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Big picture

- PTE (Price-taking equilibrium) \neq PCE (Perfectly competitive equilibrium)
 - What is PTE for a given economy?
 - What is price?
- Incentives
 - Double auctions, matching, GE
 - Mechanism design (planner's problem)

Answer: Perfect competition

Individual marginal productivity

Devote a lot of time to linear programming and standard model.

↳ Read lecture notes on linear programming before next week

$MP_i \Rightarrow V - V_i$ Typically, $y_i \leq MP_i$. In PCE, $y_i = MP_i \forall i$

value of economy

• ω endowment • W wealth

• convexity

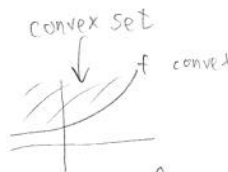
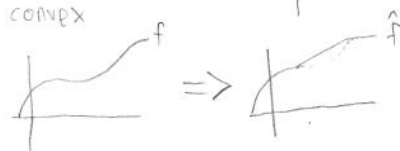


not convex

"convexify" function:



convex



Welfare Theorem

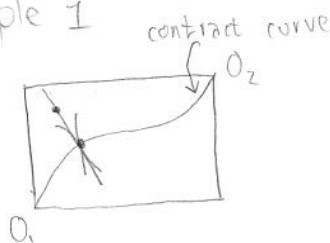
(1) PTE \Rightarrow PO
(no externalities, ...)

- 1. no externalities (private goods)
- 2. price-taking
- 3. local non-satiation

(2) PO \Rightarrow PTE
(no externalities, convexity)

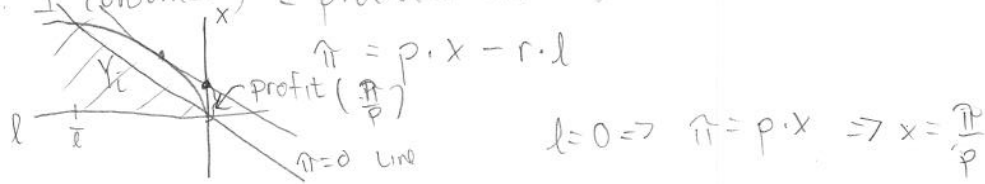
1,2,3 + no convexity

Example 1

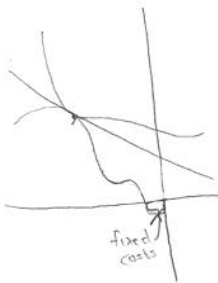
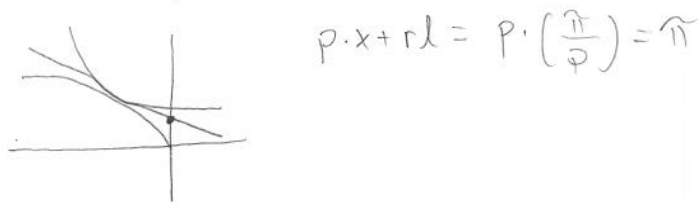
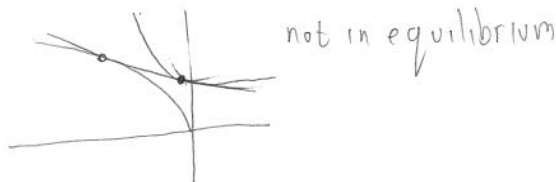


Given a point on contract curve $\exists \omega$ and $\exists p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ it is an equilibrium (2nd Welfare Thm)

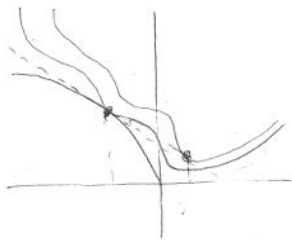
Example 2: 1 consumer; 1 producer economy



$\max_x u(x, l) \text{ st } p \cdot x + r \cdot (\underbrace{\bar{l} - l}_{\text{leisure}}) = w + r \cdot \bar{l}$



We can possibly support an efficient allocation without convexity assumptions.
 2nd welfare thm is sufficient condition.
 Necessary condition is existence of separating hyperplane.

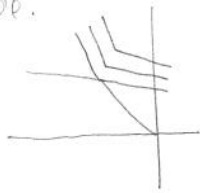


no separating hyperplane.

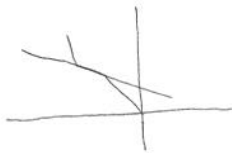
Tripled economy
 3 producers
 3 consumers

Then we can support an efficient allocation with prices.

Example:

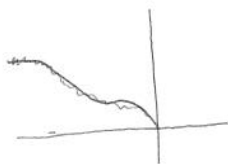


We have a continuum of equilibria here.
Unique allocation though

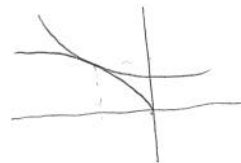
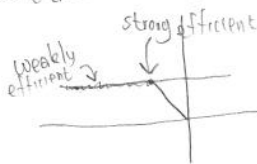


Unique price line
Continuum of allocations

Production efficiency vs. economic efficiency



Production efficiency
- must produce on NE side of prod. set
Weak vs. strong

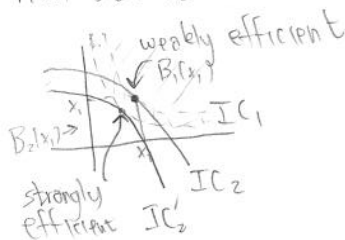


Economic efficiency



Strong economic efficiency

Local non-satiation



at the weakly efficient point, the separating hyperplane separates $B_1(x_1)$ & $B_2(x_2)$

Under non-satiation, weak efficiency \Leftrightarrow strong efficiency

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2 consumers

1 producer

$$u = [y^{-p} + l^{-p}]^{-\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\begin{cases} \bar{L}_1 = 3, & \theta = 0 \\ \bar{L}_2 = 0, & \theta = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$y = 2\sqrt{L}$$

$P_y = 1$; $w =$ price of labor

Firm $\pi = 2\sqrt{L} - wL$

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial L} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} - w = 0 \Rightarrow L^d = \frac{1}{w^2} \Rightarrow y^* = \frac{2}{w} \Rightarrow \pi^* = \frac{1}{w}$$

Consumer 1: $MRS = \frac{MU_x}{MU_y} = \left(\frac{y}{l}\right)^{1+p} = \frac{w}{1} \Rightarrow y = w^{\frac{1}{1+p}} l$

B.C. $y + wl \leq 3w$

$$\Rightarrow (3-l)w = w^{\frac{1}{1+p}} l$$

$$l^* = \frac{3w}{w^{\frac{1}{1+p}} + w}$$

$$y^* = \frac{3w^{\frac{2+p}{1+p}}}{w^{\frac{1}{1+p}} + w}$$

Consumer 2: $y + wl \leq \pi$

$$y + wl = \frac{1}{w}$$

$$y = w^{\frac{1}{1+p}} l$$

$$l^* = \frac{1/w}{w^{\frac{1}{1+p}} + w}$$

Mkt clearing:

$$3 = \frac{1}{w^2} + \frac{3w}{w + w^{\frac{1}{1+p}}} + \frac{1/w}{w + w^{\frac{1}{1+p}}} \quad w^* = 1$$

