

# Exit from Hegemony

The Unraveling of the American Global Order

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*"Exploring how kleptocratic finance, transnational illiberalism, and Chinese expansion have reshaped modern politics, Exit from Hegemony offers a vivid portrait of a global order in decline."*

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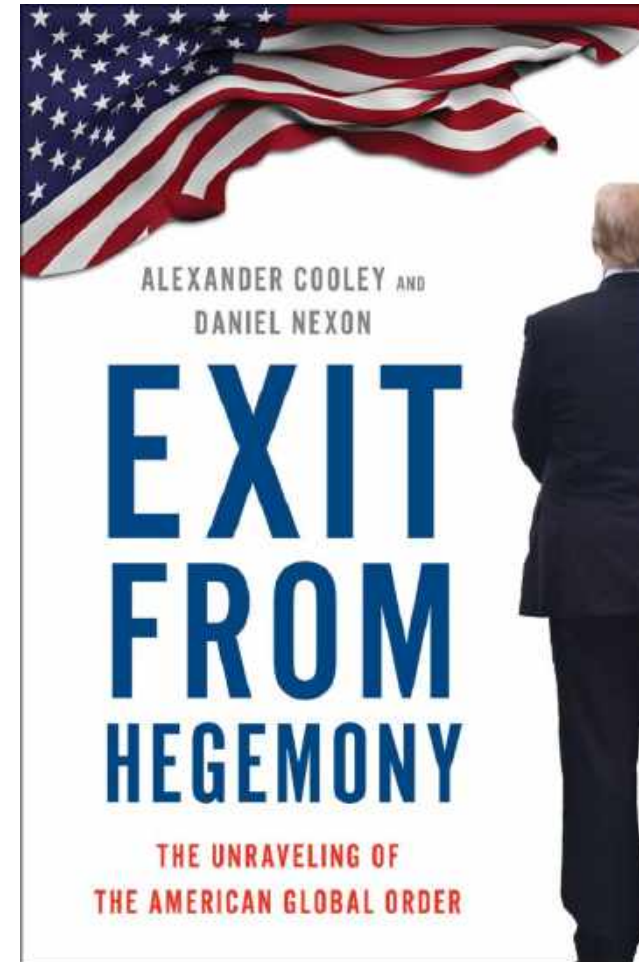
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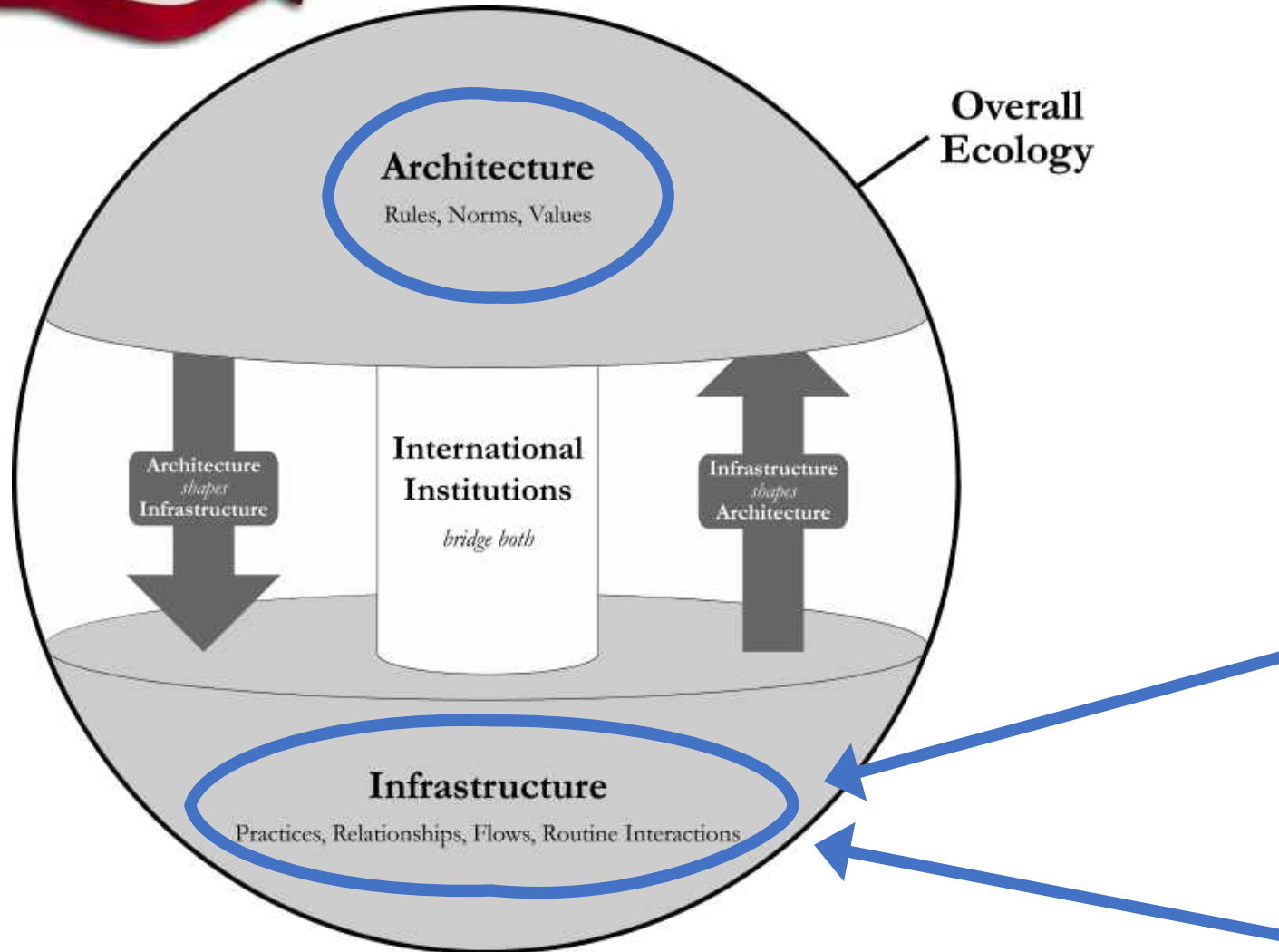
# Key Takeaways

- ✓ The current National Security Strategy is correct...
  - ✓ U.S. *global* hegemony is over
- ✓ ~~Thucydides Trap~~
- ✓ Contestation and conflict over order can threaten U.S. power position





# International Order





# Processes

Power Transition



~~Hegemonic Patrimony Monopoly~~

Demand Side Effects

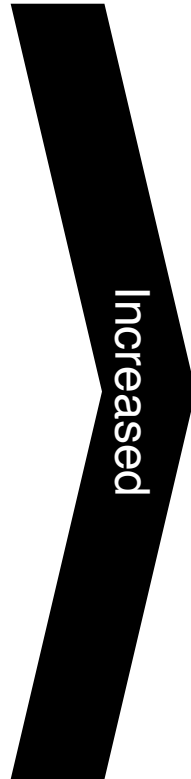
Supply Side Effects

Counter Order Movements



Government Interest in New Bargains

Exit Options



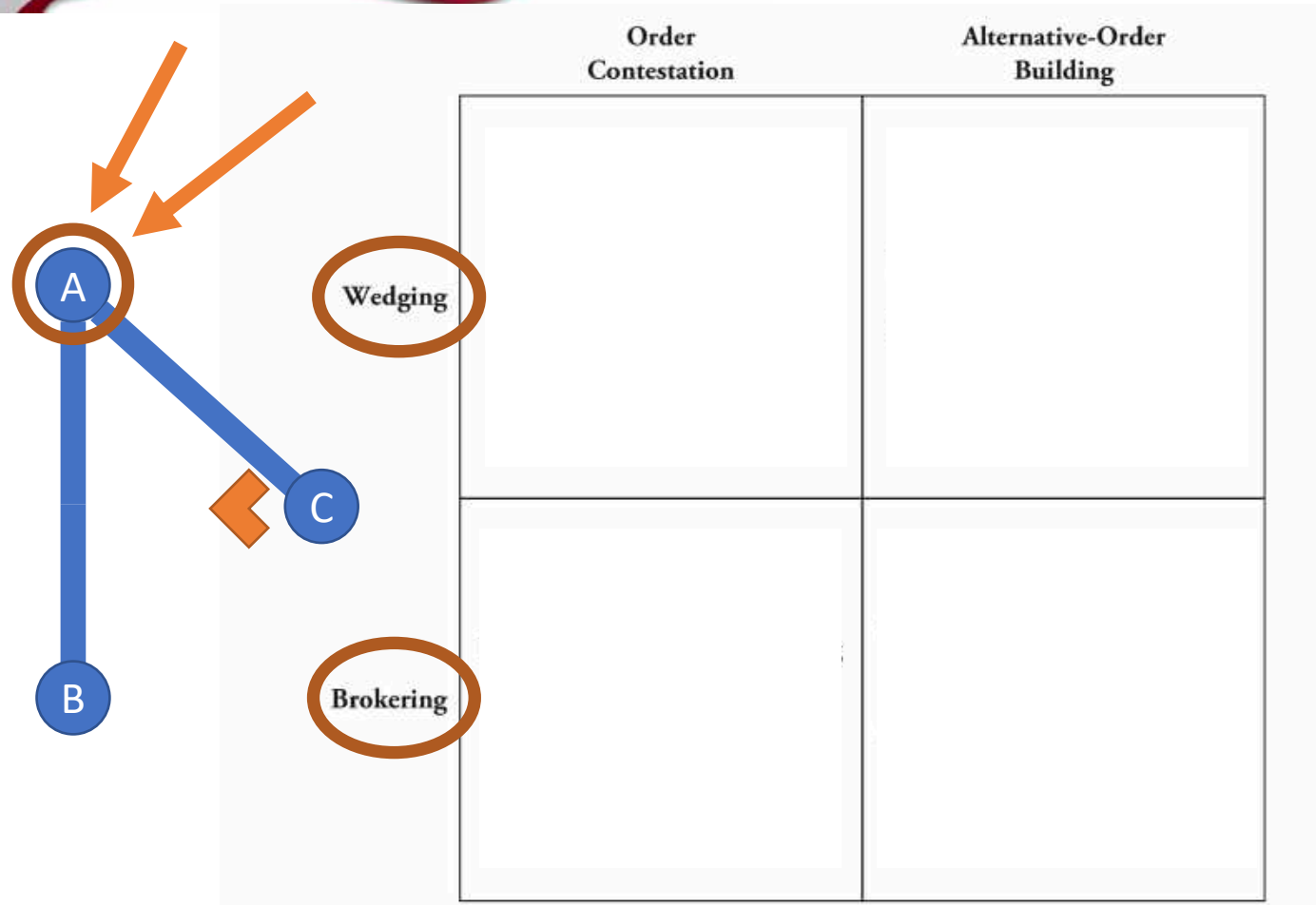
Leverage of Weaker Powers

Order Contestation

Alternative-Order Building



# Power Political Strategies and Tactics for Struggles over Order



FIGURES 3.1 Combining Logics of and Approaches to International Order



# Counter-Order Movements



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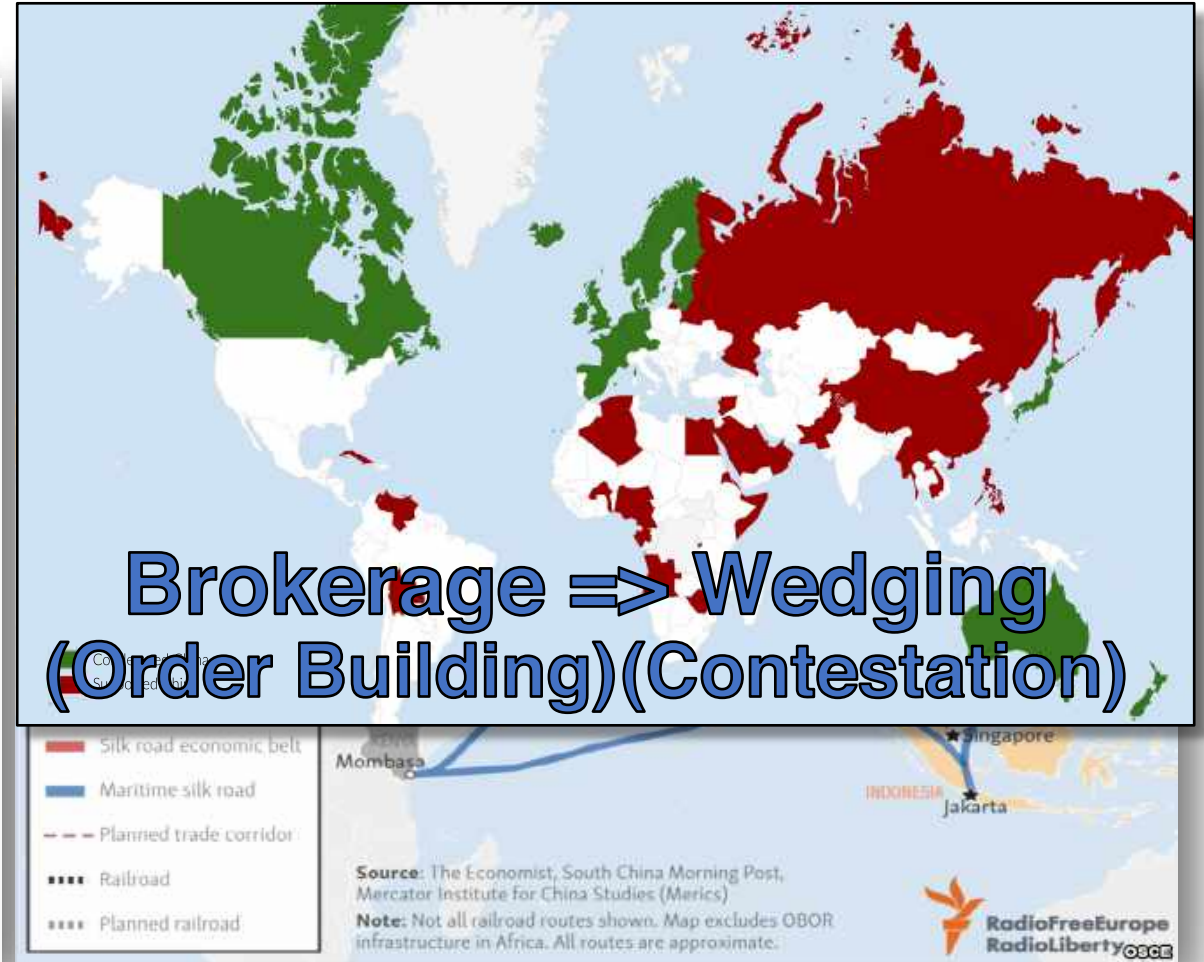
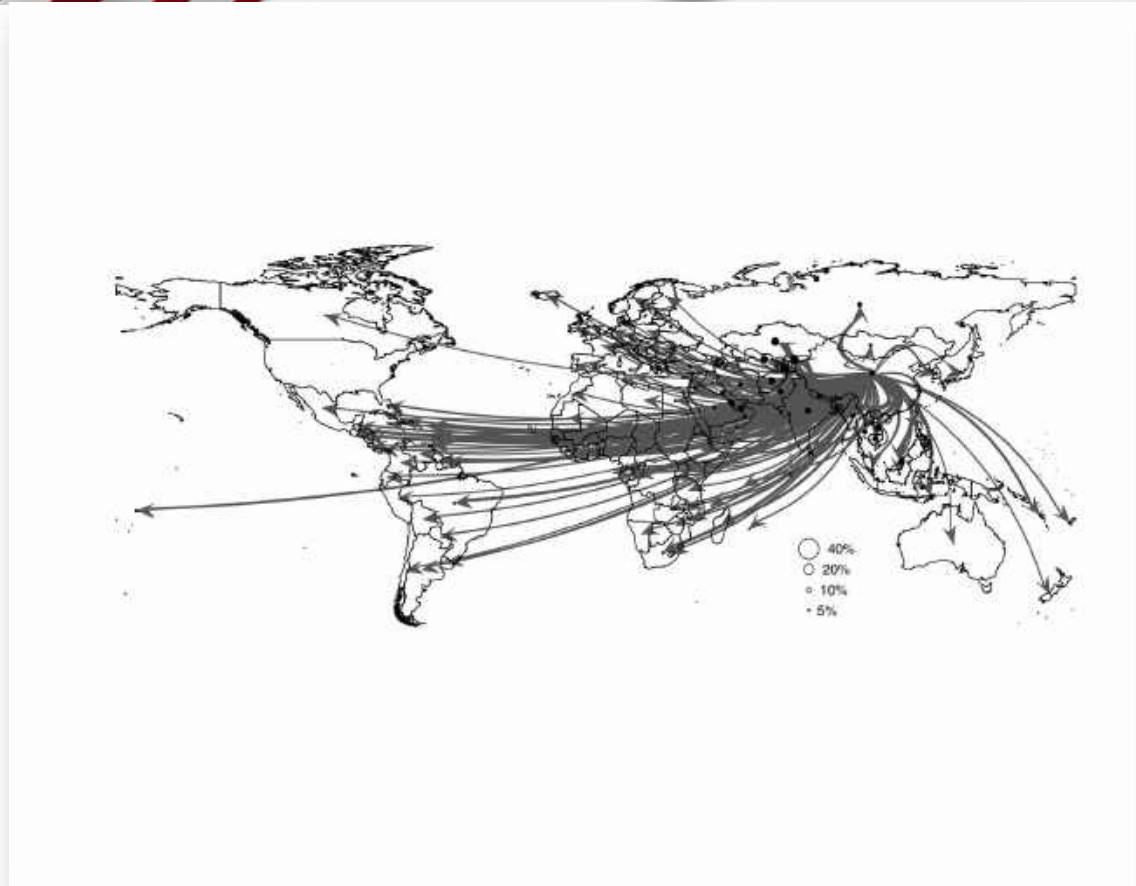
Wedging  
(European & Transatlantic)



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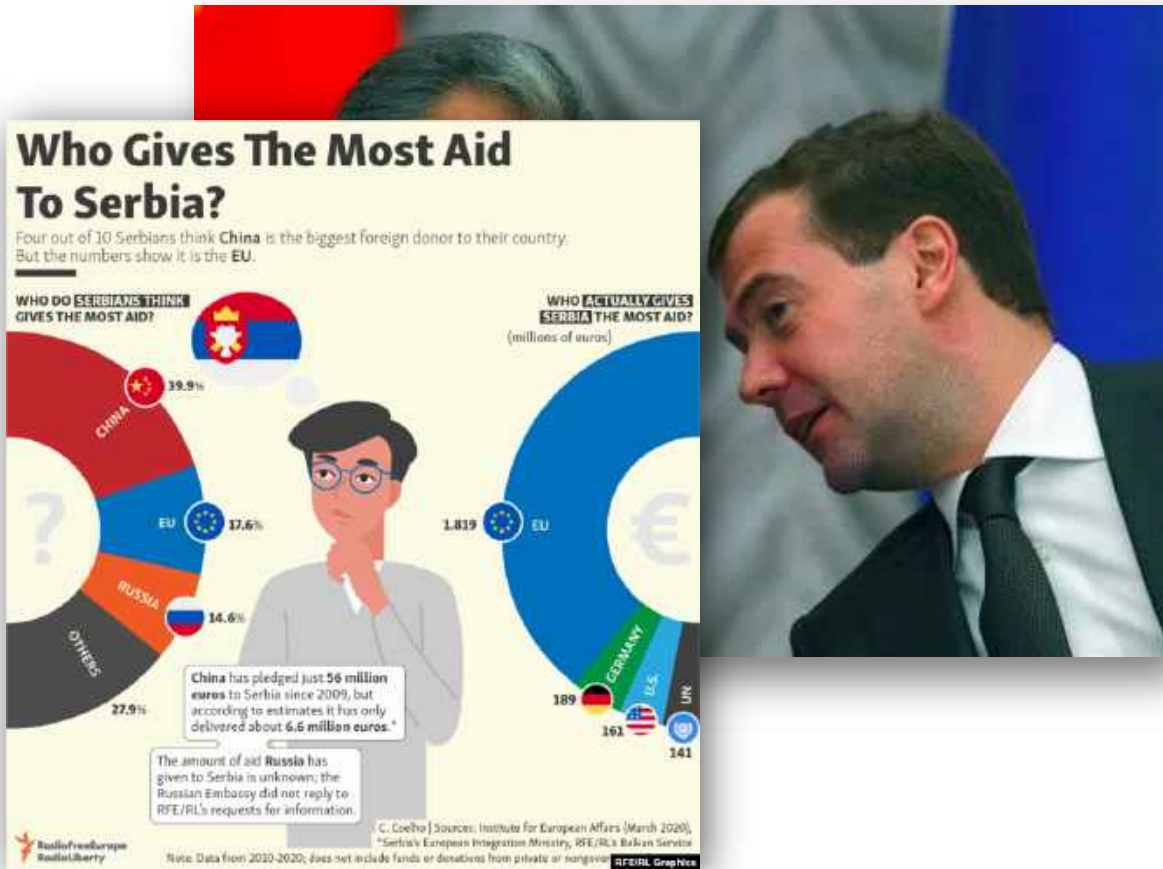
# Alternative Ordering



Brokerage



# Exit Options and Goods Competition





# Extra Slides

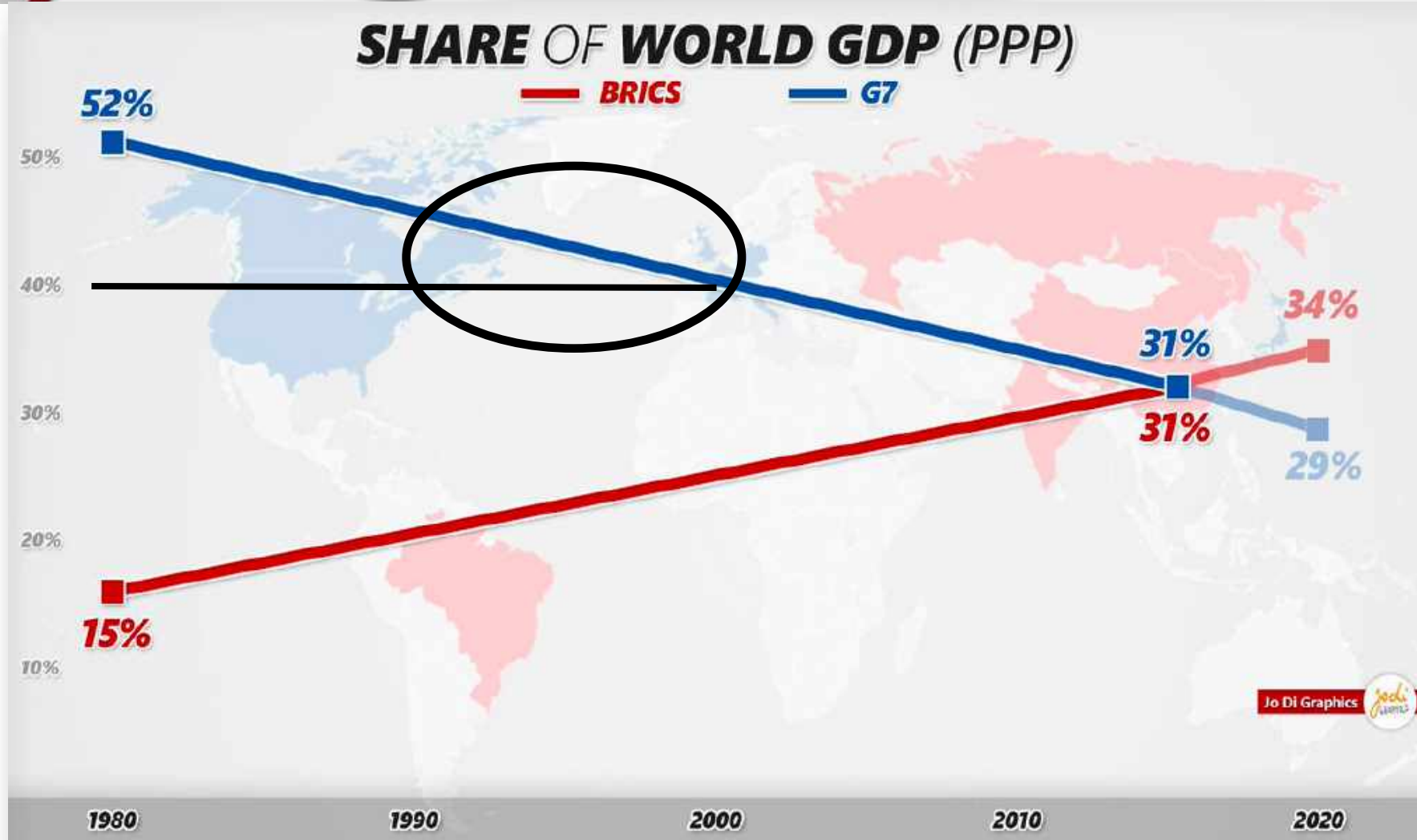


**But in the mid-1980s...**





# What Happened?





# Example: COVID-19

## Chinese medics arrive in Serbia to fight

Source: Xinhua | 2020-03-22 11:50:33 | Editor: xuxin



## Chinese Doctors and Supplies Arrive

Beijing dispatches intensive-care personnel to Europe, express



How China Is Using Soft Power to Rewrite E





	<b>Order Contestation</b>	<b>Alternative-Order Building</b>
<b>Wedging</b>	Disrupting Coalitions that Support Existing Rules, Norms, and Practices within International Organizations	Sabotaging the Ability of a Hegemon-Backed Multilateral Development Bank to Function  Convincing a State to Exit from a Bilateral Alliance with the Hegemon
<b>Brokering</b>	Building Coalitions for Changing Rules, Norms, and Practices within International Organizations	Building a New Rival Multilateral Development Bank  Forming a Rival Bilateral Alliance Infrastructure

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# Hegemonic Unravelling on Steroids?

