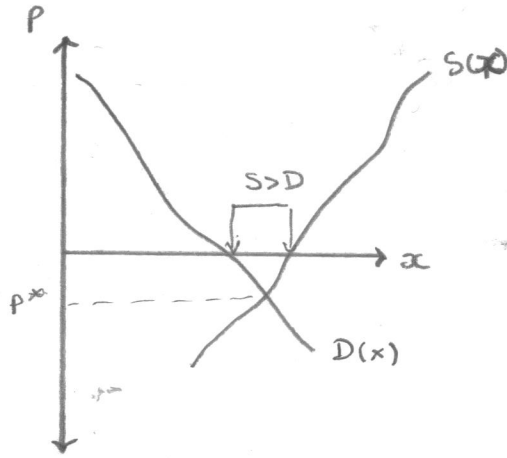


# Tutorial 2

1. "Talk is cheap ..."



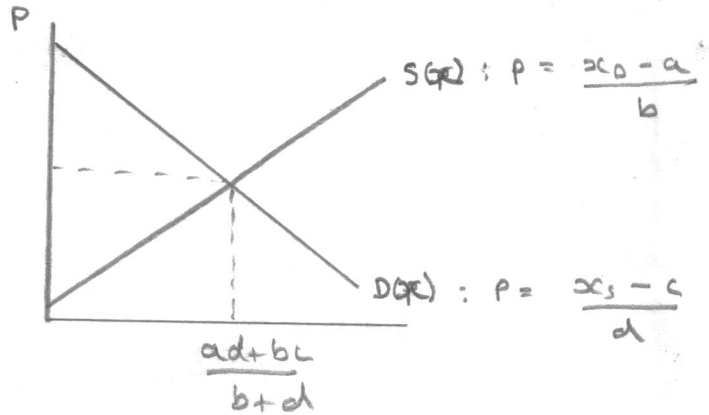
2. (a)

$$x_D = x_S \Rightarrow$$

$$a - bp = c + dp \Rightarrow a - c = dp + bp$$

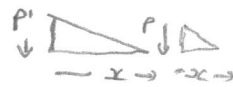
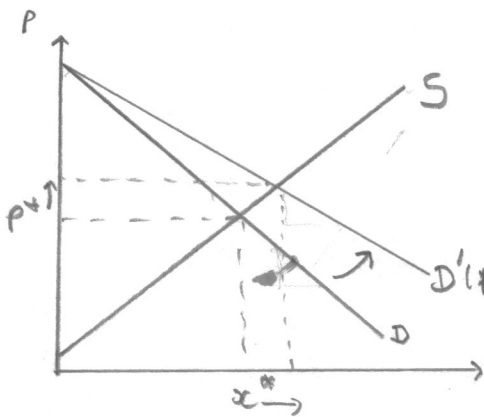
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{a-c}{b+d} = p^*}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(p) &= c + dp^* \\ &= c + d \left( \frac{a-c}{b+d} \right) \\ &= c + \frac{ad - cd}{b+d} \end{aligned}$$



$$x^* = \frac{c(b+d)}{b+d} + \frac{ad - cd}{b+d} = \frac{ad + bc}{b+d}$$

Same process for  $D(p)$



$$(b) \quad P_D = P_S(1+t)$$

$$D(P_D) = a - bP_D$$

$$S(P_S) = c + dP_S$$

In terms of  $P_S$

$$D(P_S) = a - bP_S(1+t)$$

$$S(P_S) = c + dP_S$$

$$D(P_S) = S(P_S) \Rightarrow a - bP_S(1+t) = c + dP_S$$


$$\Rightarrow P_S = \frac{a-c}{d+b(1+t)}$$

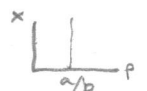
$$\text{and } P_D = P_S(1+t) \Rightarrow P_D = \frac{(a-c)(1+t)}{d+b(1+t)}$$

Note.  $t=0 \Rightarrow$  this collapses back to the no-tax equilibrium.

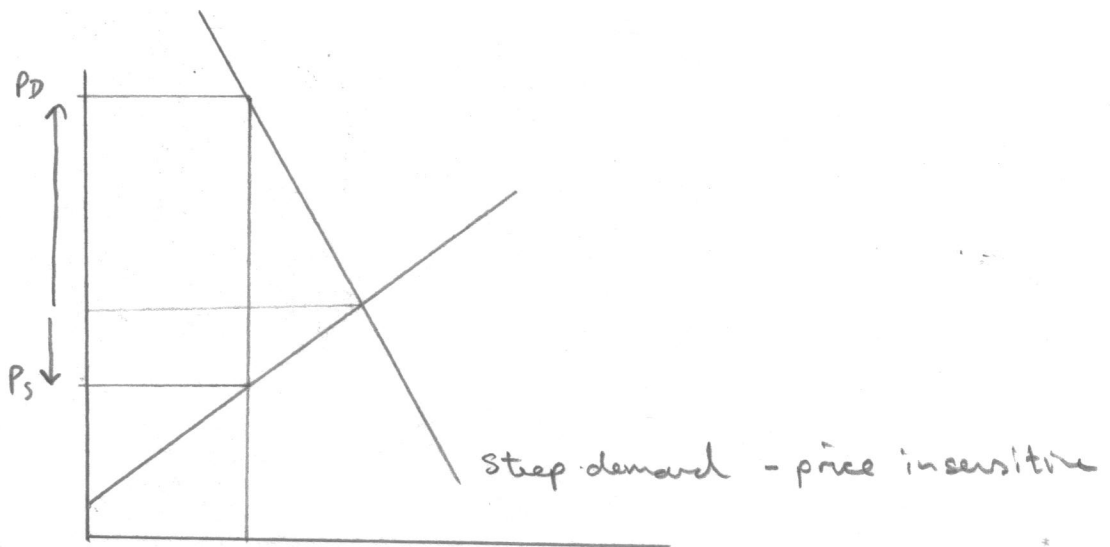
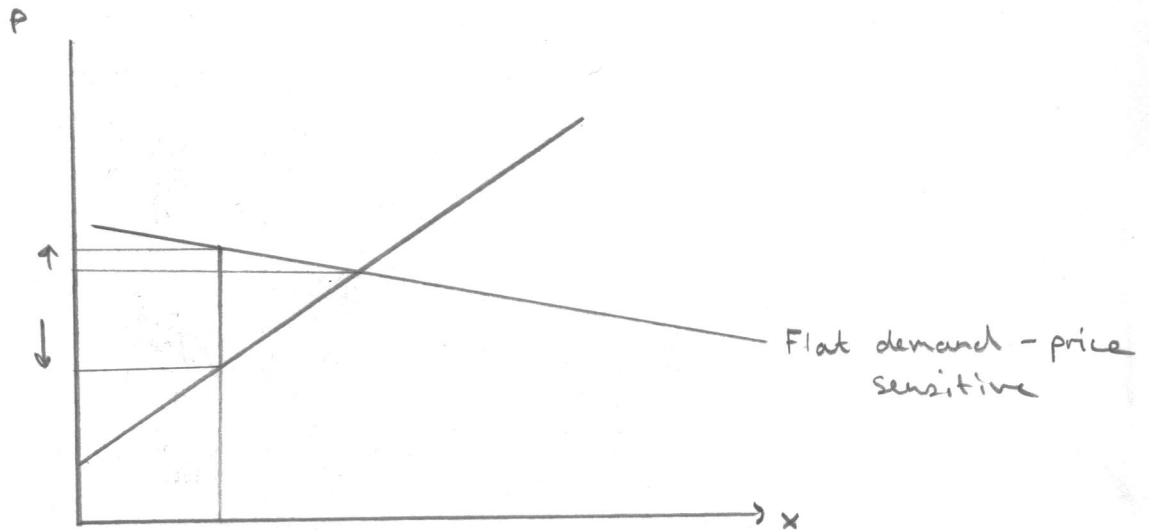
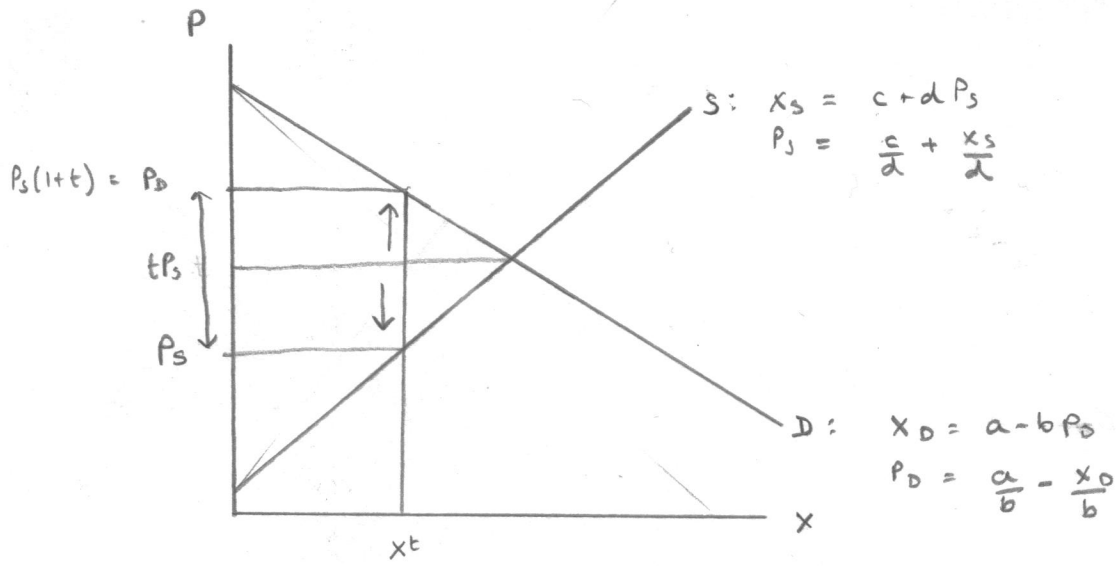
•  $\frac{\Delta P_S}{\Delta t} < 0$  depends on  $b$  essentially (slope of  $d$ -curve)

•  $\frac{\Delta P_D}{\Delta P_t} > 0$  depends on both  $c$  and  $d$

• If  $b=0$   $d$ -curve is flat  - extremely price insensitive  
the producer doesn't drop at all, all incident on consumer

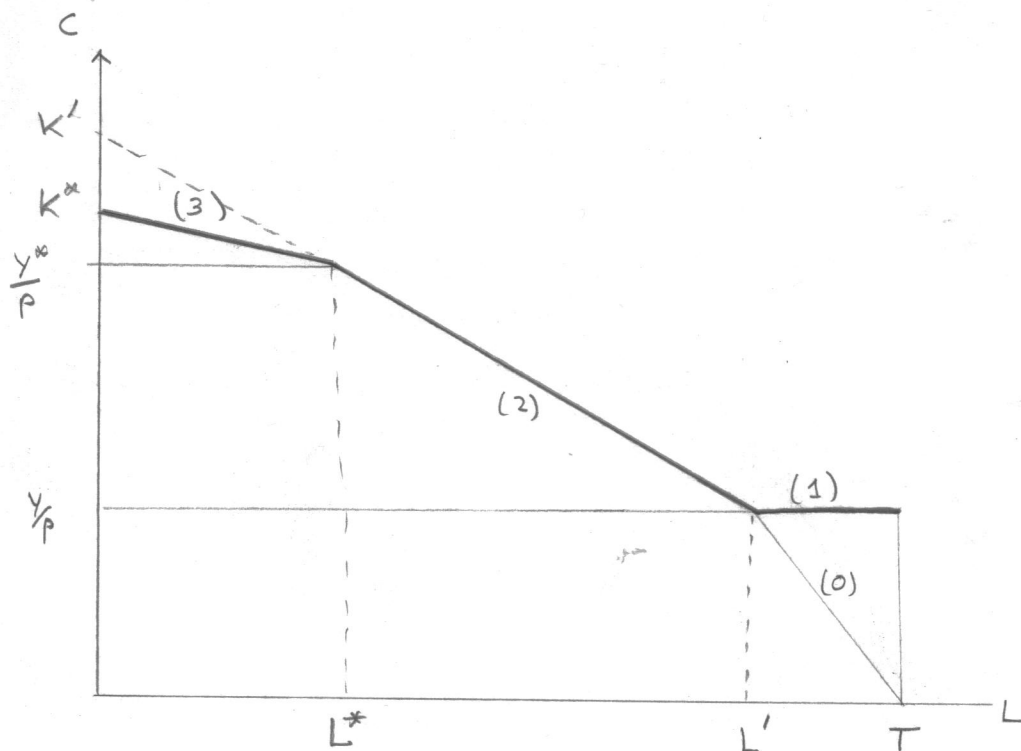
• If  $b \rightarrow \infty$   $d$ -curve vertical  - extremely price sensitive - incident on supplier

• If  $c \rightarrow \infty$  supply curve steeper supply curve more price sensitive



$\frac{\Delta P_s}{\Delta t} < 0$      $\frac{\Delta P_s}{\Delta b} < 0$      $b \uparrow$  demand more sensitive     $P_s \downarrow$

$\frac{\Delta P_s}{\Delta d} < 0$      $d \uparrow$  " " sensitive     $P_s \downarrow$



Part (0) . As per lecture

$$C = \frac{w}{p} T - \frac{w}{p} L$$

Part (1) .

$$C = Y/p$$

$L'$  : As per lecture. The point  $\{Y/p, L'\}$  lies on section (0) of the constraint. Therefore it satisfies

$$C = \frac{w}{p} T - \frac{w}{p} L$$

$$C = Y/p$$

$$L = L'$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Y}{p} = \frac{w}{p} T - \frac{w}{p} L' \quad \Rightarrow \quad L' = T - \frac{Y}{w}$$

Part (2) . As per lecture :

$$C = \frac{w}{p} (T - tL') - (1-t) \frac{w}{p} L$$

We know the slope of section (2) is  $-(1-t) \frac{w}{p}$  and this equals  $-\frac{(K' - Y/p)}{L'}$  where  $K'$  is the vertical intercept

Therefore  $\frac{K' - \frac{Y}{P}}{L'} = (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P} \Rightarrow K' = (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L' + \frac{Y}{P}$

So  $K' = (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L' + \frac{Y}{P}$  is the vertical intercept and

$C = (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L' + \frac{Y}{P} - (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L$  is fine.

To simplify:

$$K' = \frac{\omega}{P} \left( (1-t)L' + \frac{Y}{\omega} \right)$$

Sub in  $\frac{Y}{\omega} = T - L'$  from  $L' = T - \frac{Y}{\omega}$

$$K' = \frac{\omega}{P} \left( (1-t)L' + T - L' \right) = \frac{\omega}{P} (T - tL')$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{\omega}{P} (T - tL') - (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L$$

$L^*$ : The point  $\left\{ \frac{Y^*}{P}, L^* \right\}$  lies on section (2) of the constraint. Therefore it satisfies:

$$C = \frac{\omega}{P} (T - tL') - (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L$$

$$C = \frac{Y^*}{P}$$

$$L = L^*$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Y^*}{P} = \frac{\omega}{P} (T - tL') - (1-t)\frac{\omega}{P}L^*$$

$$\Rightarrow L^* = \left( \frac{1}{1-t} \right) \left( T - tL' - \frac{Y^*}{\omega} \right)$$

Part (3). We know the slope is  $-(1-t^*)\frac{w}{p}$  and that this equals  $-\frac{K^* - Y^*/p}{L^*}$  where  $K^*$  is the vertical intercept

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{K^* - Y^*/p}{L^*} = (1-t^*)\frac{w}{p} \Rightarrow K^* = (1-t^*)\frac{w}{p}L^* + \frac{Y^*}{p}$$

$$C = (1-t^*)\frac{w}{p}L^* + \frac{Y^*}{p} - (1-t^*)\frac{w}{p}L$$

To simplify

$$K^* = \frac{w}{p} \left( (1-t^*)L^* + \frac{Y^*}{w} \right)$$

$$\text{From } L^* = \frac{1}{1-t} (T - tL' - \frac{Y^*}{w}) \Rightarrow \frac{Y^*}{w} = T - tL' - (1-t)L^*$$

$$K^* = \frac{w}{p} \left( (1-t^*)L^* + T - tL' - (1-t)L^* \right)$$

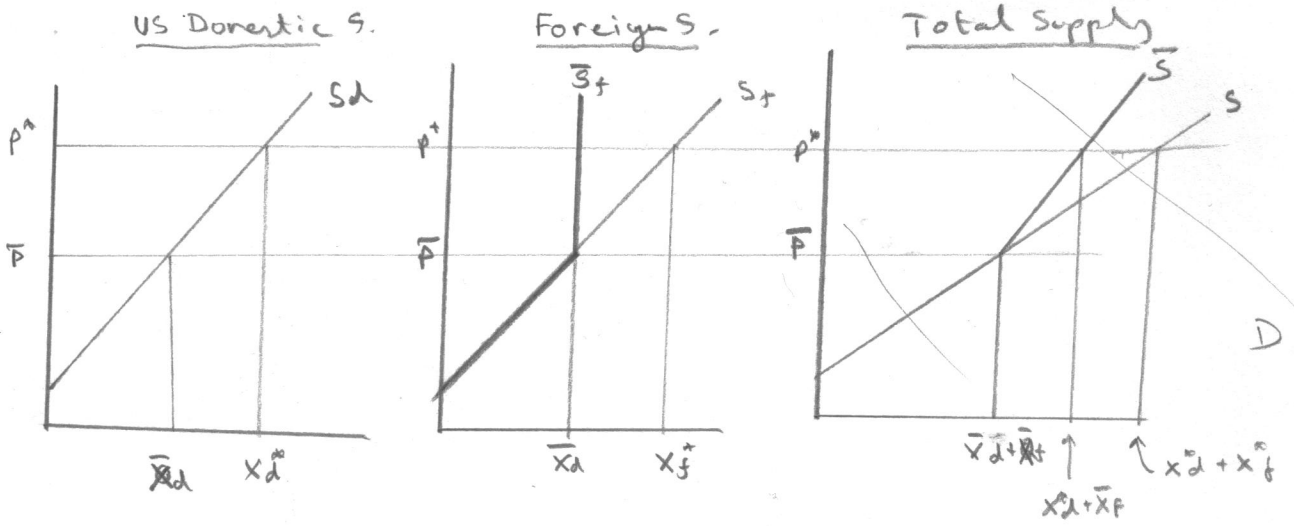
$$K^* = \frac{w}{p} \left( \cancel{L^*} - t^*L^* + T - tL' - \cancel{L^*} + tL^* \right)$$

$$K^* = \frac{w}{p} \left( T - tL' - (t^* - t)L^* \right)$$

$$C = \frac{w}{p} (T - tL' - (t^* - t)L^*) - (1-t^*)\frac{w}{p}L$$

Note: this is the same as Part (2) if  $t^* = t$

3)



$P < \bar{P}$  quota doesn't bind

$P > \bar{P}$  it does

