	235.7947691
10	162.8894627	206.1031562	259.374246

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)LOAD MAXIMIZE
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)WIDTH 71
WAS 120
)FNS
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PROFIT

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\*\*\*\*\*PROFIT\*\*\*\*\*

PROFIT ILLUSTRATES THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROFIT MAXIMIZING PRICE, MARGINAL REVENUE AND PRICE ELASTICITY OF DEMAND.

MARGINAL REVENUE (MR) IS DEFINED AS THE ADDITION TO TOTAL REVENUE (TR) ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE ADDITION OF ONE UNIT OF OUTPUT TO SALES. THE FOLLOWING TABLE SHOWS QUANTITY DEMANDED (Q) AND TOTAL REVENUE (TR=P×Q) FOR A PRODUCT A DIFFERENT PRICES (P)

P	Q	TR
4.00	291	1164
3.80	315	1197
3.60	344	1238
3.40	376	1278
3.20	415	1328
3.00	459	1377
2.80	513	1436
2.60	577	1500
2.40	655	1572
2.20	752	1654
2.00	875	1750
1.80	1034	1861
1.60	1247	1995
1.40	1542	2159

WHAT IS MR WHEN P = 3.4

□:

40÷32

RIGHT! THE MR = 1.25

WHAT IS MR WHEN P = 3.2

□:

1.27

RIGHT! THE MR = 1.271794872

THE NEXT TABLE SHOWS TOTAL COST (TC), ASSUMING A LINEAR COST FUNCTION, AND NET PROFIT (NP), IN ADDITION TO Q AND TR FOR EACH PRICE LEVEL.

P	Q	TR	TC	NP
4.00	291	1164	389	775
3.80	315	1197	417	780
3.60	344	1238	451	787
3.40	376	1278	488	790
3.20	415	1328	534	794
3.00	459	1377	585	792
2.80	513	1436	648	788
2.60	577	1500	723	777
2.40	655	1572	814	758
2.20	752	1654	927	728
2.00	875	1750	1070	680
1.80	1034	1861	1256	606
1.60	1247	1995	1504	491
1.40	1542	2159	1848	311

MARGINAL COST (MC) IS DEFINED IN THE SAME WAY THAT MARGINAL REVENUE WAS DEFINED, EXCEPT THAT TOTAL COST IS USED INSTEAD OF TOTAL REVENUE.

WHAT IS MC WHEN P = 3.6 ?

□:

$$(451-417) \div (344-315)$$

CORRECT. THE MC IS 1.166

WHAT IS MC WHEN P = 3.2 ?

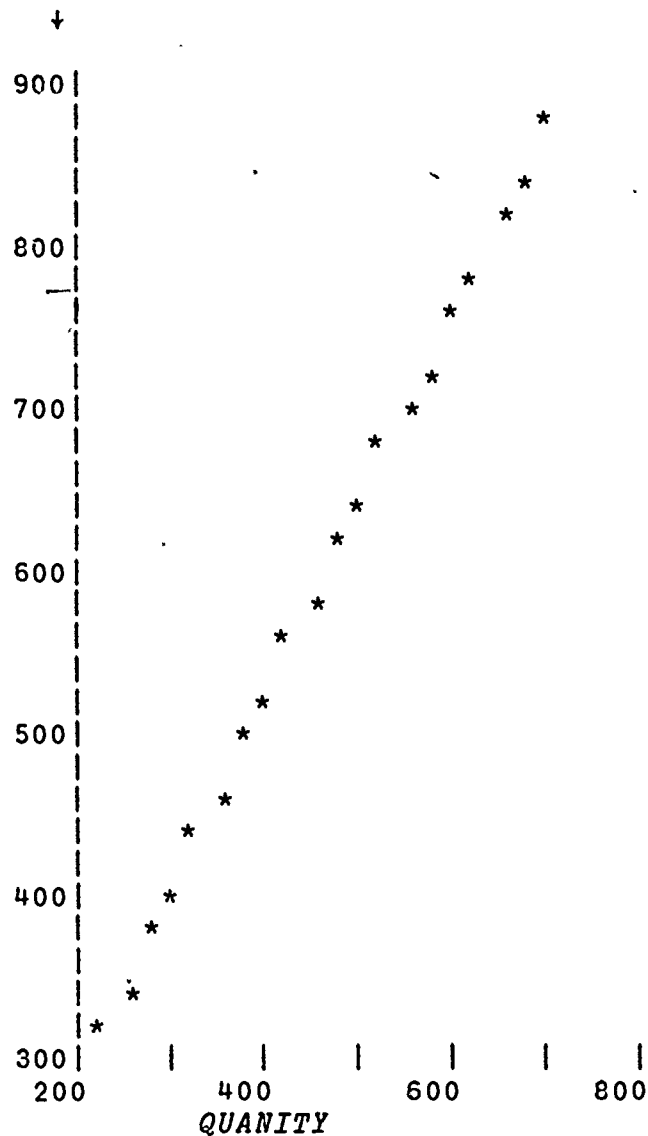
□:

$$1.2$$

CORRECT. THE MC IS 1.166  
 NOTICE THAT MC IS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AT ALL PRICE  
 LEVELS. THE REASON IS THAT A LINEAR COST FUNCTION HAS BEEN  
 USED IN CONSTRUCTING THIS EXAMPLE:

$$TC = \text{FIXED COST} + (\text{VARIABLE COST PER UNIT}) \times Q$$

THE GRAPH OF A LINEAR COST FUNCTION LOOKS LIKE THIS:  
 TOTAL COST



WHENEVER A LINEAR COST FUNCTION IS USED, MC= VARIABLE  
 COST PER UNIT. HERE MC = 1.166  
 WHAT IS MR WHEN NET PROFIT IS MAXIMUM? :

2.0

SORRY. PROFITS ARE MAXIMIZED WHEN P = 3.1  
 TRY AGAIN.

:

3.2

ETC.

## DOLIGRF

### GAME IN THE LOGISTICS OF AN OLIGOPOLY MARKET

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

##### OBJECTIVE

YOUR TEAM HAS TAKEN OVER THE MANAGEMENT OF ONE OF A SMALL NUMBER OF IDENTICAL FIRMS IN AN INDUSTRY. YOU ARE GIVEN INFORMATION ON YOUR COSTS BELOW. THE DEMAND FOR YOUR OUTPUT DEPENDS ON YOUR PRICE, YOUR COMPETITORS' PRICES, AND ON FORCES BEYOND YOUR CONTROL.

YOU ARE A RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT TEAM AIMING TO MAXIMIZE THE WELFARE OF YOUR STOCKHOLDERS. ALL PROFITS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE PAID OUT IN DIVIDENDS, SO MAXIMIZING THE PRESENT VALUE OF PROFITS MAY BE A REASONABLE OBJECTIVE. RATINGS ARE BASED UPON PROFITS.

##### CONSTRAINTS

ALL FIRMS HAVE FIXED COSTS (INTEREST PAYMENTS ON LONG-TERM DEBT, YOUR SALARIES, ETC.) OF 50,000.00 PER PERIOD. VARIABLE COSTS (LABOR AND MATERIALS) ARE CONSISTENT AT 50 CENTS PER UNIT UP TO CAPACITY. CAPACITY IS 100,000 UNITS PER PERIOD FOR ALL FIRMS. UNFILLED ORDERS CAUSE AN INCREASE IN COMPETITORS' DEMAND.

##### LEGAL SITUATION

THERE ARE THREE POSSIBLE LEGAL ENVIRONMENTS:

- I. THE INDUSTRY IS BOUND BY THE SHERMAN ACT.
- II. ALL FIRMS AGREE TO AN ENFORCEABLE CARTEL ARRANGEMENT.
- III. CARTELS ARE NOT ILLEGAL, BUT THERE IS NO WAY TO LEGALLY ENFORCE THEM.

##### MECHANICS

AN IMPARTIAL GAME ADMINISTRATOR WILL INITIALIZE THE GAME PARAMETERS, AND RENDER IDENTICAL DECISIONS FOR ALL FIRMS FOR THE FIRST PERIOD. ONCE YOU RECEIVE THE INITIAL PRINTOUT AND FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE INFORMATION, THE GAME MAY PROCEED FOR AS MANY QUARTERS AS YOU WISH TO PLAY. THERE IS NO DATA STORAGE -- THE GAME MUST BE PLAYED SEQUENTIALLY.

TO PLAY THE GAME TYPE→ OLIGOPOLY

**OLIGOPOLY**

**YOU HAVE JUST ENTERED INTO THE DOMAIN OF THE OLIGOPOLY GAME !  
TYPE THE NUMBER OF FIRMS COMPETING IN THIS GAME.**

[ :  
:

3

**ENTER A BRIEF INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION.  
OIL ADDITIVE  
DO YOU WISH TO HAVE STUDENT OUTPUT ?**

YES

**PLEASE ENTER MONOPOLY PRICE**

[ :  
:

7.29

**ENTER VALUE FOR A-FACTOR**

[ :  
:

4.0

**ENTER YOUR FIRM'S PRICE  
STUDENT FROM FIRM NUMBER 1 ENTER YOUR PRICE**

[ :  
:

5.25

**STUDENT FROM FIRM NUMBER 2 ENTER YOUR PRICE**

[ :  
:

8.59

**STUDENT FROM FIRM NUMBER 3 ENTER YOUR PRICE**

[ :  
:

7.49

INSTRUCTOR'S OUTPUT

INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION : OIL ADDITIVE  
 PERIOD NUMBER 1  
 MONOPOLY PRICE 7.29 CHEATERS PRICE 6.568669725  
 STANDARD DEVIATION OF DEMAND 4305.810398  
 PRICES 5.25 8.59 7.49  
 SALES 100000.00 0.00 0.00  
 UNFILLED  
 ORDERS 134471.36 0.00 0.00  
 PROFITS 425000.00 -50000.00 -50000.00  
 RATING 133.63 -16.19 -16.46  
 TO CALCULATE RATINGS BASED ON NON-RANDOM PROFITS  
 RUN PROGRAM AGAIN SETTING A-FACTOR TO ZERO.

INDUSTRY SALES 100000  
 INDUSTRY PROFITS 325000  
 AVERAGE PRICE 7.11  
 INDUSTRY RATING 34.9167005

STUDENT OUTPUT

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 SALES 100000.00  
 UNFILLED ORDERS 134471  
 PROFITS 425000.00  
 RATING 133.63  
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 AVERAGE PRICE 7.11

FIRM NUMBER 2  
 PRICE 8.59  
 SALES 0.00  
 UNFILLED ORDERS 0  
 PROFITS -50000.00  
 RATING -16.19  
 INDUSTRY SALES 100000.00  
 AVERAGE PRICE 7.11

FIRM NUMBER 3  
 PRICE 7.49  
 SALES 0.00  
 UNFILLED ORDERS 0  
 PROFITS -50000.00  
 RATING -16.46  
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 AVERAGE PRICE 7.11



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yes	no	no	
opinion			
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