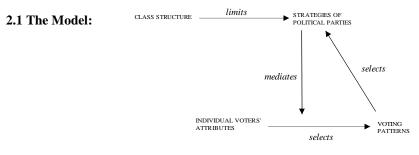
# 1. The Puzzle

### 2. Electoral Politics: Przeworski's Analysis



# 2.2 The Nested Dilemmas of Social Democracy

1. Participation: whether to participate at all in bourgeois political institutions.

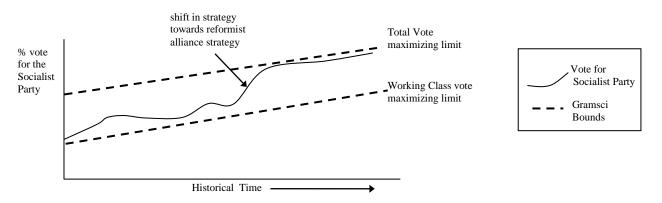
- 2. Alliances: whether to seek the cooperation and alliance of other classes.
- 3. Anti-capitalism: whether once in power to pursue revolutionary reforms or reforms which strengthen capitalism.

#### 2.3 The first dilemma: marginalization vs co-optation

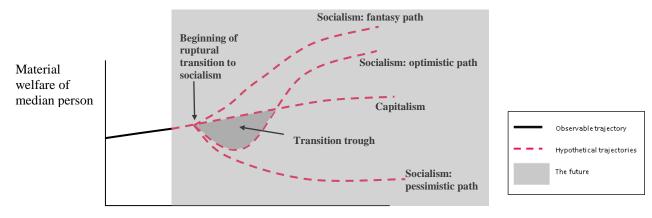
2.4 The second dilemma: pure working class party vs cross-class coalitional party

#### 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



Historical time