

Chapter 5 (pp 208-243)

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Homework for Feb 22

- Finish reading Chapter 5
- Replicate figures 5.7, 5.8, and 5.9
- Prepare questions for Bank of Mexico sesión.

Quiz 10

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2. Calculate the first order conditions needed to compute the equilibrium solution to this model.
 - a. Write the solution for the k_1 in terms of the model parameters.
3. Set up the utility function to compute the decentralized solution.
 - a. What is the combined budget constraint for the consumer?
 - b. Express this constraint in a way that shows that the present value of income = present value of expenditures.
4. Derive the supply and demand curves for capital in this simple two period model with capital.
5. Explain why the relative price of capital is $1+r$ in this simple model?

The agent's maximization problem

$$u(c_0, c_1) = \ln c_0 + \beta \ln c_1$$

$$y_0 = c_0 + k_1$$

$$c_1 = A_G(k_1)^{1-\gamma}$$

We are treating labor and leisure as fixed and the initial endowment of output is exogenous.

Capital depreciation rate is 100%. It is completely used up in the production process.

Question #2a

- What is the general expression for the capital stock, that is, before calibration?

$$k_1 = y_0 \beta (1-\gamma) / (1 + \beta (1-\gamma))$$

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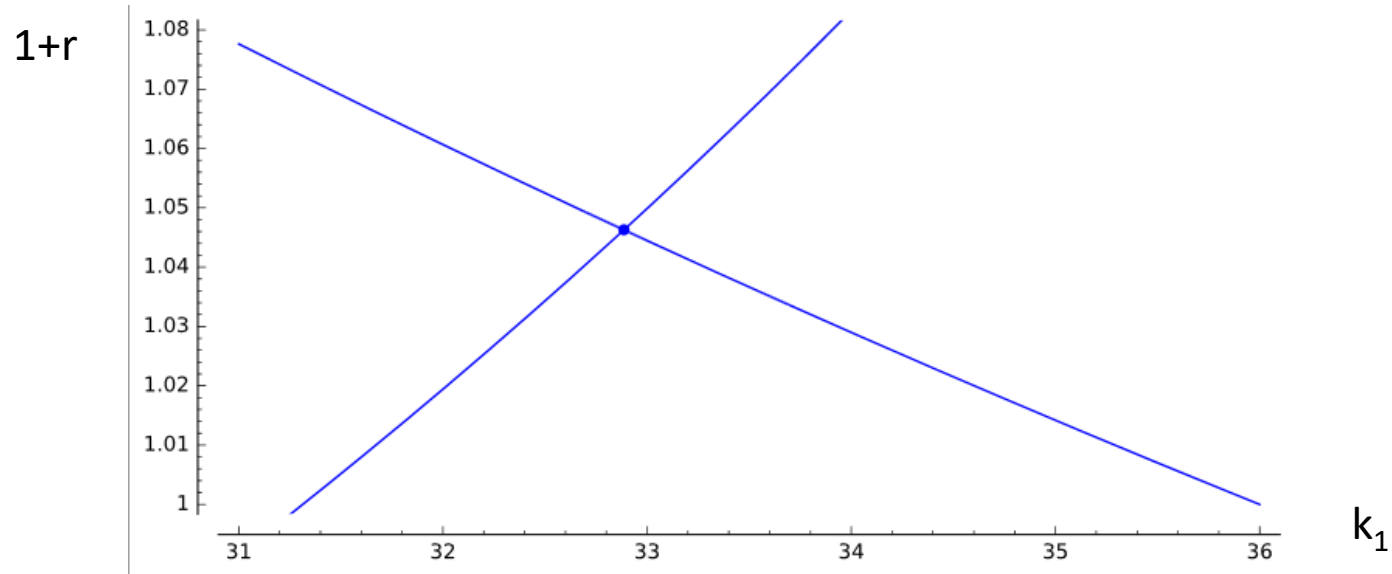
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The Market for Capital

- What is the price of capital?
- Plot Figure 5.4 (Market for capital)
- Solve for k^s in terms of $(1+r)$ and Π
- Solve for k^d in terms of $(1+r)$
- Use k^d to calculate Π in terms of $(1+r)$
- Invert k^s and k^d and plot Figure 5.6

Figure 5.4 The Market for Capital



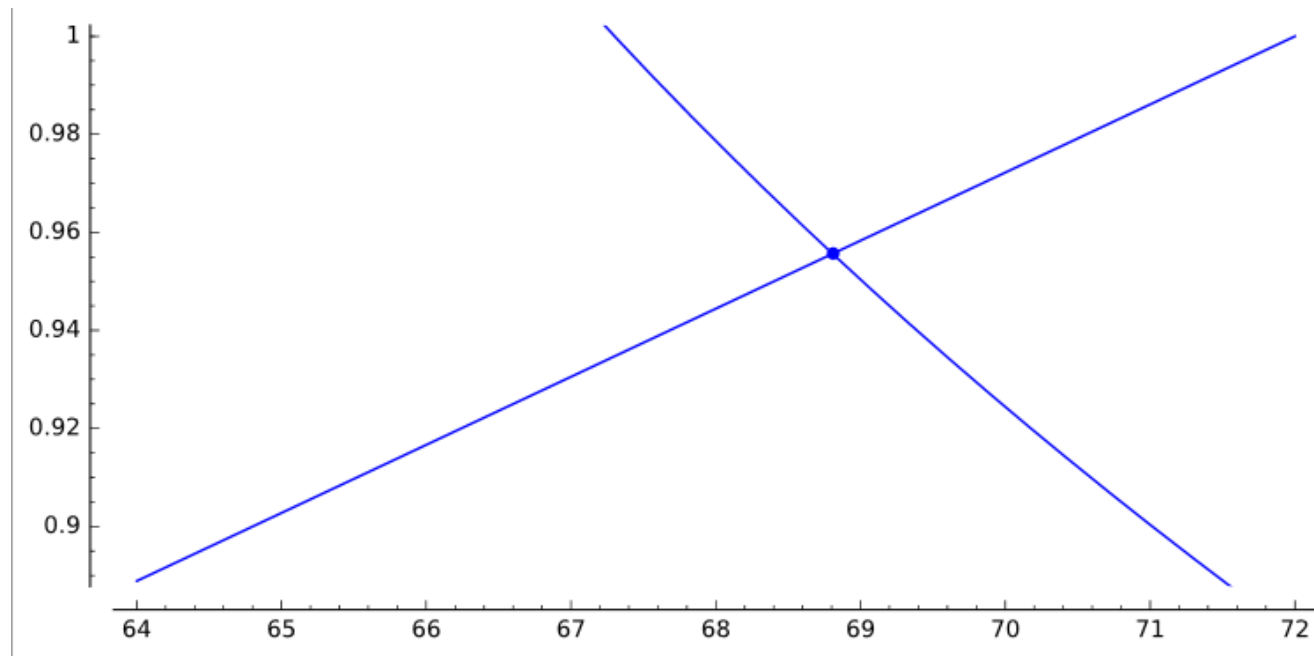
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The Market for Future Consumption

- What is the price of future consumption?
- Plot Figure 5.5 (market for c_1)
- Solve for c_1^s in terms of $(1+r)$
- Solve for c^d in terms of $(1+r)$
- Use budget constraint to generate c^d function
- Solve in terms of $1/(1+r)$ and plot Figure 5.5

Figure 5.5 The market for future consumption

$1/(1+r)$



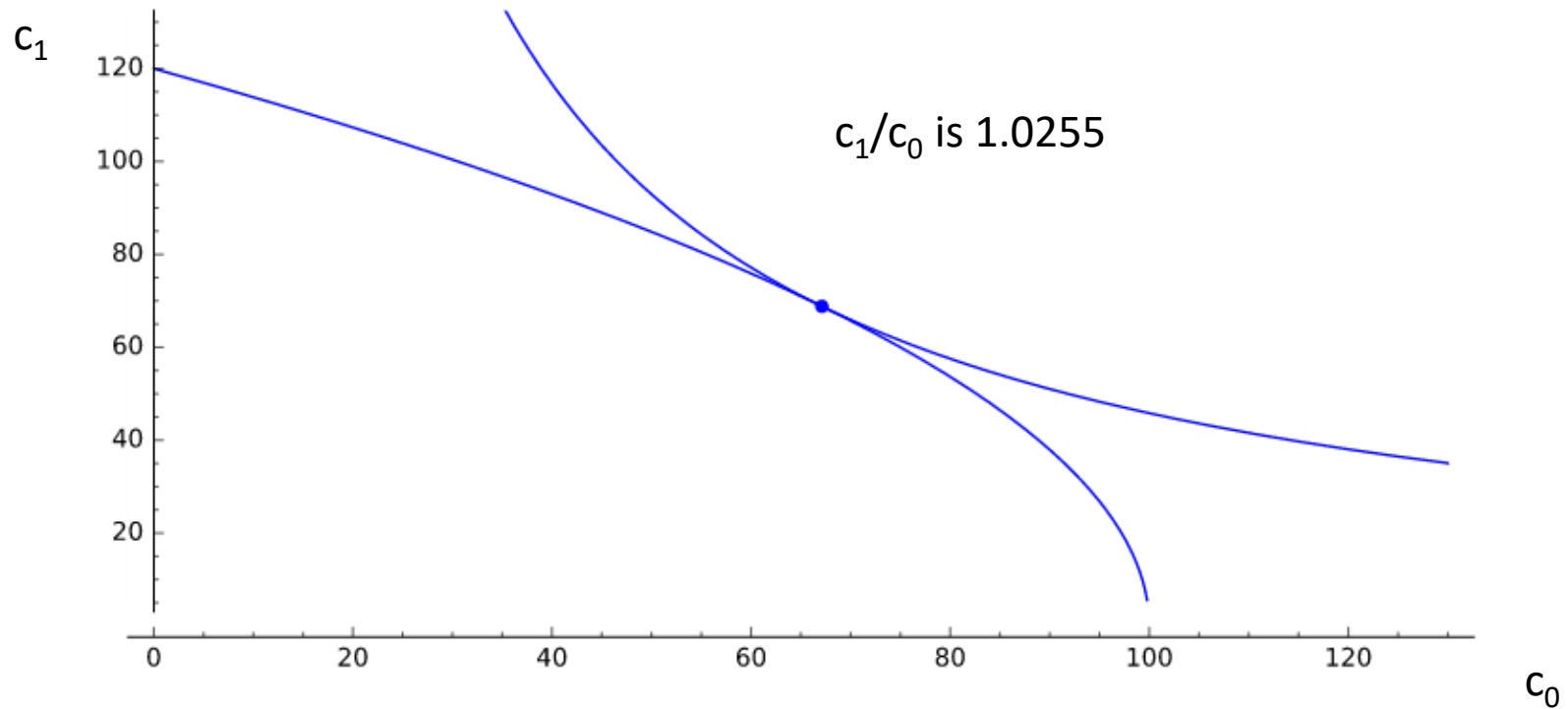
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4*17.82*49.49)^.5), 64, 72, ymin=.89, ymax=1) + point((68.81,.9557), size=30)
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c_1

Graph the equilibrium in (c_0, c_1)

- Calibrate the model, assuming values for the productivity factor, the discount factor and the capital share in the Cobb-Douglas production function.
- Solve for the first order conditions in terms of the capital stock.
- Compute the expression for the capital stock and use it to express utility in terms of c_0 and c_1 .
- Use it to express the production function for c_1 in terms of c_0 . Using the baseline assumptions in Chapter 5, we get
 - $c_1 = e^{8.3532}/c_0^{(1/.98)}$
 - $c_1 = 12*(100-c_0)^{.5}$
 - Equilibrium $(c_0, c_1) = (67.1, 68.8)$

Figure 5.1 Equilibrium in the Centralized Model

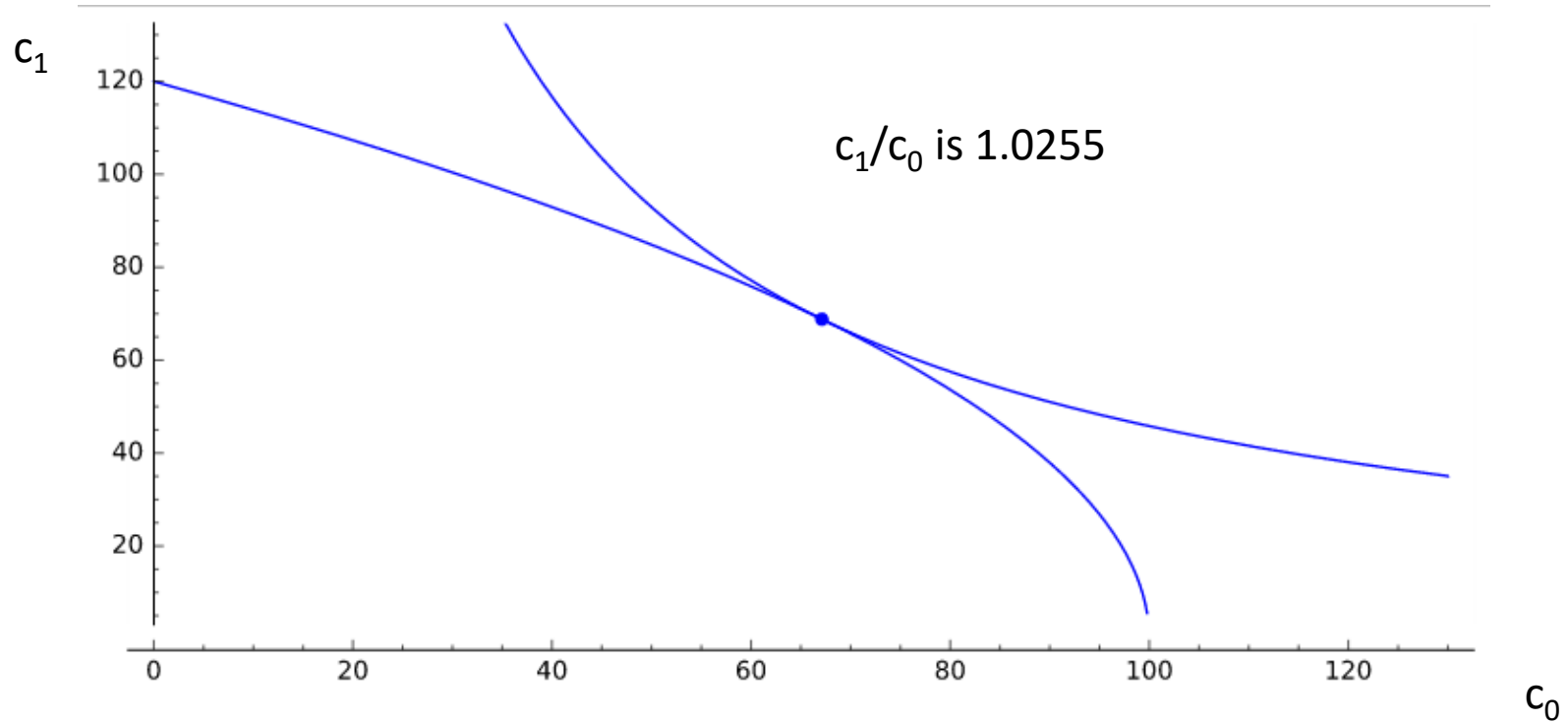


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Figure 5.6 is same as Figure 5.1 with a budget line.

- Use the budget constraint to generate the budget line as $c_1 = a + b c_0$
- Note that $k^s = y_0 - c_0$ from period 0
- $c_1 = \Pi + (1+r) k^s$, and $1+r = 1.0463$ from decentralized model

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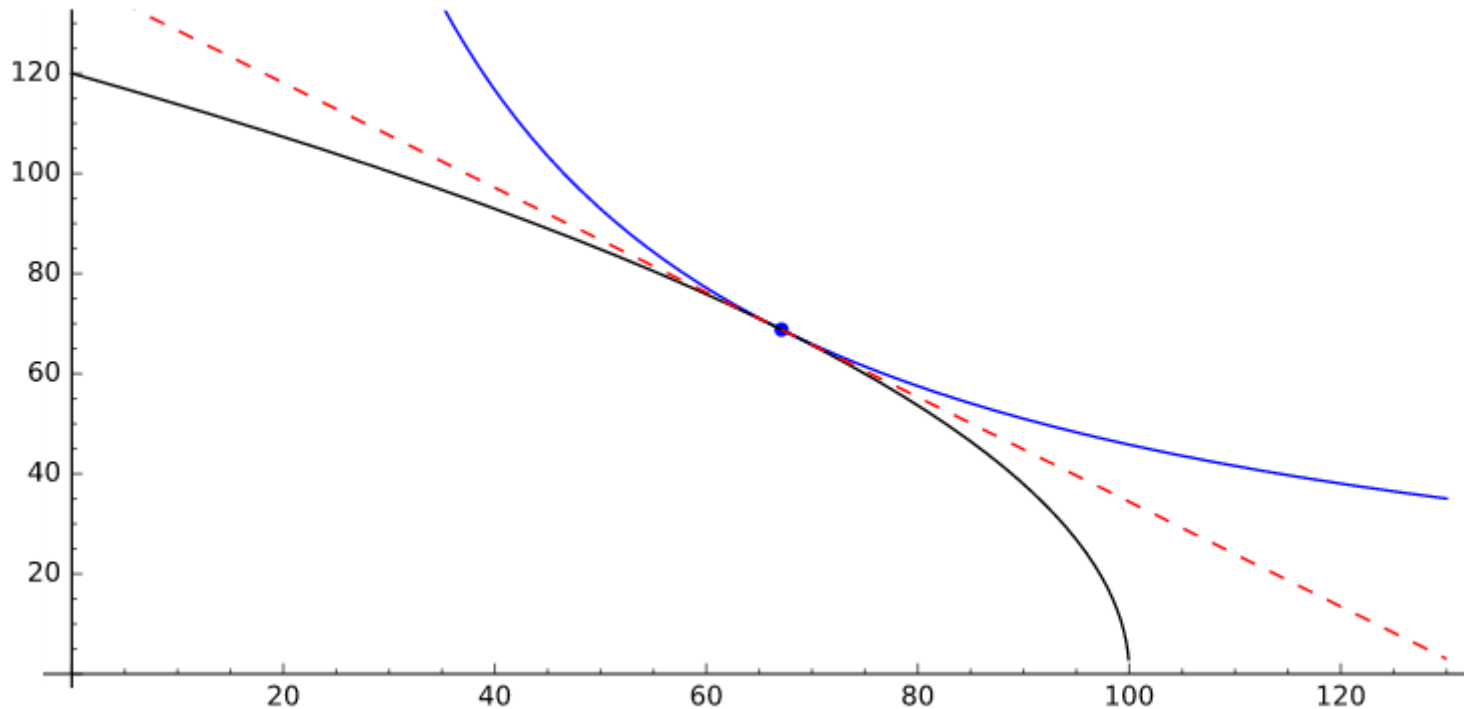
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Assume that A_G doubles in the baseline model

- How do the equilibrium graphs change?
- What happens utility?
- What happens to the capital stock?
 - What happens to c_0 ?
 - What happens to c_1 ?
- What is the general expression for the capital stock, that is, before calibration?

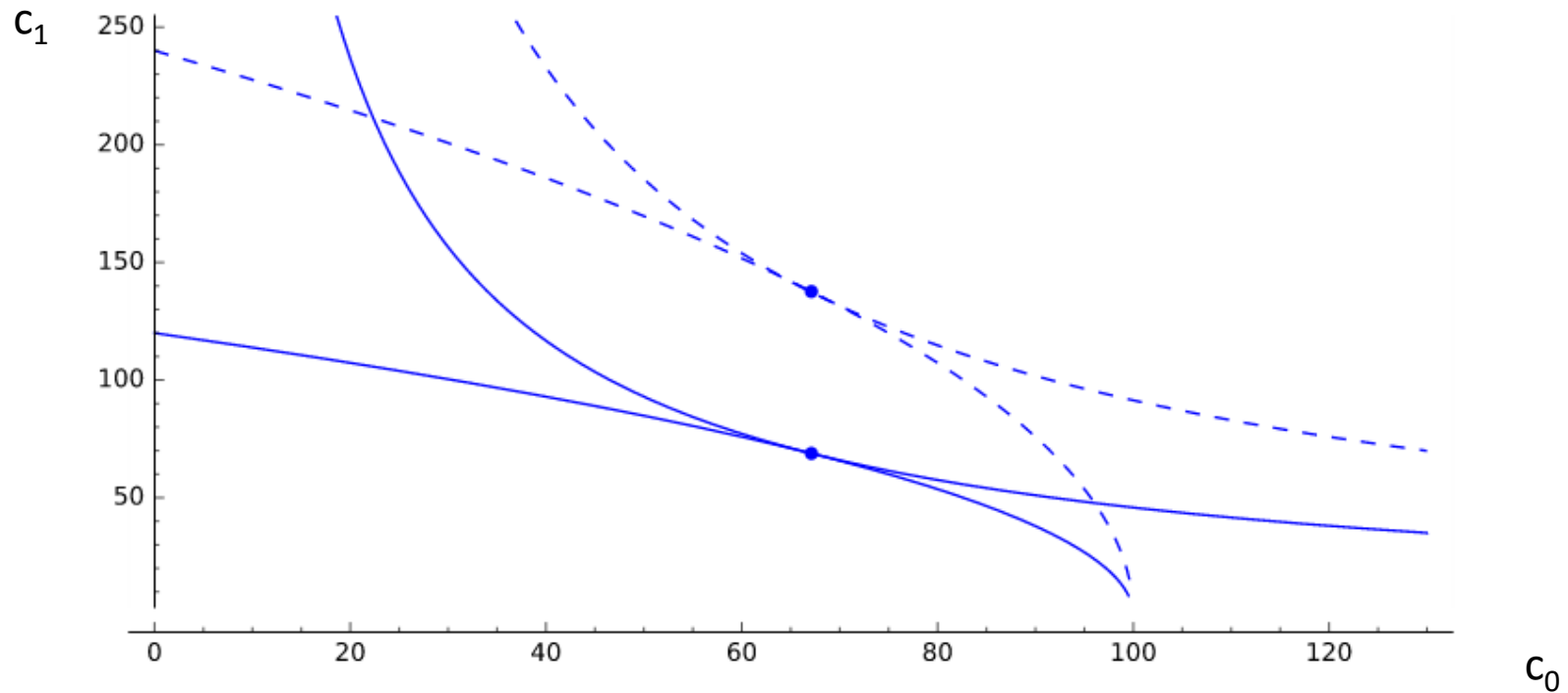
$$k_1 = y_0 \beta (1-\gamma) / (1 + \beta (1-\gamma))$$

Figure 5.6 Equilibrium in the Decentralized Model



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color='black')+point((67.114,68.816), size=30)+plot(-1.0463*c0  
+1.0463*67.114+68.816, 0, 130, ymin=0, linestyle='--', color='red' )
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Figure 5.2 Equilibrium when productivity doubles



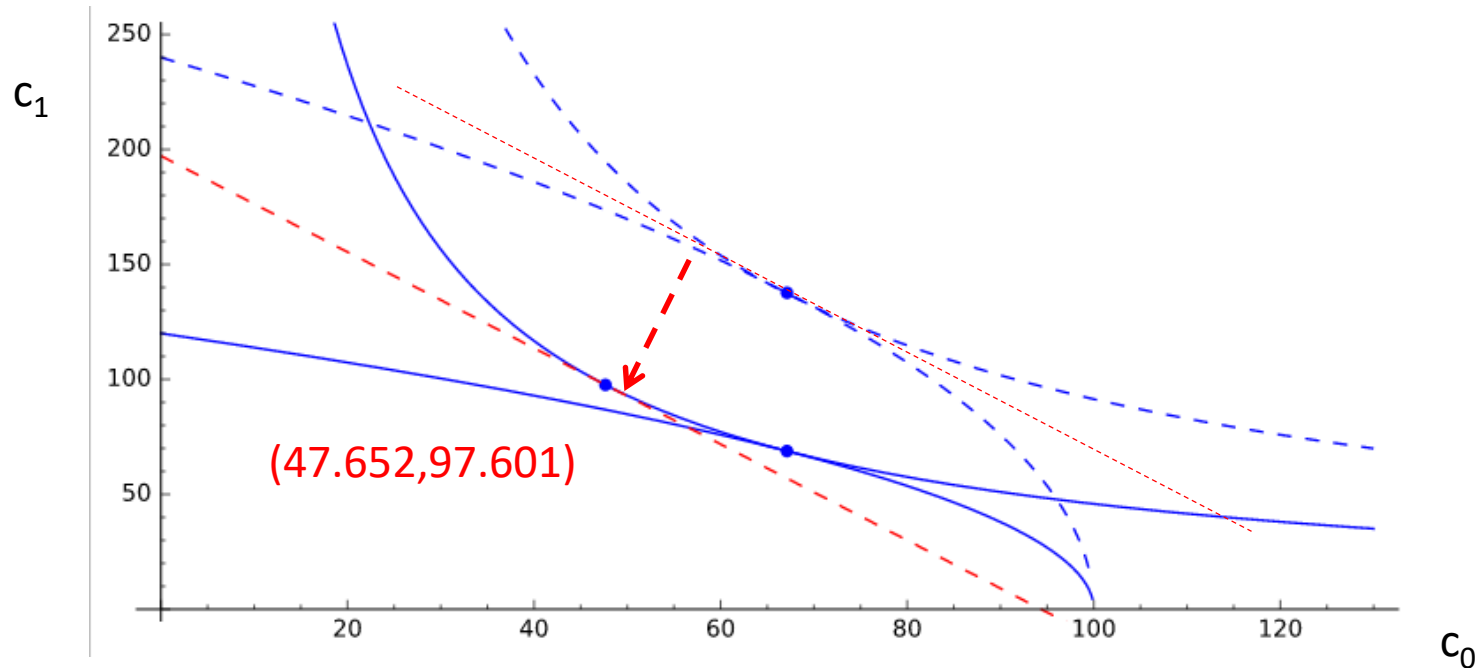
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plot(((e^8.3532)/c0)^(1/.98), 0, 130, ymax=130)+plot(12*(100-c0)^.5, 0, 130)+point((67.114,68.816), size=30)+plot(((e^9.03)/c0)^(1/.98), 0, 130, ymax=250, linestyle='--')+plot(24*(100-c0)^.5, 0, 130, linestyle='--')+point((67.114,137.64), size=30)
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Compute Substitution Effect (pp 216-217)

- Find the point on A's utility that has the slope of B's utility in equilibrium for B.
- $y_0 = 100$, $\beta = .98$,
- You need 2 equations in 2 unknowns (c_0 , c_1)
 - MRS for B: $(\beta/c_1)/(1/c_0) = 2.09$
 - Utility of A is the $\log c_0 + \beta \log c_1$
- At point of substitution effect MRS for A is 2.09

Figure 5.3

Substitution and Income Effects



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plot(((e^8.3532)/c0)^(1/.98), 0, 130, ymax=130)+plot(12*(100-c0)^.5, 0, 130,
130)+point((67.114,68.816), size=30)+plot(((e^9.03)/c0)^(1/.98), 0, 130,
ymax=250, linestyle='--')+plot(24*(100-c0)^.5, 0, 130, linestyle='--
')+point((67.114,137.64), size=30)+point((47.652,97.601), size=30)+plot(-
2.09*c0+2.09*47.652+97.601, 0, 130, ymin=0, linestyle='--', color='red' )
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Homework for Feb 27

- Read Chapter 6 (pp 250 to 275)
- Replicate figures 6.2, 6.4, 6.7, and 6.8
- Read Chapter 7 in preparation for class on Mar 1.
- See revised syllabus (Feb 22)