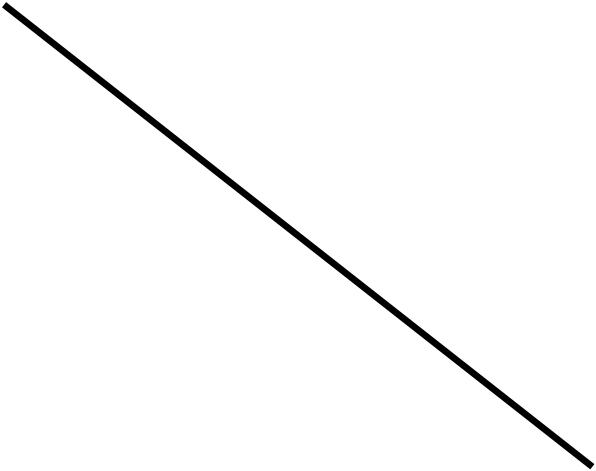
The Self Adjusting Mechanism





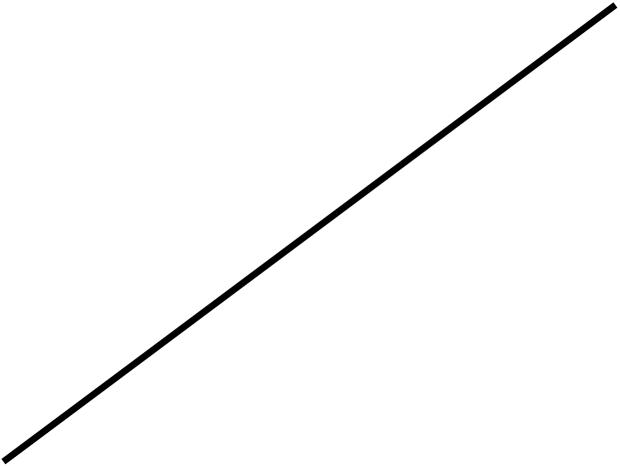




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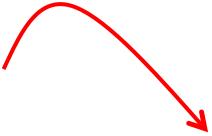




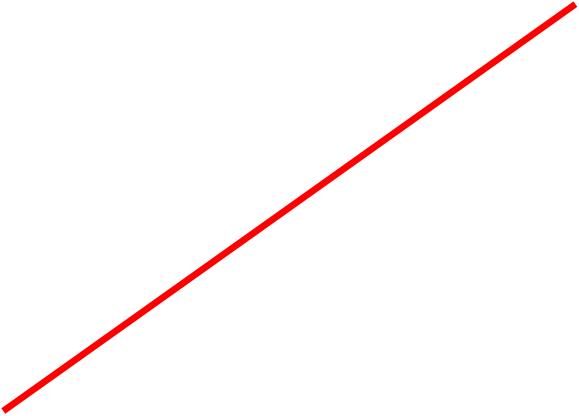
 $AS(W_1)$



Potential GDP



Recessionary Gap



Unemployment: workers willing to accept pay cut, easier for firms to decrease wages

Wages fall AS shifts right

As prices fall,

increases: gap

closes

Aggregate Demand

Weak Demand is eliminated by the decrease in prices





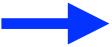
Unemployment cause wages to fall

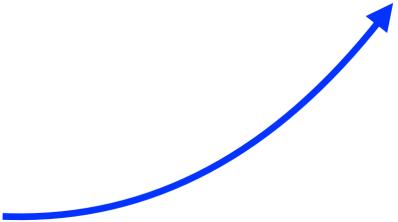
and then, prices fall

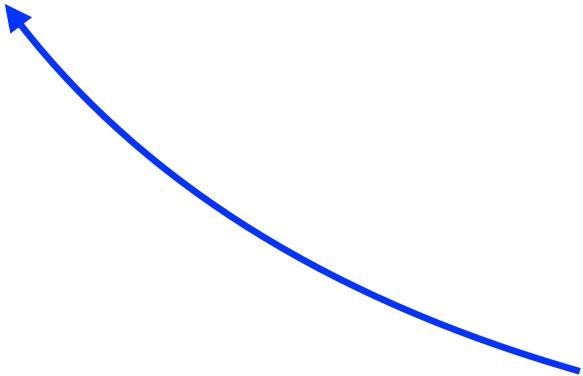
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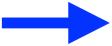












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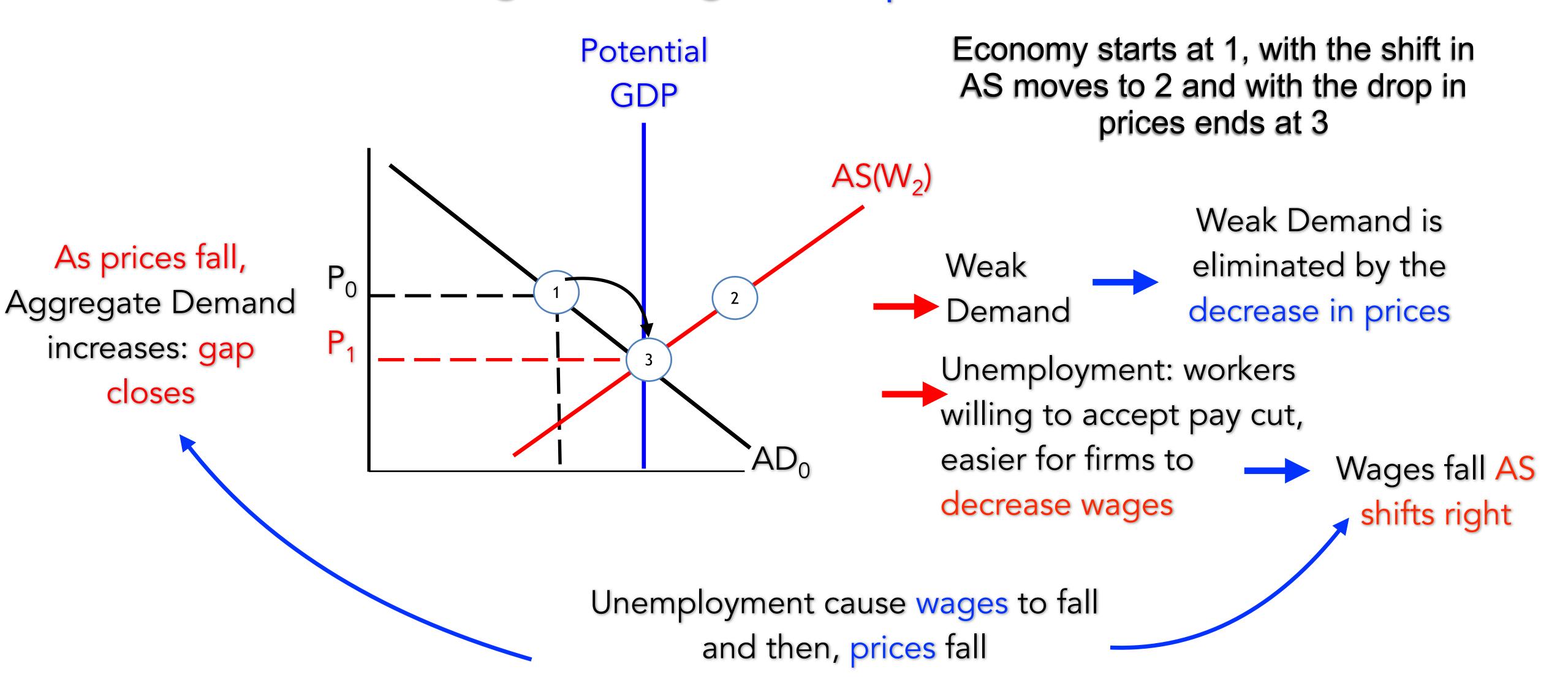




Economy starts at 1, with the shift in AS moves to 2 and with the drop in prices ends at 3



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Does the US economy has a self correcting mechanism?