

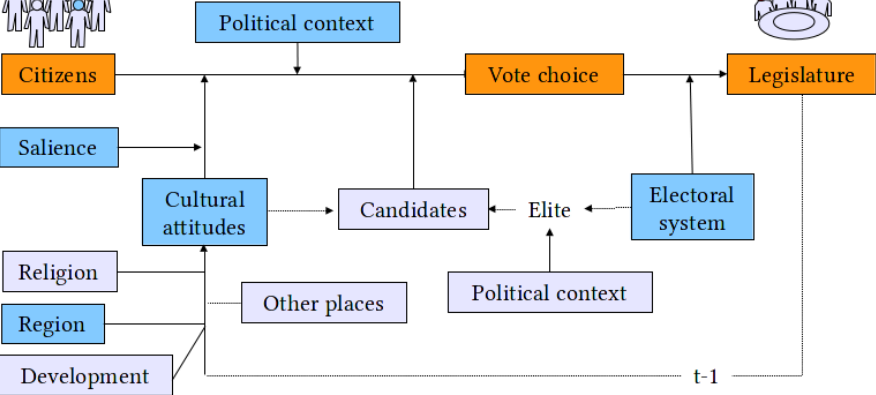
# Political Behaviour between Representation and Politicization

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# Political Representation

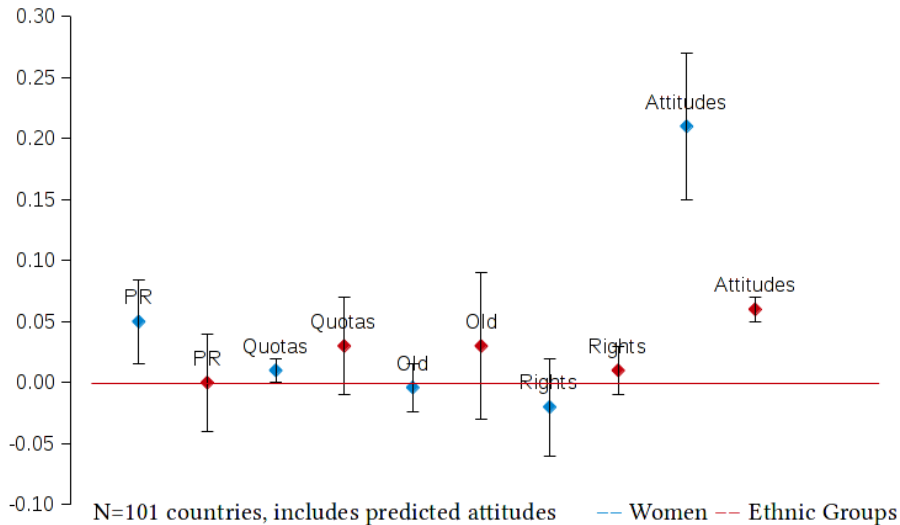


# Measuring Representation

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

- ▶ e.g. Georgia (simplified)
- ▶ 15.5% minorities in population
- ▶ 6.9% minorities among representatives

# Representation of Women and Ethnic Groups



# Politicization of Immigrants

- ▶ AT – 22.9% claims about asylum seekers
- ▶ IE – 35.7% claims about asylum seekers
- ▶ ES – 1.1% claims about asylum seekers

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

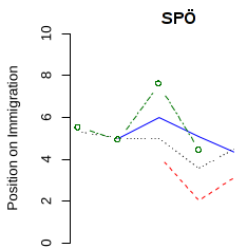
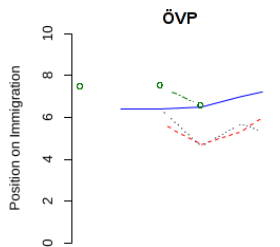
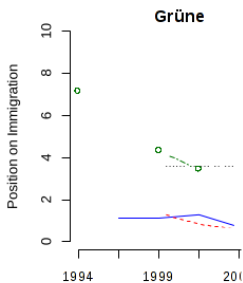
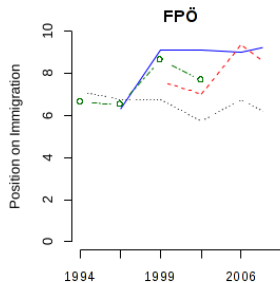
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Salience: Number of claims about immigration

- ▶ Proportion of foreign nationals – substantive, not significant  $R^2 = 0.002$
- ▶ Proportion of Muslims – substantive, not significant  $R^2 = 0.148$
- ▶ LR government position: can leave out
- ▶ Unemployment – negative, significant
  - ▶ pushed off the agenda (esp. Spain)

Years in Countries, Fixed effects

# Party Positions on Immigration



# Party Competition and Public Opinion

