

Ex 2.2

$$u_1(x_{11}, x_{12}) = x_{11} + x_{12}$$

$$u_2(x_{21}, x_{22}) = ax_{21} + bx_{22}$$

$$e_1 = (2, 2), \quad e_2 = (2, 1)$$

1 Definition of a Pareto optimal allocation

$\bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2)$ is a P.O.A iff

(i) \bar{x} is a feasible allocation:

$$\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2 = e_1 + e_2$$

(ii) There does not exist any feasible allocation $x' = (x'_1, x'_2)$ such that

$$\forall i \in \{1, 2\} : u_i(x'_i) \geq u_i(\bar{x}_i)$$

$$\text{and } \exists j \in \{1, 2\} \text{ st } : u_j(x'_j) > u_j(\bar{x}_j)$$

$$2) \quad a = b = 1$$

- We know that the set of P.O.A is a subset of the set of feasible allocations (F.A).

$$\text{POA} \subset \text{FA}$$

- Now we have to prove:

$$FA \subset POA.$$

Let $x = (x_1, x_2) \in FA$,

i.e., $x_1 + x_2 = e_1 + e_2$

We have to prove that x is a P.O.A.

Assume that x is NOT a P.O.A.

There exists $x' \in FA$ such that

$$u_i(x'_i) \geq u_i(x_i) \quad \forall i = 1, 2$$

$\exists j \in \{1, 2\}$ such that

$$u_j(x'_j) > u_j(x_j)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{aligned} x'_{i1} + x'_{i2} &\geq x_{i1} + x_{i2}, \\ &\forall i = 1, 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$x'_{j1} + x'_{j2} > x_{j1} + x_{j2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x'_{11} + x'_{12}) + (x'_{21} + x'_{22})$$

$$> (x_{11} + x_{12}) + (x_{21} + x_{22})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x'_{11} + x'_{21}) + (x'_{12} + x'_{22})$$

$$> (x_{11} + x_{21}) + (x_{12} + x_{22})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4 + 3 > 4 + 3$$

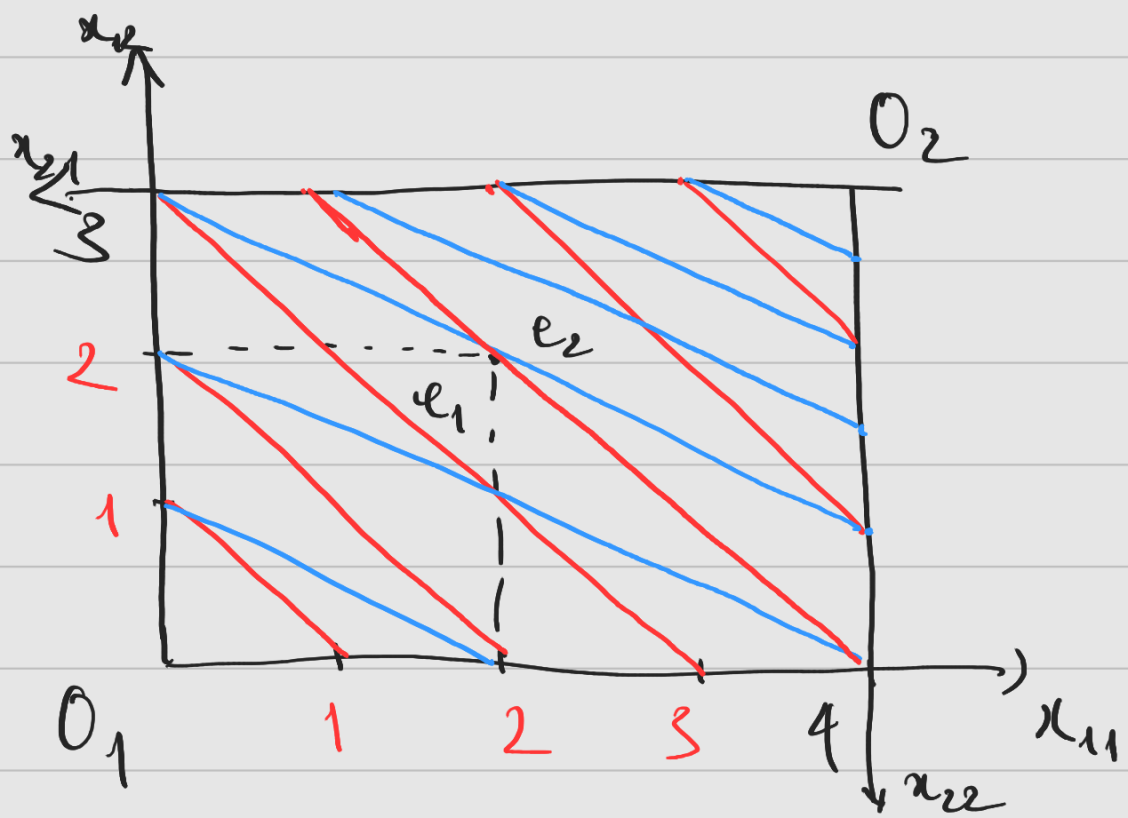
(Impossible!)

$\Rightarrow x$ is a POA.

$\rightarrow FA = POA$

$$3) a = 1, b = 2$$

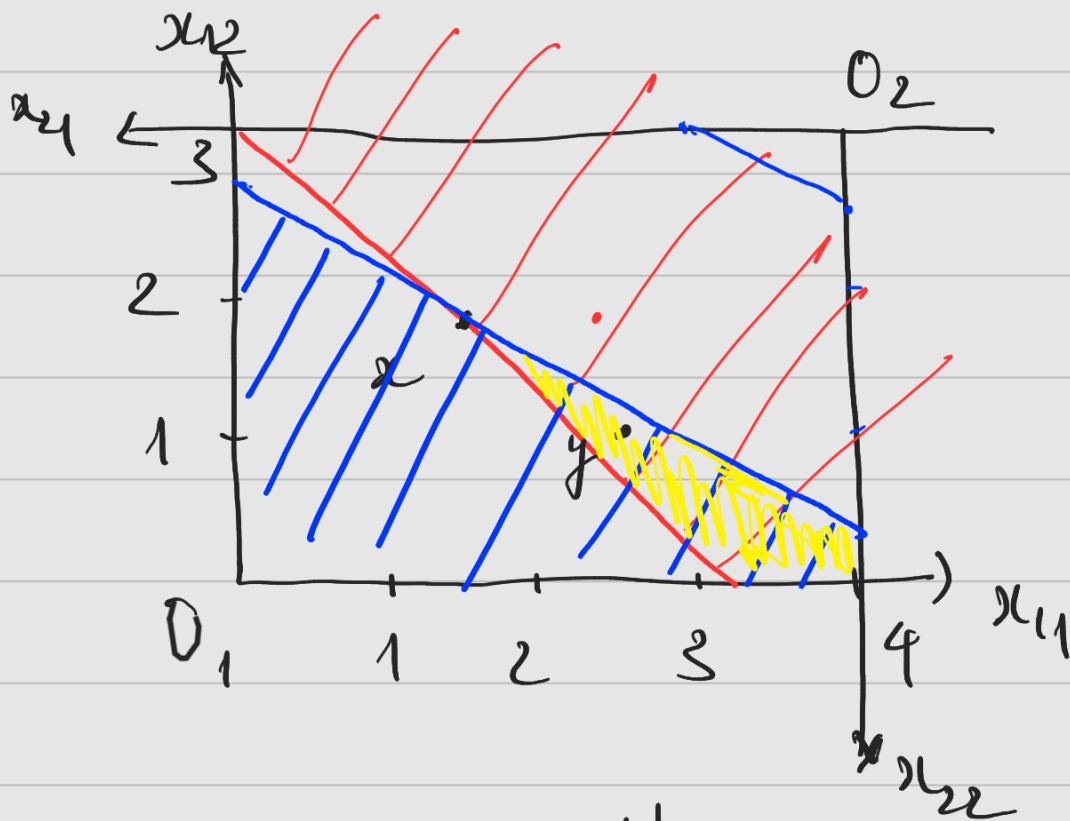
$$u_2(x_{21}, x_{22}) = x_{21} + 2x_{22}$$



red lines : indifferent curves of consumer 1

blue lines : indifferent curves of consumer 2

4)



Consider a feasible allocation x that belongs to the interior of the Edgeworth box.

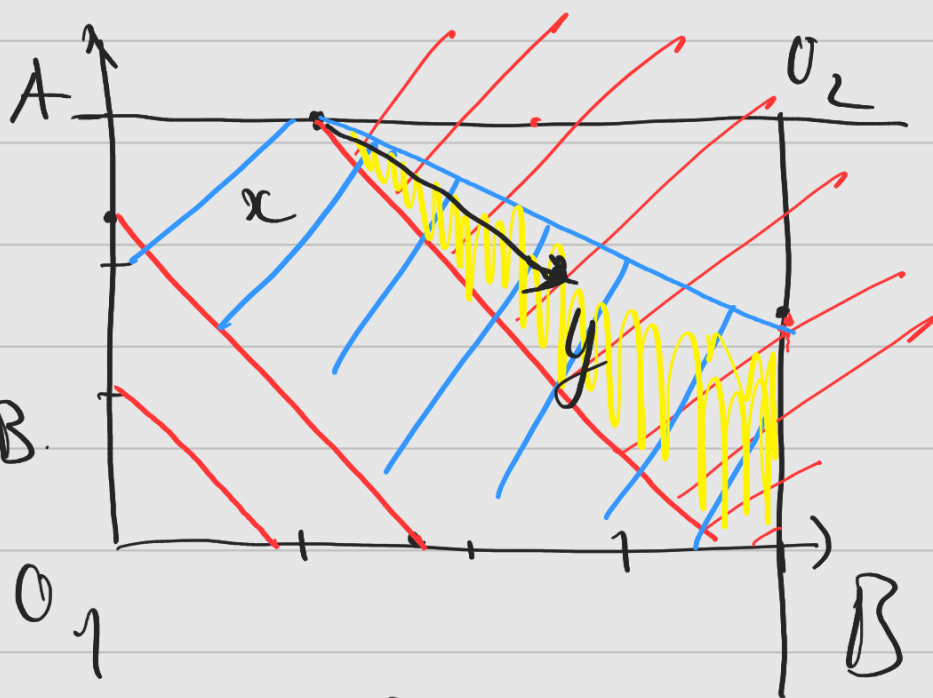
- The yellow area is the intersection of the upper contour sets of both consumers
- Any point in the interior of the yellow area is a strict improvement

of x , (e.g. point y)
 $\Rightarrow x$ is NOT a POA.

\Rightarrow All interior points of EB are NOT POA.

• If $x \in \text{bd}(EB)$

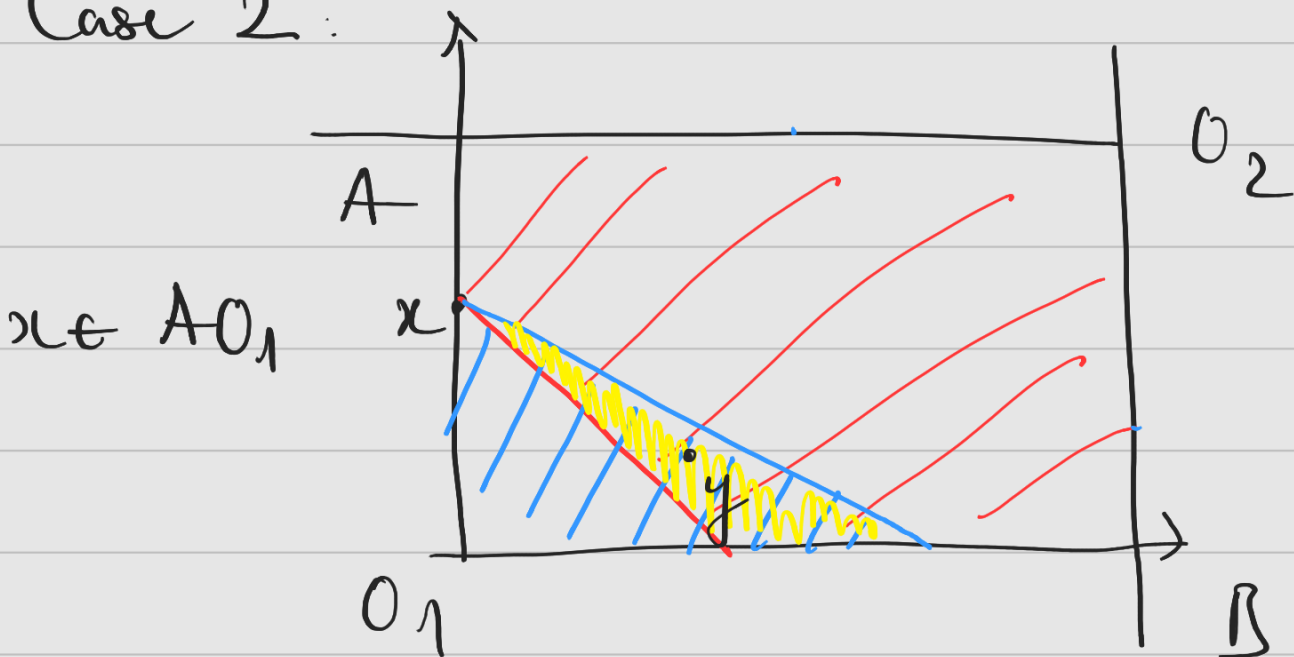
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 boundary of the EB.



Case 1: $x \in O_2 A$.

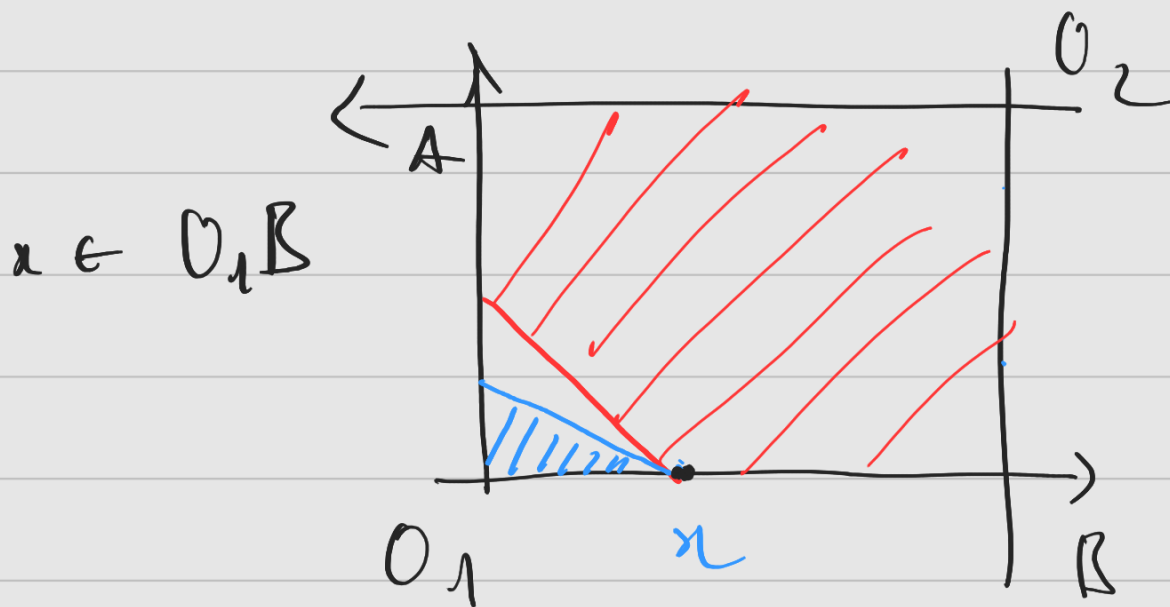
x is not a POA.

Case 2:



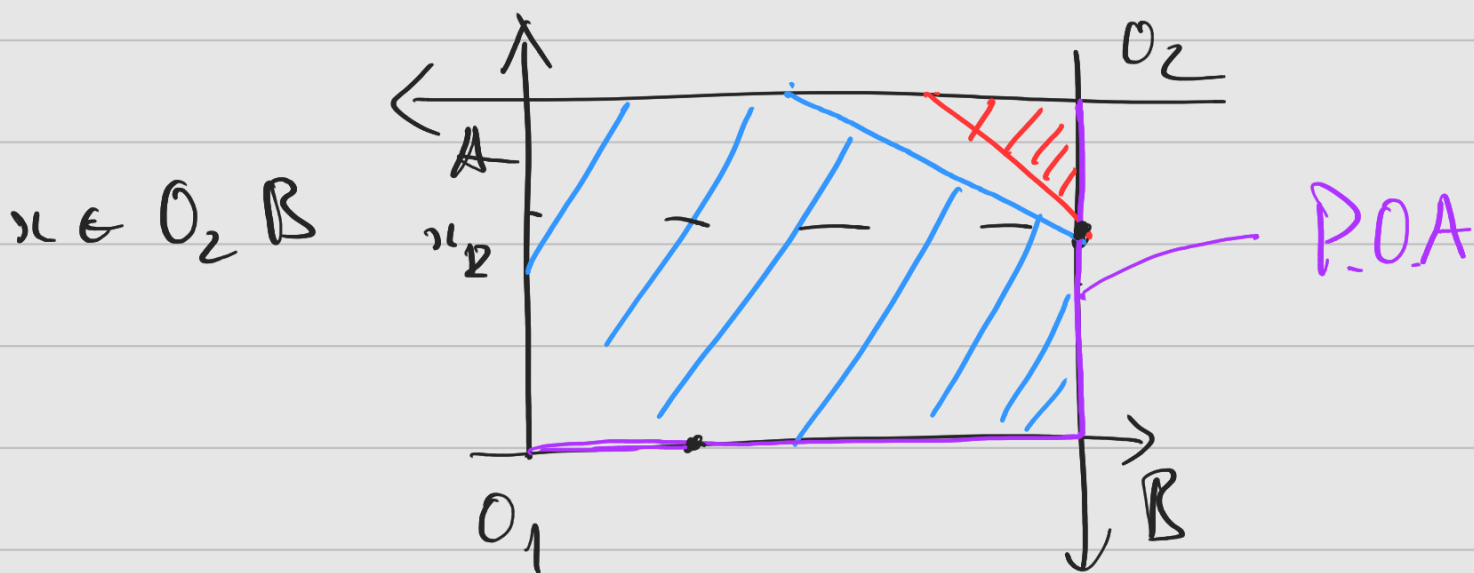
x is not a POA.

Case 3:



x is a POA

Case 4:



x is a POA

The set of POA is:

$$\left\{ (x_u, 0), (4-x_u, 3) \mid x_u \in [0, 4] \right\}$$

$$U \left\{ (4, x_{12}), (0, 8 - x_{12}) \mid x_{12} \in [0, 8] \right\}$$

Ex 25:

$$u_1(x_{11}, x_{12}) = \frac{1}{3} \ln x_{11} + \frac{2}{3} \ln x_{12}$$

$$u_2(x_{21}, x_{22}) = \frac{1}{4} \ln x_{21} + \frac{3}{4} \ln x_{22}$$

1 let $\bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2)$ be a POA of the economy.

It is straightforward that $\bar{x} \gg 0$

There exists $\lambda > 0$ such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla u_1(\bar{x}_1) = \lambda \nabla u_2(\bar{x}_2) \\ \bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2 = e_1 + e_2 = (2, 2) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\nabla u_1(\bar{x}_1) = \left(\frac{1}{3\bar{x}_{11}}, \frac{2}{3\bar{x}_{12}} \right)$$

$$\nabla u_2(\bar{x}_2) = \left(\frac{1}{4\bar{x}_{21}}, \frac{3}{4\bar{x}_{22}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{3\bar{x}_{11}} = \lambda \cdot \frac{1}{4\bar{x}_{21}} \\ \frac{2}{3\bar{x}_{12}} = \lambda \cdot \frac{3}{4\bar{x}_{22}} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{x}_{12}}{2\bar{x}_{11}} = \frac{\bar{x}_{22}}{3\bar{x}_{21}} \quad (*)$$

We have:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{x}_{11} + \bar{x}_{21} = 2 \\ \bar{x}_{12} + \bar{x}_{22} = 2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{x}_{21} = 2 - \bar{x}_{11} \\ \bar{x}_{22} = 2 - \bar{x}_{12} \end{array} \right.$$

$$(*) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\bar{x}_{12}}{2\bar{x}_{11}} = \frac{2 - \bar{x}_{12}}{3(2 - \bar{x}_{11})}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{x}_{12} (6 - 3\bar{x}_{11}) = \bar{x}_{11} (4 - 2\bar{x}_{12})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6\bar{x}_{12} - 3\bar{x}_{11} \cdot \bar{x}_{12} = 4\bar{x}_{11} - 2\bar{x}_{11} \cdot \bar{x}_{12}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 6\bar{x}_{12} = 4\bar{x}_{11} + \bar{x}_{11} \cdot \bar{x}_{12}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{x}_{12}(6 - \bar{x}_{11}) = 4\bar{x}_{11}$$

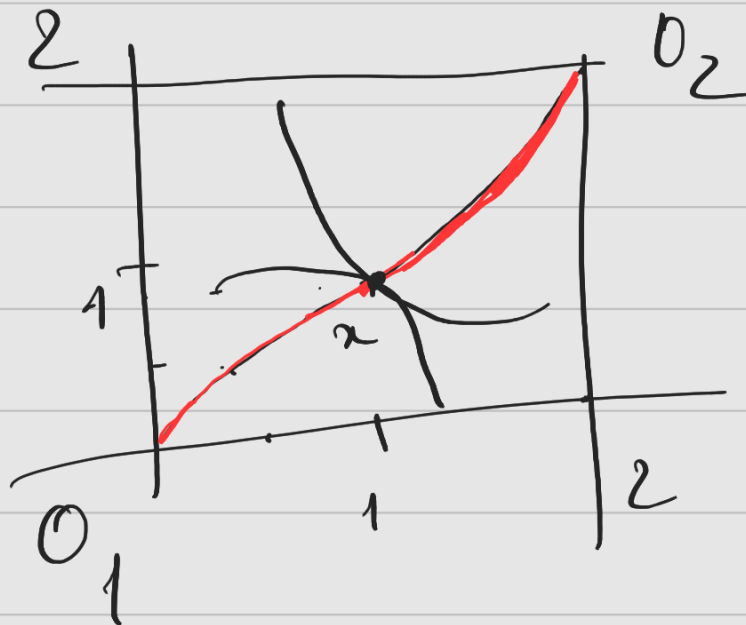
$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{x}_{12} = \frac{4\bar{x}_{11}}{6 - \bar{x}_{11}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x}_1 = \left(\bar{x}_{11}, \frac{4\bar{x}_{11}}{6 - \bar{x}_{11}} \right)$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = \left(2 - \bar{x}_{11}, 2 - \frac{4\bar{x}_{11}}{6 - \bar{x}_{11}} \right)$$

$$POA = \left\{ \left(\bar{x}_{11}, \frac{4\bar{x}_{11}}{6 - \bar{x}_{11}} \right); \left(2 - \bar{x}_{11}, 2 - \frac{4\bar{x}_{11}}{6 - \bar{x}_{11}} \right) \right\}$$

$\forall \bar{x}_{11} \in (0, 2)$



2) let $\bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2)$ be a POA

st.

$$\bar{x}_{11} = \bar{x}_{21}$$

We have: $\bar{x}_{21} = 2 - \bar{x}_{11} = \bar{x}_{11}$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x}_{11} = \bar{x}_{21} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x}_1 = \left(1, \frac{4}{5} \right)$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = \left(1, \frac{6}{5} \right)$$

$$3) x^* = \bar{x} = \left(\left(1, \frac{4}{5} \right), \left(1, \frac{6}{5} \right) \right)$$

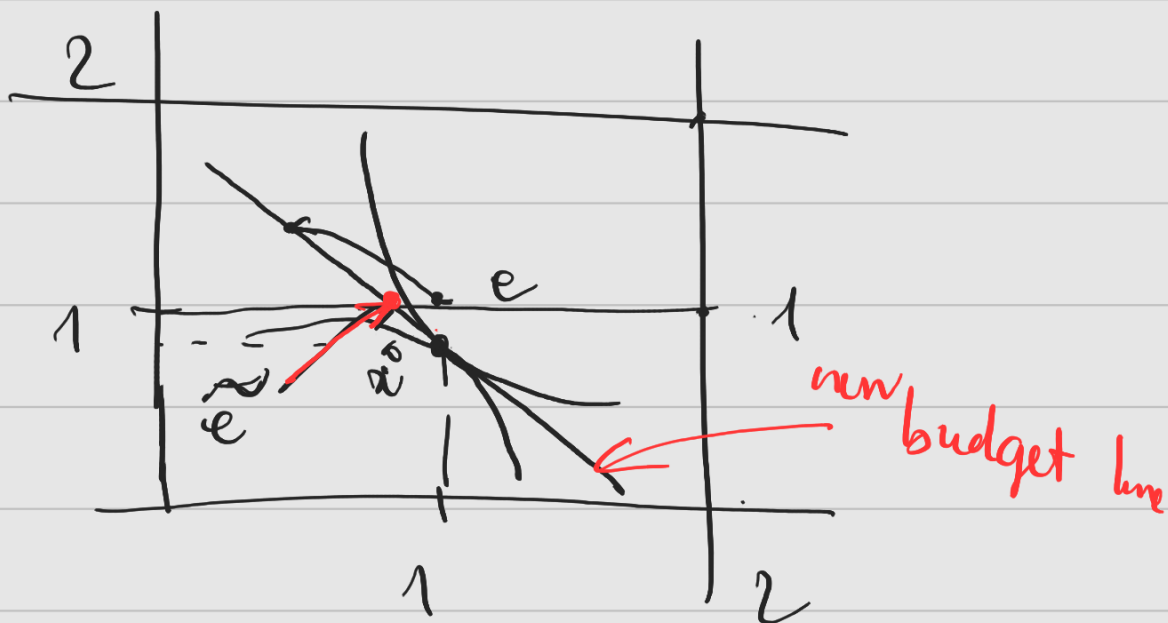
let us call the transfer of commodity

1 : t

$$e_1 \longrightarrow (1+t, 1) = \tilde{e}_1$$

$$e_2 \longrightarrow (1-t, 1) = \tilde{e}_2$$

Find t such that: x^* is a C.E.



We have

$$\text{E)} \quad p^* = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{8}{15} \right) = \nabla u_1(x^*)$$

We must have:

$$p^* \tilde{e}_i = p^* \cdot x_i^* \quad \forall i=1,2$$

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$$\text{E)} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{3} \cdot (1+t) + \frac{8}{15} &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{8}{15} \cdot \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{1}{3} (1-t) + \frac{8}{15} &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{8}{15} \cdot \frac{6}{5} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$\Rightarrow \left(+ = ? \right)$