#### Size and Democracy (Part 2)

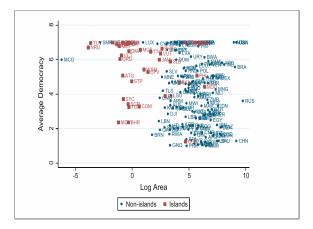
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# Why are smaller states more likely to be democratic?

#### Size and Democracy



#### Source: Fors, Fig.1

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## Are smaller states more likely to be democratic?

## How is this debate measuring size?

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#### Seminar Objectives: To Discuss

Size and Democracy



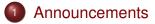
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#### Seminar Objectives: To Discuss

 Size and Democracy (Corbett, Veenendaal, and Ugye; Diamond and Tsalik; Gerring and Veenendaal; Veenendaal and Corbett)

#### **Outline of Seminar**





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#### Op-Ed 1 (Feb 23)

- Must discuss small state(s) (however defined) in relation to: development, decentralization, democracy or diversity
- Word count: 800
- Target audience: educated non-academic reader (Straits Times; New York Times)
- Op-Ed 1 + Op-Ed 2 = 25% of final grade
- Rubric + Examples from last year are on canvas (Files -> Rubric)
- Prof Monroe will not look at drafts, but can come to office hours to discuss the op-ed
- Next week we will go over op-ed writing

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#### **Reading Presentations**

Please send me a pdf / powerpoint of your presentation when you get a chance.

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No Class on Monday

### Happy LNY!

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### No Office Hours on Monday.

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### "Why Monarchy Persists in Small States: The Cases of Tonga, Bhutan, and Liechtenstein," by Jack Corbett, Wouter Veenendaal, and Lhawang Ugyel.

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#### To Note

- There are two democracy debates
  - ► Democratic *emergence* (Autocracy → Democracy)
  - ► Democratic *endurance* (Democracy → Democracy)

# Why might smaller size facilitate democratic emergence?

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Why might smaller size facilitate democratic emergence? (Take five minutes to write your thoughts)

#### Size and Democratic Emergence: Pro

- Easier representation
- Homogenous interests
- Access to policymakers
- Greater trust
- Collective Action

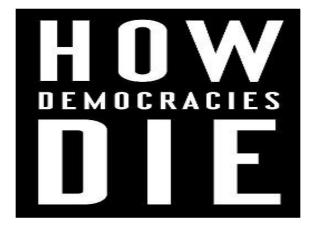
#### Size and Democratic Emergence: Con

- Conservatism and Risk Aversion
- Entrenched elites
- Top-down sanctioning
- Human capital constraints
- Personalism > Ideology
- Less Contestation

#### **Comparative Politics 101**

## What causes democratic endurance?

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#### Levitsky and Ziblatt, 2019

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# Why might smaller size facilitate democratic endurance?

Why might smaller size facilitate democratic endurance? (Take five minutes to write your thoughts)

#### Size and Democratic Endurance: Pro

- Accountability
- Personalism
- Homogenous interests
- Access to policymakers
- Greater trust

#### Size and Democratic Endurance: Con

- Personalism
- Weak Contestation
- Top-down sanctioning
- Clientelism
- Human capital constraints
- Weaker civil society
- Personalism > Ideology
- Less Contestation

### Are the democractization and decentralization debates the same thing?!?!?!

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# Is smaller better for democracy?

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#### Seminar Objectives: To Discuss

 Size and Democracy (Corbett, Veenendaal, and Ugye; Diamond and Tsalik; Gerring and Veenendaal; Veenendaal and Corbett)

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#### Next Seminar (Feb 15)

- Size and Diversity (Part 1)
  - Are small states really more homogenous?

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### Have a great weekend and LNY!

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