

1. The Puzzle

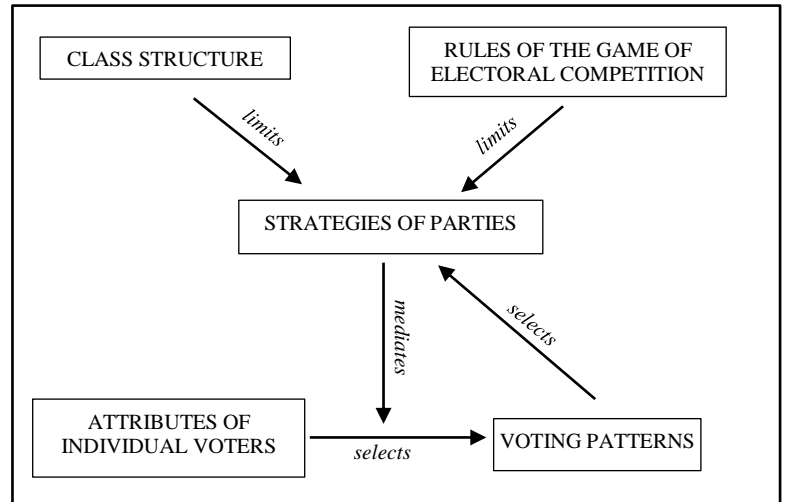
2. Electoral Politics: Przeworski's Analysis

2.1 The Model

2.2 The Nested Dilemmas of Social Democracy

1. *Participation*: whether to participate at all in bourgeois political institutions.
2. *Alliances*: whether to seek the cooperation and alliance of other classes.
3. *Anti-capitalism*: whether once in power to pursue revolutionary reforms or reforms which strengthen capitalism.

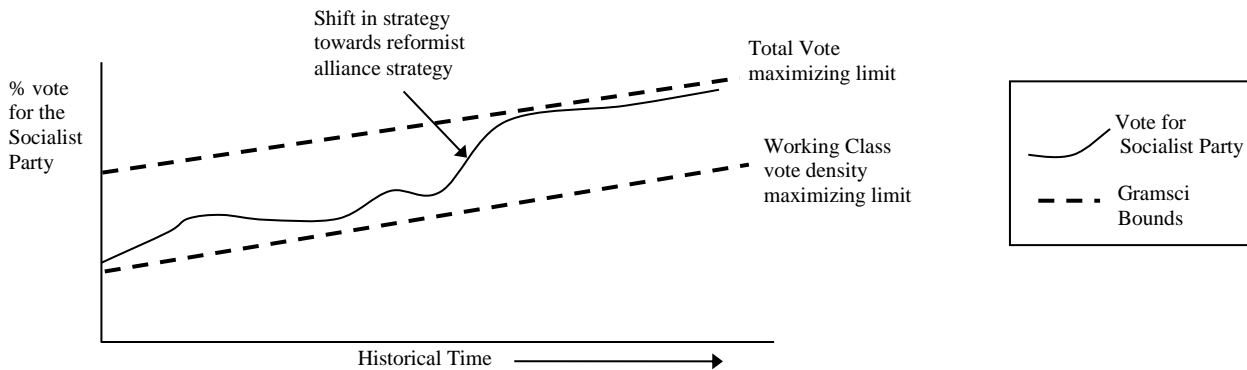
2.3 The first dilemma: marginalization vs co-optation



2.4 The second dilemma: pure working class party vs cross-class coalitional party

The Gramsci Bounds:

- upper bound* = the maximum vote a socialist party could obtain by consistently pursuing a vote-maximizing strategy
- lower bound* = the vote that obtained by pursuing a strategy which maximizes the purity of working class base.



2.5 Logic of Third Dilemma: strengthen capitalism & win next election vs pursue socialism & lose next election

