

TAYLOR'S VERSION :)

## Econ 0100 | Fall 2024 | Demo A

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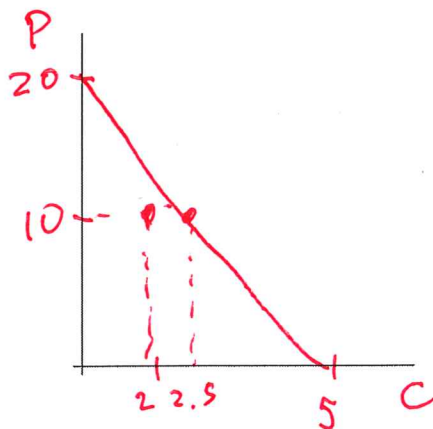
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### Q1 | Colin's PPF

Colin Creevey can bake 20 cornish pasties or 5 cakes in one day. Set up Colin's PPF on an  $x, y$  graph with pasties on the vertical and cakes on the horizontal. What is Colin's opportunity cost of producing 1 cake?

Colin's opportunity cost of one cake: 4P



$$20P = 5C$$

$$\frac{20}{5} P = 1C$$

$$1C = \underline{4P}$$

### Q2 | Efficiency

Suppose Colin bakes 10 pasties and 2 cakes in one day. Is this level of production attainable? Use the graph above or algebra to justify your answer.

Attainable? YES!

### Q3 | Absolute and Comparative Advantage

Katie Bell also bakes cornish pasties and cauldron cakes at a neighboring bakery. She can bake 15 pasties or 8 cakes in one day. Set up a production table and an opportunity cost table. Who has the absolute advantage (AA) and in pasties Who has the comparative advantage (CA) in pasties?

AA in Pasties: Colin

CA in Pasties: Colin

	P	C
Colin	20	5
Katie	15	8

$$15P = 8C$$

$$\frac{15}{8}P = 1C$$

$$1P = \frac{8}{15}C$$

	1P	1C
Colin	$\frac{1}{4}C$	4P
Katie	$\frac{8}{15}C$	$\frac{15}{8}P$

$$1C = 4P$$

$$\frac{1}{4}C = 1P$$

### Q4 | An Improving Trade

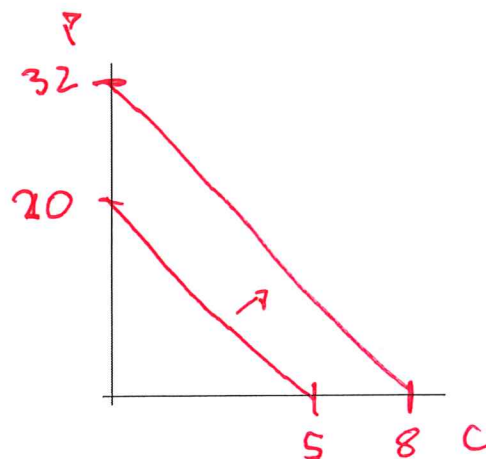
Suppose Colin and Katie realize they can specialize and trade goods. After they specialize, what is a trade that would make them both better off?

1 Cake for 2 Pasties

### Q5 | Changing Labor

It turns out Colin wants to add hours to his job. So he increases from 5 to 8 hours per day. Set up Colin's old and new PPF on the same graph. What is Colin's new opportunity cost of cake?

Colin's new opportunity cost of one cake: 4P



$$32P = 8C$$

$$4P = 1C$$

$$\frac{20}{5}P \text{ per hour} = 4P \text{ per hour}$$

$$4P \cdot 8 = 32P$$