

1. An environmental study of a particular community suggests that the average levels of carbon monoxide in the air is

$$c(p) = \sqrt{0.5p^2 + 17} \text{ parts per million}$$

parts per million where p is the population measured in thousands. It is estimated that t years from now, the population of the community will be

$$p(t) = 17.1 + 0.1t^2 \text{ thousand.}$$

At what rate will the carbon monoxide level be changing with respect to time 3 years from now? Interpret your answer.

2. An importer of Brazilian coffee estimates that local consumers will buy approximately

$$D(p) = \frac{4380}{p^2} \text{ pounds}$$

of coffee per week when the price is p dollars per pound. It is estimated that t weeks from now the price of Brazilian coffee will be

$$p(t) = 0.02t^2 + 0.1t + 7 \text{ dollars per pound.}$$

At what rate will the weekly demand for coffee be changing with respect to time 10 weeks from now? Interpret your answer.

3. A manufacturer estimates that when q units of a particular commodity are produced each month, the total cost will be

$$C(q) = 0.4q^2 + 3q + 40 \text{ dollars}$$

and that all q units can be sold at a price of

$$p(q) = 0.2(45 - 0.5q) \text{ dollars per unit.}$$

- (a) Determine the level of production that results in maximum profit. What is the maximum profit?
- (b) At what level of production is the average cost per unit minimized?
- (c) At what level of production is the average cost equal to the marginal cost?