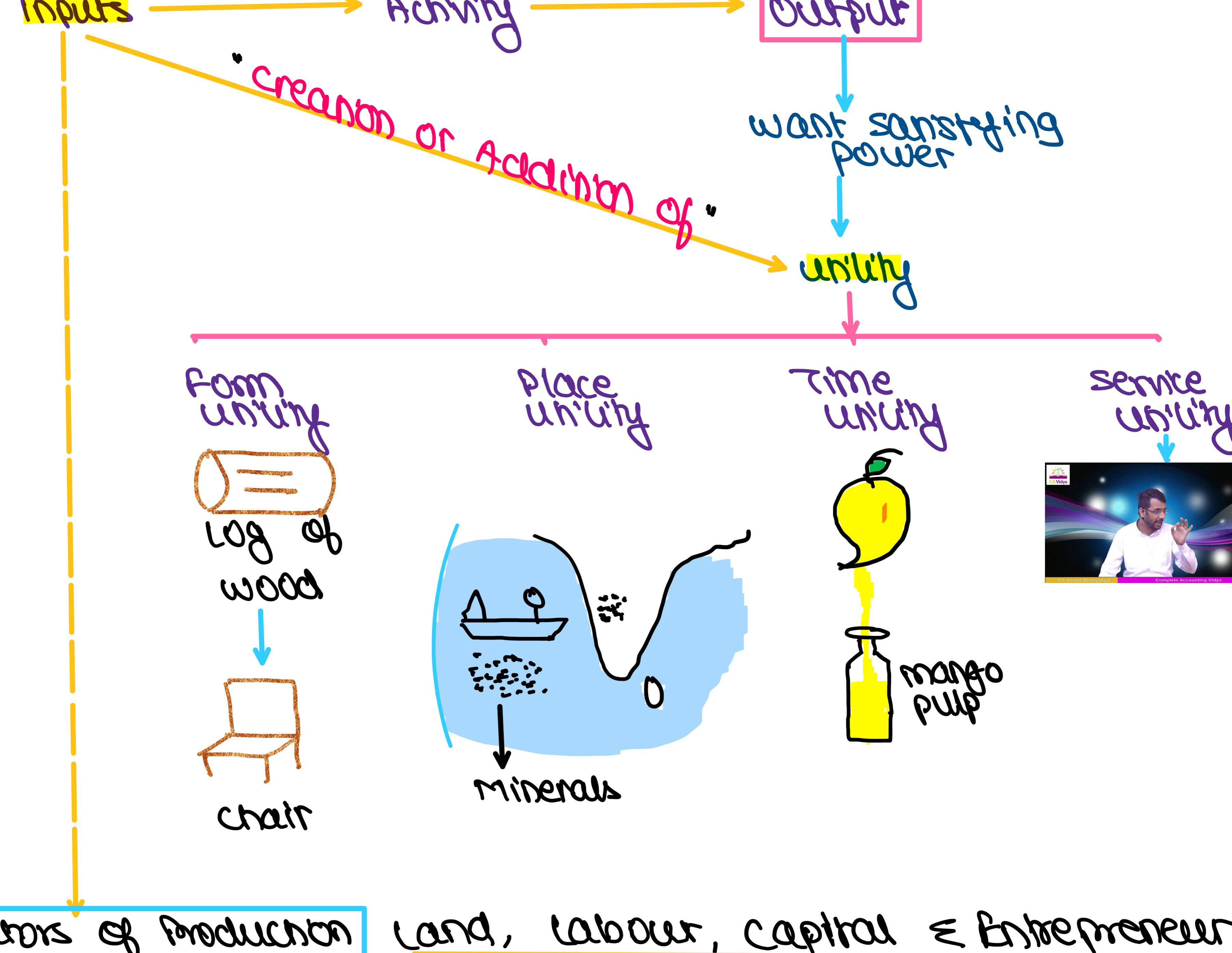


Chapter 3: Theory of Production: "Process of converting input into output"

Unit 1



Factors of Production Land, Labour, Capital & Entrepreneur

i. Land

- a) Free Gift of Nature
- b) Anything on, above & below the surface of earth
- c) Supply
 - Macro (Country) -> Completely Fixed (Perfectly Inelastic)
 - Micro (Farm/Individual) -> Relatively Fixed (Relatively Elastic)
- d) Land has **Indestructible Powers** i.e. its powers can be restored.
- e) Land is a **passive factor** i.e. it does NOT work on its own
- f) **Place Mobility** (x) - i.e. it cannot be shifted from one place to another place
- g) **Occupational mobility** (✓) i.e. it can be used for various purposes
- h) **Heterogeneous factor**
 - i. Fertile / Infertile
 - ii. Red, Black, Brown soil
 - iii. Surface / water
- i.) **Reward: Rent**

ii. Labour

- Any mental or physical **exertion** done with an intention to secure **income**
- a) Labour & labourer are different
 - b) Labour & labourer are inseparable
 - c) Labour cannot be stored
 - d) Labour is highly perishable. } A day's labour lost is lost forever
 - e) weak bargaining power
 - f) Place mobility (✓)
 - g) Occupational mobility (✓)
 - h) heterogeneous factor: skilled, unskilled, semi skilled
 - i) Exception to law of supply
 - j) Active factor
 - k) All labour is not productive
 - l) **Reward: wages**

iii. Capital

Definition: i. Part of **wealth** used for further production of wealth

Land
Building
Money
Gold/Silver
Shares/Securities

ii. man-made instrument of production
iii. Produced factor of production

Types of capital

- i. **Fixed capital**: camera, ipad, benches
- ii. **Circulating capital**: Raw material
- iii. **Tangible capital**: camera, Raw material
- iv. **Intangible capital**: Goodwill, Patent, TM, ©
- v. **Real capital**: Camera, RM, Laptop, Furniture
- vi. **Human capital**: Skills/Resources of individuals
- vii. **Social capital**
- viii. **Private capital**

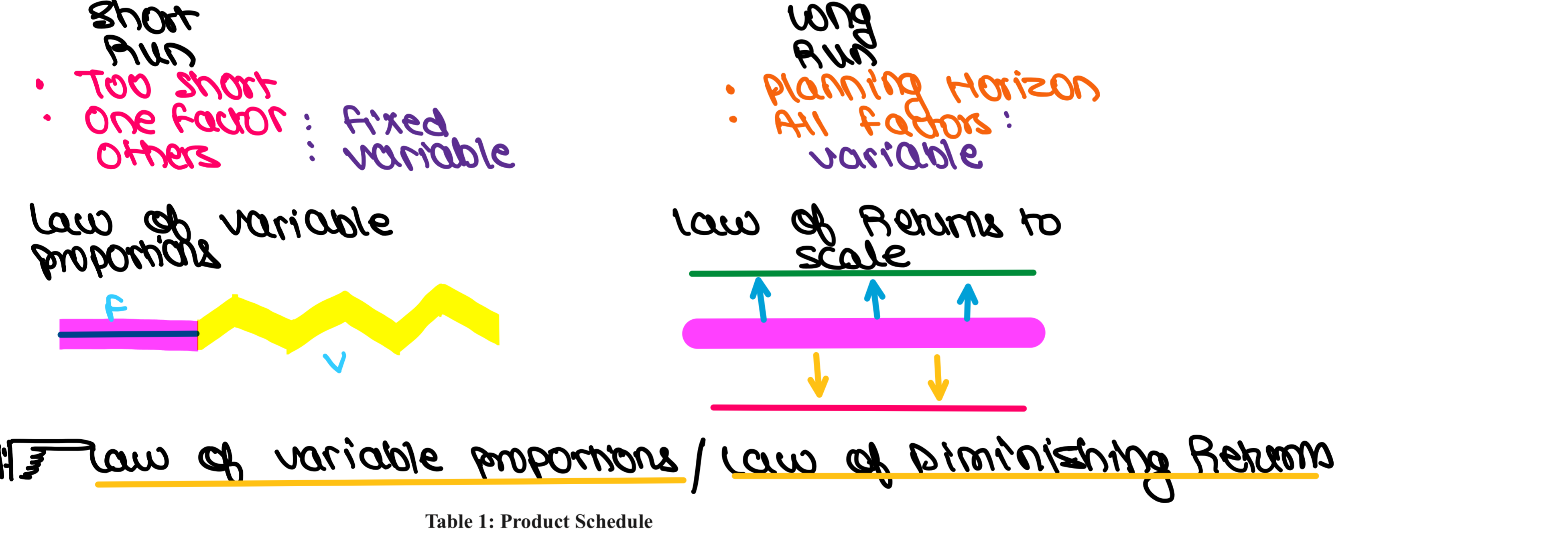
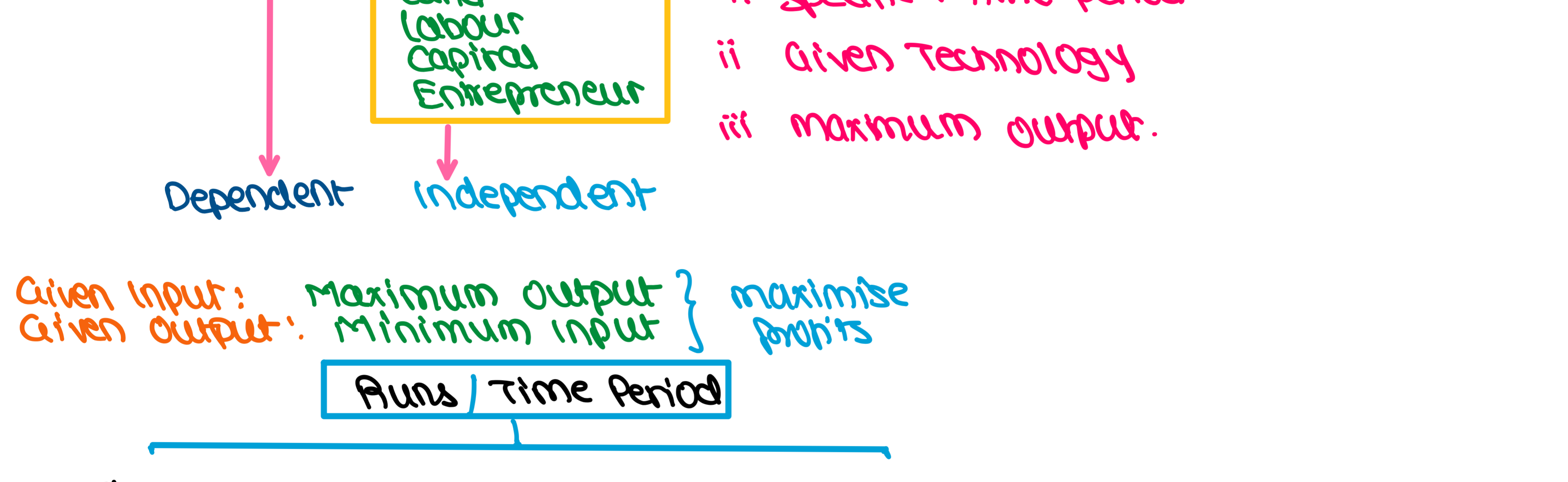
Stages of capital formation



- * Heterogeneous factor
- * Place mobility (✓)
- * Occupational mobility (✓)
- * Reward: Interest

Capital v/s Income
Stock vs Flow

Production Function

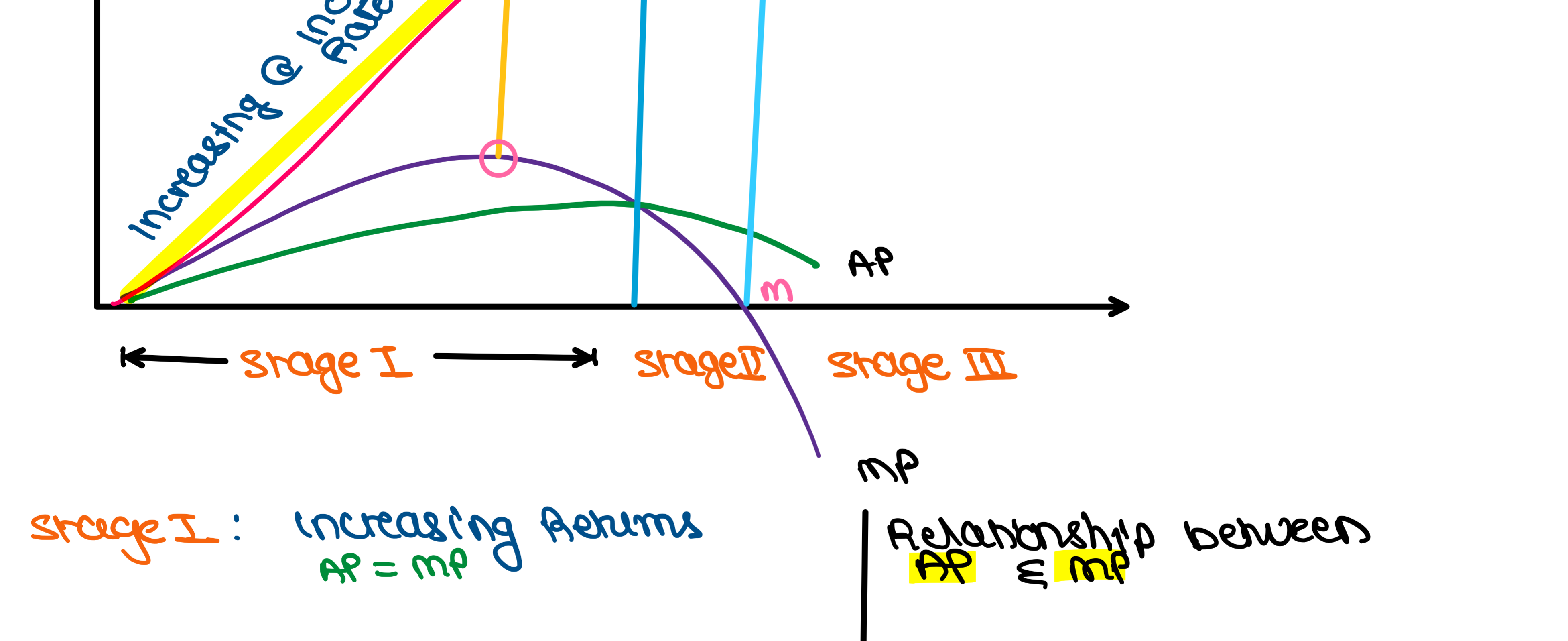


Law of variable proportions / Law of Diminishing Returns

Table 1: Product Schedule

Quantity of labour	Total Product (TP)	Average Product (AP)	Marginal Product (MP)
(1)	100	100.0	100
2	210	105.0	110
3	330	110.0	120
4	440	110.0	110
5	520	104.0	80
6	600	100.0	80
7	670	95.7	70
8	720	90.0	50
9	750	83.3	30
10	760	75.0	10
11	740	67.3	-10

MP = $TP_n - TP_{n-1}$: Addition made to TP by one extra unit of input
AP = TP/N
TP = $\sum MP$

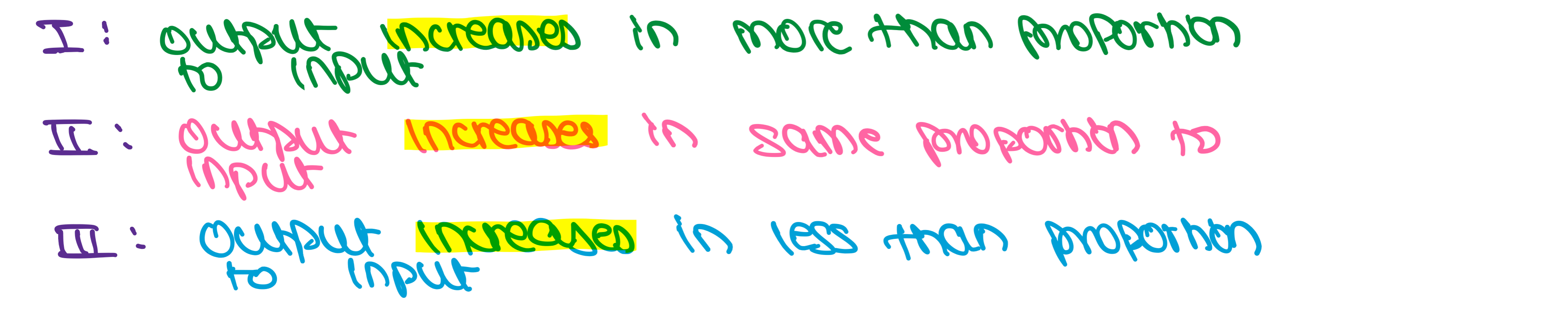


- Stage I:** Increasing Returns
 $AP = MP$
 - Stage II:** Diminishing Returns
 $MP < AP$ & $TP = \max$
 - Stage III:** Negative Returns
 $MP = -ve$ & TP is falling
- Relationship between AP & MP:**
 $AP \uparrow$ $MP > AP$
 $AP = \max$ $MP = AP$
 $AP \downarrow$ $MP < AP$

Stage of operation: **Stage II**
 Stage I & Stage III are called as stages of economic absurdity or economic non-sense

Law of Returns to scale

- a) This operates in long run
- b) All factors are variable



In all the three stages output increases but proportion of it varies

- I:** output increases in more than proportion to input
- II:** output increases in same proportion to input
- III:** output increases in less than proportion to input

Reasons

- | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Economies to scale | Diseconomies to scale |
| a) management | Division of work | Problem of co-ordination |
| b) Finance | ROI: fixed growth | ROI: fixed downfall |
| c) commercial | Cheap rate when purchased in bulk | Damage obsolete |

Chapter 3 Unit 2: Theory of cost

Cost Concepts

i. **Accounting cost (Explicit cost):** Actual cost Recorded in Books of AC's
 eg: Salaries to employees, Telephone, Electricity

ii. **Economic cost (Implicit cost):** Accounting cost + Normal Return on owned factors of production
 eg: Salaries to employees, Telephone, Electricity + CA HS: ₹100,000/-, Land: ₹50,000/-, Capital: ₹50,000/-

	Accounting cost = 100,000	+	₹200,000
Sales (-) Ac'd cost	500,000 / 100,000		500,000 / 300,000 / 400,000
Accounting Profit	400,000		200,000 / 100,000
Normal Return	200,000		200,000 / 200,000
Economic Profit	200,000		- / (-100,000)
	Decision Making		Business ✓ / Normal Profit / Either/Or / Business X

iii. **Outlay cost:** Actual Expenditure

iv. **Opportunity cost:** cost of opportunity foregone
 SPC ₹100/hr, ABC ₹150/hr
 Kuch paisey k liye, kuch khona padta hai
 To khaega usey opportunity cost kente hai
 - CA Harshad Jaju

v. **Direct cost:** Traceable cost to a particular cost object
 Easily identified
 eg: ₹500 Table, wood = ₹₹

vi. **Indirect cost (Overhead cost):** Non-Traceable cost to a particular cost object
 Cannot be easily identified

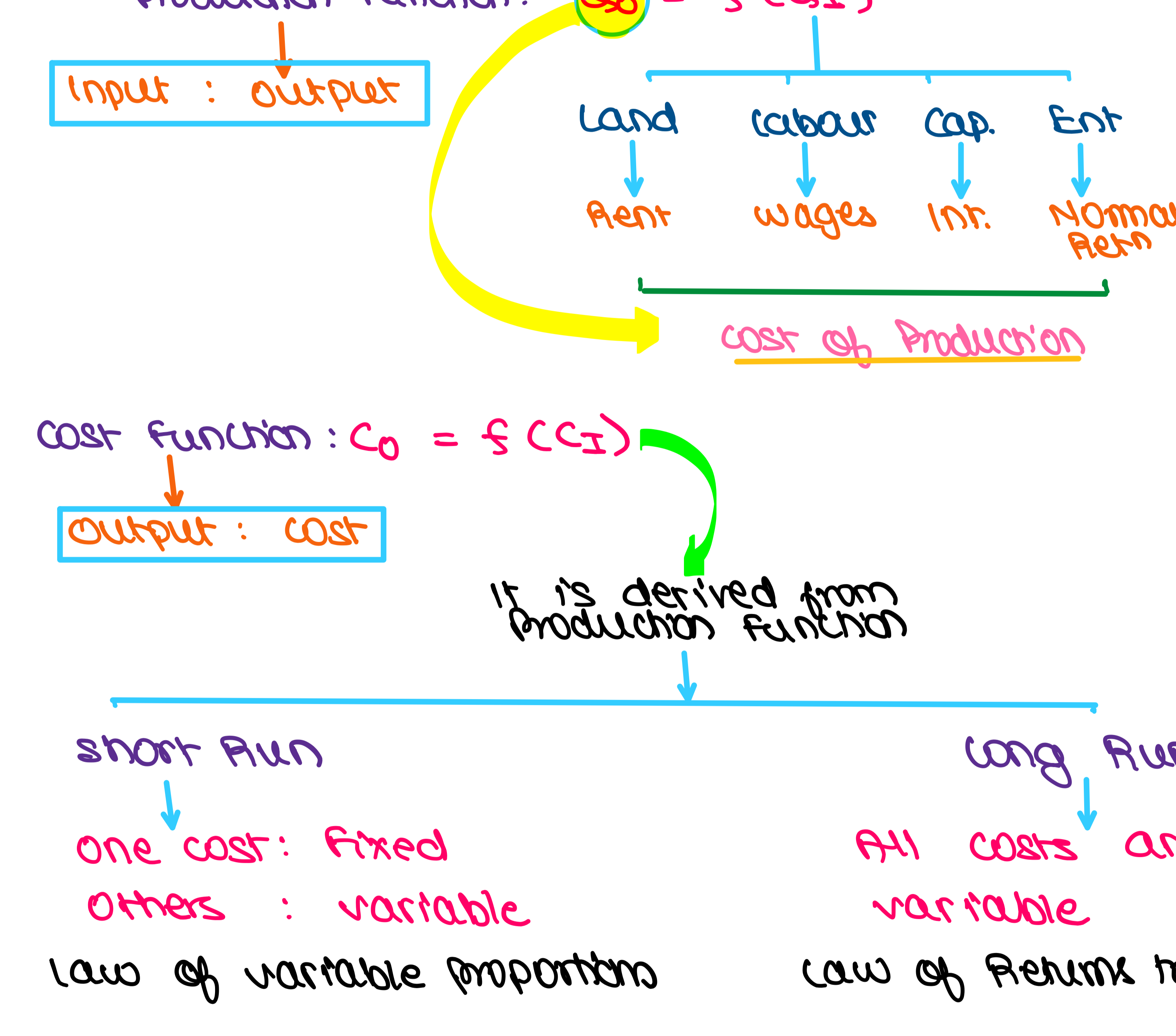
vii. **Fixed cost:** It does not change with level of output within the given capacity. It is the function of time
 eg: Salaries per month, Rent per month.

viii. **Variable cost:** changes with the level of output
 eg: Books cost

ix. **Step ladder cost / step variable cost:**
 eg: school bus
 50 students
 51-100 students
 101-150 students

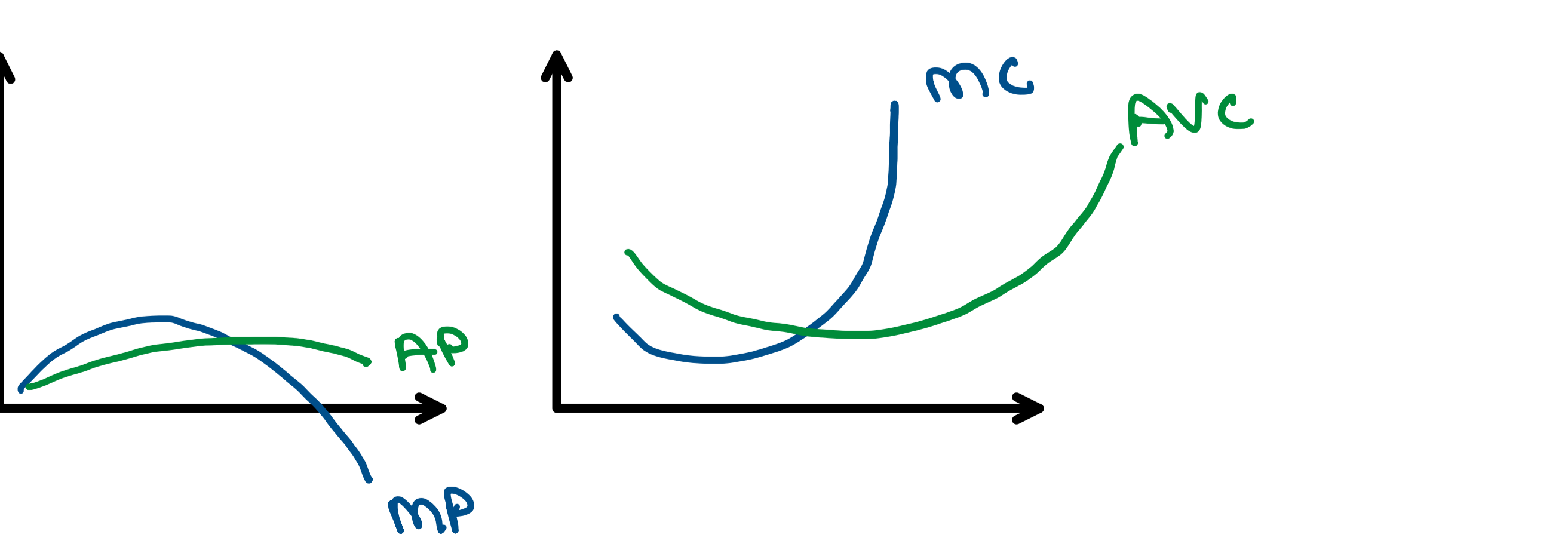
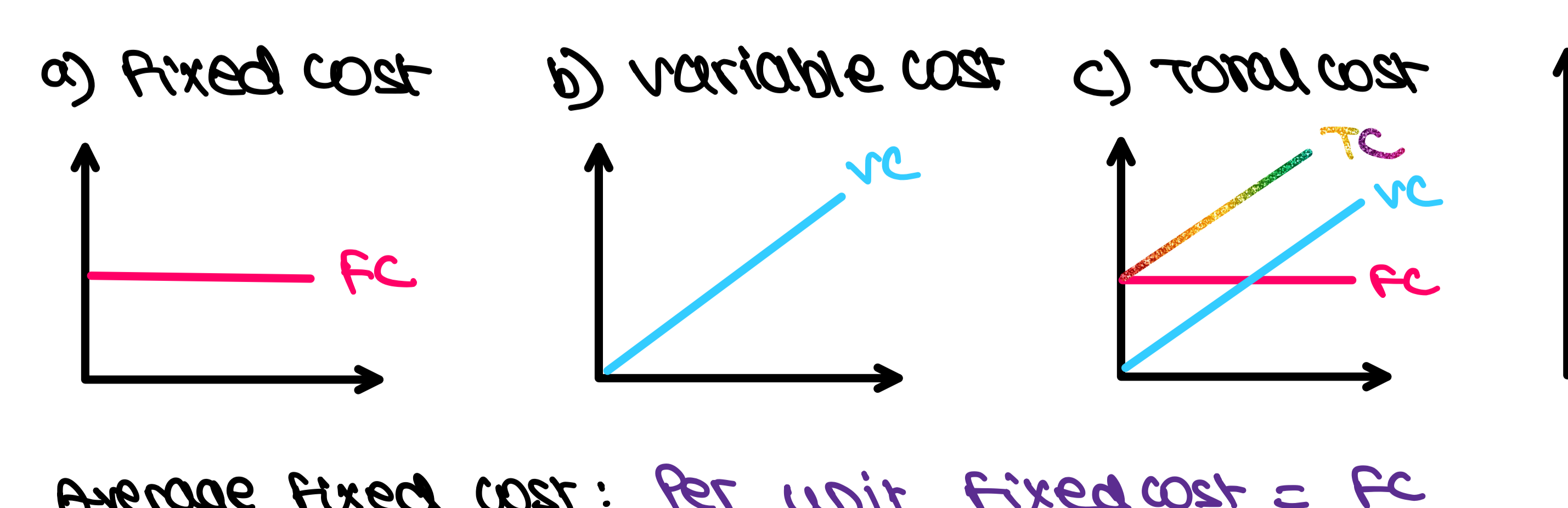
x. **Semi-variable cost = fixed + variable**
 It is fixed upto certain level of output & then it is variable
 eg: Mobile Bill Plan
 ₹300/-
 1000 min, 500 sms, 2GB/day | ₹1/min, ₹0.5/sms, 10p/kb
 ₹350/- Semi-variable

Cost Function:



Law of variable proportions

Qty of Labour	TP	AP	MP	FC	VC	TC	AFC FC/TP	AVC VC/TP	AFC	Extra cost for extra TP	MC
0	0	0	0	1000	0	1000	-	0	0		
1	100	100	100	1000	1000	2000	10	10	20	1000	10
2	210	105	110	1000	2000	3000	4.76	9.52	14.28	1000	9.09
3	330	110	120	1000	3000	4000	3.03	9.09	12.12	1000	8.33
4	440	110	110	1000	4000	5000	2.27	9.09	11.36	1000	9.09
5	520	104	80	1000	5000	6000	1.92	9.61	11.53	1000	12.5
6	600	100	80	1000	6000	7000	1.67	10	11.67	1000	12.5
7	670	96	70	1000	7000	8000	1.49	10.44	11.93	1000	14.28
8	720	90	50	1000	8000	9000	1.38	11.11	12.49	1000	20
9	750	83	30	1000	9000	10000	1.33	12	13.33	1000	33.33
10	750	75	0	1000	10000	11000	1.33	13.33	14.66	1000	



Average fixed cost: Per unit fixed cost = $\frac{FC}{TP}$
 Average variable cost: Per unit var. cost = $\frac{VC}{TP}$

AP ↑	AP max	AP ↓	AFC ↓	AFC min	AFC ↑	MP ↑	MP max	MP ↓	MC ↓	MC min	MC ↑
AP ↑	AP max	AP ↓	MP > AP	MP = AP	MP < AP	AFC ↓	AFC min	AFC ↑	MC < AVC	MC = AVC	MC > AVC

Extra cost incurred for one extra unit of output
 $TC_n - TC_{n-1}$ OR $\Delta TC / \Delta TP$