

Labor Demand

Introduction

The Model

The firm's production function is

$$Q = A (1 - \exp(-0.1 N)),$$

where A is a technology factor (initially equal to 20) and N is labor.

Exercises

1. Graph output, the marginal product of labor, and profits vs. N .
2. Change the wage rate W and solve for the new profit maximizing N . Do this a few times to show the labor demand curve.
3. Increase the market price P for the firm's output. What effect does this have on the firm's demand for labor curve?
4. Change the technology factor A . Show the effects on the production function and the demand for labor curve.