

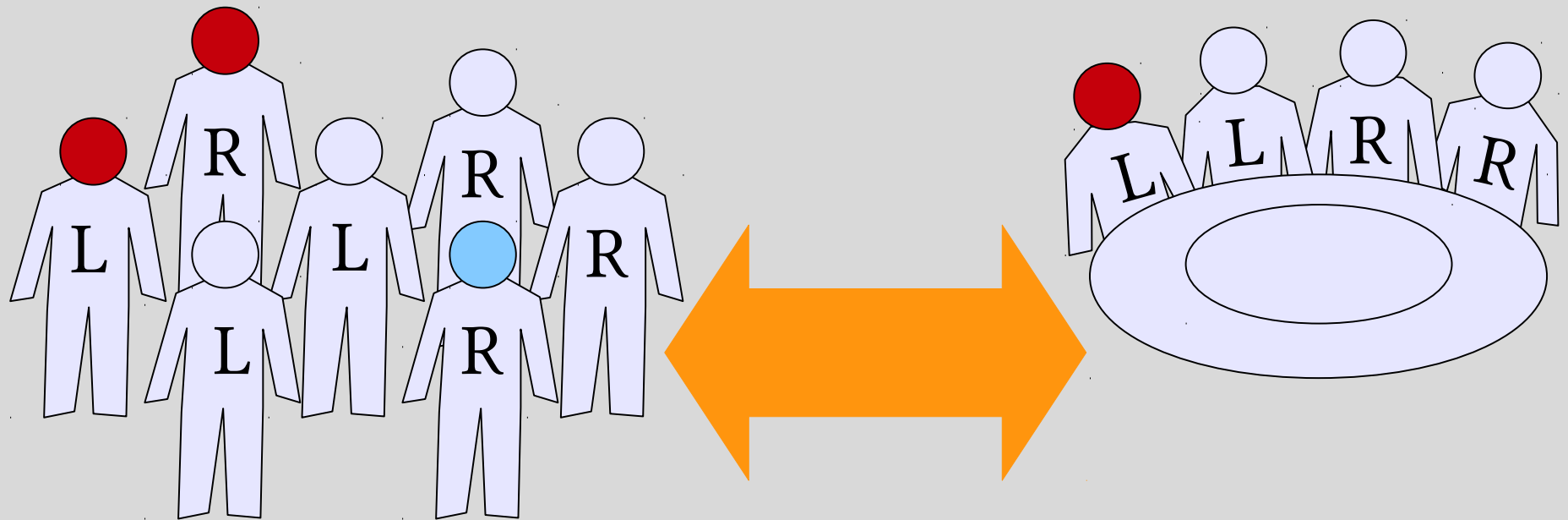
Political Behaviour and Attitudes: Representation and Politicization

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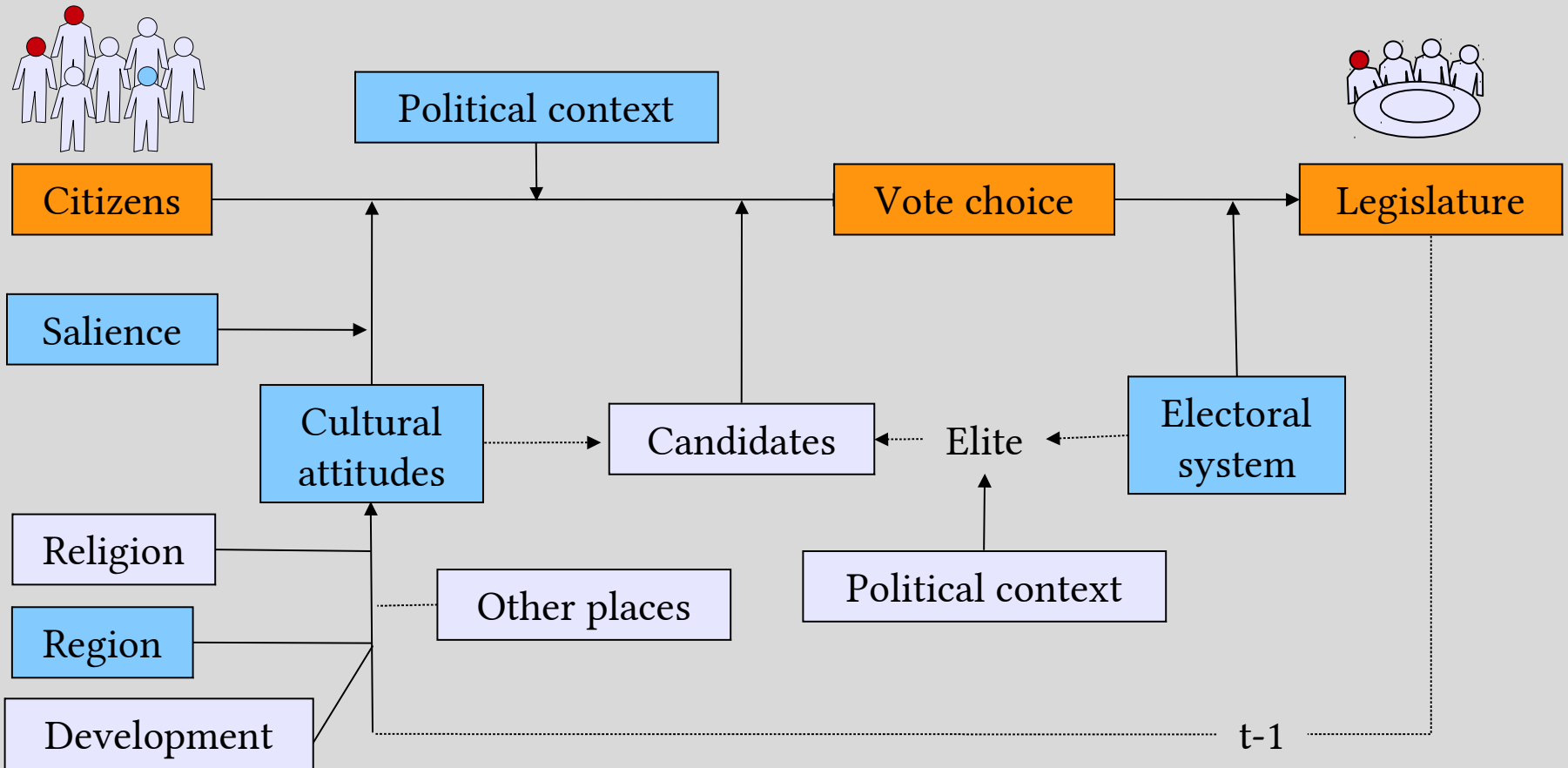
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Measuring Representation

$$R = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n |\Pi_{Cit,i} - \Pi_{Rep,i}|$$



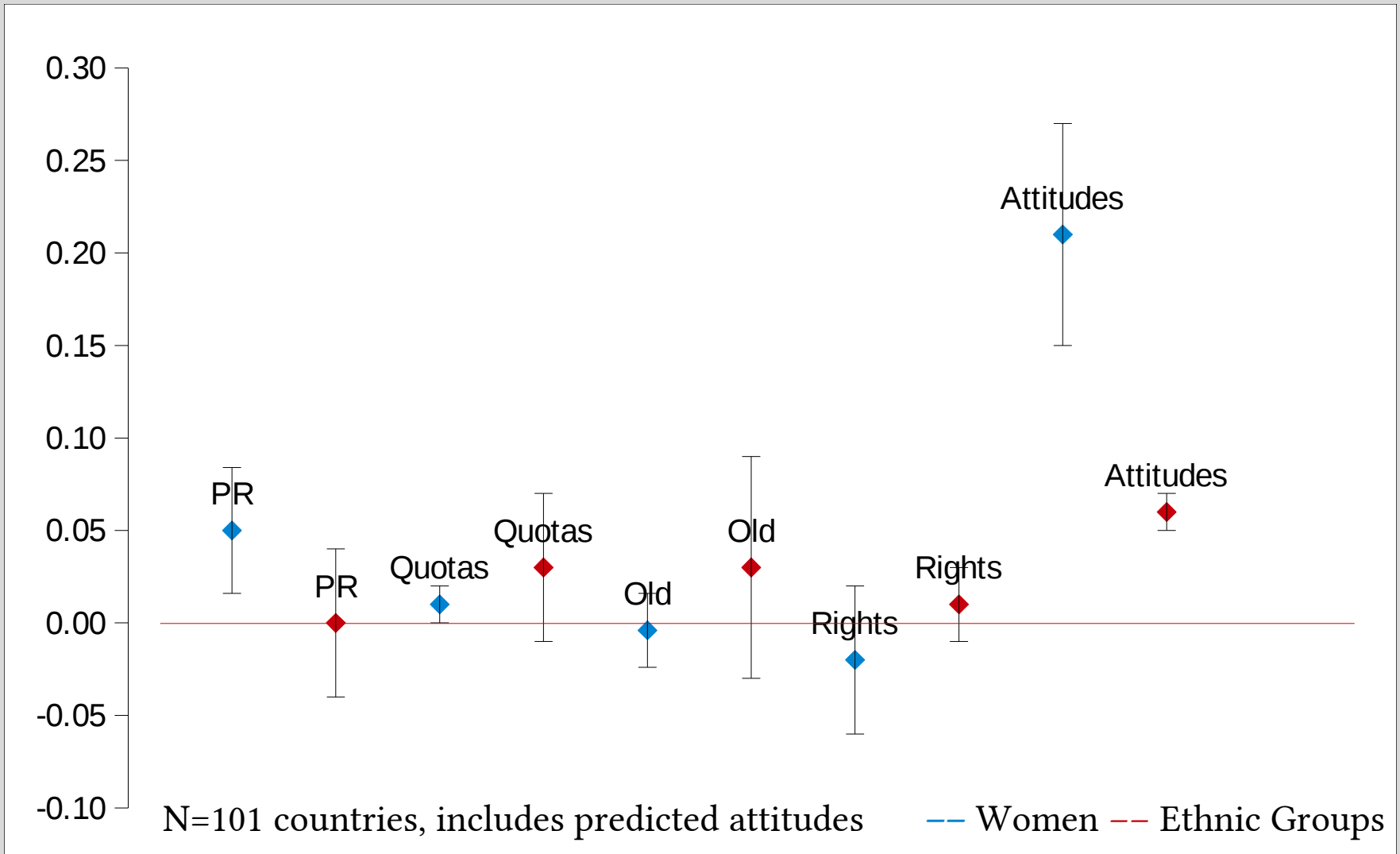
Georgia, simplified

Women in Legislatures

	<i>B</i>	<i>SE</i>	<i>p-value</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>SE</i>	<i>p-value</i>
Constant	0.67	0.05	0.000 *	0.73	0.05	0.000 *
Electoral system						
PR/MMP	0.04	0.03	0.142	0.02	0.03	0.367
Quotas	0.01	0.00	0.160	0.01	0.01	0.297
Political context						
Political rights	0.00	0.01	0.723	-0.01	0.01	0.511
Age of democracy	0.01	0.03	0.722	-0.03	0.04	0.483
Attitudes						
Region: Nordic [...]	0.14	0.04	0.001 *			
Attitudes				0.19	0.04	0.000 *
<i>R</i> ²	0.51			0.58		

N=131 countries with regions, N=48 countries with measured attitudes

Women and Ethnic Groups



Politicization of Immigrants

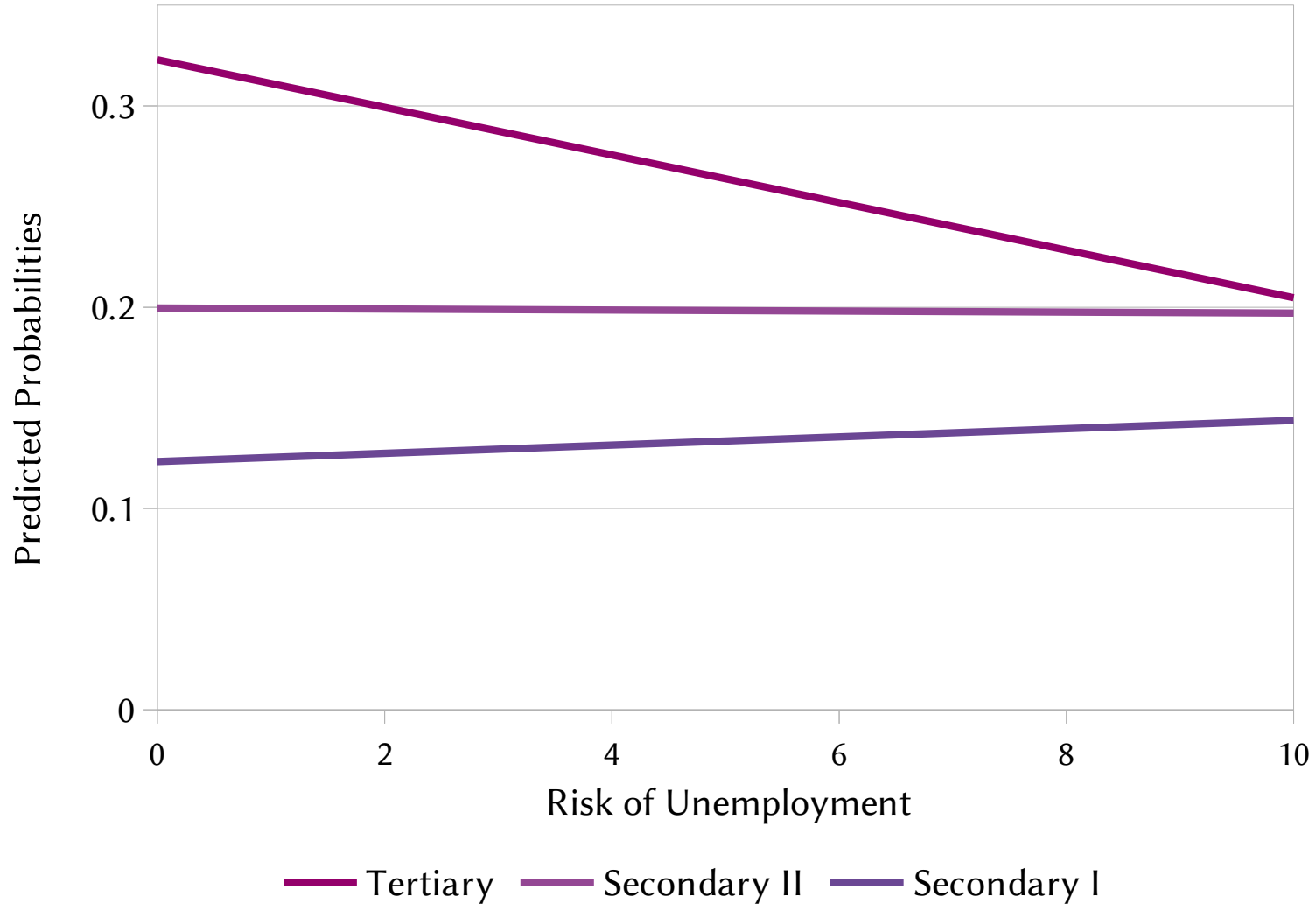
1995-2009	AT	BE	IE	NL	ES	CH	UK
	Austria	Belgium	Ireland	Netherlands	Spain	Switzerland	United Kingdom
Asylum seekers	22.9	9.1	35.7	12.7	1.1	19.2	13.7

Percentage of immigration-related claims that are about asylum seekers; N=7029 claims

Attitudes towards Immigrants

- Individual level, Switzerland, 1999
- Competition in labour market
- Low education
 - stronger anti-immigrant
 - explained by ideology
- High education
 - risk of unemployment

Strongly in Favour of Equal Opportunities



Distance

Education	1.27	1.34	2.15
	1.39	1.41	2.21
Soc.	1.61	1.79	2.51

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