

POLS 103 B

Comparative Politics

Class 11:

Democracy and democratization
India in comparative perspective

Part III of the course

- Political regimes:
 - Democracy (and democratization and democratic backsliding)
 - Authoritarianism (and authoritarian resurgence)
- Country cases:
 - China
 - India
 - Russia
 - United States

Plan for today

- Democracy and democratization
- India and its democracy
- *Mid-semester Group Analysis*

What is a political regime?

What types of regimes are there?



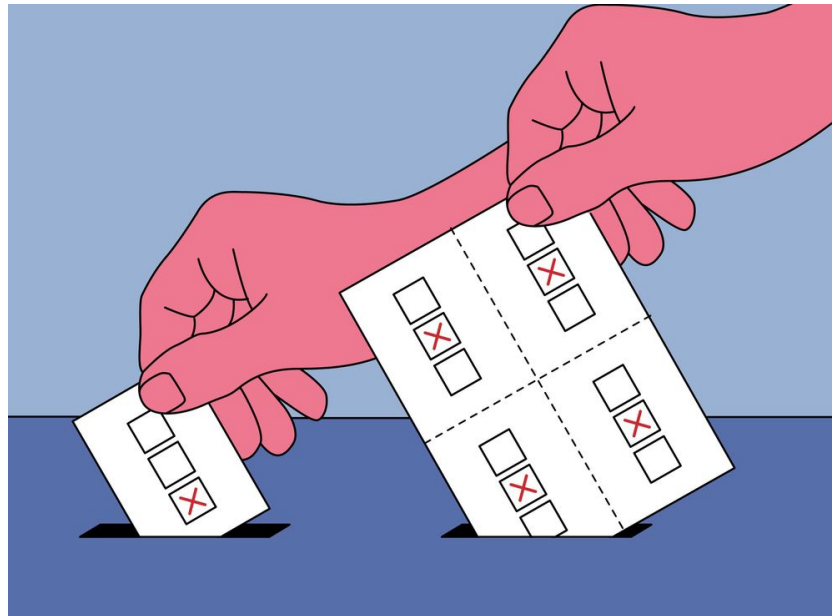
What is democracy?

Democracy

- δημοκρατία (*dēmokratía*) – ‘rule by people’



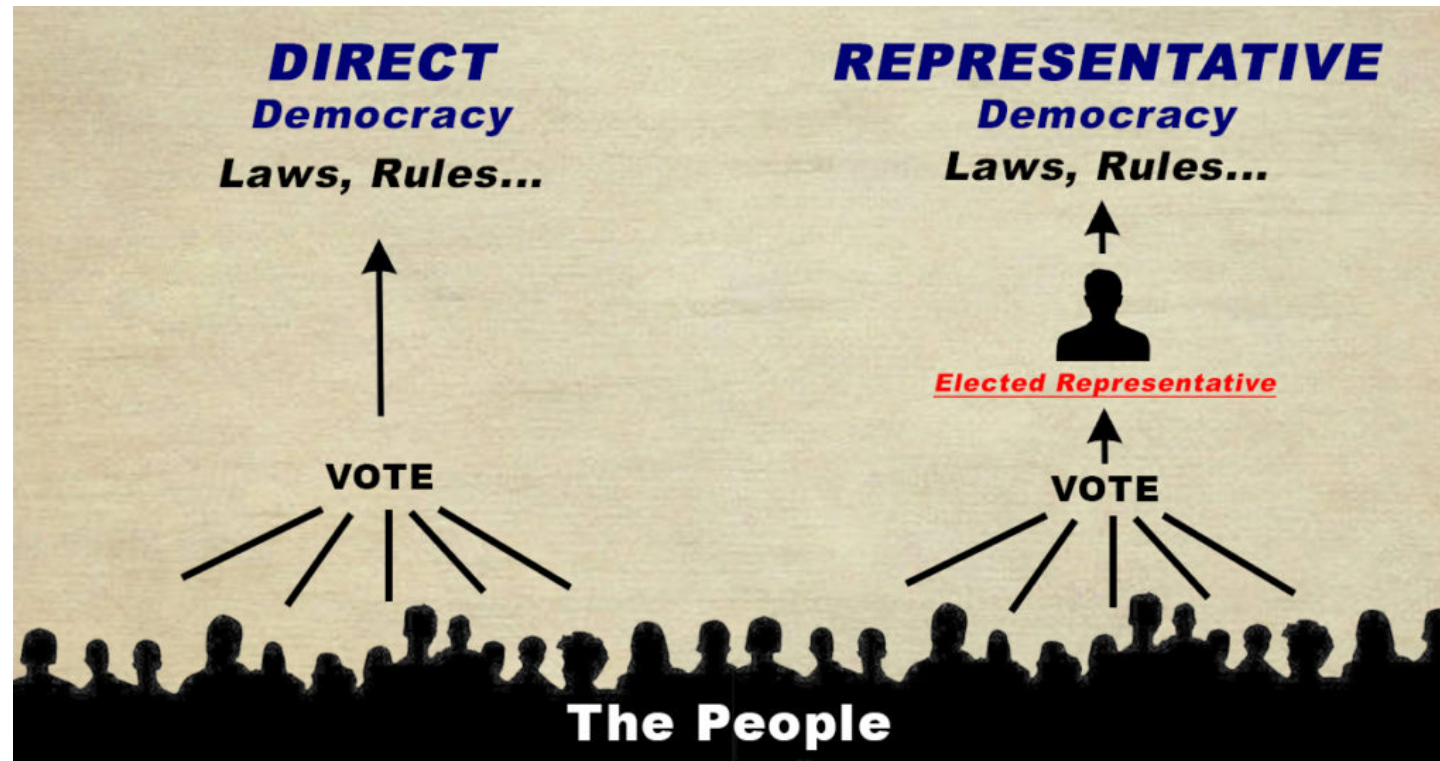
What is the difference between procedural and substantive definitions of democracy?



What kinds of democracy are there?

Types of democracy

- Representative
- Direct



What are the components of a democratization process?

Democratization

- Transition
- Consolidation



What causes democratization?

Causes of democratization

- Modernization
- Culture
- International system
- Domestic institutions
- Agency

Modernization

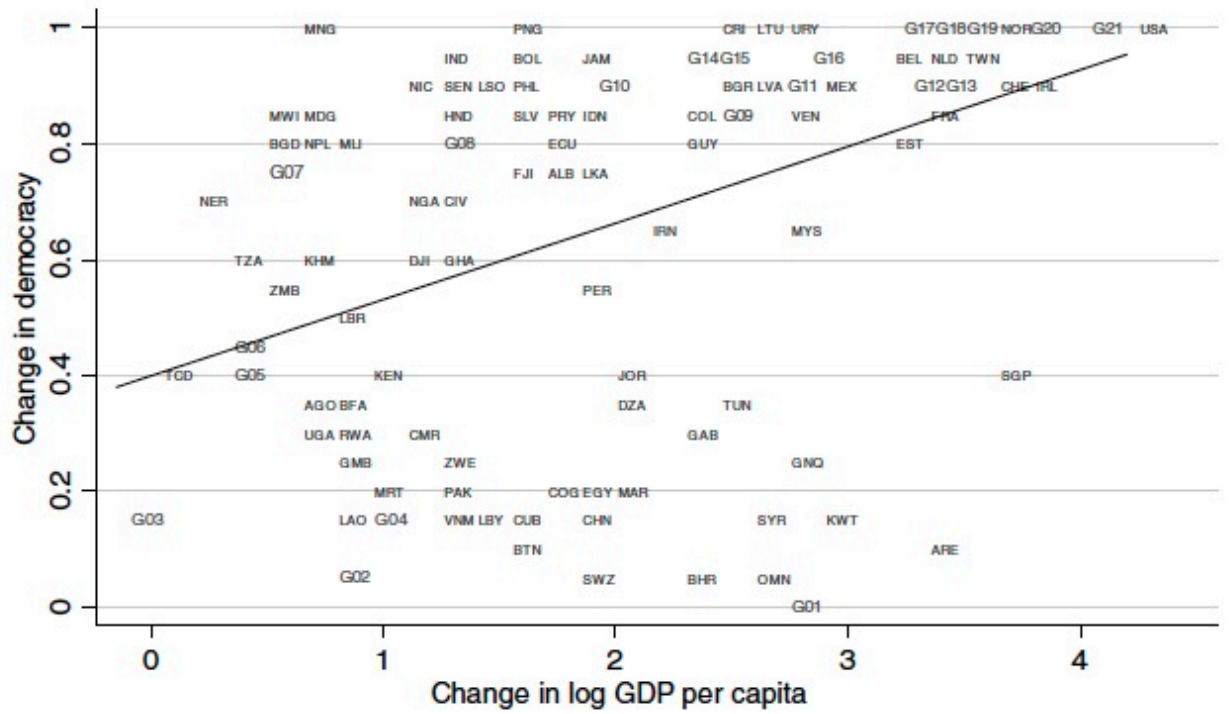
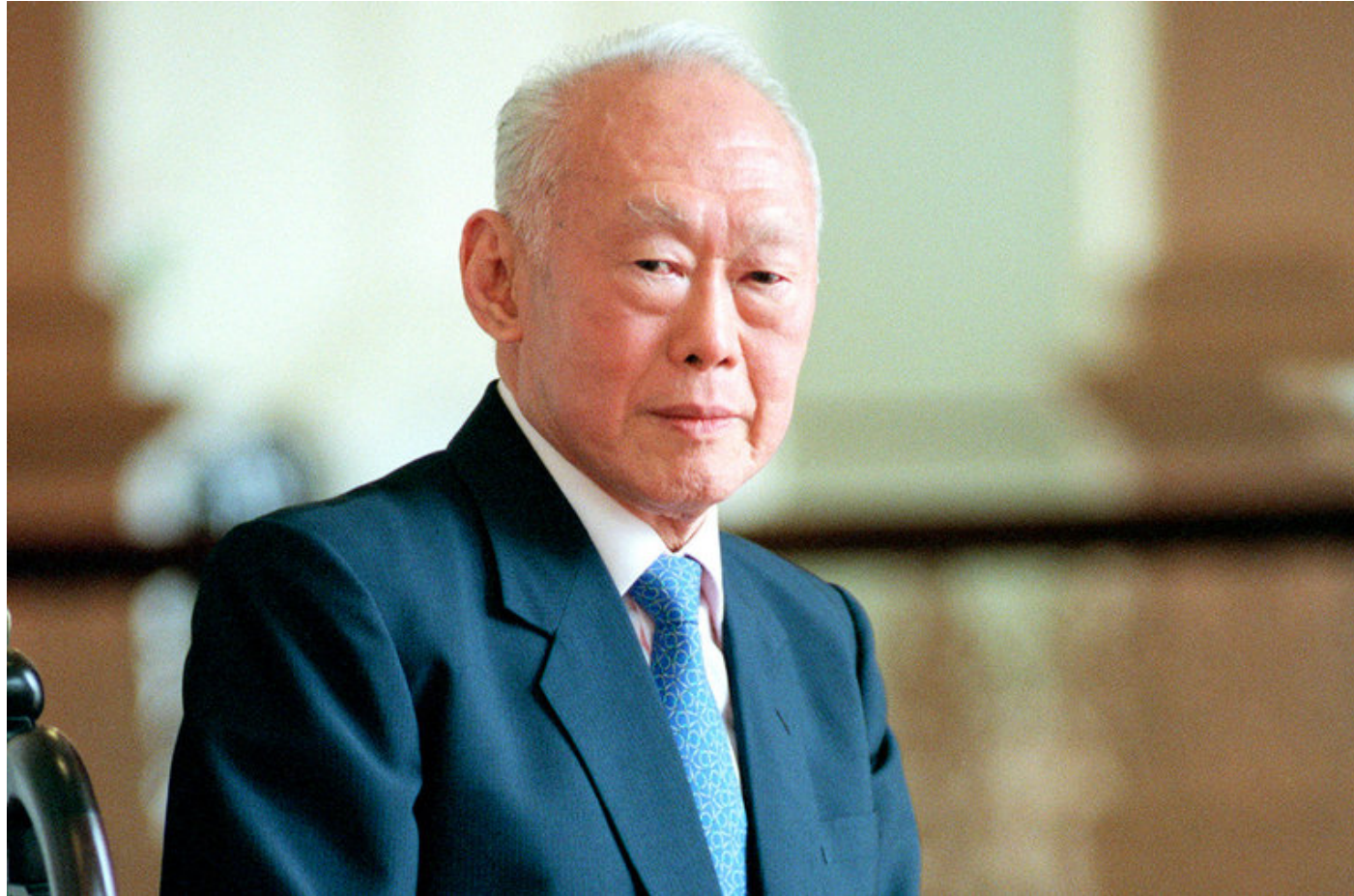


FIGURE 5. CHANGE IN DEMOCRACY AND CHANGE IN INCOME, 1500–2000



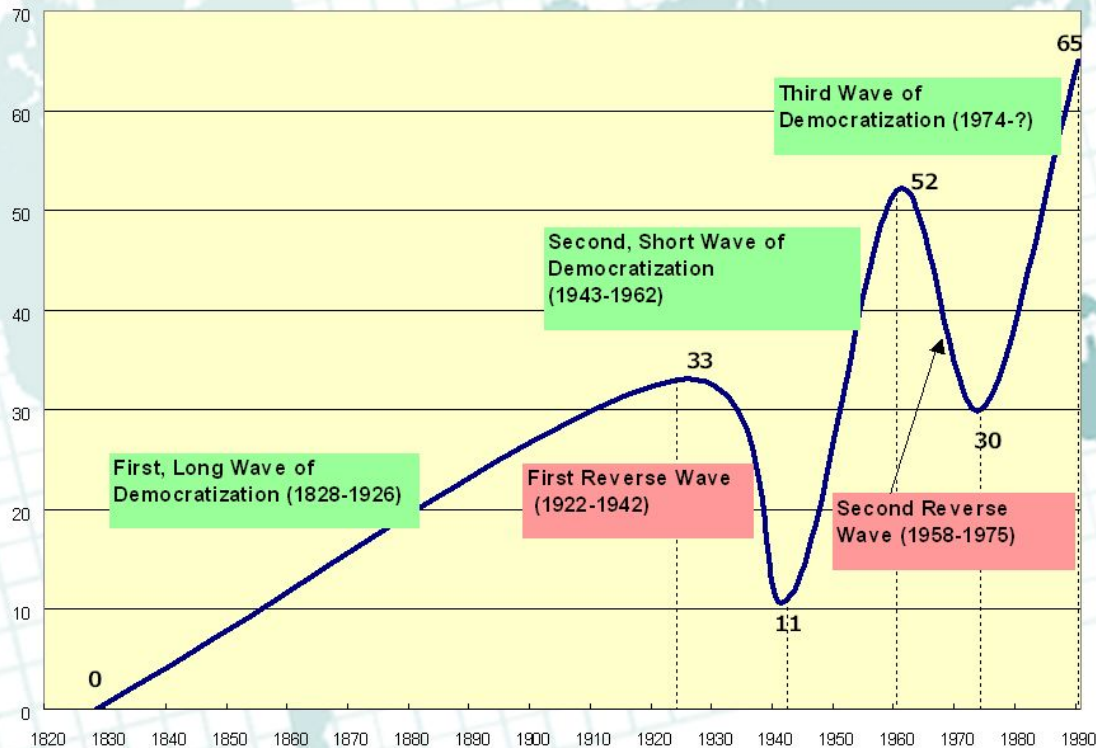
Culture



Lee Kuan Yew

International system

The Three Waves: When?



Samuel P. Huntington

THE THIRD WAVE

DEMOCRATIZATION IN THE LATE TWENTIETH CENTURY



Domestic institutions



Agency



Why is the world's largest
democracy a democracy?

Democracy in India



But is India still a democracy?

Global Opinions

India was a miracle democracy. But it's time to downgrade its credentials.



Jawaharlal Nehru salutes the flag as he becomes independent India's first prime minister on Aug. 15, 1947, during the Independence Day ceremony in New Delhi. (AP)

By **Ramachandra Guha**

Article 370



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qxsJ3A5U1pI>

Narendra Modi

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