

(1) [7] A person has \$120,000 to invest and two investments are available. One pays 8% interest per year while the second only pays 5% per year. How should the \$120,000 be split between the two investments in order to earn a total of \$6900 in interest income over a one year period?

Let x = amount invested at 8%,
 y = amount invested at 5%.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x + y = 120,000$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 0.08x + 0.05y = 6900$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow y = 120,000 - x$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow 0.08x + 0.05(120,000 - x) = 6900$$

$$0.08x + 6000 - 0.05x = 6900$$

$$0.03x = 900$$

$$x = 30,000$$

$$\therefore y = 120,000 - 30,000 \\ = 90,000$$

\therefore \$30,000 should be invested at 8%,
\$90,000 should be invested at 5%.

(2) [8] A manufacturer produces widgets at a cost of \$0.75 per unit and sells them for \$1 per unit. Determine the break-even point if daily operational overhead is \$300.

Graph the revenue and cost lines and indicate the break-even point on your graph.

Let $x = \#$ units produced.

$$C = 300 + 0.75x$$

$$R = 1 \cdot x.$$

At break even $R = C$

$$\Rightarrow x = 300 + 0.75x$$

$$0.25x = 300$$

$$x = \frac{300}{0.25} = 1200$$

$$\Rightarrow R = C = \$1200.$$

\therefore Break-even point is $(1200, 1200)$.

