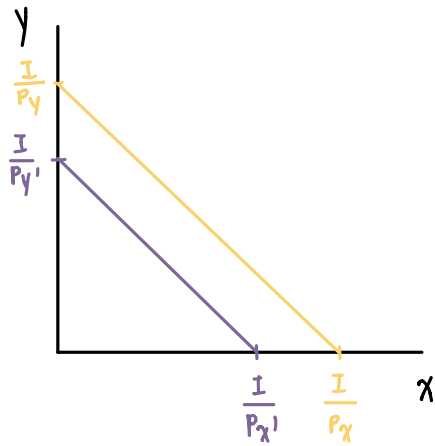


#1 If the price P_x and P_y increase 10% at the same time, with income remaining unchanged, show that this is equivalent to a reduction in income.

#2 Demonstrate how PCC with varying price P_y , (P_x and Income are fixed) can give us the price elasticity of Y to be equal to, less than, or greater than 1 in absolute value

7. A college student has two options for meals: eating at the dining hall for \$6 per meal, or eating a Cup O' Soup for \$1.50 per meal. Her weekly food budget is \$60.
 - a. Draw the budget constraint showing the trade-off between dining-hall meals and Cups O' Soup. Assuming that she spends equal amounts on both goods, draw an indifference curve showing the optimum choice. Label the optimum as point A.
 - b. Suppose the price of a Cup O' Soup now rises to \$2. Using your diagram from [part \(a\)](#), show the consequences of this change in price. Assume that our student now spends only 30 percent of her income on dining-hall meals. Label the new optimum as point B.
 - c. What happened to the quantity of Cups O' Soup consumed as a result of this price change? What does this result say about the income and substitution effects? Explain.
 - d. Use points A and B to draw a demand curve for Cup O' Soup. What is this type of good called?

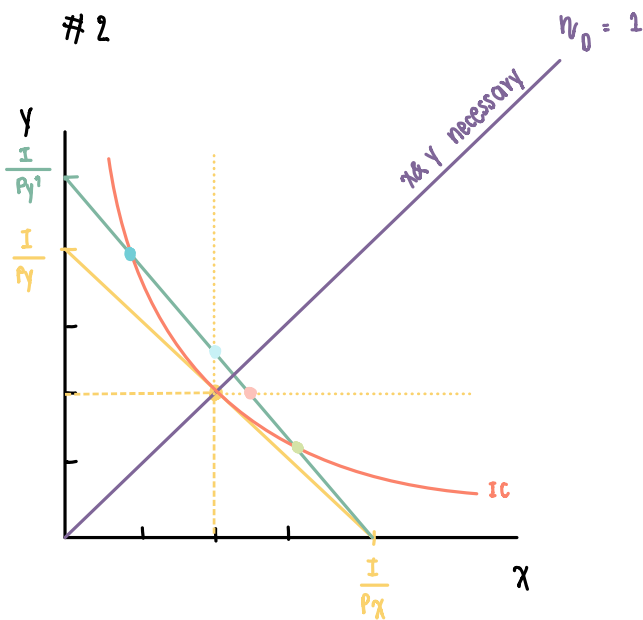
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The decreasing of Income will affect both P_x and P_y , it will decrease both price; either more or less depend on the Income decreasing rate.

While the increasing of P_x is only going to drag down P_x price, same as P_y that is able to affect only P_y . However, it's special in this case due to 10% rate of increasing both P_x and P_y on the same time which giving the same result as decreasing of income (for 10%) without neither income reducing nor increasing.

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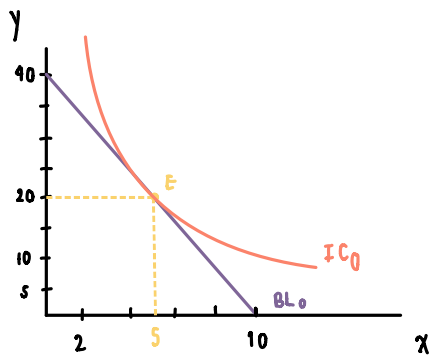


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(a) Let x = eating at the dining hall for \$ 6 per meal.

y = eating a Cup O' Soup for \$ 1.50 per meal.

Budget = \$ 60 per week



$$BL \rightarrow P_x x + P_y y = I$$

$$6x + 1.5y = 60$$

$$x = 0, y = 40$$

$$x = 10, y = 0$$

$$\text{Slope} \rightarrow -\frac{P_x}{P_y}$$

$$= -\frac{6}{1.5}$$

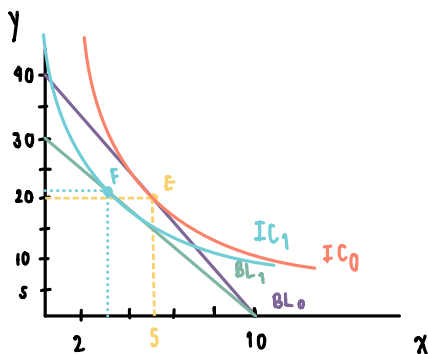
$$= -4$$

\therefore The slope showed that if she wants 1 meal in the dining hall, she has to trade off 4 meals of cup o' soup.

At E equilibrium, she spends amount of money on both types of meal

$$\begin{array}{l|l} 6x = 30 & 1.5y = 30 \\ x = 5 & y = 20 \end{array}$$

(b.) The price of cup o' soup rise up to \$ 2



$$BL \rightarrow 6x + 1.5y = 60$$

$$BL_1 \rightarrow 6x + 2y = 60$$

$$\text{Slope} \rightarrow -3$$

$$\therefore x = 0, y = 30$$

$$x = 10, y = 0$$

The student spends only 30% on dining hall meals

$$\frac{30}{100} (60) = \$18$$

sub BL_1

$$18 + 2y = 60$$

$$y = \$21$$

pay the left on Cup O' Soup
 \rightarrow \$ 42

$$6x = 18$$

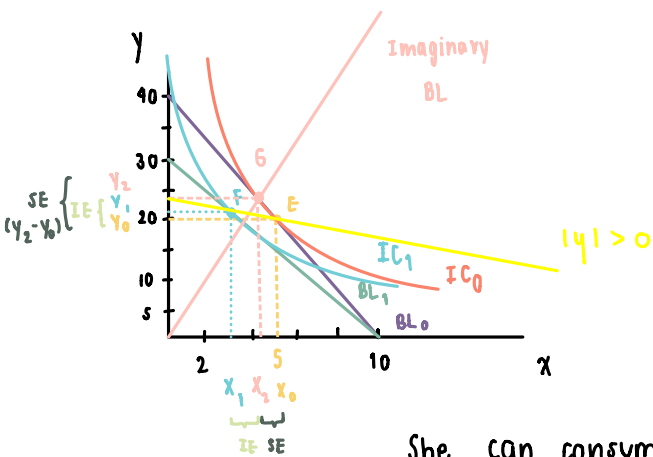
$$x = 3$$

$$2y = 42$$

$$y = 21$$

The optimum at point F is located at (3, 21)

(C)



* From E to F

$$\text{Total Effect } \Delta X = x_1 - x_0$$

$$\Delta y = y_1 - y_0$$

Slope of budget line

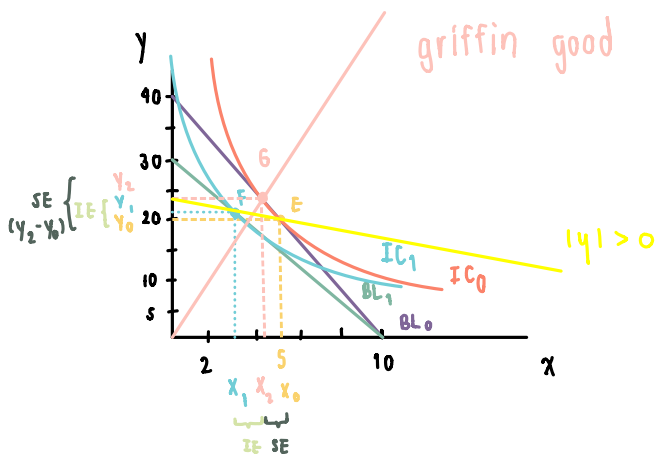
$$IC_0 \rightarrow \frac{P_x}{P_y} = 4 \quad \frac{P_x^1}{P_y} = \frac{30}{10} = 3$$

She can consume less because the price of soup has been increased

→ from E to G : substitution effect

- has the same slope as 3
- tangent to original IC_0

(D)



The decreasing of price x affect consumers' behaviour, the consumer end up buying less x due to the griffin good situation.