| Theory of Comparative Costs  |         |          |  |
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| Assumptions  |         |          |  |
| ① Two countries:   |         |          |  |
| ② Two goods:   |         |          |  |
| 3 Ratio of exchanging two goods:   |         |          |  |
| ④ Technology:  |         |          |  |
|  |         |          |  |
| Numerical example  |         |          |  |
|  | England | Portugal |  |
| Clothes  | 100     | 9 0      |  |
| Wine   | 1 2 0   | 8 0      |  |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> century rule: Theory of comparative costs:                                |         |          |  |
| Figure   |         |          |  |
| Suppose the total labor population of England as L, and that of Portugal as $L^{\prime}$ : |         |          |  |
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Implications: