

Math 141, 511, 516, 517, Spring 2010

Lecture 19

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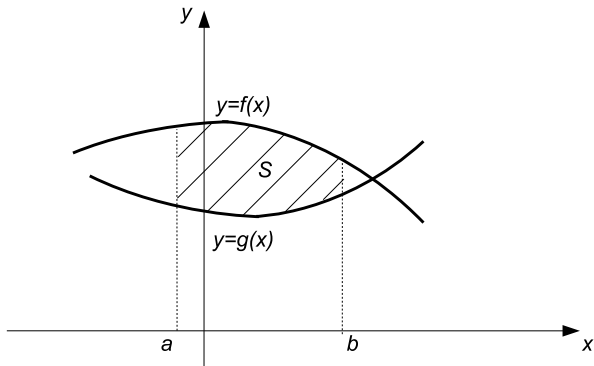
Homework #22 (Section 6-1)  
Homework #23 (Section 6-2)  
Homework #24 (Section 6-4)  
are **due Thursday, April 8, 11:55 PM.**

Homework #25 (Section 6-5)  
Homework #26 (Section 7-1)  
Homework #27 (Section 7-2)  
are **due Thursday, April 15, 11:55 PM.**

## Chapter 7. **Additional integral topics.**

### Section 7-1. **Area between curves.**

Consider the region  $S$  that lies between two curves  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = g(x)$  and between the vertical lines  $x = a$  and  $x = b$ , where  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous functions and  $f(x) \geq g(x)$  for all  $x$  in  $[a, b]$ .



The area of the region  $S$  is  $A = \int_a^b [f(x) - g(x)] dx$ .

**Example 1.** Find the area of the region bounded by

1.  $y = x^2 + 2$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x = 0$ ,  $x = 4$

2.  $y = x^2 - 3$ ,  $y = 2x + 5$

3.  $y = x^3 - 6x^2 + 9x$ ,  $y = x$ .

## Section 7-2. **Applications in business and economics.**

### **Consumers' and producers' surplus.**

Let  $p = D(x)$  be the price-demand equation for a product, where  $x$  is the number of units of the product that consumers will purchase at a price of \$ $p$  per unit. Suppose that  $\bar{p}$ , is the current price and  $\bar{x}$  is the number of units that can be sold at that price.

**Definition. Consumers' Surplus** If  $(\bar{x}, \bar{p})$  is a point on the graph of the price-demand equation  $p = D(x)$  for a particular product, then the **consumers' surplus CS** at a price level of  $\bar{p}$  is

$$CS = \int_0^{\bar{x}} [D(x) - \bar{p}] dx$$

which is the area between  $p = \bar{p}$  and  $p = D(x)$  from  $x = 0$  to  $x = \bar{x}$ .

The consumers' surplus represents the total savings to consumers who are willing to pay more than  $\bar{p}$  for the product, but are still able to buy the product for  $\bar{p}$ .

**Example 2.** Find the consumers' surplus at a price level of  $\bar{p} = \$120$  for the price-demand equation

$$p = D(x) = 200 - 0.02x$$

**Definition. Producers' surplus.**

If  $(\bar{x}, \bar{p})$  is a point on the graph of the price-supply equation  $p = S(x)$ , then the **producers' surplus PS** at a price level of  $\bar{p}$  is

$$PS = \int_0^{\bar{x}} [\bar{p} - S(x)] dx$$

which is the area between  $p = \bar{p}$  and  $p = S(x)$  from  $x = 0$  to  $x = \bar{x}$ .

The producers' surplus represents the total gain to producers who are willing to supply units at a lower price than  $\bar{p}$  but are still able to supply units at  $\bar{p}$ .

**Example 3.** Find the producers' surplus at a price level of  $\bar{p} = \$55$  for the price-supply equation

$$p = S(x) = 15 + 0.1x + 0.003x^2$$

If  $p = D(x)$  and  $p = S(x)$  are the price-demand and price-supply equations, respectively, for a product and if  $(\bar{x}, \bar{p})$  is the point of intersection of these equations, then  $\bar{p}$  is called the **equilibrium price** and  $\bar{x}$  is called the **equilibrium quantity**. If the price stabilizes at the equilibrium price  $\bar{p}$ , then this is the price level that will determine both the consumers' surplus and the producers' surplus.

**Example 4.** Find the equilibrium price and then find the consumers' surplus and producers' surplus at the equilibrium price level if

$$p = D(x) = 50 - 0.1x, \quad p = S(x) = 11 + 0.05x.$$