

Table 1.1: Speed of Emulative Regime Contention and Change in Polity Scores

Europe 1847 - 1850

	Speed in Years	Democracy	Autocracy	Δ Polity Score	Comment
Belgium	.1	2 - 2	6 - 6	0	
Netherlands	.1	0 - 3	7 - 6	+ 4	
Denmark	.08	0 - 5	9 - 3	+ 11	
Norway	.1	0 - 0	7 - 7	0	
Sweden	.1	0 - 0	7 - 7	0	
Russia	.2	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Baden	.02	1 - 0	5 - 7	-3	
Württemberg	.03	2 - 2	6 - 6	0	
Bavaria	.04	0 - 0	8 - 7	+1	
Saxony	.05	0 - 0	9 - 7	+2	
Prussia	.06	0 - 0	9 - 8	+1	
Austria	.05	0 - 1	10 - 7	+4	Big Over-Estimation
Hungary	.03	-	-	-	Worsening Oppression
Moldavia	.15	-	-	-	No change
Walachia	.15	-	-	-	No change
Papal Sta.	.1	0 - 0	9 - 9	0	
Piedmont	.1	0 - 0	10 - 7	+3	
Modena	.1	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Parma	.1	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Tuscany	.1	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Average	~ .1			1 - 1.2	

Notes:

- 1) Not being independent states, Hungary, Moldavia, and Walachia are not covered by Polity IV. But they were important sites of contention in 1848 and are therefore included here based on scholarly analyses, especially Dowe et al. (2001) and Sperber (1994).
- 2) Progress in Austria is strikingly overrated, e.g., by comparison to Prussia, which kept and applied its royally decreed constitution, whereas Austria never put it in operation and abrogated it soon.

Table 1.2: Speed of Emulative Regime Contention and Change in Polity Scores

Europe 1916 - 1919

	Speed in Years	Democracy	Autocracy	Δ Polity Score	Comment
Belgium	1	8 - 9	1 - 0	+2	
Netherlands	~ 1	4 - 10	6 - 0	+12	
Sweden	1	9 - 10	1 - 0	+2	
Germany	1 - 1.5	5 - 6	3 - 0	+4	Big Under Estimation
Austria	1 - 1.5	1 - 8	5 - 0	+12	
Hungary	1	1 - 1	5 - 2	+3	Too positive
Britain	1	8 - 8	0 - 0	0	Under-Estimation
Italy	2	3 - 3	4 - 4	0	
France	1.5	8 - 9	0 - 0	+1	
Average	~ 1.3			+ 4	

Notes:

- 1) Progress in Belgium, Sweden, Britain, and France started from an already high level of “democracy” and low level of “autocracy;” therefore, it could only be limited due to this ceiling effect, which was not at play in 1848.
- 2) Progress in Germany is underestimated greatly. The country instituted a competitive democracy in 1919, so by any reasonable assessment, the change on the democracy score should be much higher than +1.

Table 1.3: Speed of Emulative Regime Contention and Change in Polity Scores

South America 1974 - 1990

	Yrs of Content.	Speed in Years	Democracy	Autocracy	Δ Polity Score	Comment
Argentina	1982-83	6	0 - 8	8 - 0	+16	
Bolivia	1977-80	2 - 4	0 - 0	7 - 7	0	1 st Effort
Bolivia	1981-82	5 - 6	0 - 8	7 - 0	+15	2 nd Effort
Brazil	1983-85	8/1 Arg	2 - 7	5 - 0	+10	
Chile	1983-85	8/1 Arg	0 - 0	7 - 6	+1	1 st Effort
Chile	1986-89	10 - 13	0 - 8	6 - 0	+14	2 nd Effort
Ecuador	1978-79	2 - 3	0 - 9	5 - 0	+14	
Peru	1977-80	1 - 4	0 - 7	7 - 0	+14	
Uruguay	1983-85	8/1 Arg	0 - 9	7 - 0	+16	
Average		~ 5			+11	

Note: The average includes both the initial failures and the eventual successes in Bolivia and Chile.

Table 1.4: Speed of Emulative Regime Contention and Change in Polity Scores

Europe 1830 - 1831

	Speed in Years	Democracy	Autocracy	Δ Polity Score	Comment
Belgium	.1	1 - 2	7 - 6	+2	Under-Estimation
Britain	.2	4 - 4	6 - 6	0	Yet 1832 Reform
Switzerland	.3	-	-	-	Progress in several Cantons
Spain	.6	1 - 1	7 - 7	0	
Poland (Russia)	.3	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	Worsening Oppression
Saxony	.2	0 - 0	10 - 7	+3	
Prussia	.2	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Austria	.2	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Papal Sta.	.5	0 - 0	9 - 9	0	
Piedmont	.5	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Modena	.5	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Parma	.5	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Tuscany	.5	0 - 0	10 - 10	0	
Average	~ .4			~ .4	

Notes:

- 1) Progress is underestimated in Belgium, which adopted a liberal constitution that turned into a model for Continental Europe.
- 2) Due to its decentralized structure, Switzerland in 1830 is not covered by Polity IV.