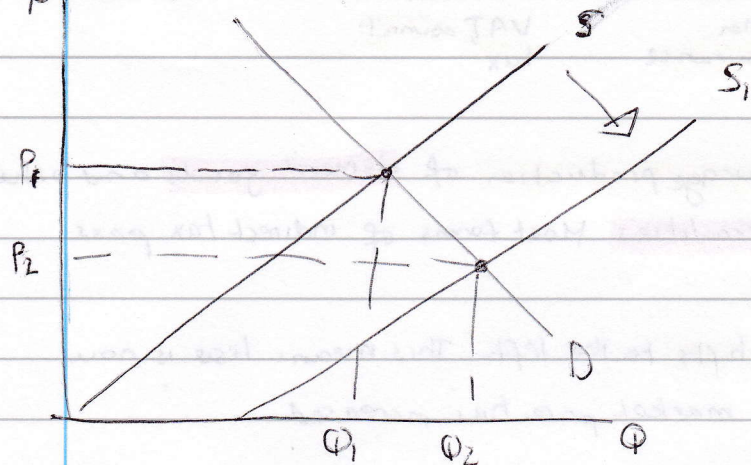


Subsidies

A subsidy is a direct payment made by government to producers of a good or service.

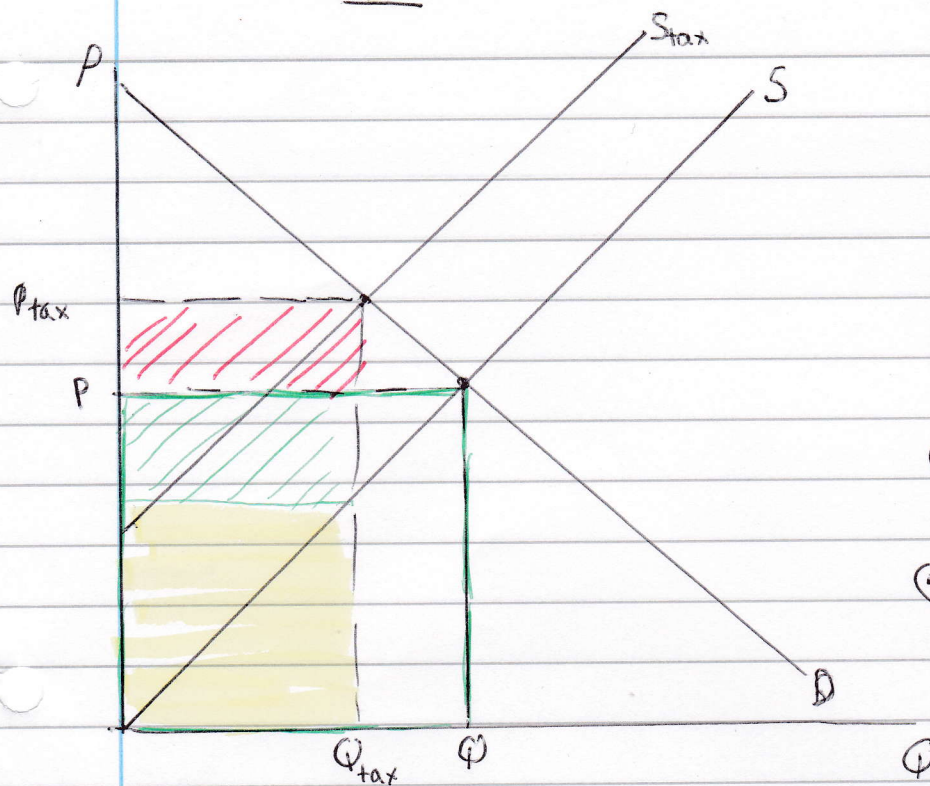


Subsidy $\uparrow$ Supply
 $Q \uparrow$ $P \downarrow$

A subsidy works opposite to indirect tax.

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Taxation



① Tax ↑ costs of production and shifts the curve to the left to S_{tax} .

② Decrease in supply leads to ↑P and ↓Q.

③ Increase in price means consumer surplus is lower

④ Firm pays a proportion of the tax lowering their revenue and profit

⑤ Government receives tax revenue

(P × Q) Firm tax revenue
 Consumer → part of the tax

Government revenue = +
 Firm revenue

Govt revenue is below the firm. The shaded green is the tax therefore the remaining yellow is the firm's revenue

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Indirect Tax - goes to the retailer

The more inelastic, consumers pay higher percentage than ~~the~~ firms.

They just want to have tax revenue.

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DADS

inelastic {
- Fuel Duty
- Alcohol duty
- Cigarette Duty
- Green Tax

- Tax revenue for government ①
- Reduces quantity which helps solve overproduction problem
- Firms ~~get taxed~~ are not taxed as much is inelastic
- ① • May help reduce external costs - less likely to get diseases
- Not S pay less
- more information
- Less people are likely to buy it. Reduces consumption from increased prices.

- The tax may not be used to cover the social cost
- If fast food is inelastic, it doesn't reduce quantity as much.
- inelastic = won't fast by
- Depends on personal ~~pre~~ preference - may be elastic for some
- Consumers get taxed more
- Low incomes - until healthier foods are cheaper
- Used for campaigns or education programmes - encourage kids to be healthier
- Depends on elasticity. Firms will still produce more ~~because~~ for inelastic.

Market failure + Government Intervention

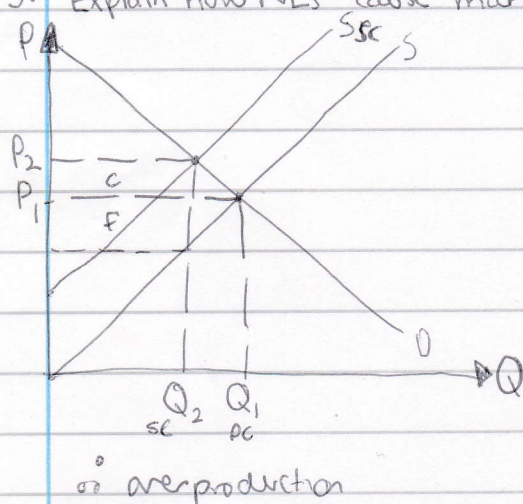
1. Market Failure - where the free market mechanism fails to achieve economic efficiency.

- Resources are not being used in the best way and inefficient use of scarce resources.

2. What is meant by negative externalities?

Social Cost of an activity > Private Cost of an activity.

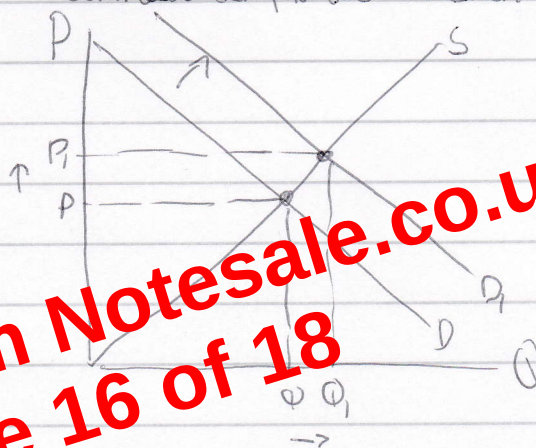
3. Explain how NEs cause market failure.



4. Positive Externalities

$SB > PB$

Social ~~cost~~ benefits are not taken into account.



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Explain what is Information Failure and its implications (6).

too few scarce resources are being allocated

Information Failure is a lack of information resulting in consumers and producers making decisions that do not maximise welfare. One feature of information failure is asymmetrical information. This occurs where information is NOT shared equally between two parties. Therefore, consumers and producers do not make rational decisions about a product. Therefore our welfare isn't maximised as we have missing or inaccurate information. This causes ~~the~~ misallocation of inefficient allocation of resources and therefore market failure.