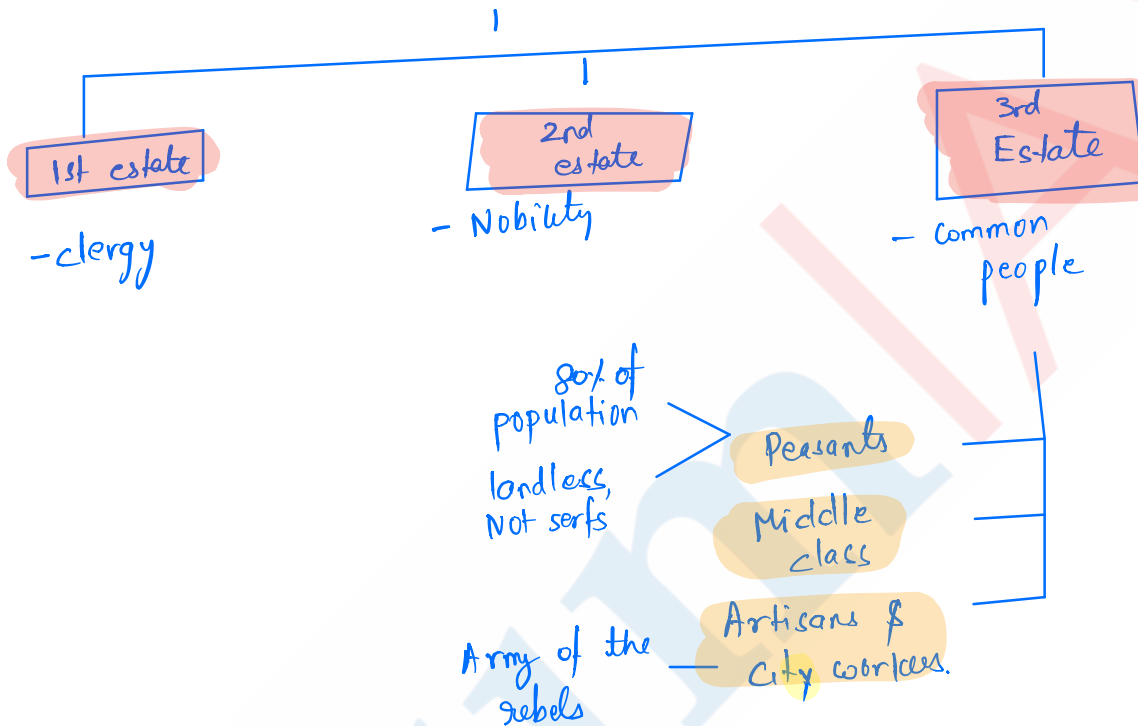


FRENCH REVOLUTION (1789)

⊙ SOCIAL STRUCTURE



⊙ REVOLUTIONARY IDEAS

"These must precede revolutionary actions"

CHURCH

- man was condemned to suffer
- "original sin"
- church backed monarchy + old order

ROUSSEAU

- man is born free
- happy in nature
- "consent of the ruled"
- doctrine of popular sovereignty & democracy.

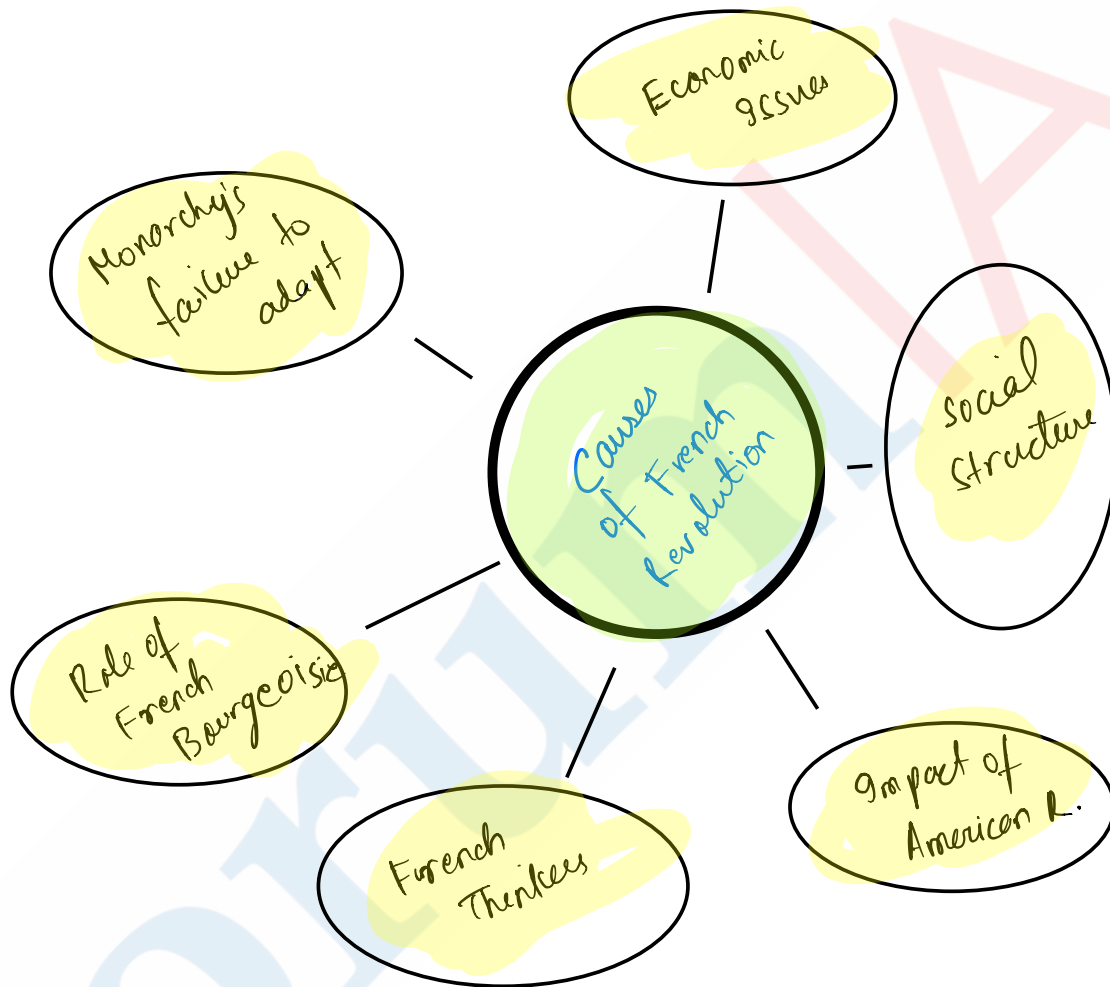
VOLTAIRE

- religion is absurd
- goes against reason

Montesquieu :- pondered over the question of what govt. is best for ruling men → outlined principles of Constitutional Monarchy.

⊙ FRANCE'S ECONOMIC CONDITION

- Economy was in great debt
 - ⊙ French involvement in American Revolution
 - ⊙ Mississippi Bubble
- Food shortages
- Deregulation of grain market - advocated by PHYSIOCRATS.



IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

