

EE211

PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS

Topic 6:

The Theory of Consumer Choice

After Midterm.

- Consumer choice

 - Utility, MU

 - Consumer's Util max'zn.

 - ⇒ Derive Demand

- Production

 - SR, LR < Cost, TC, MC, AC
Production.

 - : TP, MP, AP

 - ⇒ Supply

- Market structure → Price / Perfect comp'n

- Factor market

 - Monopoly

Topics

- Utility Theory (Cardinal Approach)

- Utility
- Marginal utility
- Law of diminishing marginal utility

"Preference"
→ Consumer's choice.

- Indifference Curve Theory (Ordinal Approach)

- Indifference curve
- Marginal rate of substitution
- Budget line → constraint
- Consumer equilibrium

"optimal" choice

- Demand curve derivation
- Applications

Part I: Utility Theory (Cardinal Approach)

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- **Utility** is the *satisfaction* or *well-being* that a consumer receives from *consuming some good or service*.
 - Economists assume that, in making their choices, consumers are motivated to maximize their utility.
- **Total utility** is the *total satisfaction* resulting from consumption of a given commodity by a consumer.

($MU_x =$ Marginal utility of consuming Good X).
- **Marginal utility** is the *additional satisfaction* obtained by a consumer from consuming one *additional unit* of a commodity.

(x is Quantity of good x).
↑ unit

$$MU_x = \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta X} \approx \frac{dU}{dx}$$

Example: Utility Schedules

 Q_x (unit)

(TU)

$$MU_x = \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta Q_x}$$

| Number of Coffee Tom Drinks per day | Tom's Total Utility | Tom's Marginal Utility |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | $MU_{x=1} = 30$ (utils) |
| 1 | 30 | $MU_{x=2} = 20$ " |
| 2 | 50 | $MU_{x=3} = 15$ " |
| 3 | 65 | $MU_{x=4} = 10$ |
| 4 | 75 | $MU_{x=5} = 8$ |
| 5 | 83 | $MU_{x=6} = 6$ |
| 6 | 89 | |

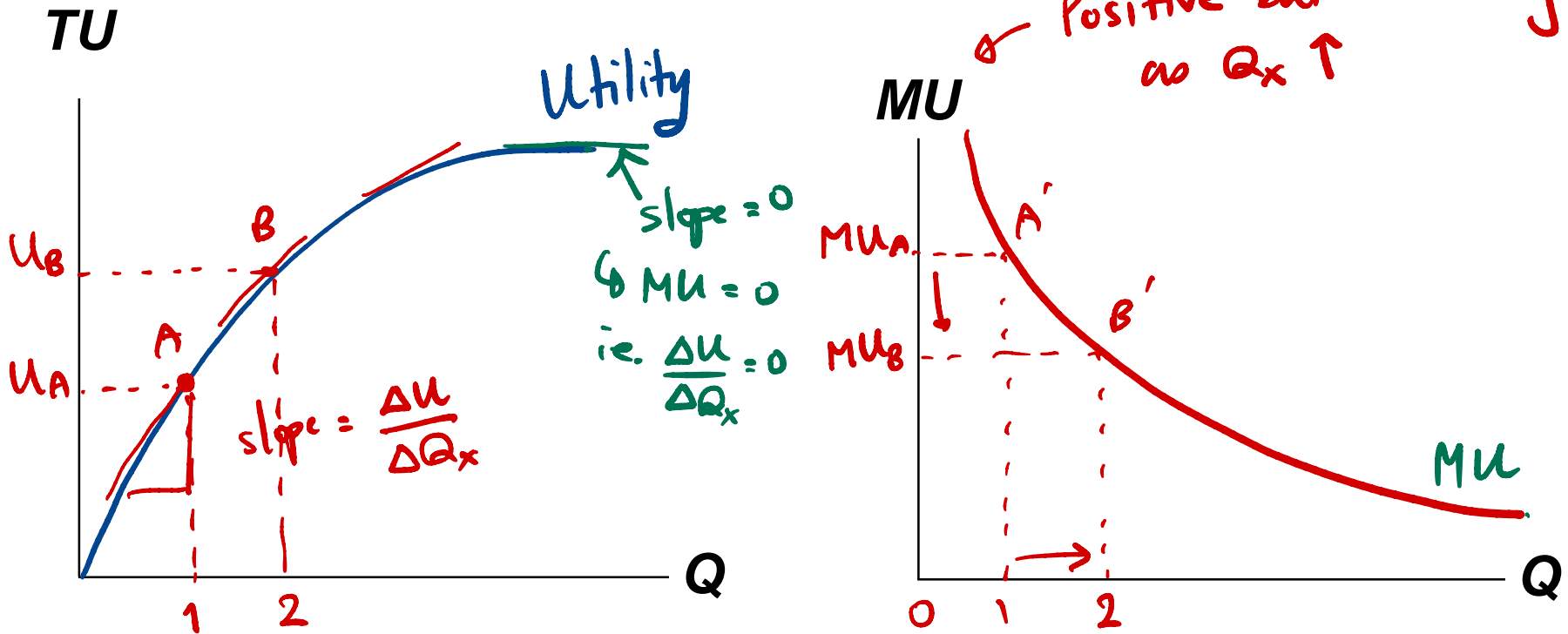
Big

small

Example: Utility Graphs

- Total Utility

- Marginal Utility



Total utility rises, but marginal utility decreases, as consumption rises.
 i.e. Utility increases at a decreasing rate.)

Diminishing Marginal Utility

- ***Law of diminishing marginal utility***

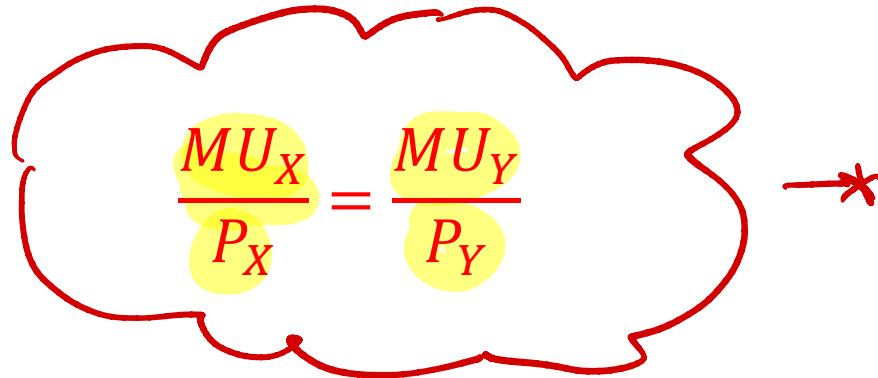
“The utility that any consumer derives from successive units of a particular product consumed over some period of time diminishes as total consumption of the product increases, if the consumption of all other products is unchanged.”

Maximizing Utility


- The consumer's decision:

A **utility-maximizing consumer** allocates expenditures so that the **utility obtained from the last dollars spent on each product is equal**.

Mathematically,


$$\frac{MU_X}{P_X} = \frac{MU_Y}{P_Y} \quad *$$

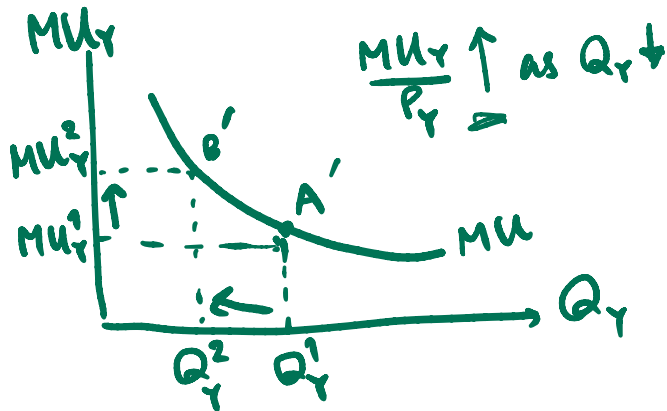
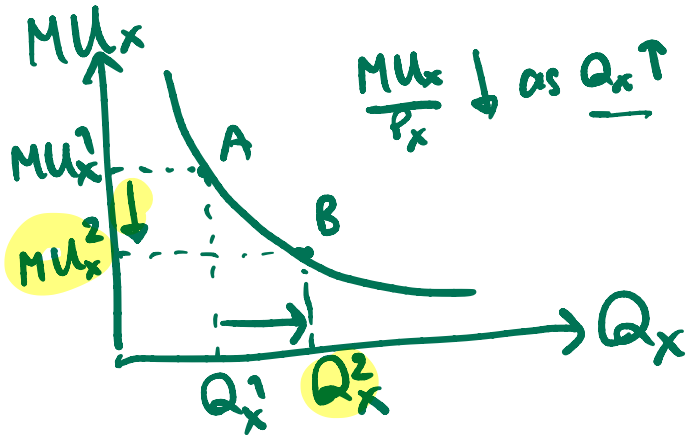
Alternatively,


$$\frac{MU_X}{MU_Y} = \frac{P_X}{P_Y}$$

What if $\frac{MU_x}{P_x} \downarrow \Rightarrow \frac{MU_y}{P_y} \uparrow = ?$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{MU_x}{P_x} = \frac{MU_y}{P_y}$$

$\Rightarrow Q_x \uparrow \text{ \& } Q_y \downarrow$



$$\frac{MU_x}{P_x} < \frac{MU_y}{P_y}$$

$\Rightarrow Q_y \uparrow \text{ \& } Q_x \downarrow$
 $\hookrightarrow MU_y \downarrow \quad \hookrightarrow MU_x \uparrow$

$$\frac{MU_x}{P_x} = \frac{MU_y}{P_y}$$

$$\frac{MU_{\text{diet}}}{P_{\text{diet}}} > \frac{MU_{\text{Exercise}}}{P_{\text{Exercise}}}$$

$\uparrow Q_{\text{diet}} \Rightarrow MU_{\text{diet}} \downarrow$

$\downarrow Q_{\text{Exercise}} \Rightarrow MU_{\text{Exercise}} \uparrow$

Example: Utility Maximization

- Suppose you are buying Good X for $\$1$ each and Good Y for $\$3$ each, and the marginal utility of each good is the following.

$$P_x = \$1$$

$$P_y = \$3$$

| # of X Q_x | MU_x | MU_x / P_x |
|-----------------|--------|--------------|
| 1 | 30 | 30 |
| 2 | 21 | 21 |
| 3 | 15 | 15 |

| # of Y Q_y | MU_y | MU_y / P_y |
|-----------------|--------|--------------|
| 1 | 60 | 20 |
| 2 | 51 | 17 |
| 3 | 45 | 15 |

How many units of goods X and Y should you buy in order to maximize your utility?

Consider if $Q_x = 3, Q_y = 2$?

$$Q_x = 3 \quad \& \quad Q_y = 3 \quad \text{b/c} \quad \frac{MU_x}{P_x} = \frac{MU_y}{P_y} = 15$$

Part II. Indifference Curve Theory (Ordinal Approach) "Ranking"

- There is **no** numerical value attached to consumer's utility.
- Instead, consumer is asked which bundle is preferred to which.
- **Indifference curve** shows consumption bundles that give the consumer the same level of satisfaction.
combination of 2 goods.
✓ consⁿ of 2 goods.
- With 2 products X and Y, a bundle is represented by a point in diagram.

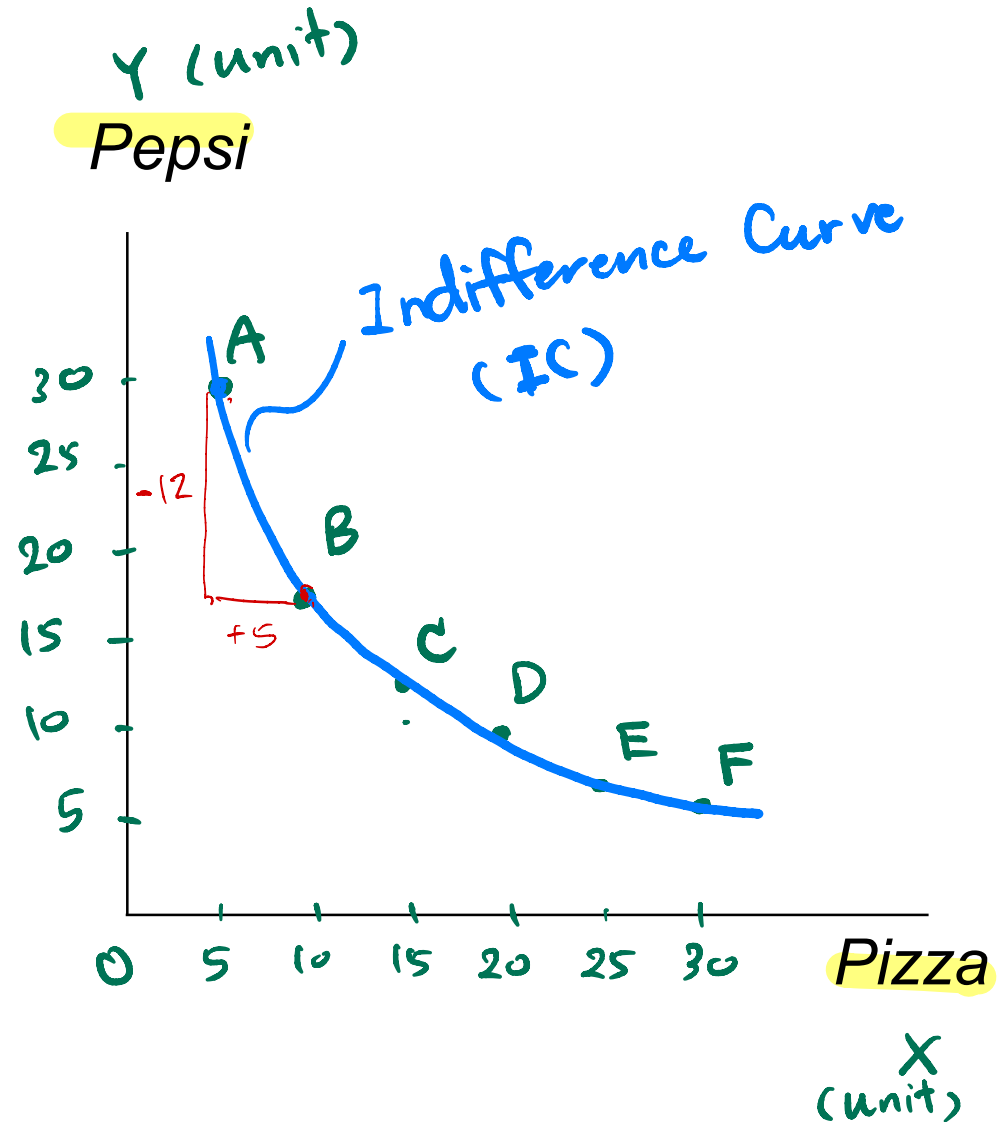
Utility : $u = f(x, y)$
 $u = u(x, y)$

Example: Indifference Curve

Quantities

| Bundle | Pepsi | Pizza |
|--------|-------|-------|
| A | 30 | 5 |
| B | 18 | 10 |
| C | 13 | 15 |
| D | 10 | 20 |
| E | 8 | 25 |
| F | 7 | 30 |

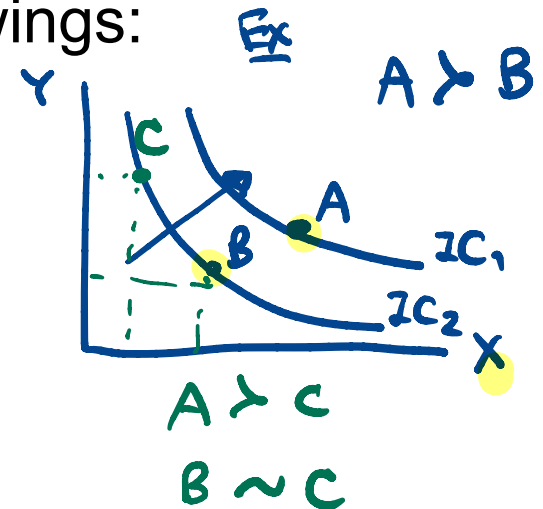
↓
 Same satisfaction
 (i.e. same level of
 utility) → "equally
 happy"



Assumptions

- Given any 2 bundles A & B, the consumer's preference is assumed to be exactly one of the followings:

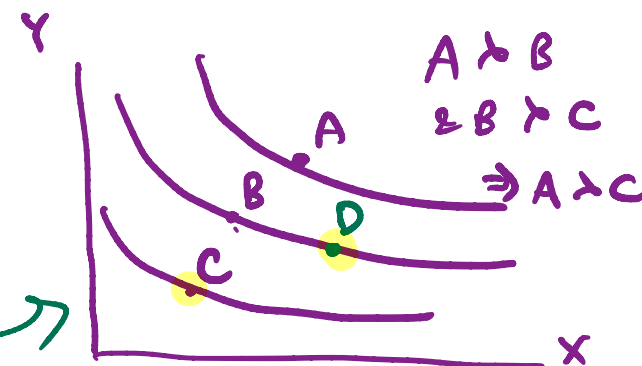
1. A is preferred to B ($A \succ B$), OR
2. B is preferred to A ($B \succ A$), OR
3. A & B are indifferent ($A \sim B$).



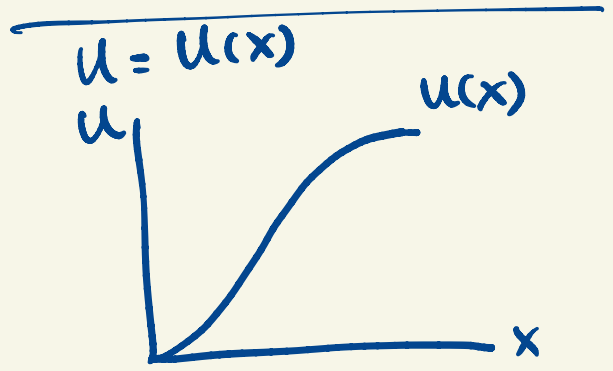
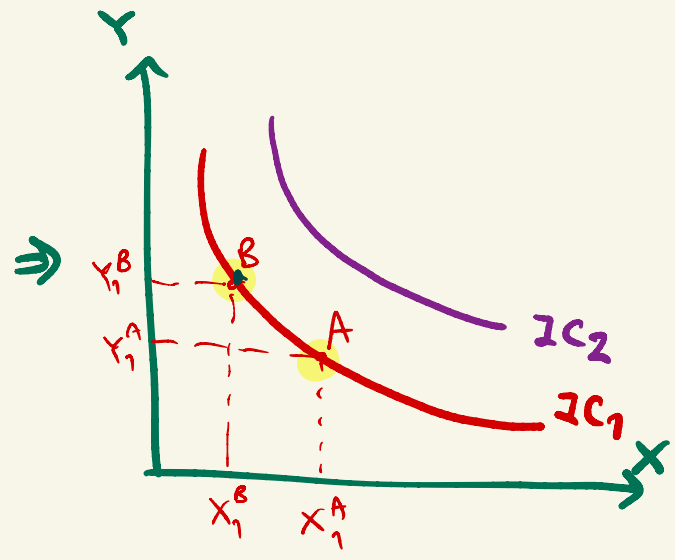
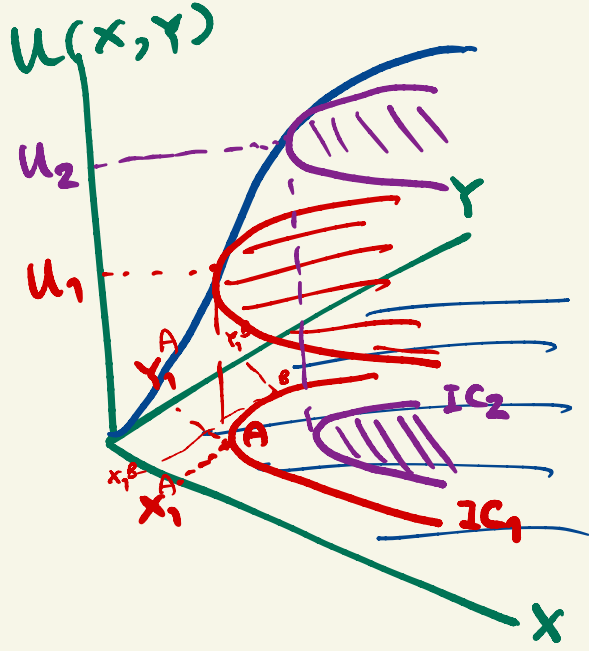
- Consumer is assumed to be rational.

- More is preferred to less.
- If $A \succ B$ and $B \succ C$, then $A \succ C$.

If $B \sim D$ & $D \succ C$, then $B \succ C$.



2 Goods : $x, y \Rightarrow$ Satisfaction : $U(x, y)$



Marginal Rate of Substitution

$$\text{slope of IC} = \frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X}$$

- **Marginal rate of substitution (MRS)** is the rate at which a consumer is willing to trade one good for another. *u is constant.*
- Also, it is the slope of the indifference curve.
- Basic assumptions of indifference curve theory:
 1. The algebraic value of the MRS between two goods is always negative. *b/c IC is downward sloping.*
 2. The MRS is diminishing (i.e. any indifference curve becomes flatter as the consumer moves downward and to the right along the curve).



Example: Indifference Curve & MRS

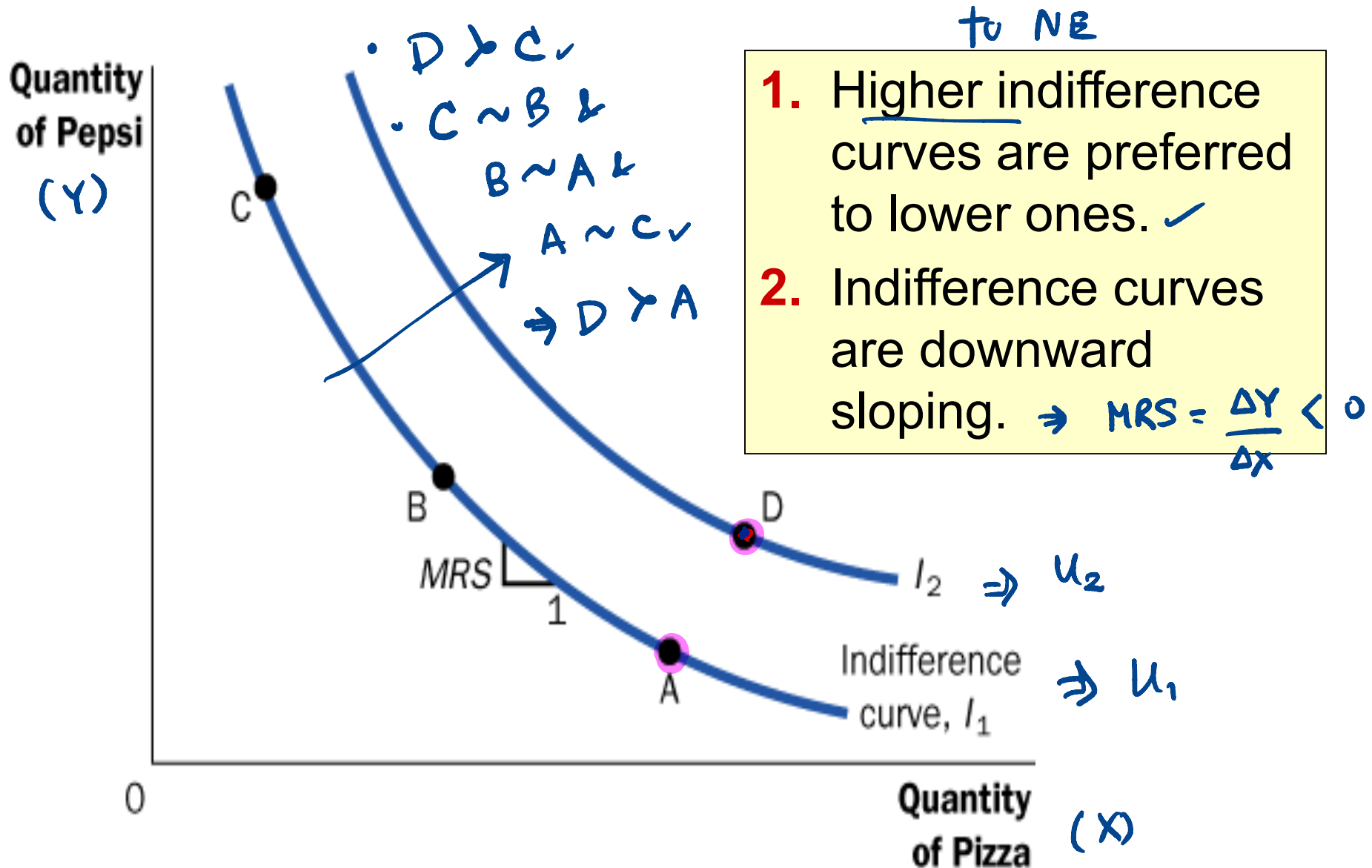
| Bundle | Q_y | Q_x |
|--------|-------|-------|
| | Pepsi | Pizza |
| A | 30 | 5 |
| B | 18 | 10 |
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same utility

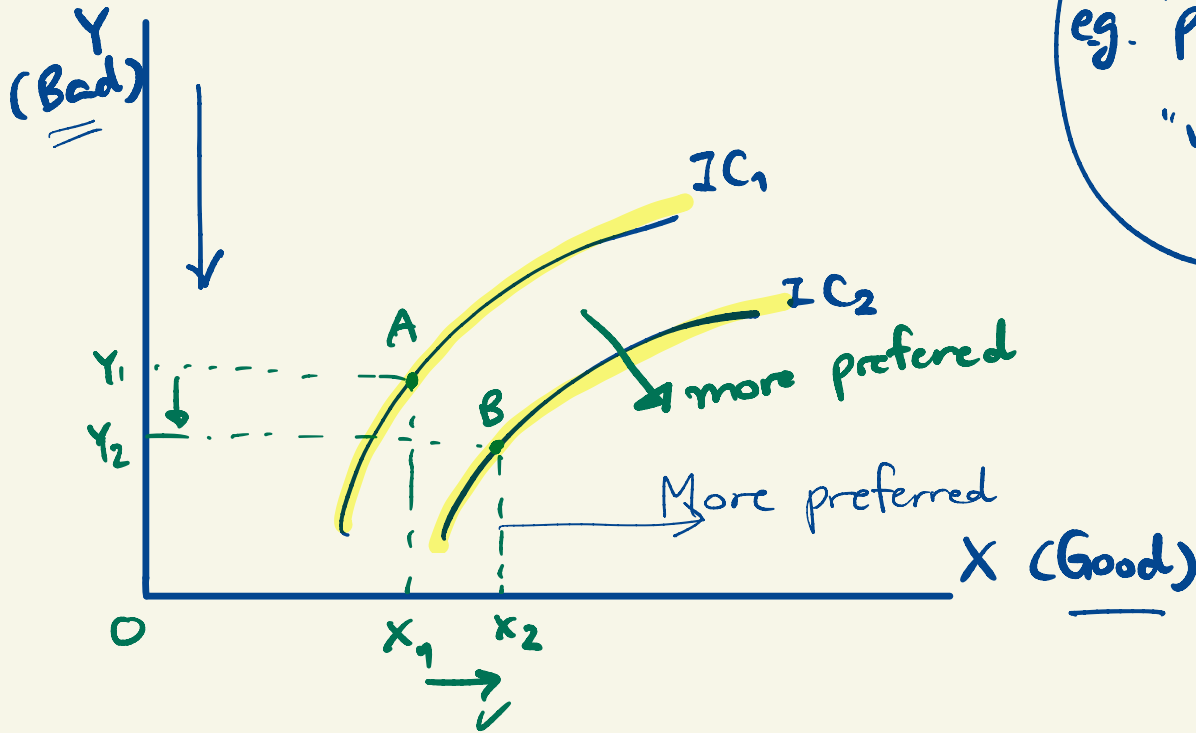
| Change | ΔQ_y | ΔQ_x | $\frac{\Delta Q_y}{\Delta Q_x}$ |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| | Change in Pepsi | Change in Pizza | MRS |
| A \rightarrow B | -12 | +5 | -2.4 |
| B \rightarrow C | -5 | +5 | -1 |
| C \rightarrow D | -3 | +5 | -0.6 |
| D \rightarrow E | -2 | +5 | -0.4 |
| E \rightarrow F | -1 | +5 | -0.2 |

\therefore MRS is -ve. & $|MRS|$ is smaller as $Q_x \uparrow$.
negative

Properties of Indifference Curve



What if X is a Good, and Y is a "Bad"?



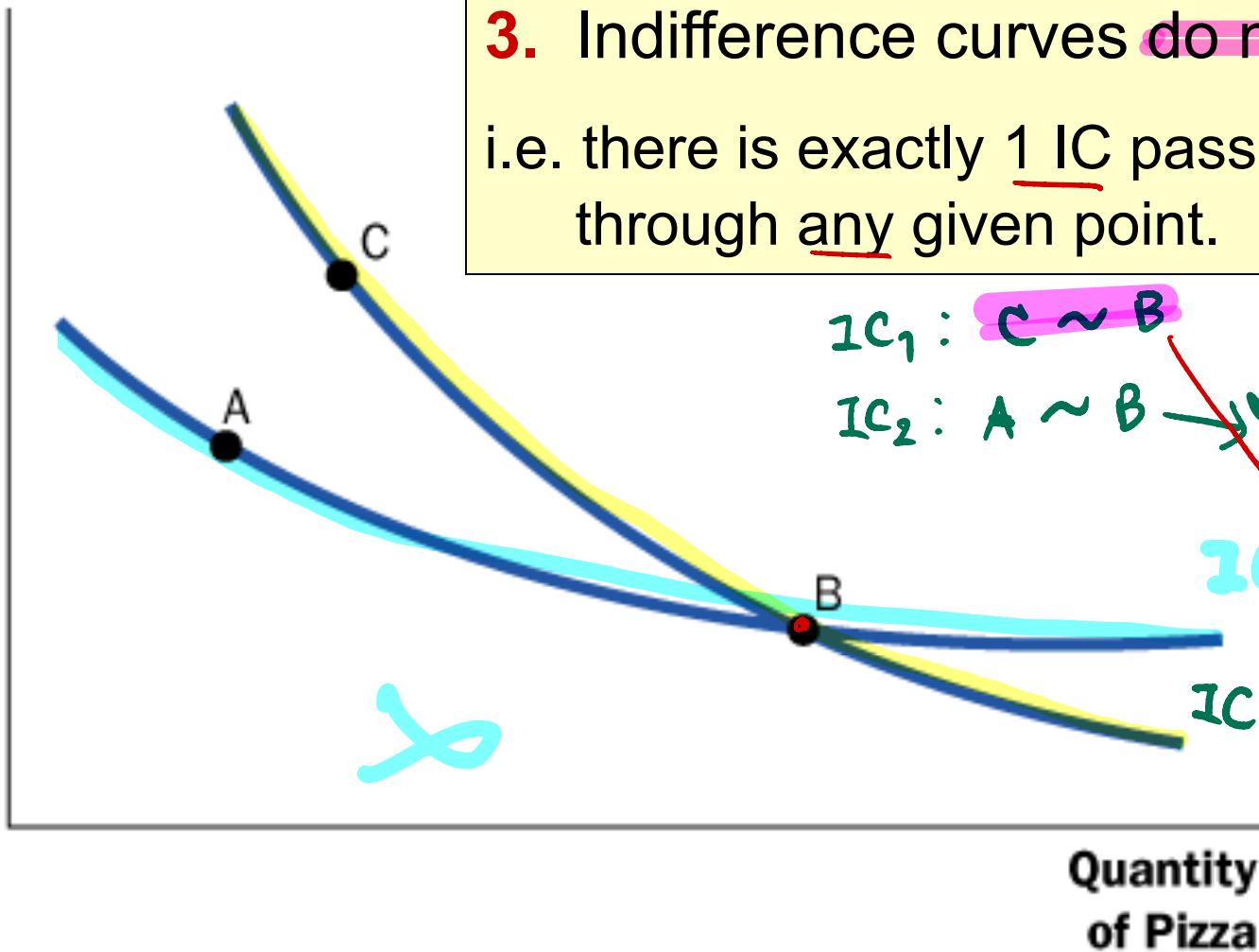
eg. "pollution"
"virus"

less is preferred.

"Unusual IC's"

Properties of Indifference Curve

Quantity
of Pepsi



3. Indifference curves **do not cross**.
i.e. there is exactly 1 IC passing through any given point.

$IC_1: C \sim B$

$IC_2: A \sim B$

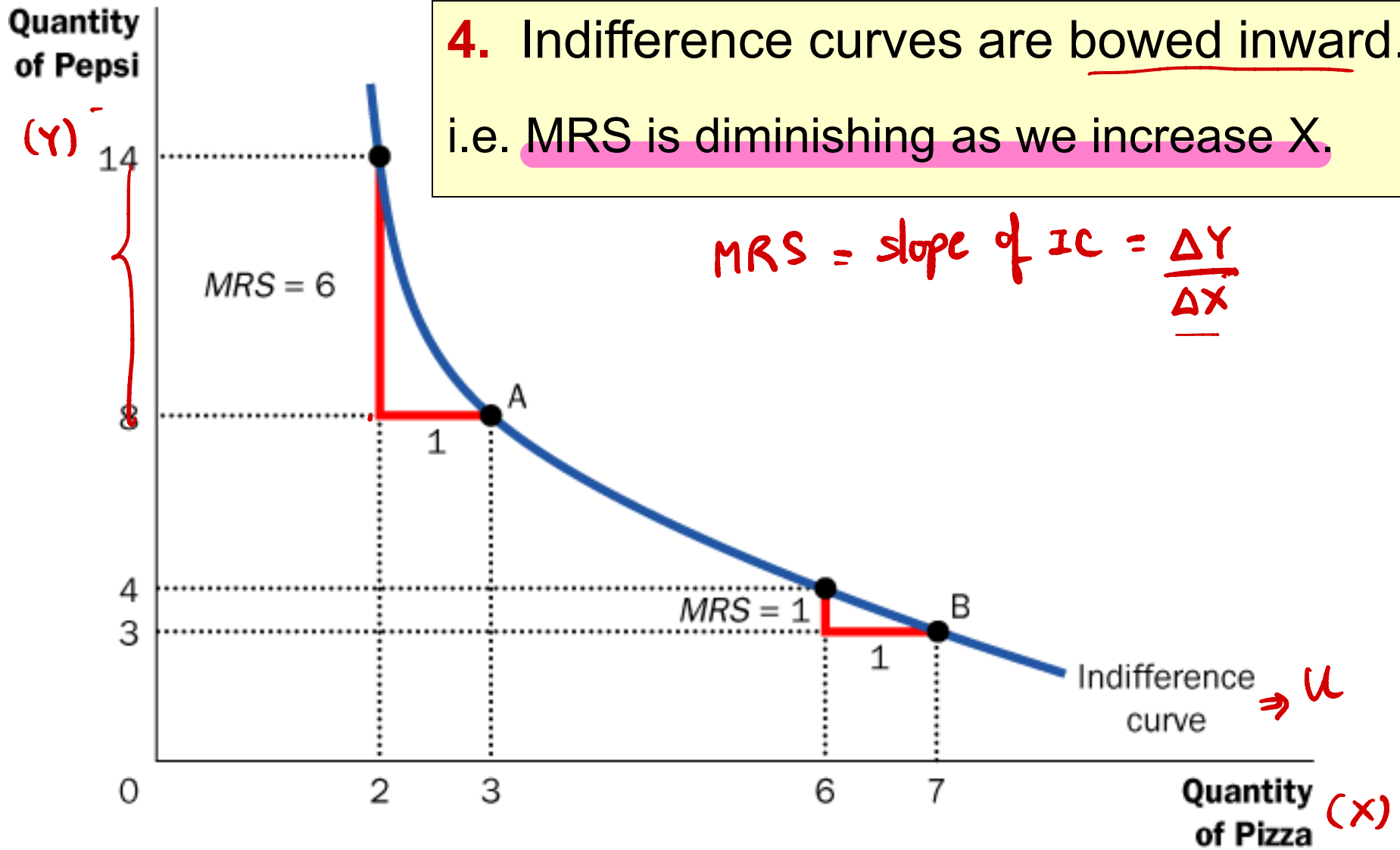
$C \succ A$

$C \succ B$

Contradict

x

Properties of Indifference Curve (Convex)



Extra Notes on Indifference Curve (1)

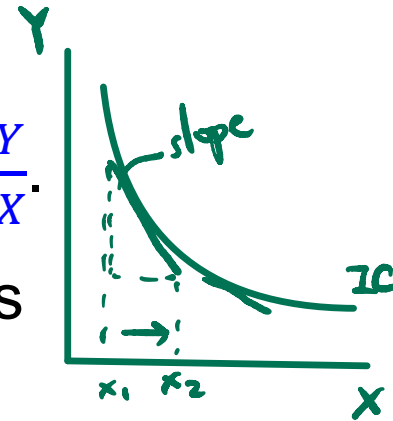
- MRS is the slope of the indifference curve, and MRS is diminishing (in absolute value) as X increases.

- At any point on indifference curve, the slope is $\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X}$.

- As the consumer consumes more X and reduces consumption of Y, her utility changes by:

$$\Delta X > 0 \rightarrow \Delta U_x \approx MU_x \times \Delta X$$

$$\Delta Y < 0 \rightarrow \Delta U_y \approx MU_y \times \Delta Y$$



$$U(x, Y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U &= \Delta U_x + \Delta U_y \\ &= \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta X} \cdot \Delta X + \frac{\Delta U}{\Delta Y} \cdot \Delta Y \end{aligned}$$

- But on the an indifference curve, the utility is the same:

$$\Delta U = \rightarrow \Delta U_x + \Delta U_y = 0$$

$$du = \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial X}}_{MU_x} \cdot dx + \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}}_{MU_y} \cdot dy$$

Extra Notes on Indifference Curve (2)

$$\Delta U = MU_x \cdot \Delta X + MU_y \cdot \Delta Y = 0 \text{ only for IC}$$

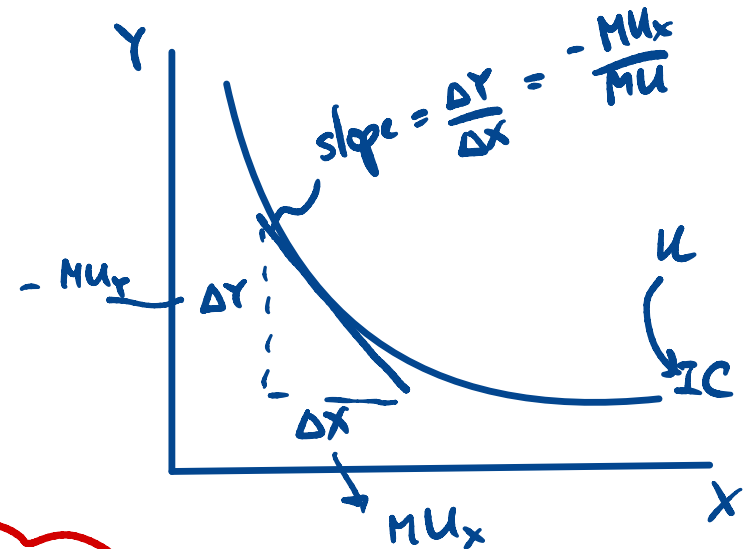
• So,

$$\Delta U_x = -\Delta U_y$$

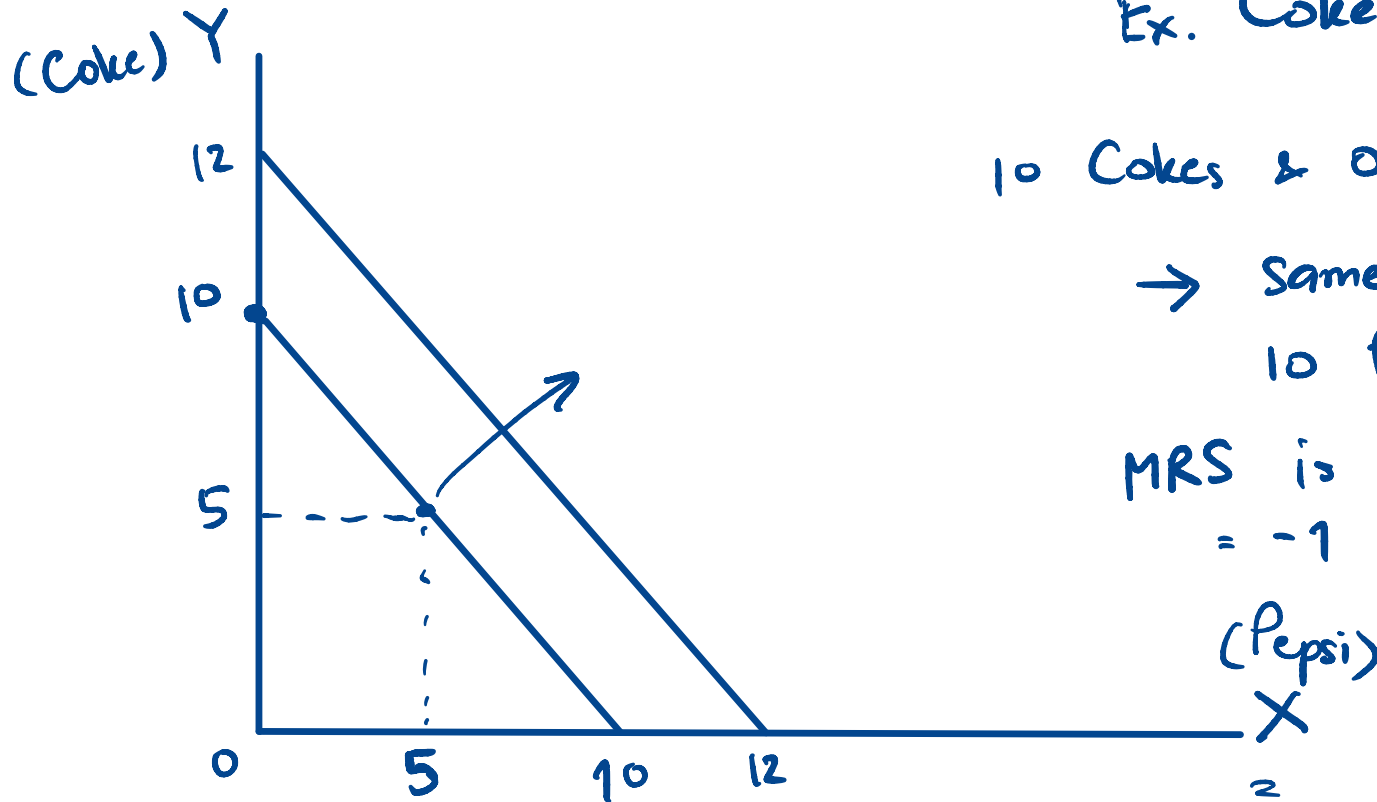
$$MU_x \Delta X \approx -MU_y \Delta Y$$

$$\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X} \approx -\frac{MU_x}{MU_y}$$

$$\frac{dY}{dX} = -\frac{MU_x}{MU_y} : \text{MRS}$$



Extreme Case: Perfect Substitutes



Ex. Coke & Pepsi

10 Cokes & 0 Pepsi

→ Same utility as
10 Pepsi & 0 Coke.

MRS is constant!

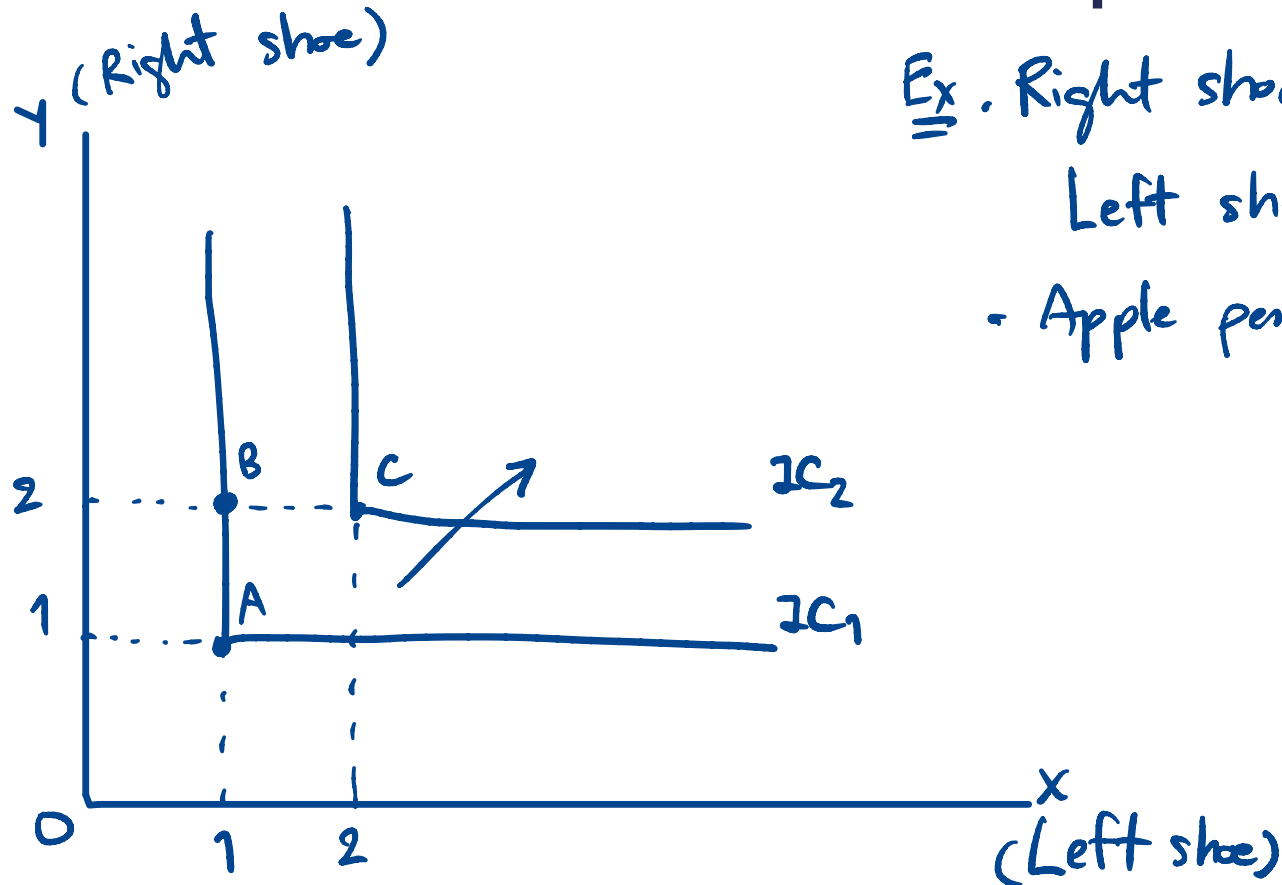
$$= -1$$

(Pepsi)

X

=

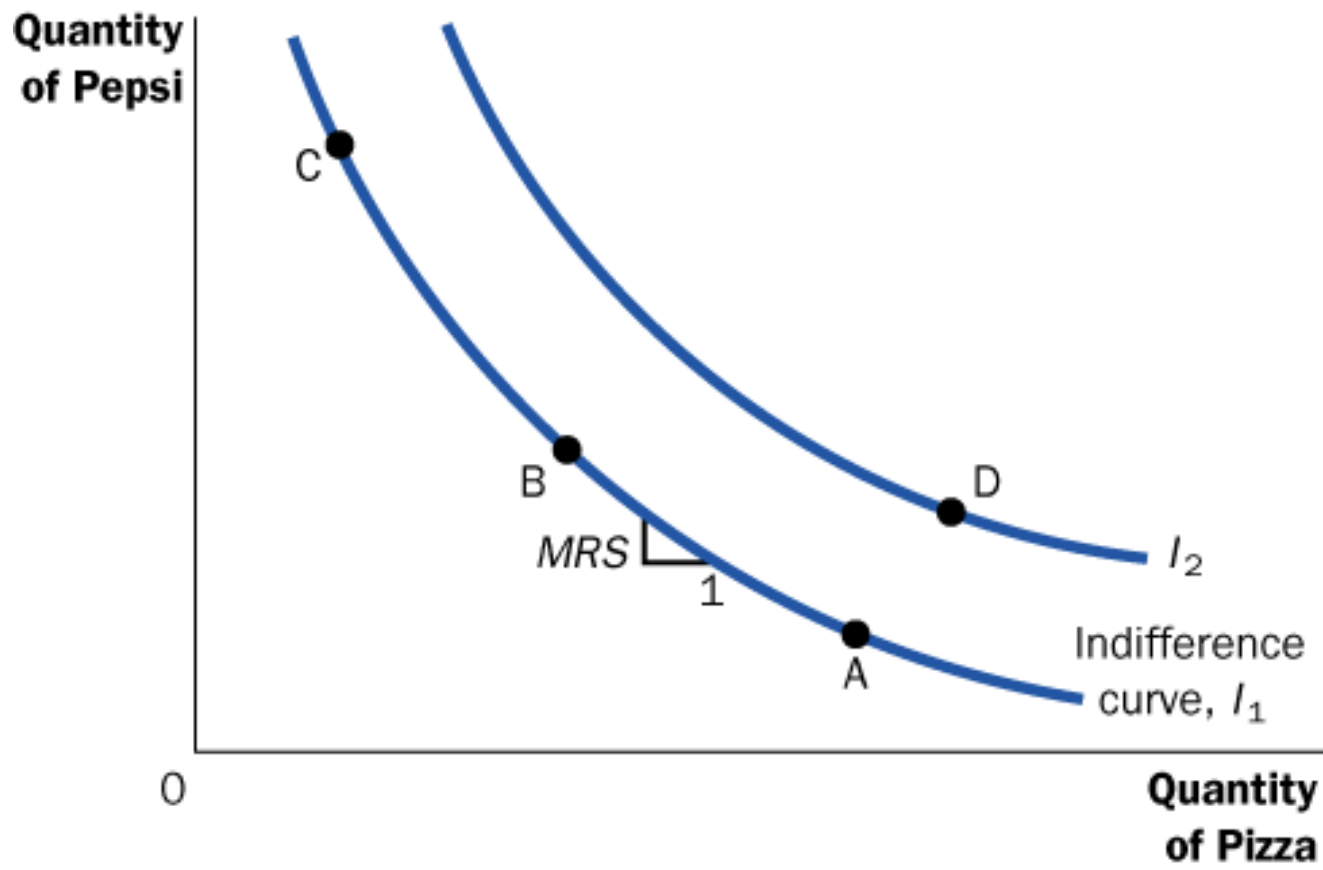
Extreme Case: Perfect Complements



Ex. Right shoe &
Left shoe
• Apple pencil & iPad

Part III. Consumer's Equilibrium

- Recall: **Indifference curve** shows consumption bundles that give the consumer the same level of satisfaction.



Budget Constraint

- **Budget constraint (or budget line):** the limit on the consumption bundles that a consumer can afford.
 - It shows all combinations (bundles) of the two goods that the consumer can afford to buy.
- Consider the case of 2 goods: Pizza (X) and Pepsi (Y). Suppose $P_x = \$10$, $P_y = \$2$, and budget (B) = \$1000.
- The budget line can be written as:

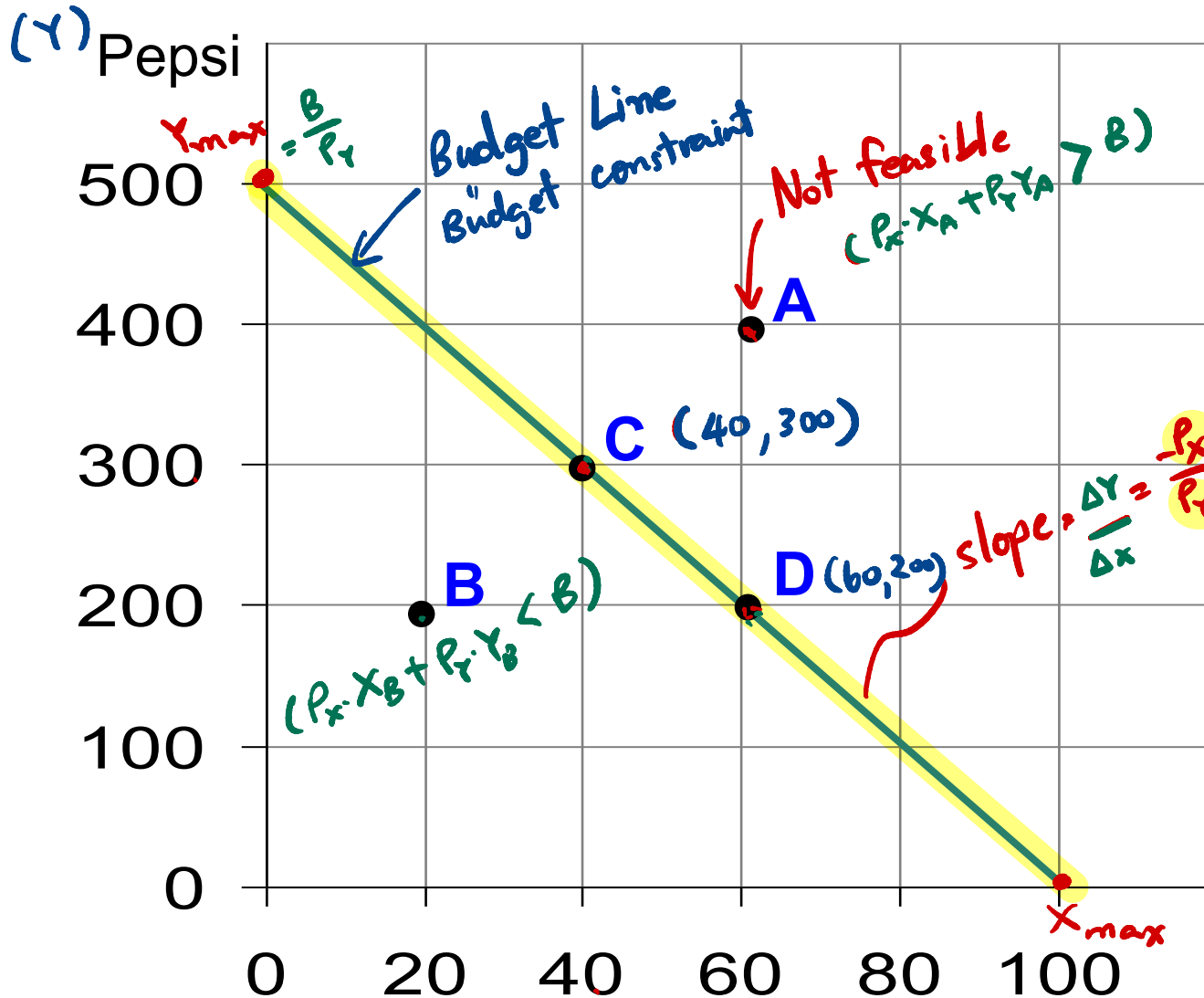
$$\underbrace{P_x X + P_y Y}_{\text{total expenditure}} = \underbrace{B}_{\text{total income}}$$

No savings
No borrowing

Graph: Budget Constraint

$$P_x = \$10, P_y = \$2$$

$$B = 1000$$



$$Y_{\max} = \frac{B}{P_y} = \frac{1000}{\$2} = 500 \text{ unit}$$

$$X_{\max} = \frac{1000}{\$10} = 100 \text{ units}$$

$$P_x \cdot X + P_y \cdot Y = B$$

$$P_y \cdot Y = B - P_x \cdot X$$

$$Y = \frac{B}{P_y} - \left(\frac{P_x}{P_y}\right) \cdot X$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X} = -\frac{P_x}{P_y}$$

Slope of the Budget Constraint

- The **slope of the budget constraint** equals:
 - the rate at which the consumer can trade Pepsi for pizza
 - the **opportunity cost of pizza in terms of Pepsi**
 - the relative price of pizza.

That is:

$$\text{Slope of Budget line} = -\frac{P_x}{P_y}$$

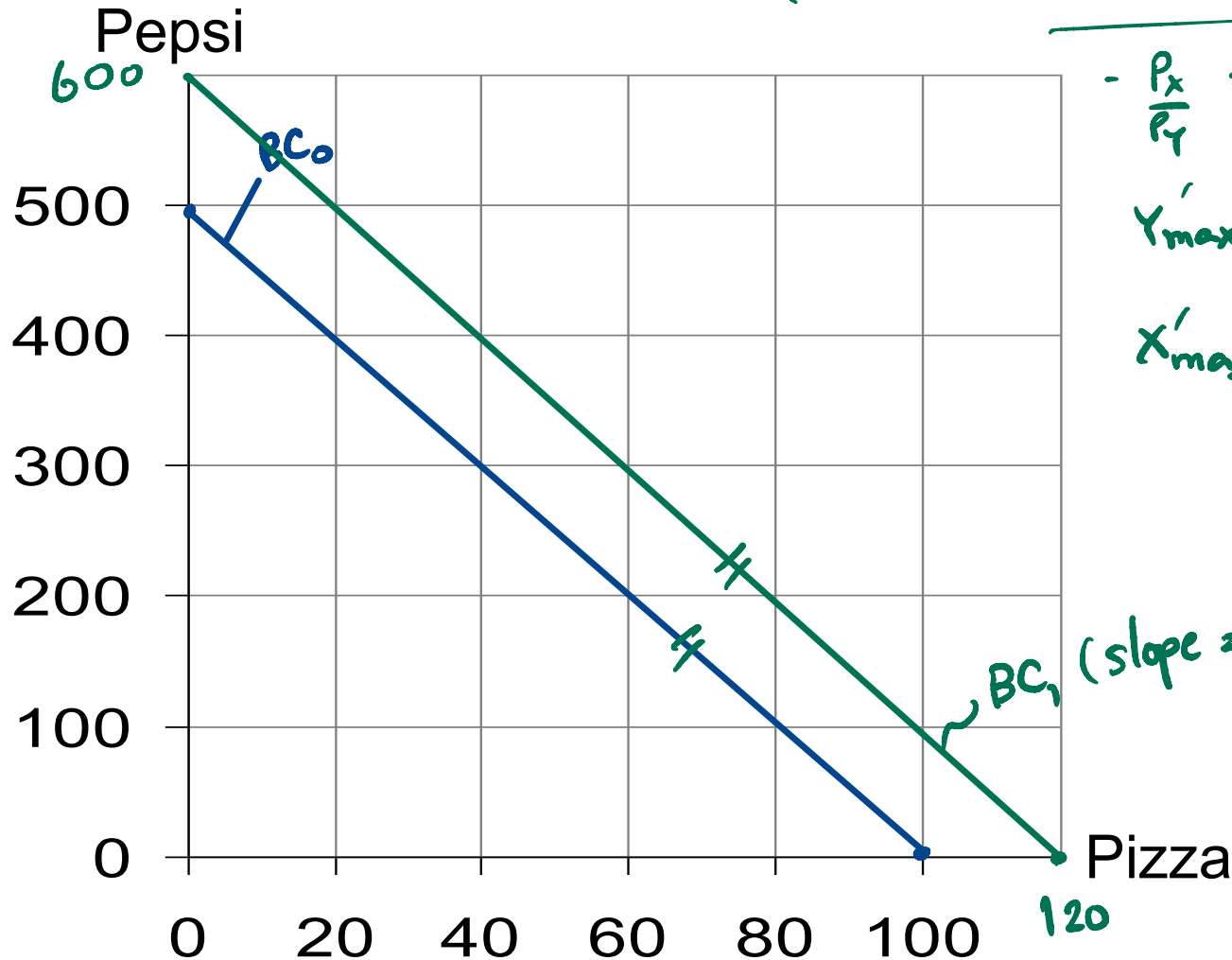
Change in Budget Constraint: Higher Income

- Suppose budget increases to $\$1200$.

 B'

$$B_0 = 1000$$

$$P_x = \$10, P_Y = \$2$$



$$-\frac{P_x}{P_Y} = -5$$

$$Y'_{\max} = \frac{1200}{2} = 600$$

$$X'_{\max} = \frac{1200}{10} = 120$$

$$BC_1 \text{ (slope} = -5)$$

What if $B = 1000$, $P_X = 10$, $P_Y = 4$?

$$Y'_{\max} = \frac{1000}{4} = 250$$



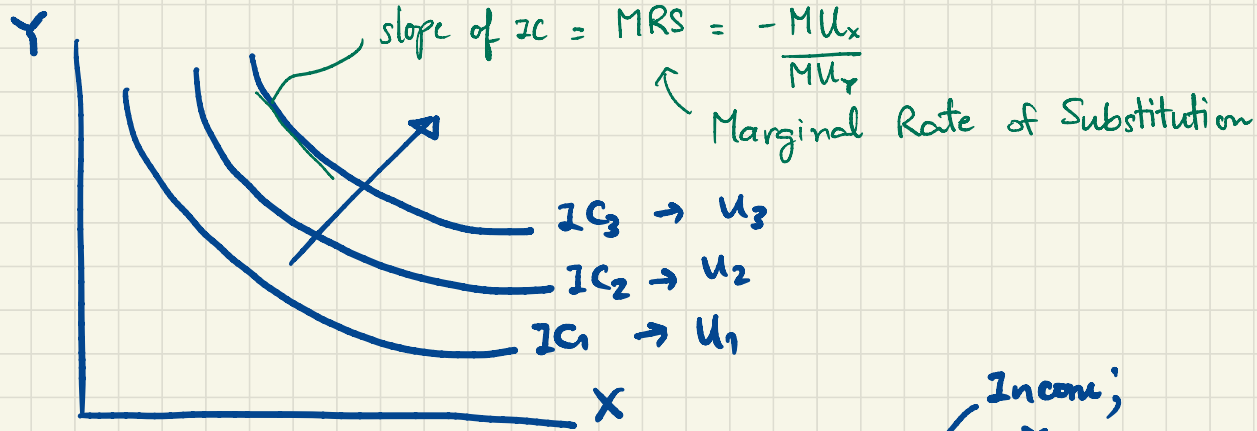
What if $P_X' = 8$, $P_Y' = 1$, $B = 1000$?

(Before $P_X = 10$, $P_Y = 2$)

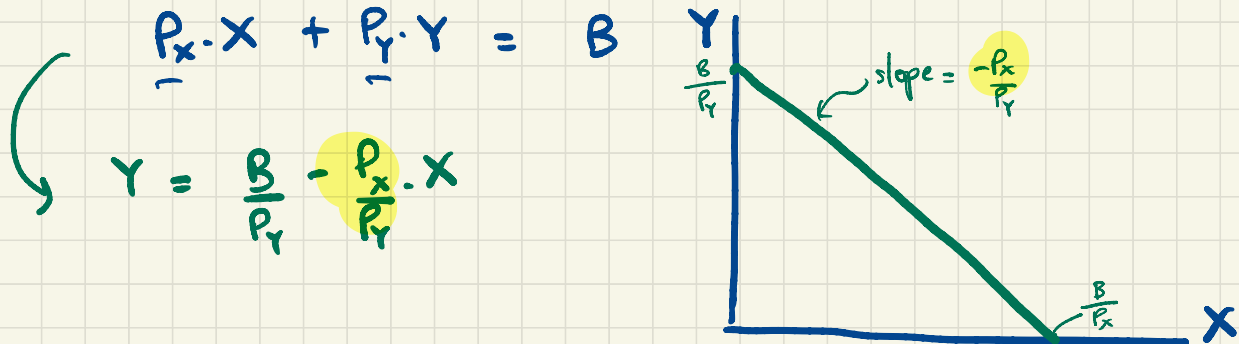
→ Write budget lines before and after the price changes. Also, calculate the slope of each budget line and label correctly.

Recall Consumer's choice

- **Utility** : $U = U(X, Y) \rightarrow$ Indifference Curve.

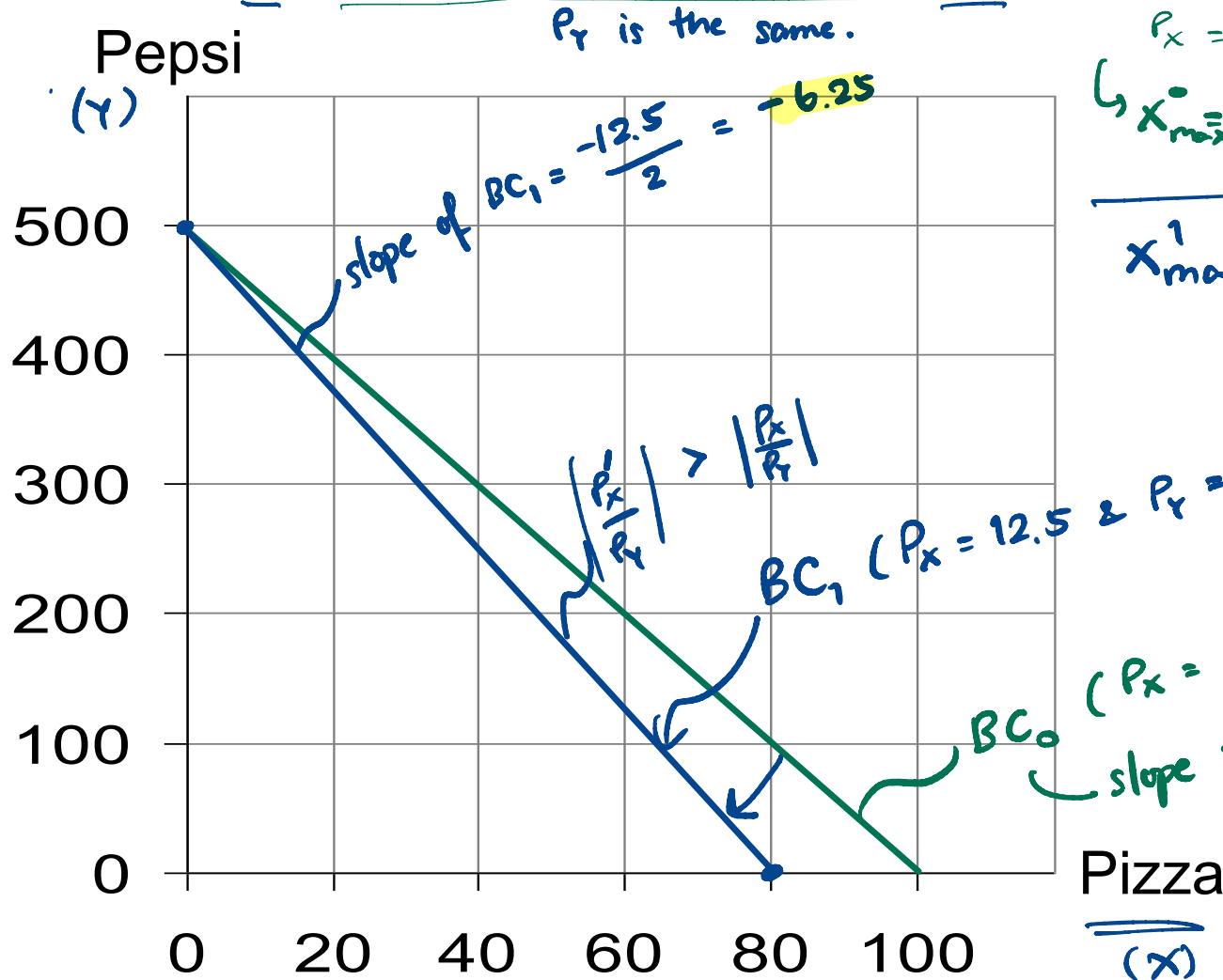


- **Budget constraint** : P_x, P_y, B (B = Budget ^{Income;} Y)



Change in Budget Constraint: P_x changes.

- Suppose P_x increases from \$10 to \$12.5.



Initial Situation:

$$B = \$1000$$

$$P_x = 10, P_y = 2$$

$$\hookrightarrow X_{\max}^0 = 100, Y_{\max}^0 = 500$$

$$X_{\max}^1 = \frac{1000}{12.5} = 80$$

$$BC_1 (P_x = 12.5 \text{ \& } P_y = 2)$$

$$BC_0 (P_x = 10, P_y = 2)$$

$$\text{slope} = \frac{-10}{2} = -5$$

Change in Budget Constraint:

P_x & P_y change by the same proportion.

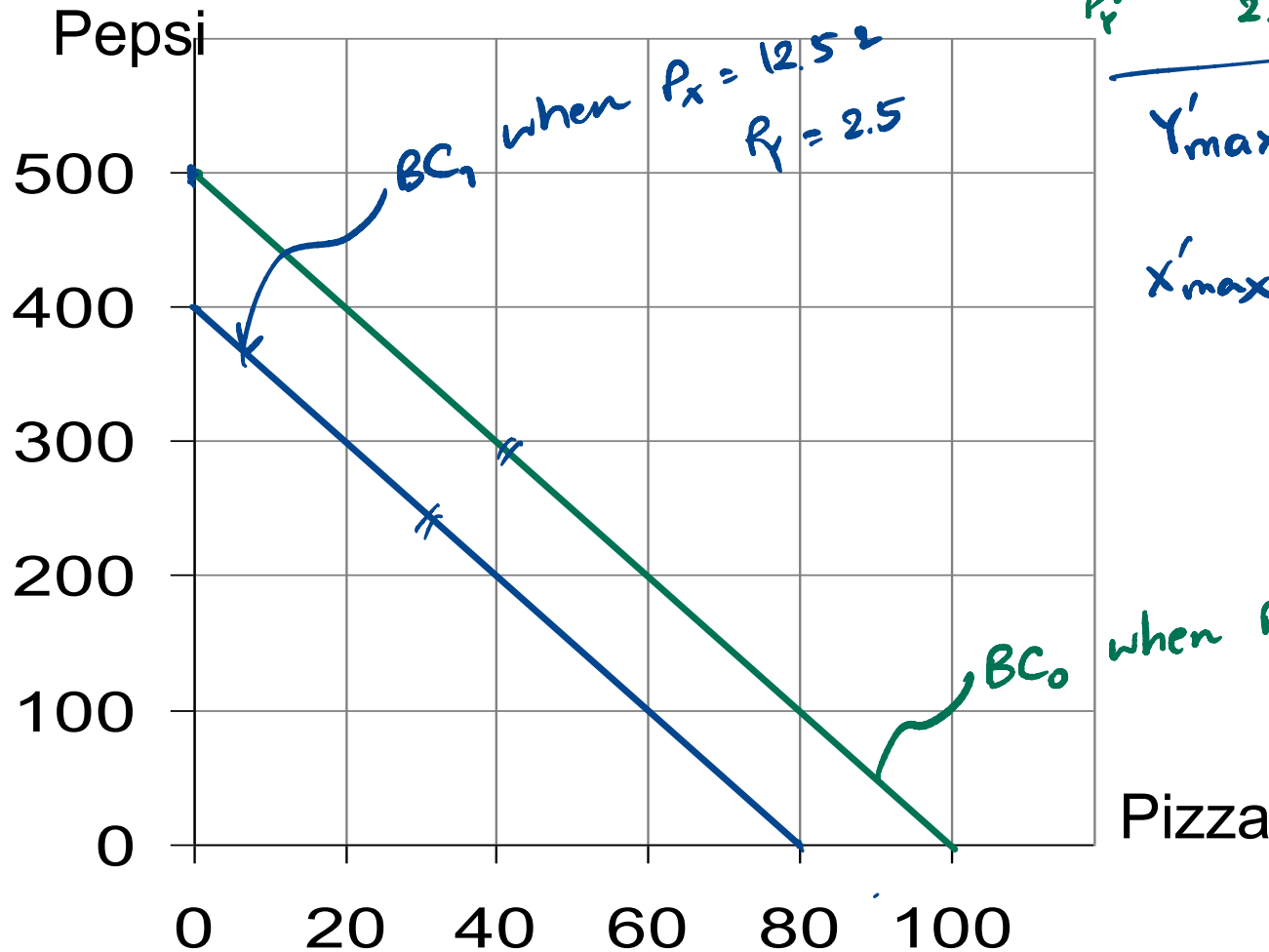
$$P_x = \$10$$

$$P_y = \$2$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{P_x}{P_y} = -5$$

- Suppose $P'_x = \$12.5$ and $P'_y = \$2.5$.

$$-\frac{P'_x}{P'_y} = \frac{-12.5}{2.5} = -5$$



$$Y'_{\max} = \frac{1000}{2.5} = 400$$

$$X'_{\max} = \frac{1000}{12.5} = 80$$

$$\text{when } P_x = 10, P_y = 2$$

Consumer's Problem: Optimization

$$\text{Max}_{x,y} U(x,y) \text{ subject to } P_x \cdot X + P_y \cdot Y = \bar{B}$$

- Consumer's problem is to maximize his/her utility (i.e. satisfaction) under the budget constraint.
- The **optimal bundle** is at the point where the budget constraint touches the highest indifference curve.
 - i.e., the indifference curve and budget constraint have the same slope.
- Since the slope of IC is the MRS and the slope of the budget constraint is the relative price, the optimal bundle

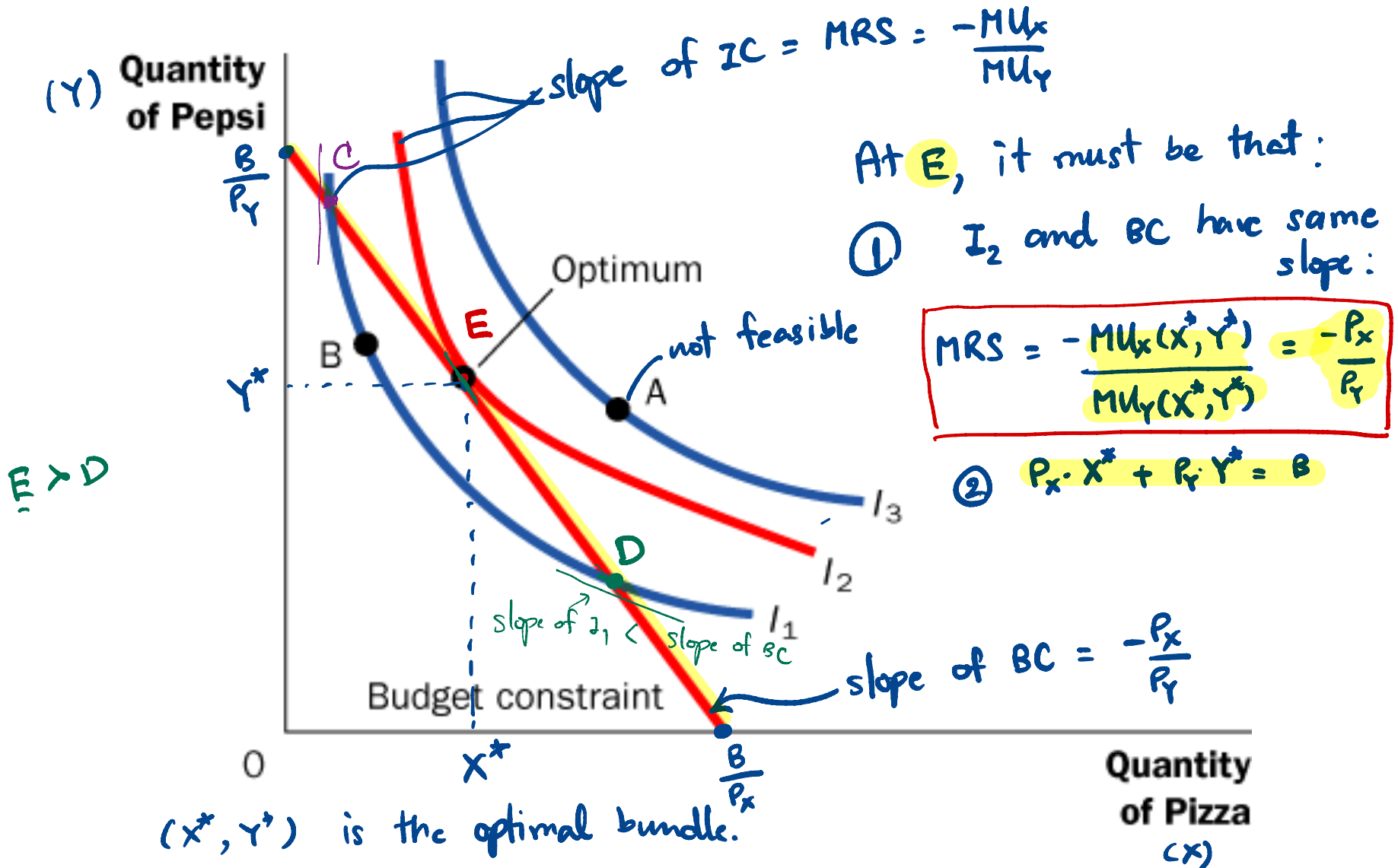
is where:

$$\frac{P_x}{P_y} = \frac{MU_x}{MU_y}$$



$$\frac{MU_x}{P_x} = \frac{MU_y}{P_y}$$

Graph: Consumer's Optimal Choice



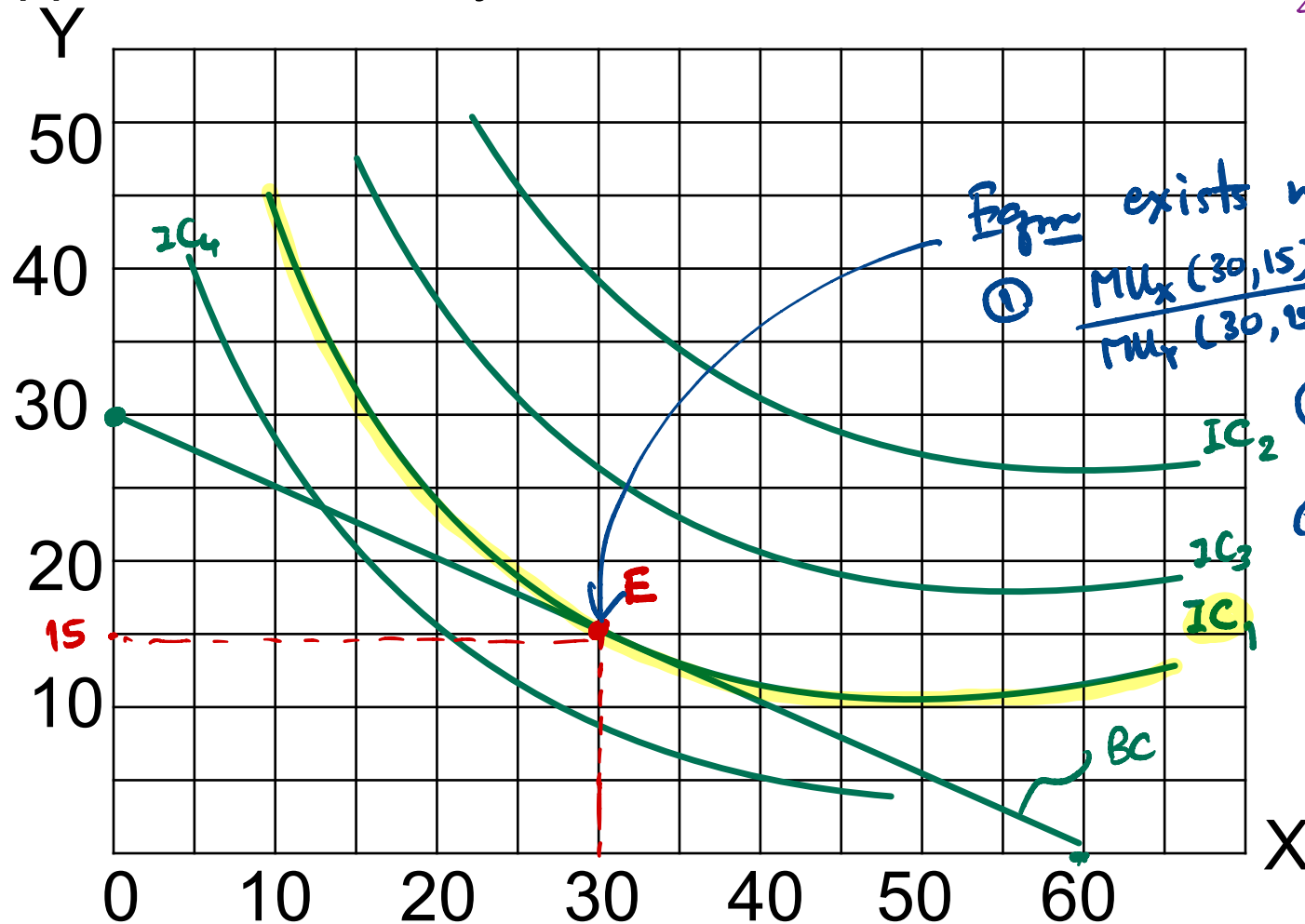
Example: Optimization

Find the optimal (x^*, y^*)

- Suppose $P_x = \$2$, $P_y = \$4$, and $B = \$120$.

$$Y_{\max} = \frac{120}{4} = 30$$

$$X_{\max} = \frac{120}{2} = 60$$



① $\frac{MU_x(30, 15)}{MU_y(30, 15)} = \frac{P_x}{P_y} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$

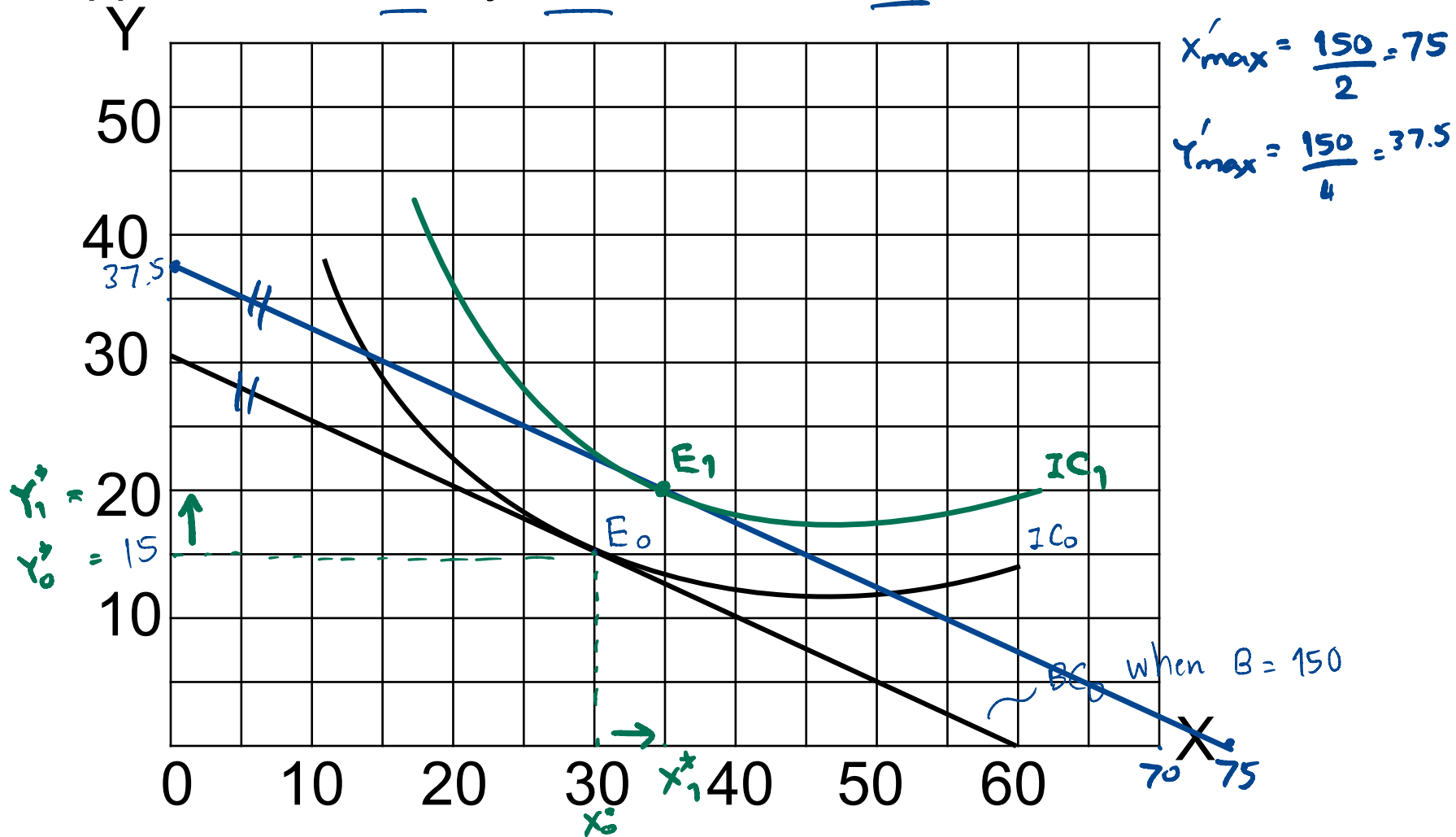
E_{opt} exists when

② $P_x X + P_y Y = 120$

$(\$2)(30) + (\$4)(15) = 120 \checkmark$

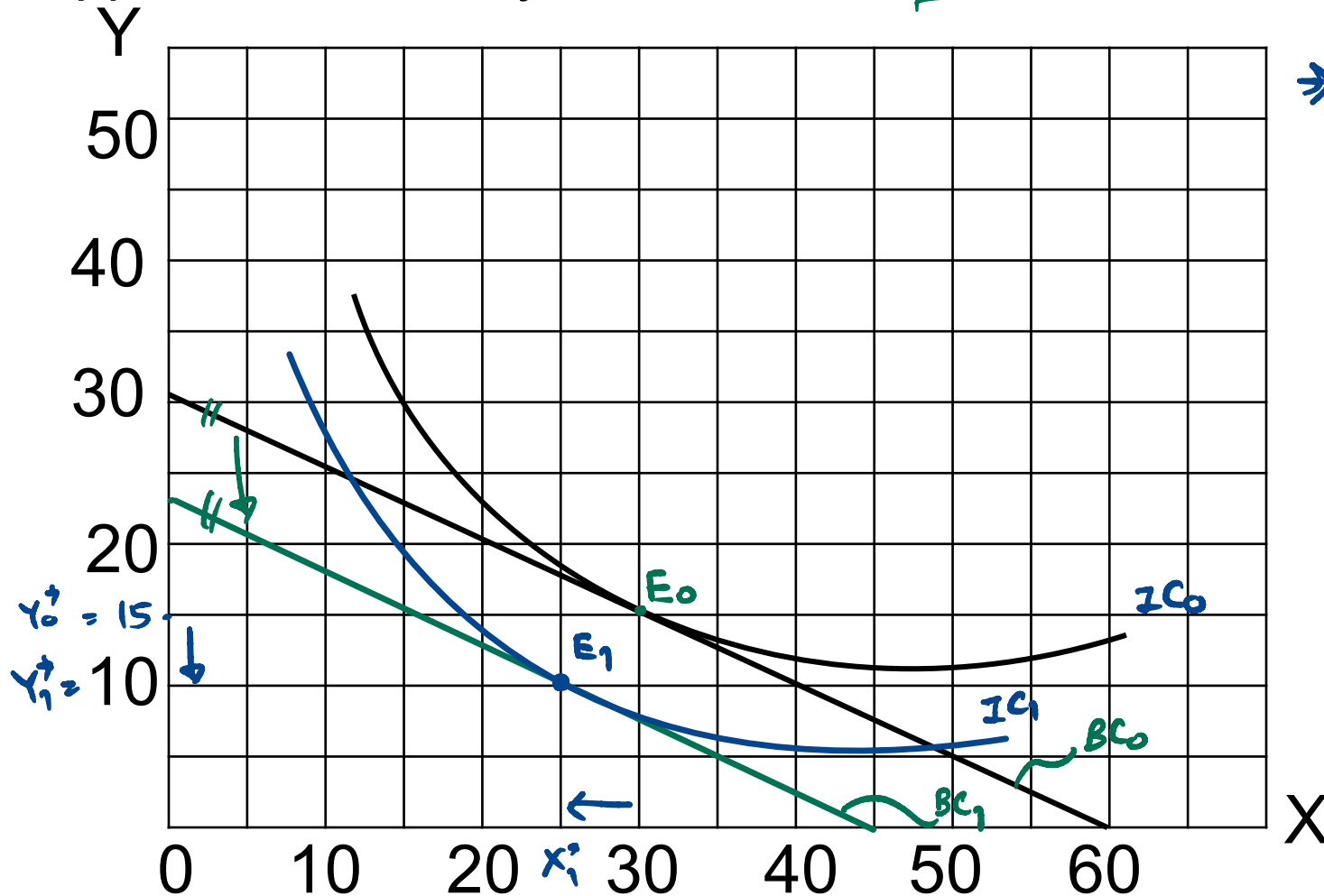
Example: Effect of Income Increase

- Suppose $P_x = \$2$, $P_y = \$4$, and $B = 150$. → Find new (x^*, y^*) .



Example: Effect of Income Reduction

- Suppose $P_x = \$2$, $P_y = \$4$, and $B = \underline{90}$. $\rightarrow X'_{max} = 45$, $Y'_{max} = 22.5$



$\Rightarrow X^*, Y^* \downarrow$

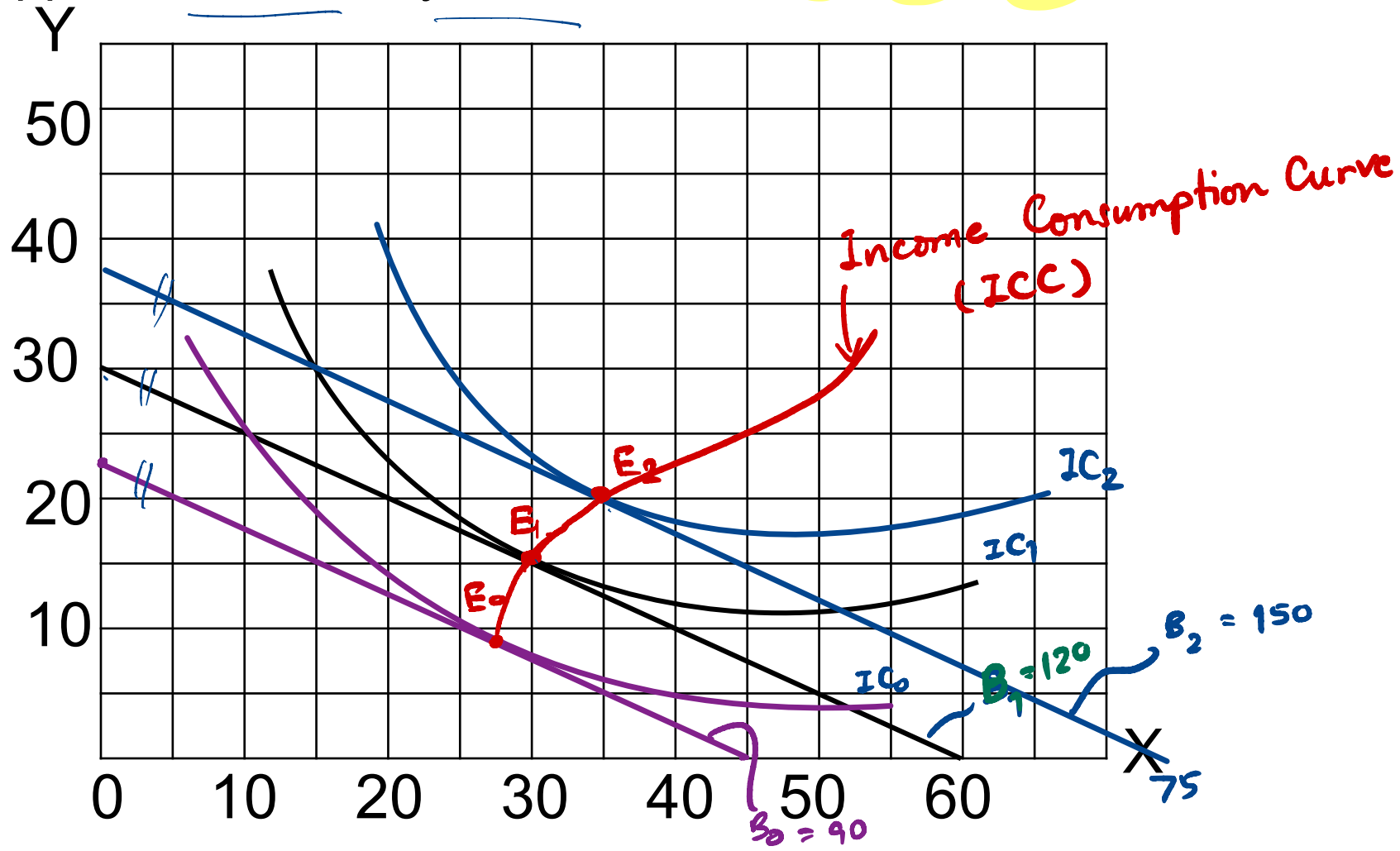
Income Consumption Curve (ICC)

- A change in income, *ceteris paribus*, will shift the consumer's budget constraint.
- For each level of income, there will be a utility maximizing points where IC is tangent to the relevant budget line.
- **Income Consumption Curve (ICC)** is the line that connects all the utility-maximizing points for different levels of income, given prices P_x and P_y constant.
- I.e. , ICC shows how the consumer's purchases react to a change in money income with relative prices being held constant.

Graph: ICC

As income increases, x^* and y^* increase.
 $\Rightarrow x$ and y are NORMAL goods.

- Suppose $P_x = \$2$, $P_y = \$4$, and $B = 90, 120, 150$.

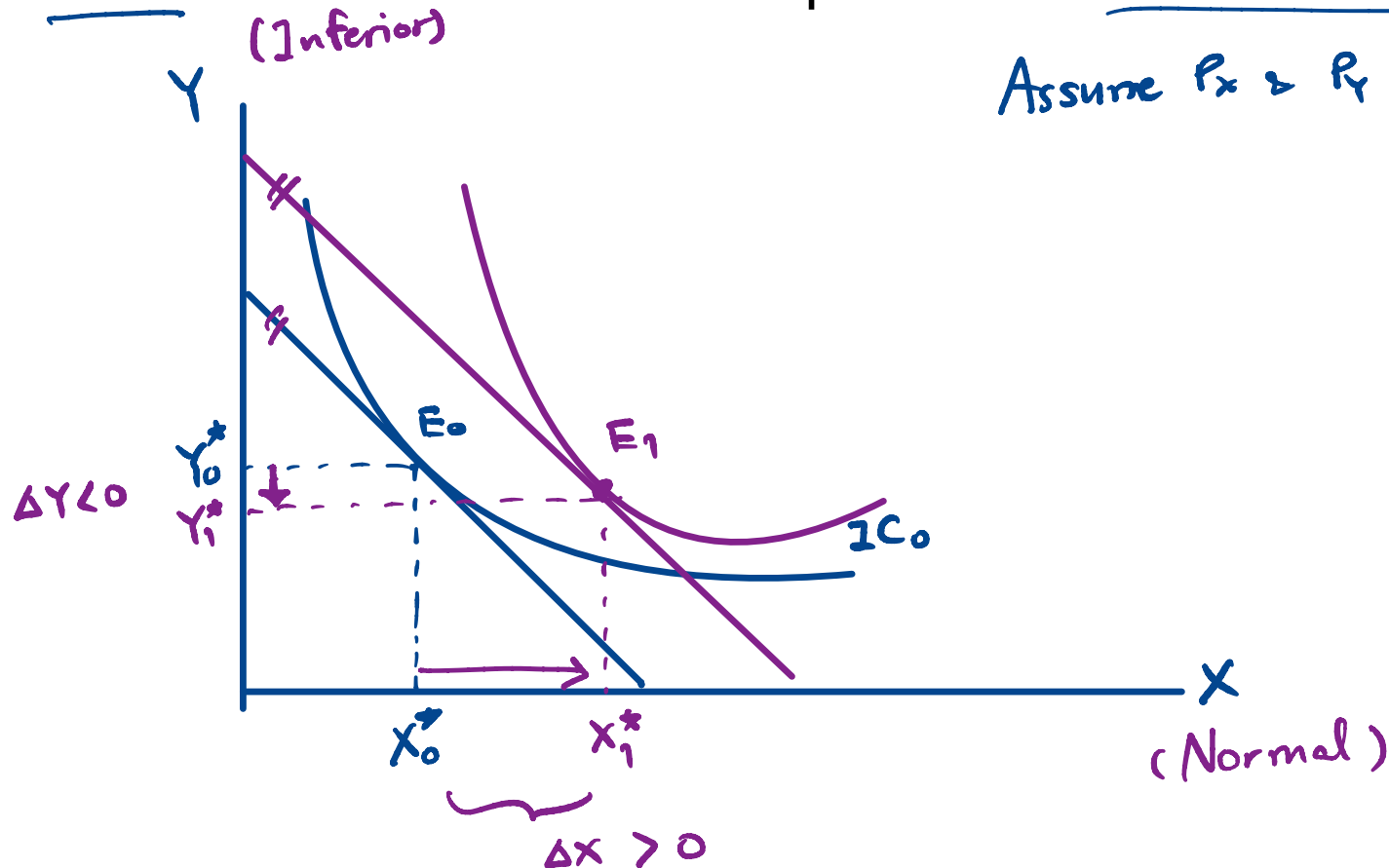


Exercise: Inferior good

$$\epsilon_1 > 0$$

$$\epsilon_2 < 0$$

- Suppose X is a **normal good** but Y is an **inferior good**.
- Use a diagram to show the effects of an increase in income on the consumer's optimal bundle of X and Y.

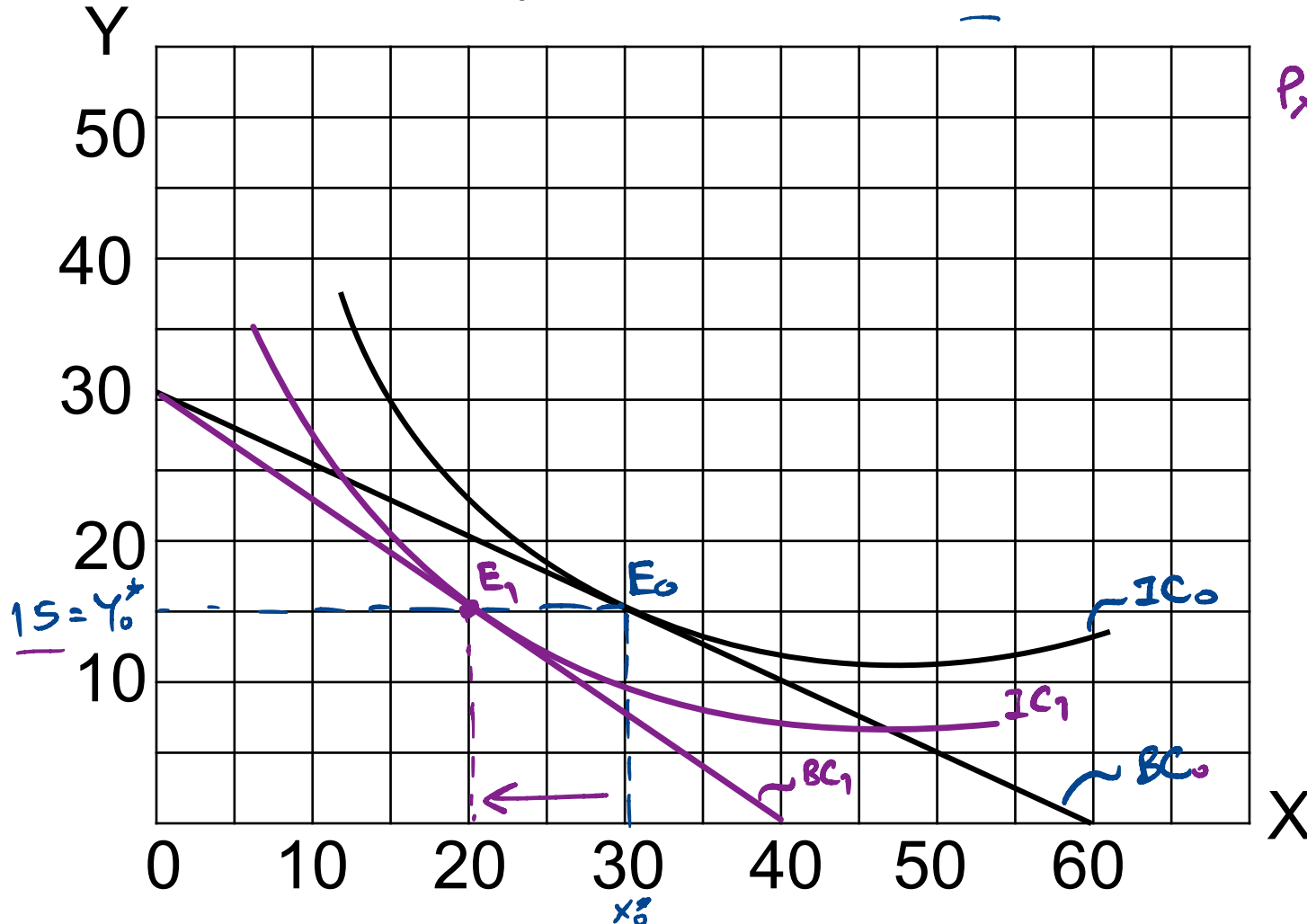


Example: Effect of Price Change (1)

$$P_x = \$2$$

$$X'_{\max} = \frac{120}{3} = 40$$

- Suppose $P'_x = \$3$, $P_y = \$4$, and $B = 120$.

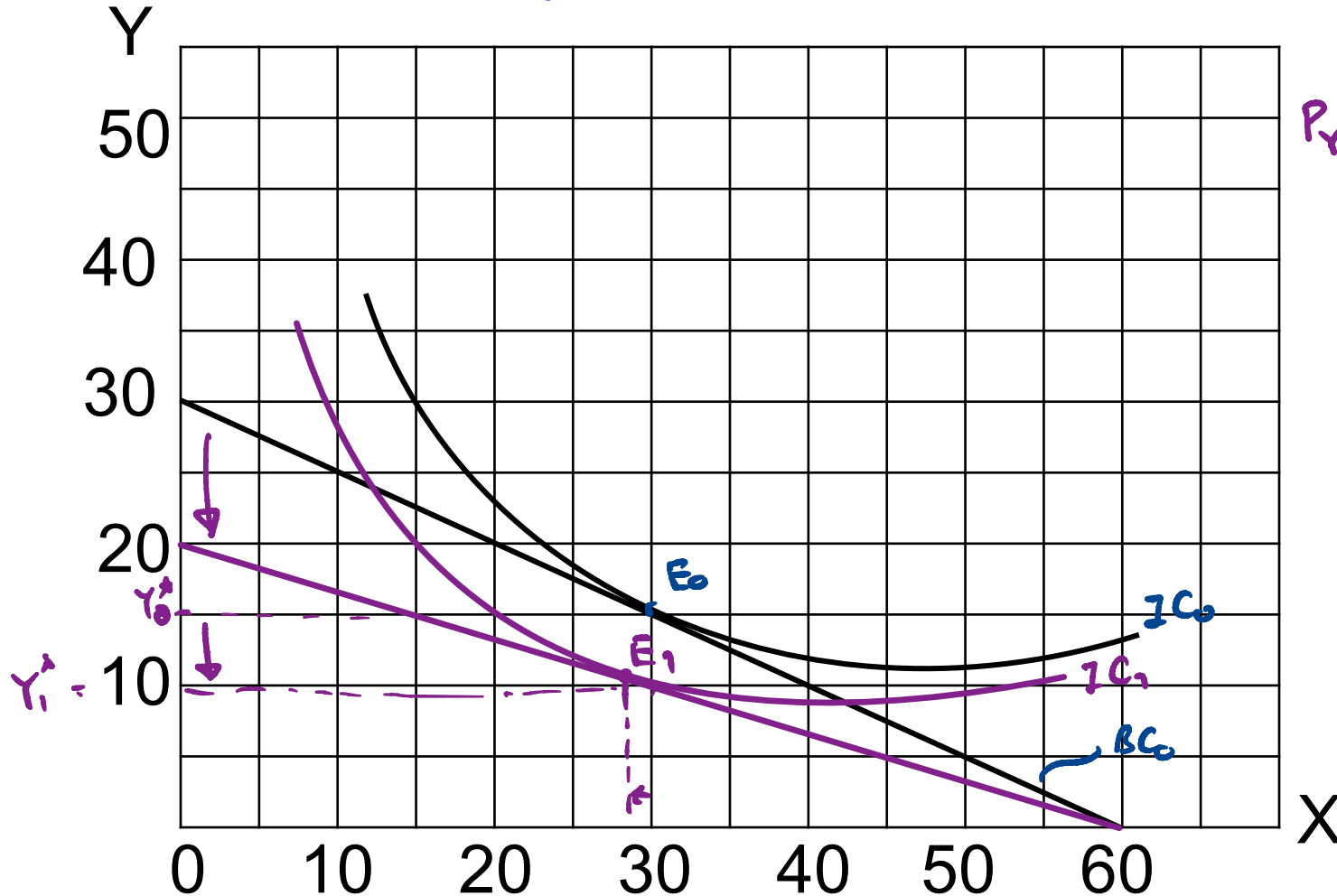


Example: Effect of Price Change (2)

$$P_y = 4$$

- Suppose $P_x = \$2$, $P'_y = \$6$, and $B = 120$.

$$\rightarrow Y'_{\max} = \frac{120}{6} = 20$$



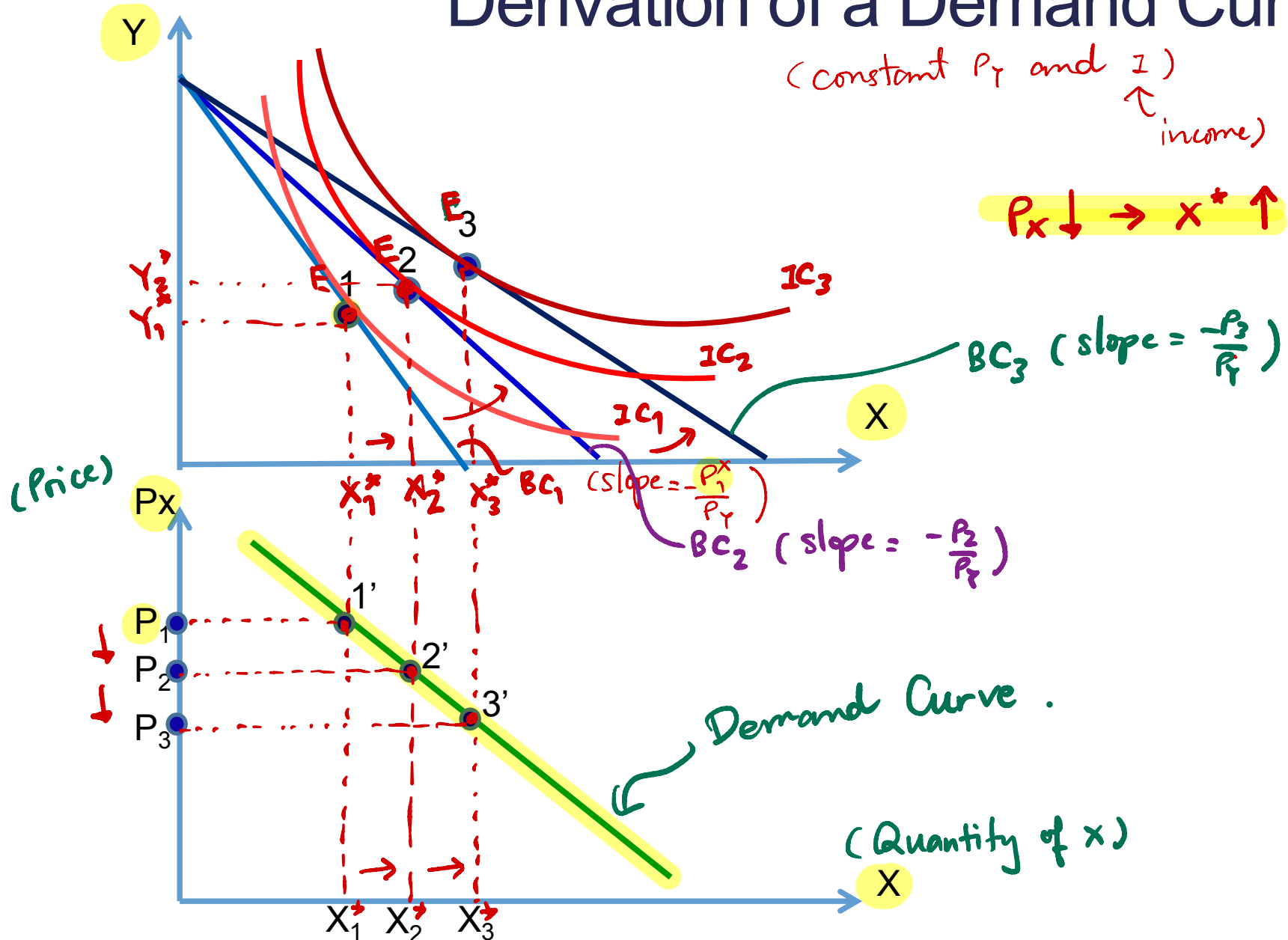
Price Consumption Curve

- A change in relative prices of two goods changes the slope of the budget constraint.
- Suppose P_x changes while P_y is constant. For each P_x , there is a different utility-maximizing consumption bundle.
- **Price Consumption Curve (PCC)** is the line that connects all the utility-maximizing points for different P_x 's, given income and P_y constant.
- I.e. , PCC shows how the consumer's purchases react to a change in one price with income and other prices being held constant.

Derivation of a Demand Curve

(constant P_Y and I)
 ↑ income)

$P_X \downarrow \rightarrow X^* \uparrow$



Income and Substitution Effects

- A fall in P_x has two effects:

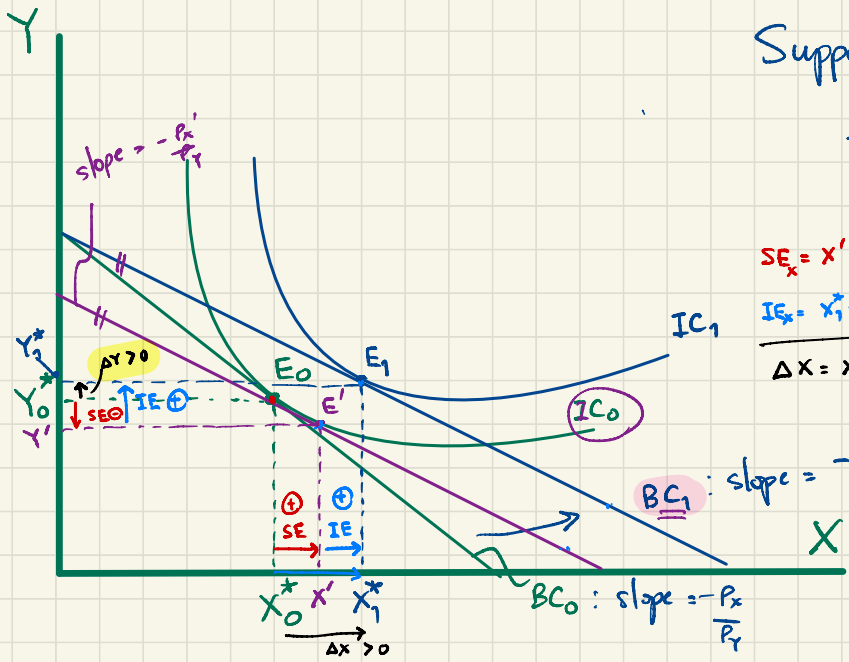
Substitution effect (Price effect)

- Change in X due to change in relative price with *real income unchanged*
- A fall in P_x makes Y more expensive relative to X, causing consumer to buy more X and less Y

(Note: Real income is kept unchanged by staying on the original IC.)

Income effect

- Change in X due to change in real income
- A fall in P_x increases the consumer's purchasing power, allowing him to reach a higher IC



Suppose P_x decreases, ceteris paribus.

$$\Rightarrow \Delta X = X_1^* - X_0^*$$

$$SE_x = X_1' - X_0^* > 0; SE_y = Y_1' - Y_0^* < 0$$

$$IE_x = X_1^* - X_1' > 0; IE_y = Y_1^* - Y_1' > 0$$

$$\Delta X = X_1^* - X_0^* > 0; \Delta Y = Y_1^* - Y_0^* > 0$$

BC_1 : slope = $-\frac{P_x'}{P_y}$ where $P_x' < P_x$

BC_0 : slope = $-\frac{P_x}{P_y}$

To identify the income effect and substitution effect:

Step 1: Draw the new budget line (BC_1) and determine the new eqm (E_1), which is a result the given exogenous change (eg. $P_x \downarrow$)

Step 2: Draw a hypothetical budget line that is tangent to old IC (IC_0), but has the new slope. \rightarrow Call $E_1'(X_1', Y_1')$

Step 3: Identify SE from $X_1' - X_0^*$ and IE from $X_1^* - X_1'$.

Applications of Utility Maximization Problem

- ✓• Giffen good
- ✓• Subsidy
- ✓• Vouchers
- ✓• Work & leisure
- ✓• Intertemporal consumption

Application 1: Giffen Good

$$\epsilon_I = \frac{\% \Delta Q_d}{\% \Delta I} < 0$$

$I \uparrow \rightarrow Q_d \downarrow$

- Giffen good is a special case of *inferior good*.
- It is a good at which **quantity demanded decreases when its price is lower**, which is not consistent with the law of demand.



- This is possible when income effect (negative) is greater than substitution effect (positive).

- Example: Suppose there are two goods – potatoes (X) and meat (Y). *Giffen good* ✓

Let $P_X=3$, $P_Y=4$, and $B=120$. If P_X decreases to 2, X^* will decrease.

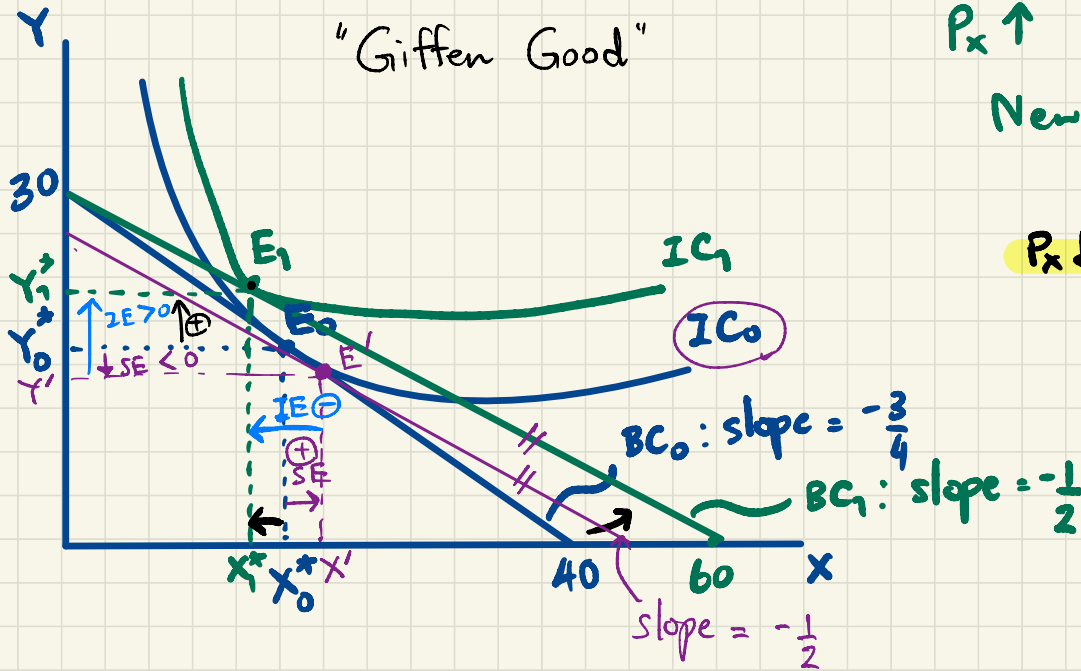
$X_{max} = 40$ $Y_{max} = 30$
 $\frac{P_X}{P_Y} = \frac{3}{4}$

"Giffen Good"

$$P_x \uparrow (P_x = 3 \rightarrow P_x' = 2)$$

$$\text{New } \frac{P_x'}{P_y} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P_x \downarrow \rightarrow Q_x^* \downarrow$$



$$\text{SE for } X = X_1' - X_0^* > 0$$

$$\text{IE for } X = X_1^* - X_1' < 0$$

$$\text{TE for } X = \Delta X = X_1^* - X_0^* < 0$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{SE} + \text{IE}}$

\therefore As $P_x \downarrow$, X^* decreases because

$$\text{SE for } Y = Y_1' - Y_0^* < 0$$

$$\text{IE for } Y = Y_1^* - Y_1' > 0$$

$$\text{TE for } Y = \text{SE} + \text{IE} = \Delta Y = Y_1^* - Y_0^* > 0$$

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Application 2: Per-Unit Subsidy

Assume x and y are normal goods.

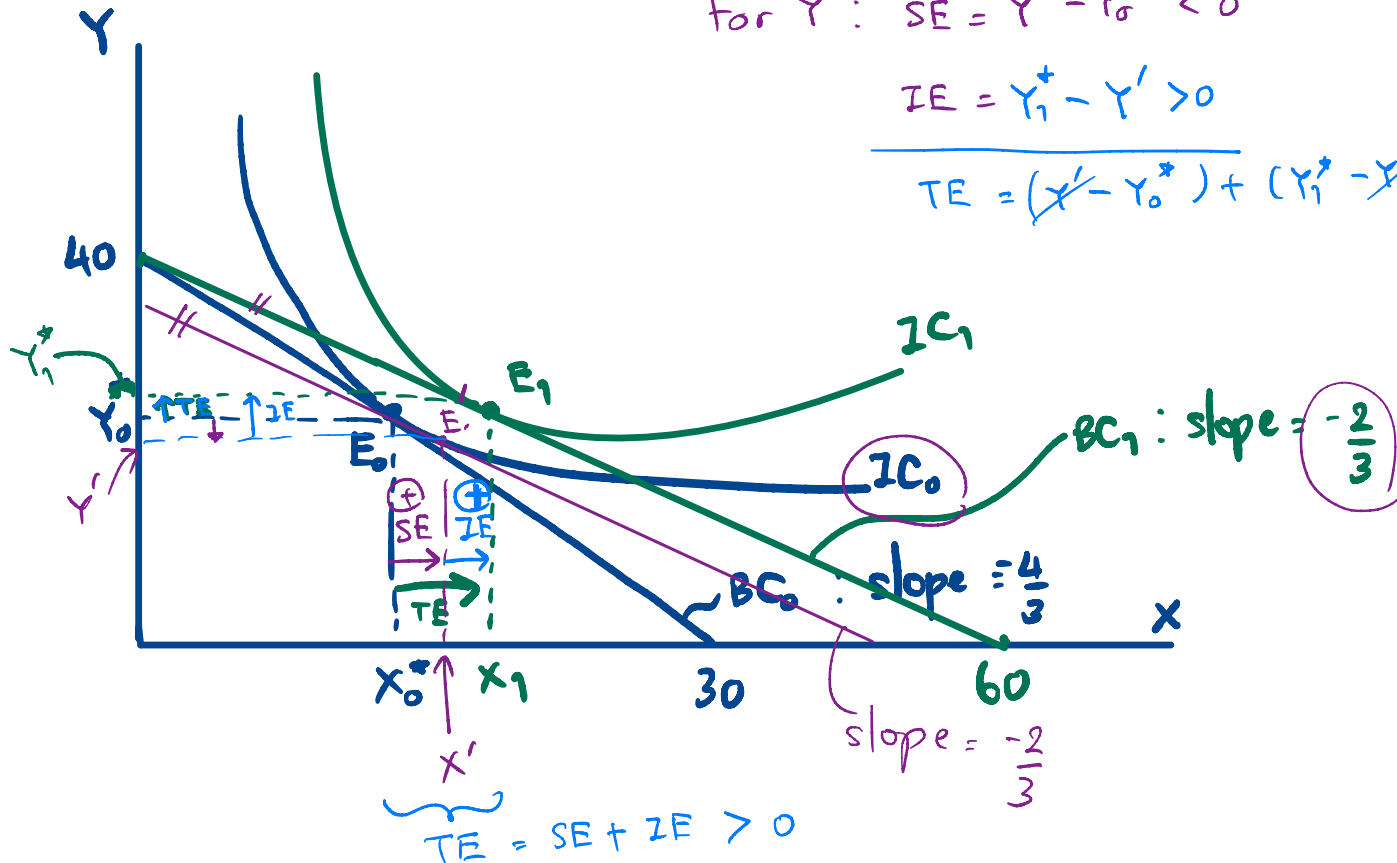
Ex: Suppose the gov't gives a $\$2$ per-unit subsidy for good X .

Let $P_x = 4$, $P_y = 3$, $B = 120$. $\Rightarrow P_x' = 4 - 2 = 2$.
 \hookrightarrow same effect as price reduction.

$$\text{For } Y: SE = Y' - Y_0^* < 0$$

$$IE = Y_1^* - Y' > 0$$

$$TE = (X' - Y_0^*) + (Y_1^* - Y') = Y_1^* - Y_0^* > 0$$



Application 3: Voucher → "Food Stamp".

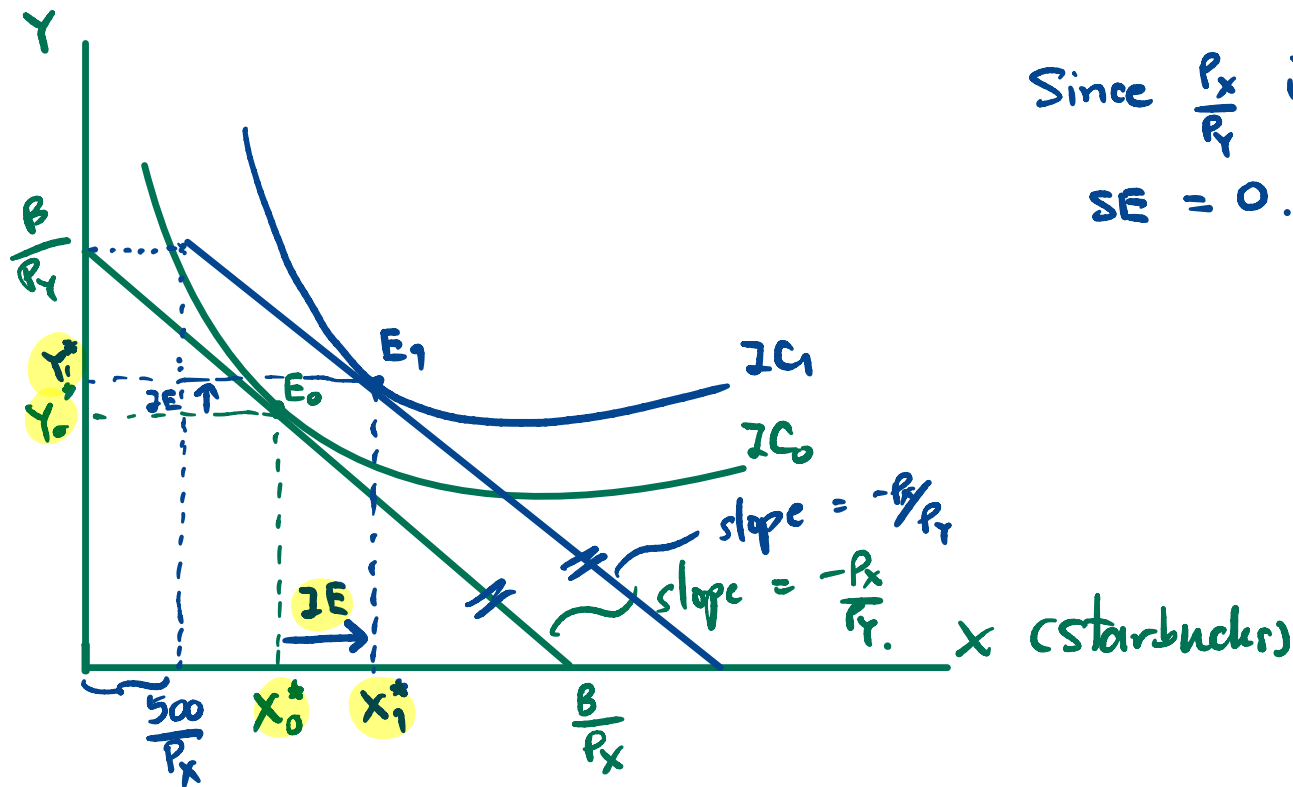
Ex: Suppose you receive a ฿500 starbucks coupon.

(X is starbucks coffee ; Y is other goods).

can be spent on X only.

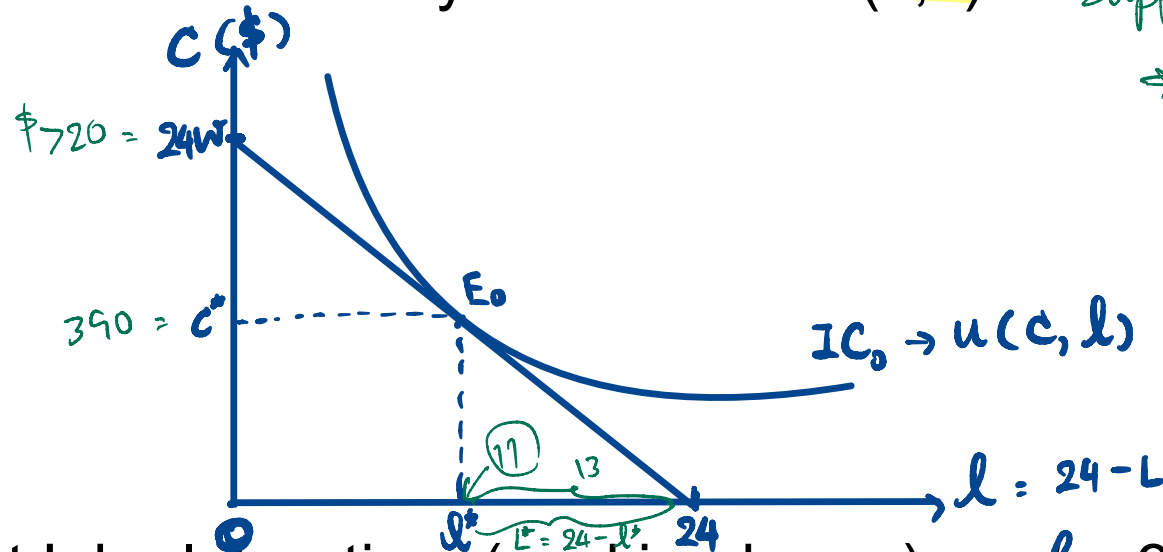
* P_X & P_Y don't change.
 $\Rightarrow \frac{P_X}{P_Y}$ is the same.

$$X = \frac{500}{P_X}$$



Application 4: Work-Leisure Analysis

- Suppose consumer's utility depends on consumption of all goods (c) and leisure (l). Constraint is time, say 24 hours.
- We can write utility function as $U(c, l)$.



Suppose $w = \$30/\text{hr.}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Max } C = 24 \times \$30 = \$720.$$

Suppose $l^* = 11.$

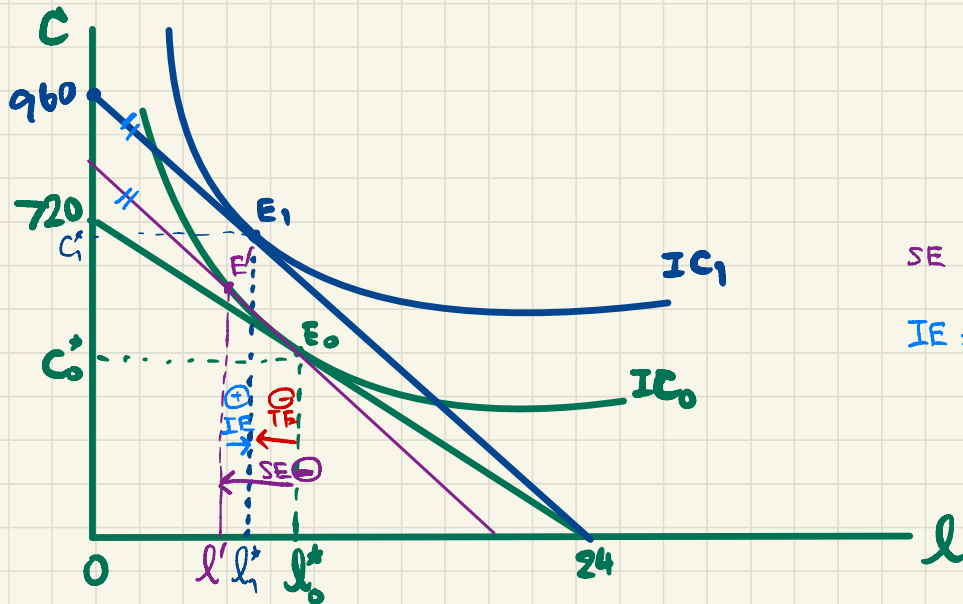
$$\Rightarrow L^* = 24 - 11 = 13.$$

$$\Rightarrow c^* = 13 \times \$30 = 390$$

- Let L be labor time (working hours), so $l = 24 - L \Rightarrow L = 24 - l$
 Suppose the wage rate per hour is w . The constraint can be written as:
 - total income = $wL \Rightarrow \text{max income} = 24 \times w$.
 - total expenditure = $p_c \cdot C$. Assume $p_c = \$1 \rightarrow \text{TEexp} = C$.
- BC: $C = wL = w(24 - l) = 24w - wl$

① **IE < SE** : Suppose $w \uparrow$ from $w_0 = \$30/\text{hr.}$ to $w_1 = \$40/\text{hr.}$

$\hookrightarrow C_{\max} = \720
 (24×30)
 \downarrow
 24×40
 $= \$960$



$$SE = l' - l_0^* < 0 \quad (w \uparrow \Rightarrow l \downarrow; L \uparrow)$$

$$IE = l_1^* - l' > 0 \quad (w \uparrow \Rightarrow l \uparrow)$$

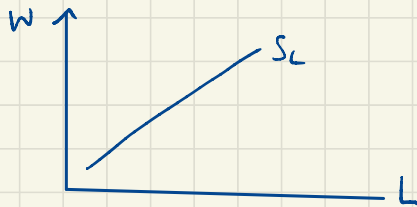
$$|SE| > |IE|$$

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$$TE = (l' - l_0^*) + (l_1^* - l')$$

$$= l_1^* - l_0^* < 0$$

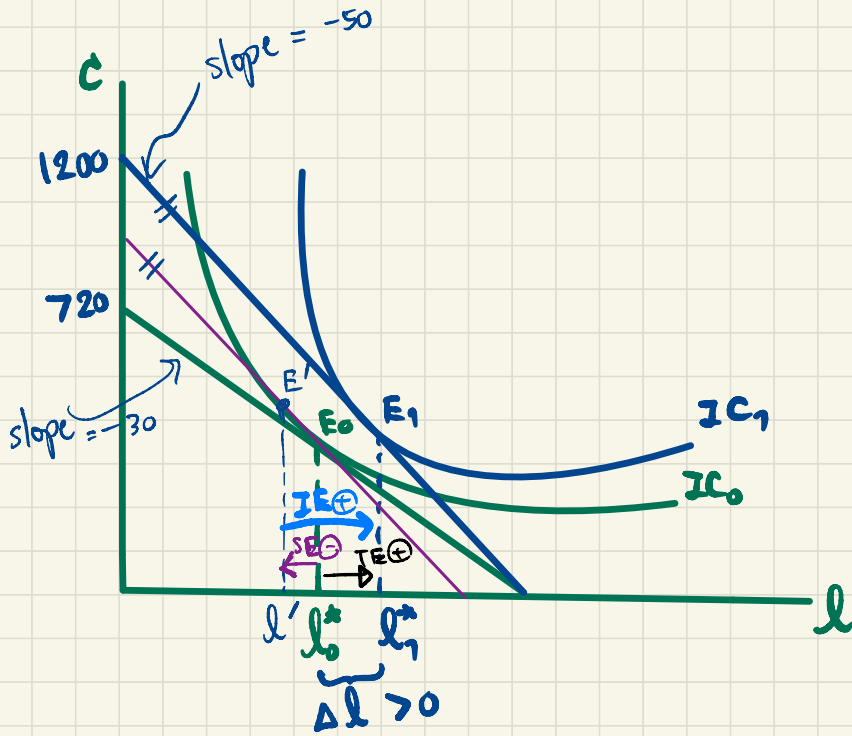
\therefore As wage increases, optimal leisure decreases (ie. optimal work hours \uparrow)



② $SE < IE$

: Suppose $w_0 = \$30/hr.$, $w_2 = \$50/hr.$

↳ max $C = \$1200$
($\$50 \times 24$).

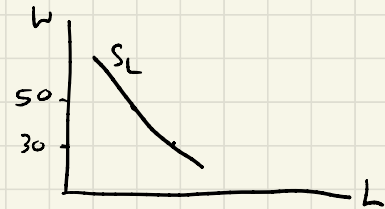


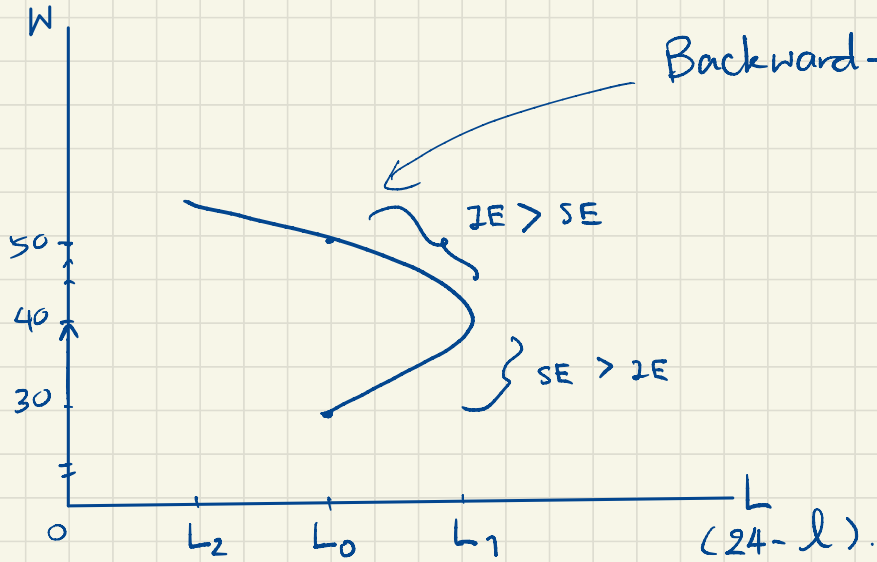
SE on $l = l' - l^* < 0$

IE on $l = l_1^* - l' > 0$

TE on $l = SE + IE$
 $= l_1^* - l^* > 0$

∴ As $w \uparrow$, $l^* \uparrow$ ($L^* \downarrow$)





Backward-bending supply of labor.

Application 5: Intertemporal Consumption