

In order to grade your solutions and understand your answers please show your work.

Problem 1 (50 Points)

Assume that the cost function of firm A is: $C(q) = \frac{2}{3}q^3 - 3q^2 + 12q + 6$ where $MC = 2q^2 - 6q + 12$, answer the following questions.

- 1) Is this cost function framed in a long or short run scenario? Explain your answer.
- 2) What is the shut down price for this firm.
- 3) Find and graph the supply function for firm A, be careful to explicitly show for which prices the firm shuts down.

Problem 2 (50 Points)

Assume that the cost function of firm B is: $C(q) = \frac{1}{6}q^3 - 2q^2 + 10q$ where $MC = \frac{1}{2}q^2 - 4q + 10$, answer the following questions.

- 1) Is this cost function framed in a long or short run scenario? Explain your answer.
- 2) If the market price is 20, what is the profit or loss of firm B? is this situation sustainable in the long run? Explain your answer.
- 3) Assume now that the technology of firm B is representative of the technology accessible to anyone in the market and also that the market demand is $Q^d = 40 - p$. What is the equilibrium in this market? How many firms are in the market and how much do each of them produce?