



個體經濟學二

Microeconomics (II)

Ch10. Price taking firm

* Price taking firm:

$$\text{revenue} = P(x) \cdot x = P \cdot x$$

$$\text{profit} = \text{total revenue} - \text{total cost}$$

$$\text{Short Run Decision: SR profit} = \text{TR}(x) - \text{SRTC}(x)$$

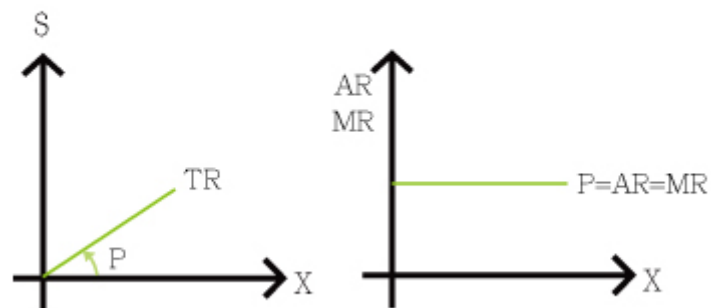


Figure 82:

$$AR = \frac{TR}{x} = \frac{P \cdot x}{x} = P$$

$$MR = \frac{\Delta TR}{\Delta x} = \frac{\Delta Px}{\Delta x} = P \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta x} = P$$

$$\text{SR } \pi(x) = P \cdot x - \text{SRTC}(x)$$

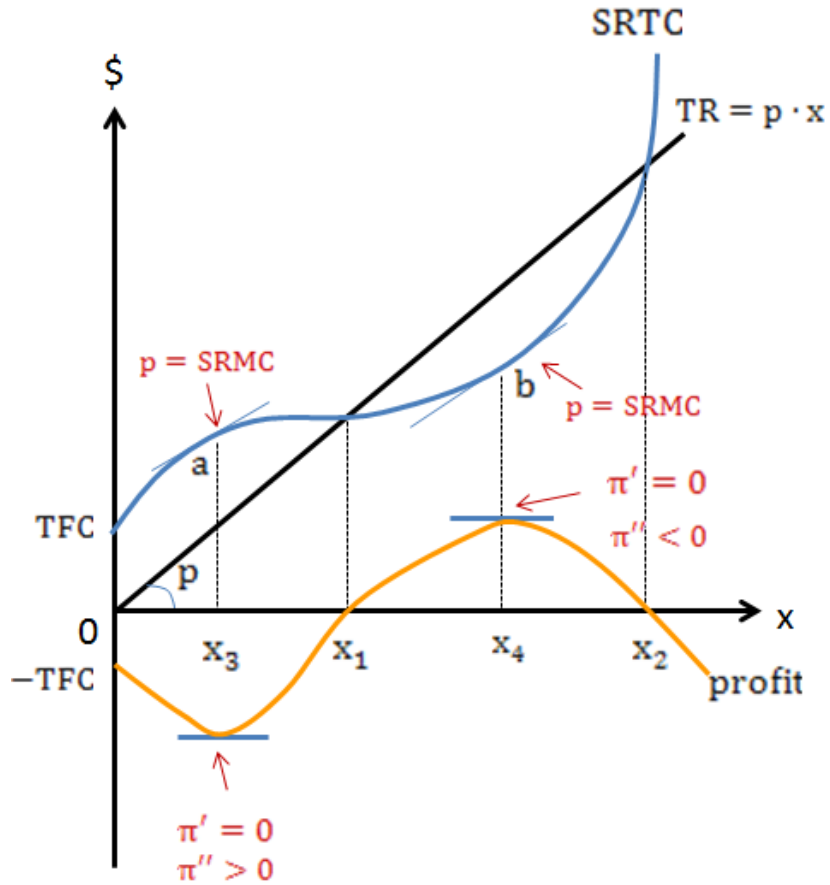


Figure 83:

* at X_3 and X_4 ,

slope of TR = slope of SRTC

MR=P= SRMC

X_3 profit is minimized

X_4 profit is maximized (SR equilibrium of a price taking firm)

at a, $SRMC'(x) < 0$

at b, $SRMC'(x) > 0 \Rightarrow$ increasing SRMC \Rightarrow diminish marginal return

$$\max \pi(x) = TR(x) - SRTC(x) = P \cdot x - SRTC(x)$$

$$\text{F.O.C. } \pi'(x) = 0$$

$$\pi'(x) = MR(x) - SRTC'(x)$$

$$= P - SRMC(x) = 0 \Rightarrow P = SRMC(x)$$

$$\text{S.O.C. } \pi''(x) < 0$$

$$\pi''(x) = \frac{d\pi'(x)}{dx} = \frac{d(P - SRMC(x))}{dx} = \frac{-dSRMC(x)}{dx} = -SRMC'(x) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow SRMC'(x) > 0$$

increasing $SRMC(x)$ or diminishing marginal returns

*** shut down decision:**

$$x=0, \pi(0) = TR(0) - TFC = -TFC$$

compare $\pi(x^*)$ with $\pi(0) = -TFC$, if $\pi(x^*) < 0$

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x^* , s.t. FOC, SOC

$$\pi(x^*) < \pi(0) \Leftrightarrow \text{shut down}$$

$$\pi(x^*) \geq \pi(0) \Leftrightarrow \text{not shut down}$$

* x^* is the equilibrium:

$$\pi(x^*) = P_{x^*} - \text{SRTC}(x^*) \geq -\text{TFC}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{x^*} - (\text{TFC} + \text{TVC}(x^*)) \geq -\text{TFC}$$

$$P_{x^*} - \text{TVC}(x^*) \geq 0 \text{ revenue enough to cover TVC}$$

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TR

$$(P - \text{AVC}(x^*))_{x^*} \geq 0 \Rightarrow P \geq \text{AVC}(x^*) \text{ (} P < \text{AVC}(x^*) \text{ shut down)}$$

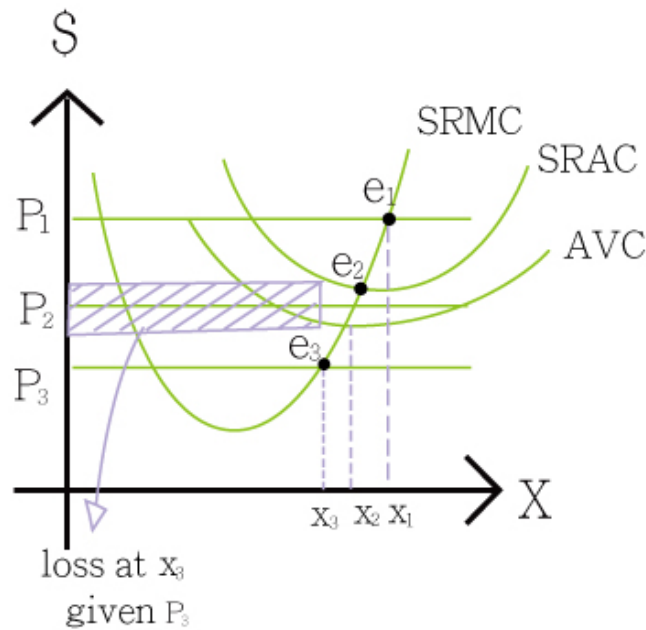


Figure 84:

SR supply curve = SRMC above AVC + shut downward

$x=0$ when $P < \min \text{AVC}$

* **Price taking firm**

Inputs demander → firm → Final goods and services supplier

* **SR equilibrium**

$$P = \text{SRMC} \geq \text{AVC}$$

SR supply curve = SRMC above AVC

if $P < \min \text{AVC} \Rightarrow$ shut down. $x^* = 0$

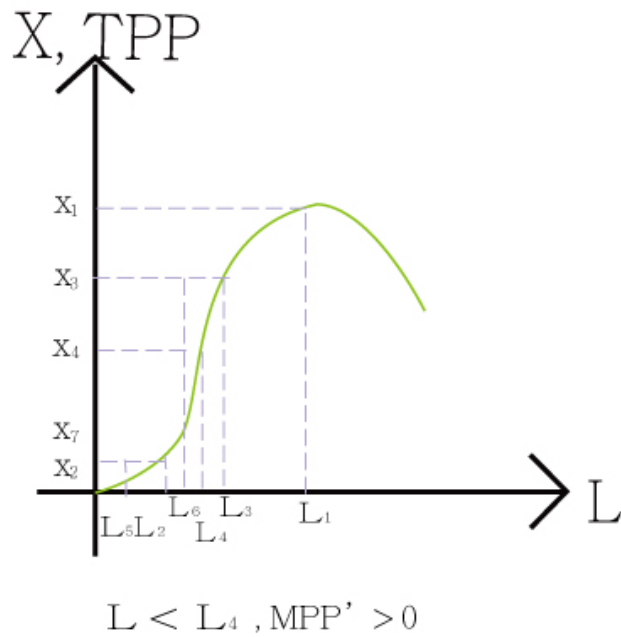


Figure 85:

* LR equilibrium (P is fixed [given])

LR cost function

LR profits = $PX - LRTC(x)$

LRTC(x) is the envelope of the SRTC(x)

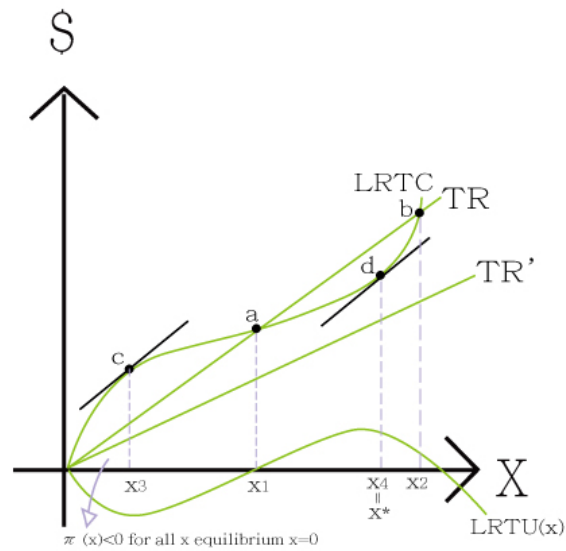


Figure 86:

* LR $\pi(x) \geq 0$

Firm's problem:

$$\text{Max LR profits } \pi(x) = Px - LRTC(x)$$

$$\text{F.O.C. } \pi'(x) = 0$$

$$\pi'(x) = P - LRTC'(x) = P - LRMC(x) = 0 \Rightarrow P = LRMC(x)$$

$$\text{S.O.C. } \pi''(x) < 0$$

$$\pi''(x) = 0 - LRMC'(x) = -LRMC'(x) < 0 \Rightarrow LRMC'(x) > 0$$

No TFC in the LR.

In the LR, $P \geq LRAC$ (or $\pi(x) \geq 0$), the firm survives.

The firm exits when $P < LRAC \Rightarrow x = 0$

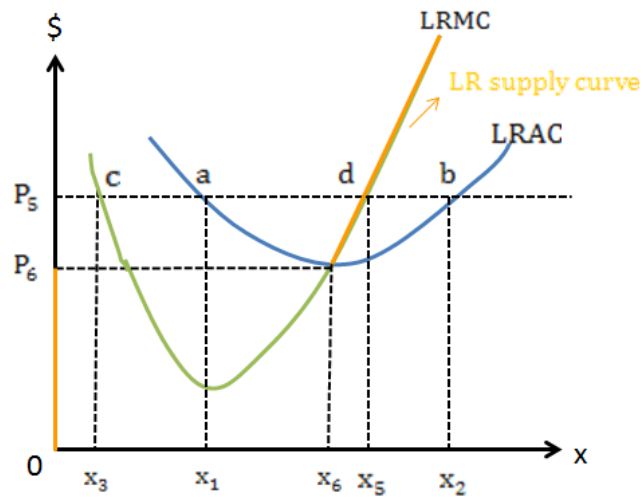


Figure 87:

* SR vs. LR supply curve

slope of LRS < slope of SRS

(= LRMC)平 (= SRMC)陡

price elasticity of LRS < price elasticity of SRS

$$\epsilon^S = \frac{\frac{\Delta x^S}{x^S}}{\frac{\Delta p}{p}}$$

SR, LR output supply — $\text{Max } \pi(x) = P_x - C_{(x)}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P = MC \\ MC'(x) > 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} P \geq AVC \text{ (SR)} \\ P \geq LRAC \text{ (LR)} \end{array}$$

* **SR, LR input demand. not conditional input demand**

SR, L variable, K fixed

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \min wL + rK \\ L, K \\ \text{s.t. } f(L, K) = x \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{conditional on} \\ L^{\circ} = L(w, r, \textcircled{3}) \\ K^{\circ} = K(w, r, \textcircled{3}) \end{array}$$

前面談的是 SR optimal output

現在要談 SR optimal input (以前是找最適產量極大化利潤，但這裡是直接從 input 來看)

The firm's problem:

$$\max_L \pi(L) = P f(L) - (rK_0 + wL)$$

$$= \text{TRP}(L) - \text{TFC}(L)$$

total revenue product (總生產收益量)

total factor cost (總要素成本)

$$\text{F.O.C. } \pi'(L) = \text{TRP}'(L) - \text{TFC}'(L)$$

$$\text{TRP}'(L) = \frac{d\text{TRP}(L)}{dL} = \text{MRP}_L (\text{邊際生產收益量}) = \frac{dP f(L)}{dL} = P \cdot f'(L) = P \cdot \text{MPP}_L$$

$$\text{TFC}'(L) = \frac{dTFC(L)}{dL} = \frac{d(wL + rK_0)}{dL} = w$$

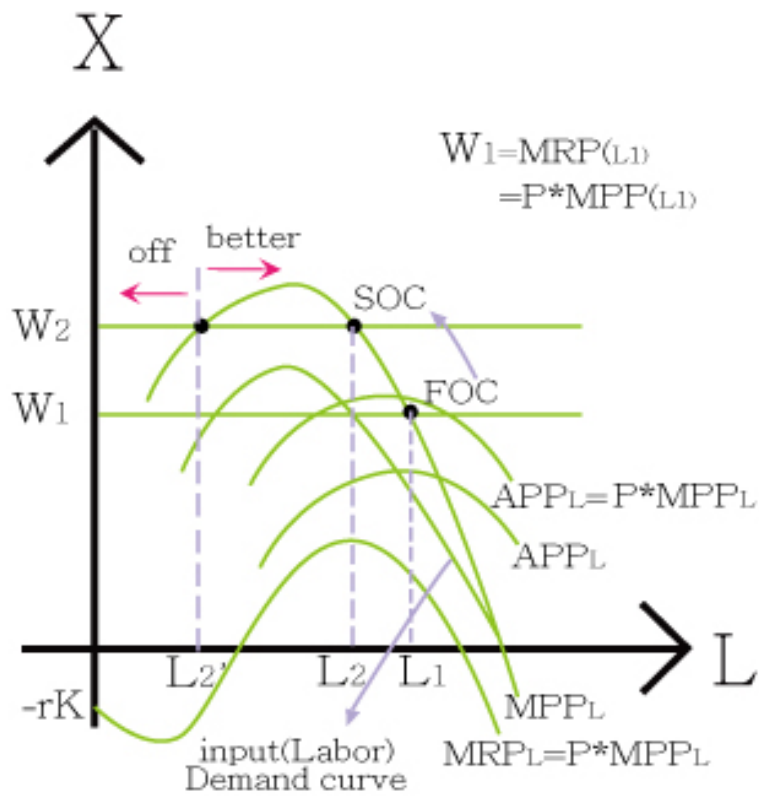


Figure 88:

$$\pi(L) = TRP(L) - TFC(L)$$

$$\text{F.O.C. } \pi'(L) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi'(L) &= MRP_L - w \\ &= P \cdot MPP_L - w = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow MRP_L = w$$

$$\text{S.O.C. } \pi''(L) < 0$$

$$\pi''(L) = TRP''(L) - TFC''(L) = MRP'(L) - \frac{dw}{dL} = P \cdot MPP'_L - 0 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow MPP'_L < 0 \text{ diminishing marginal returns}$$

**compare with $SRMC' > 0$

$$SRMC = \frac{\Delta(wL + rK_0)}{\Delta x} = \frac{\Delta wL}{\Delta x} = \frac{w}{MPP_L}$$

∴ diminishing $MPP_L \Leftrightarrow$ increasing SRMC

both S. O. C. are consistent to each other

Also, from F.O.C.

$$P = \frac{w}{MPP_L} = SRMC$$

∴ 從output和input方面來看, 求解的F. O. C. 及S. O. C. 都相同, 符合成本極小化的決策
也會符合利潤極大化的決策, 廠商面對的是同一個決策

shut down decision (input decision)

$\pi(L)$, L^* satisfies F. O. C. + S. O. C.

$\pi(L^*) < \pi(L=0) = -rK_0 \rightarrow$ shut down

$\pi(L^*) \geq \pi(L=0) \rightarrow$ not shut down, L^* is the equilibrium

$\Leftrightarrow P \cdot f(L^*) - (rK_0 + wL^*) < \pi(L = 0)$

$\Leftrightarrow P \cdot f(L^*) - rK_0 - wL^* < -rK_0$

$\Leftrightarrow P \cdot f(L^*) - wL^* < 0$

$\Leftrightarrow P \cdot f(L^*) < wL^*$

$\Leftrightarrow P \cdot \frac{f(L^*)}{L^*} < w$ 收益能否 cover 工資

$\Leftrightarrow P \cdot APP(L^*) < w$

$\Rightarrow ARP_L(L^*) < w$ shut down

$$\underbrace{MRP (= w)} \leq \underbrace{ARP}$$

profit max shut down decision

SR, L demand curve

$$= \underline{MRP_L} \text{ below } \underline{ARP_L}$$

downward sloping ← diminishing Marginal Return

price taking firm → w, r, p given

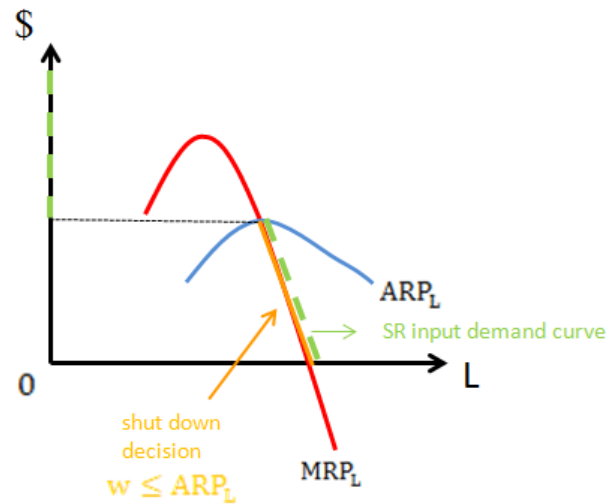
$$\max_L \text{ SR } \pi(L) = \bar{P} \cdot f(L) - (\bar{r}K + \bar{w}L)$$

$$\text{FOC. } MRP_L = w \text{ (no } r)$$

$$\Rightarrow P \cdot MPP_L(L) = w \Rightarrow L^* = L(w, r, P, ; K)$$

In the SR, $SRTC = TFC + TVC$

$$= \underbrace{\bar{r}K}_{\text{given}} + \underbrace{wL(x)}_{\text{input requirement}}$$



$L(x)$ $x = f(L)$ when x is produced → $L(x)$ can be calculated

$$TVC = wL(x)$$

$$SRMC = \frac{w}{MPP_L}$$

$$AVC = \frac{w}{APP_L}$$

$$\frac{\Delta TVC}{\Delta x} = \frac{\Delta wL(x)}{\Delta x} = w \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta L}}$$

$$\frac{TVC}{x} = \frac{wL}{x} = \frac{w}{\frac{x}{L}} = \frac{w}{APP_L}$$

suppose $w \uparrow$

given each x , $SRMC \uparrow$, $AVC \uparrow$ both shift upward

$SRMC_1 \rightarrow SRMC_2$

AVC1 → AVC2

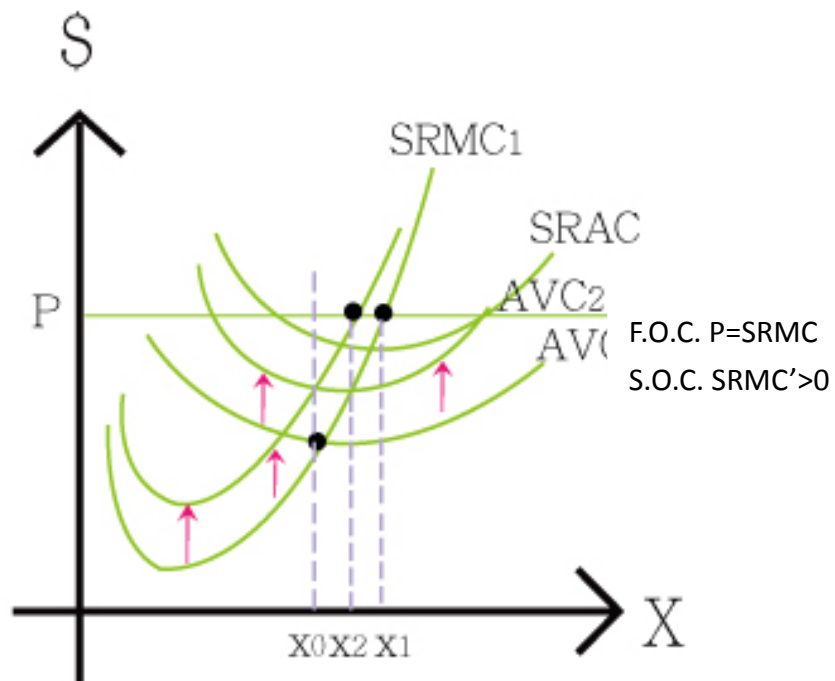


Figure 89:

From FOC. $\rightarrow x^*$, $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$, $x_2 < x_1$, $x \downarrow$

$L(x_2) < L(x_1)$ (induced demand) 引申需求

LR input demand

The firm's problem : $\max \pi(L, K) = \underbrace{P \cdot f(L, K)}_{\text{TRP}(L, K)} - \underbrace{(rK + wL)}_{\text{TFC}}$

$$\text{FOC. } \frac{\partial \pi(L, K)}{\partial L} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \pi(L, K)}{\partial K} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi(L, K)}{\partial L} = \text{MRP}_L(L, K) - \frac{w}{\text{MFC}_L(L, K)} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \pi(L, K)}{\partial K} = \text{MRP}_K(L, K) - r = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow P \cdot \text{MPP}_L(L, K) = w \quad \textcircled{1}'$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow P \cdot \text{MPP}_K(L, K) = r \quad \textcircled{2}'$$

$\textcircled{1}', \textcircled{2}' \Rightarrow L^* = L(w, r, p)$
 $K^* = K(w, r, p)$

LR input demand Curve
 like to know if $w \uparrow, L^* \downarrow$
 $r \uparrow, K^* \downarrow$
 (downward sloping input demand curve)

$$\frac{\textcircled{1}'}{\textcircled{2}'} \Rightarrow \frac{P \cdot \text{MPP}_L(L, K)}{P \cdot \text{MPP}_K(L, K)} = \frac{w}{r}$$

$$\frac{\text{MPP}_L}{\text{MPP}_K} = \frac{w}{r}$$

$$\text{MRTS}_{L,K} = \frac{w}{r} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

note: $\textcircled{3}$ is the FOC. for cost min

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{L,K} wL + rK &\Rightarrow L^\circ = L(w, r, x) \\ \text{s.t. } f(L, K) = x &\Rightarrow K^\circ = K(w, r, x) \end{aligned}$$

追求利潤最大，成本一定最低

$$\pi(x) = \text{TR} - \text{TC}$$

$$\max_{L,K} \pi(L, K) \Rightarrow \min_{L,K} wL + rK$$

$$L^*, K^* \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f(L, K) = x \quad L^\circ, K^\circ$$

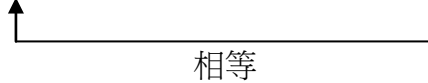
$$\pi(L^*, K^*)$$

$$\text{TC}(x)$$

$$x^* = f(L^*, K^*)$$

$$x^* \rightarrow \text{TC}(x^*)$$

$$\text{TC}(x^*) = wL^* + rK^*$$



w, r change \Rightarrow Total cost change

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{L, K} wL + rK &\leftarrow L^\circ = L(w, r, x) \\ \text{s.t. } f(L, K) &= x \quad \leftarrow K^\circ = K(w, r, x) \end{aligned}$$

$$w(\text{or } r) \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{LRTC} \uparrow \quad \text{LRAC} = \frac{\text{LRTC}}{x} \uparrow$$

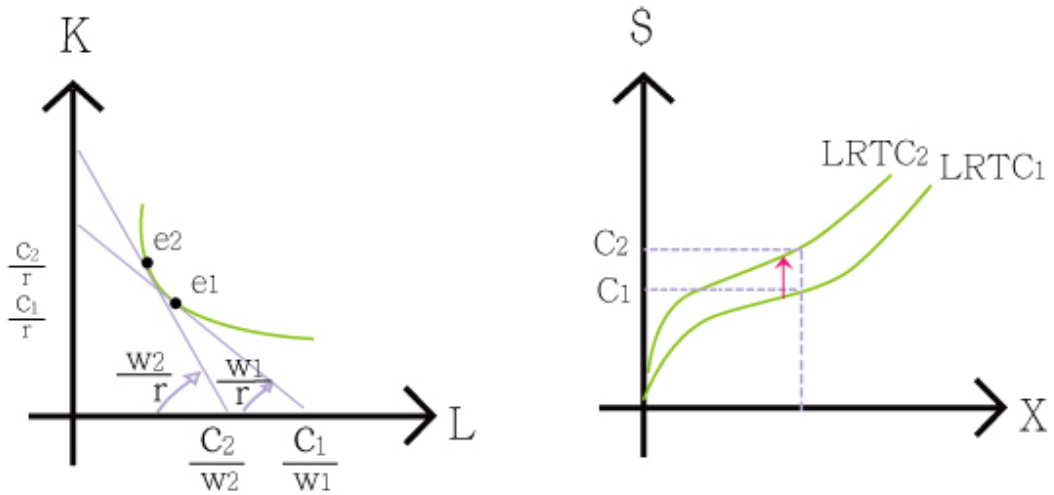


Figure 90:

$$LRAC = \frac{LRTC}{X} \uparrow$$

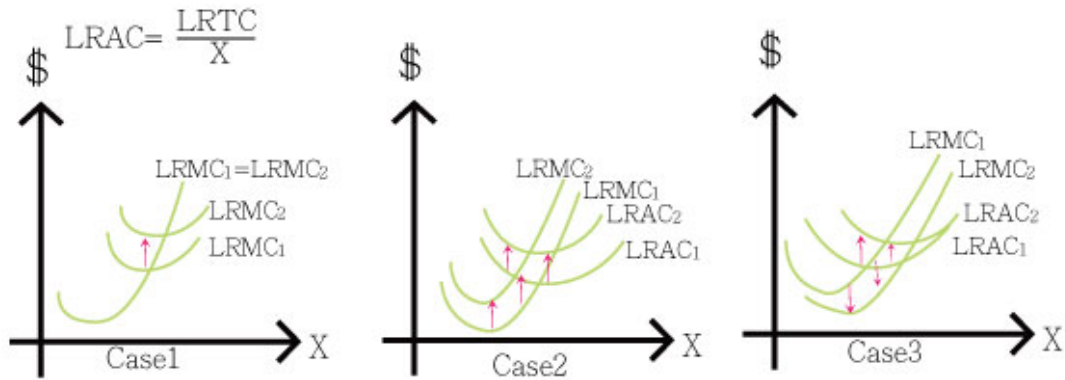


Figure 91:

* $w \uparrow \Rightarrow LRAC \uparrow$ (shift) LRMC shift $\uparrow \downarrow$? or not shift ?

output effect ?

even we know $X^* \uparrow \downarrow \Rightarrow$ we still don't know $L^* \uparrow \downarrow$?

Suppose at w_1 , X_1 , L_1 , K_1 are equilibrium (and r , p)

output and input quantities

$w \uparrow$, $w_1 \rightarrow w_2$, $w_2 > w_1$

and suppose LRMC is not affected (case 1)

(LRTC and LRAC shift \uparrow)

$\Rightarrow e_1 \rightarrow e_2$

$L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ $L \downarrow$ } input substitution effect
 $K_1 \rightarrow K_2$ $K \uparrow$

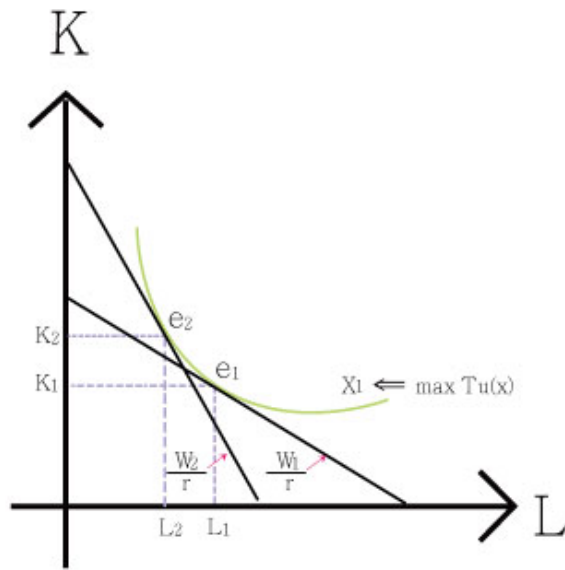


Figure 92:

* case 2

$w \uparrow, w_1 \rightarrow w_2, w_2 > w_1$ and LRMC shifts \uparrow (LRTC and LRAC shift \uparrow)

From FOC. $P = LRMC \Rightarrow x^*(\max \pi(x)) \downarrow$

$x_1 \rightarrow x_2, x_2 < x_1 \Rightarrow L^*, K^*$ change output effect

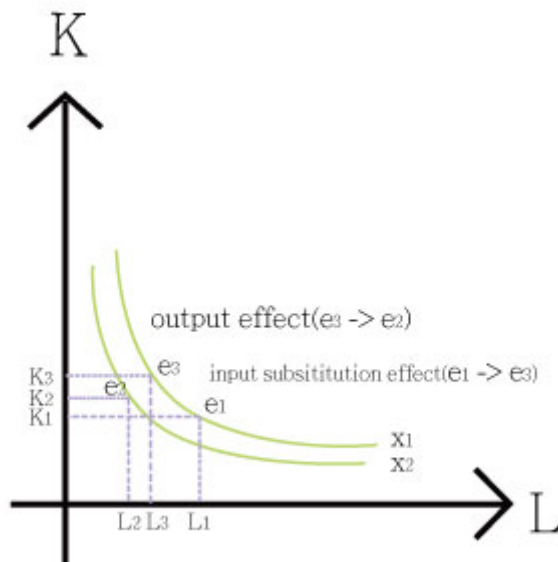


Figure 93:

$x \downarrow, L \uparrow?$ inferior input? ($x \downarrow \Rightarrow L \uparrow?$)

In normal input case, $X \downarrow, L \downarrow$

output effect ($L \downarrow$) + input substitution effect ($L \downarrow$) $\Rightarrow L \downarrow$

In inferior input case, $X \downarrow, L \uparrow$

output effect ($L \uparrow$) + input substitution effect ($L \downarrow$) $\Rightarrow L \downarrow$ (視何者效果大決定)

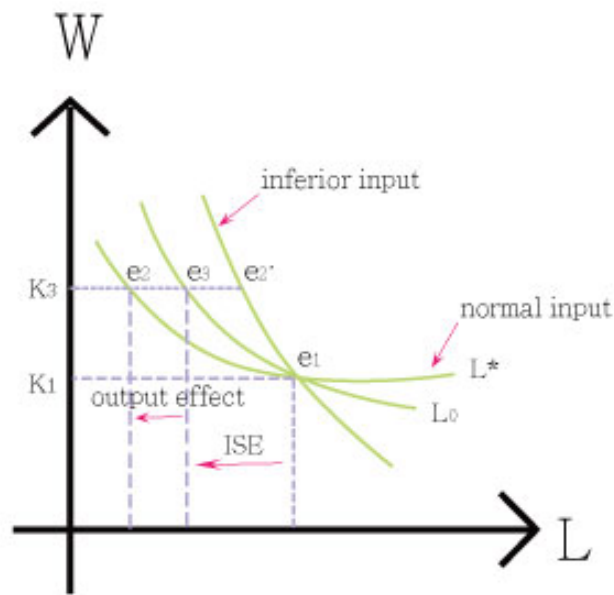


Figure 94:

*** case 3**

$LRTC, LRAC \uparrow, LRMC \downarrow$

$p = SRMC \Rightarrow x^* \uparrow, x_2 > x_1$

normal input case: output effect ($L \uparrow$) + ISE ($L \downarrow$) $\Rightarrow L \uparrow?$

Suppose (x_1, L_1, K_1) is the equilibrium at (p, w_1, r)

(x_2, L_2, K_2)

(p, w_2, r)

$(w_2 > w_1 \Rightarrow L_1 < L_2?)$

$$Px_1 - w_1 L_1 - rK_1 \text{ ①} \geq Px_2 - w_1 L_2 - rK_2 \text{ ②}$$

$$Px_2 - w_2 L_2 - rK_2 \text{ ③} \geq Px_1 - w_2 L_1 - rK_1 \text{ ④}$$

$$\text{①} - \text{④} \geq \text{②} - \text{③}$$

$$\cancel{P}x_1 - (w_1 - w_2) L_1 - \cancel{r}K_1 \geq \cancel{P}x_2 - (w_1 - w_2) L_2 - \cancel{r}K_2$$

$$(w_2 - w_1) L_1 \geq (w_2 - w_1) L_2$$

$$(w_2 - w_1) (L_2 - L_1) \leq 0$$

$$\text{Given } w_2 > w_1 (w \uparrow) \Rightarrow L_2 - L_1 \leq 0$$

$\therefore w \uparrow \Rightarrow L^* \downarrow$ LR input demand curve is downward sloping