Division of powers and des/centralization in Ibero-American federations: characteristics and functioning

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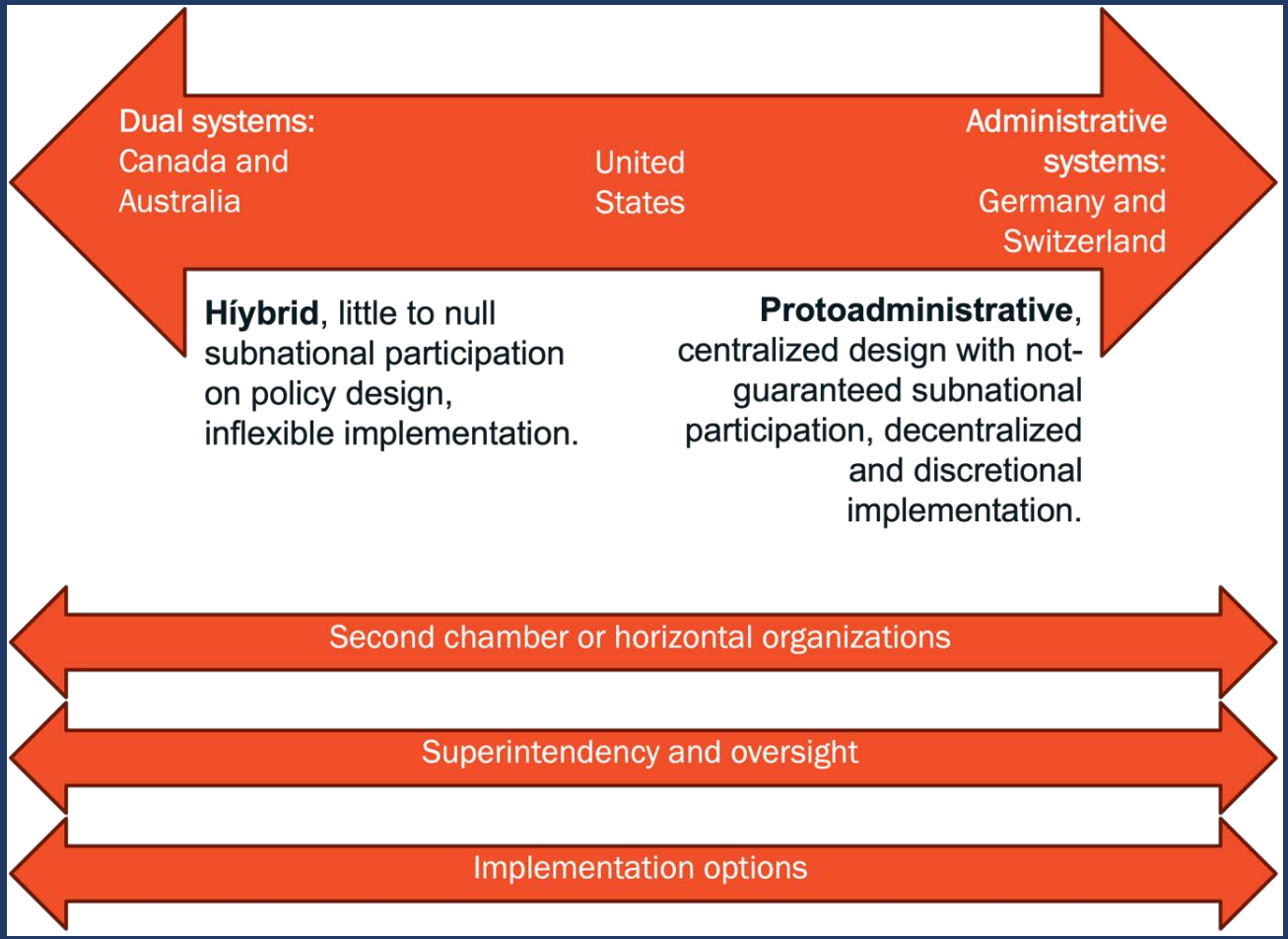

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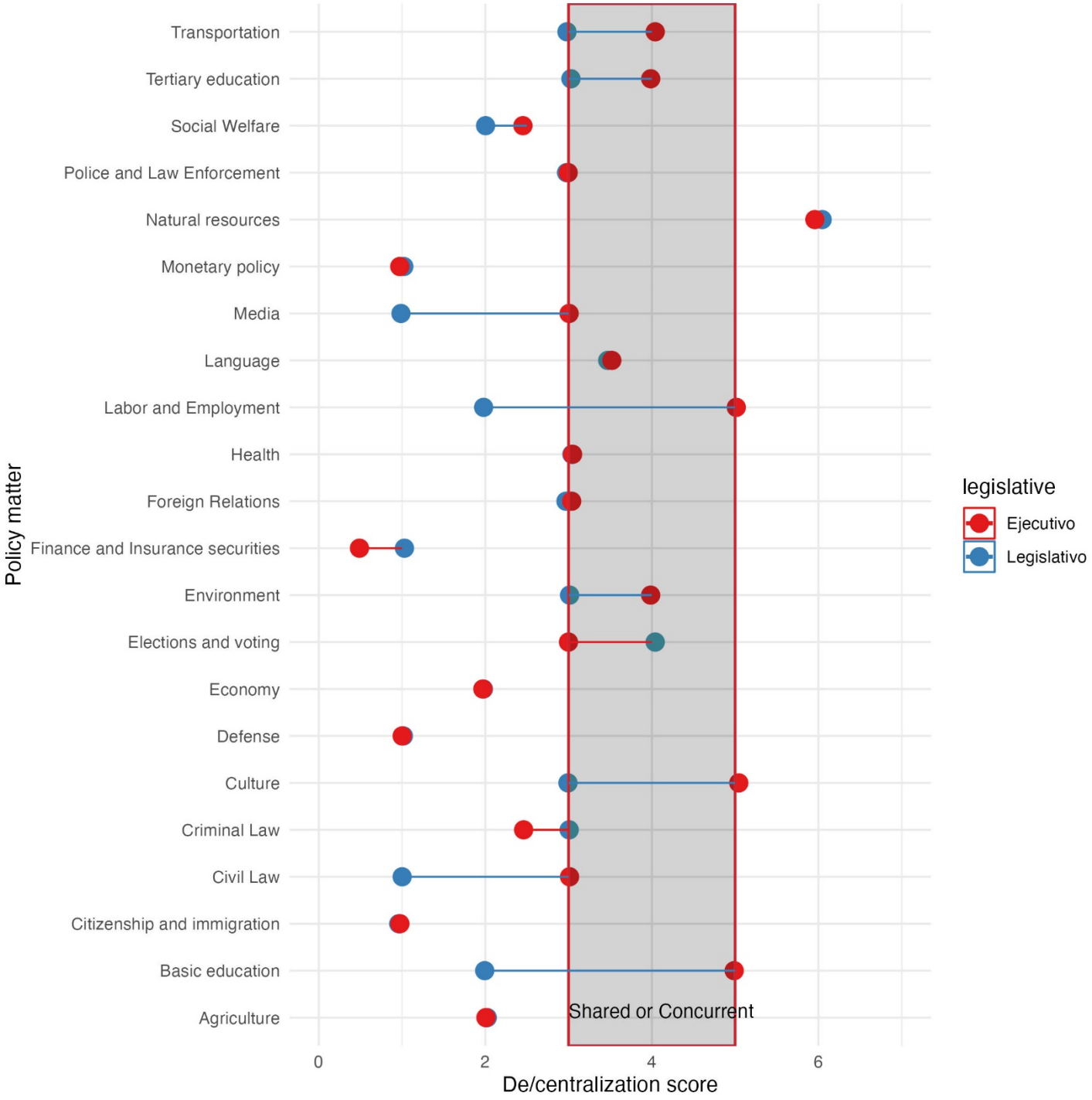

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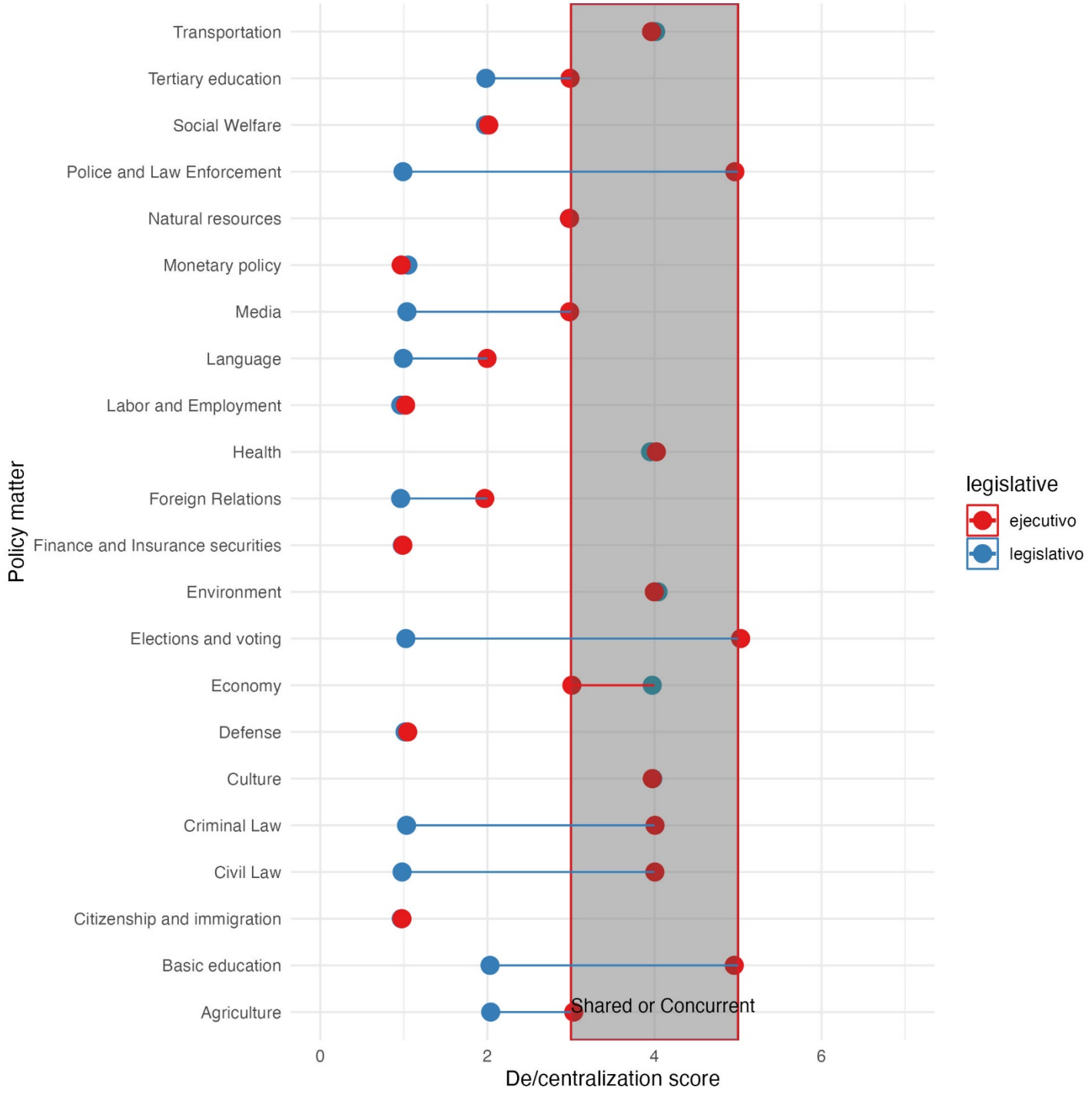

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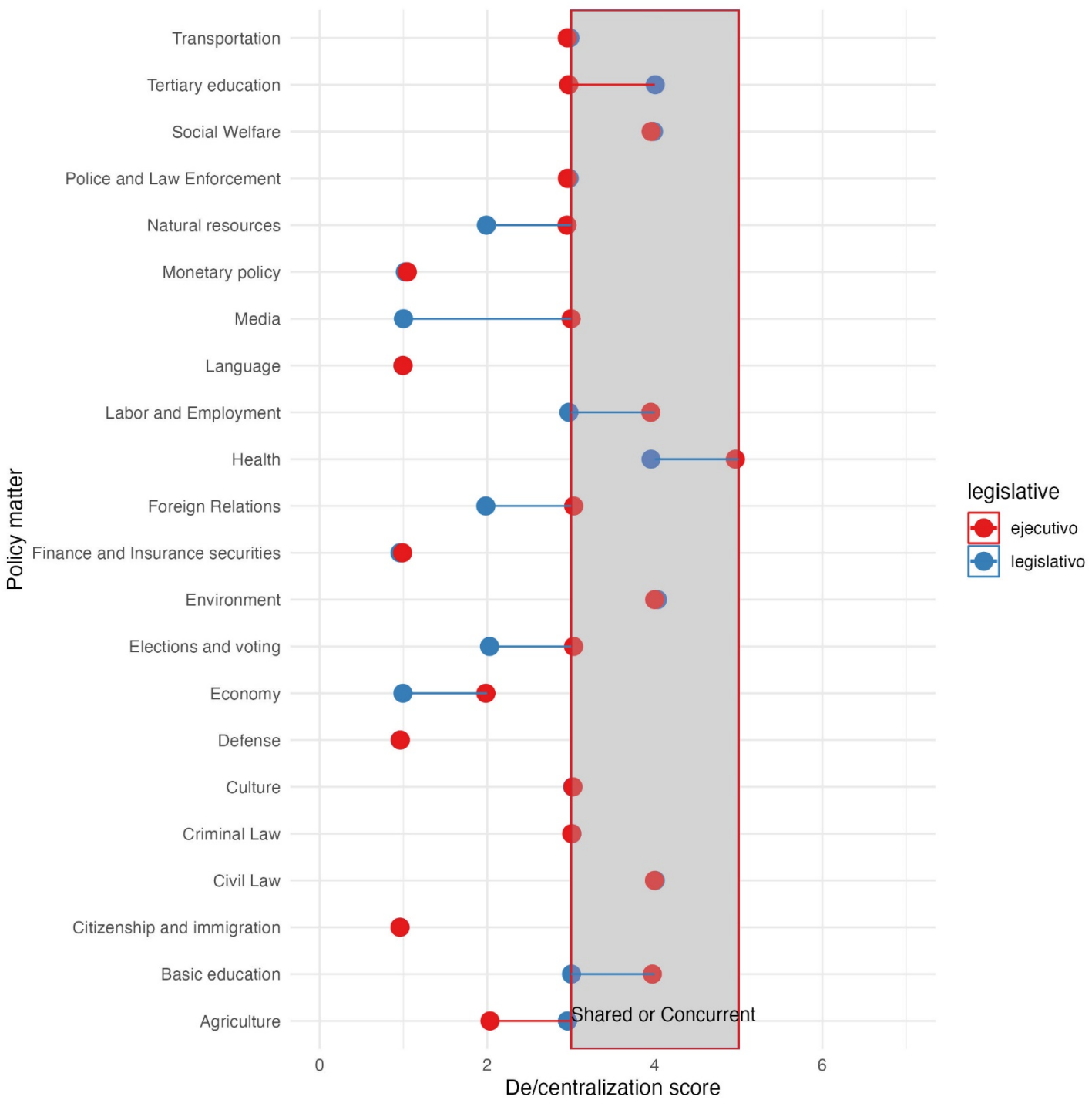

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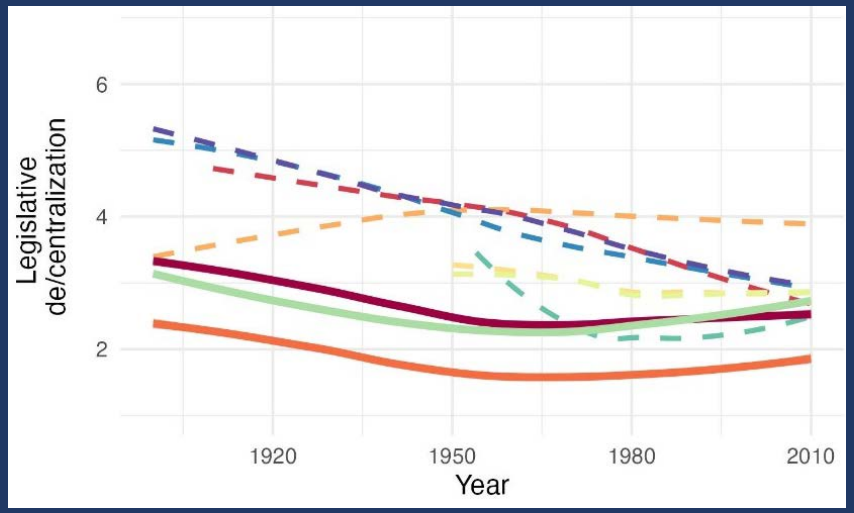

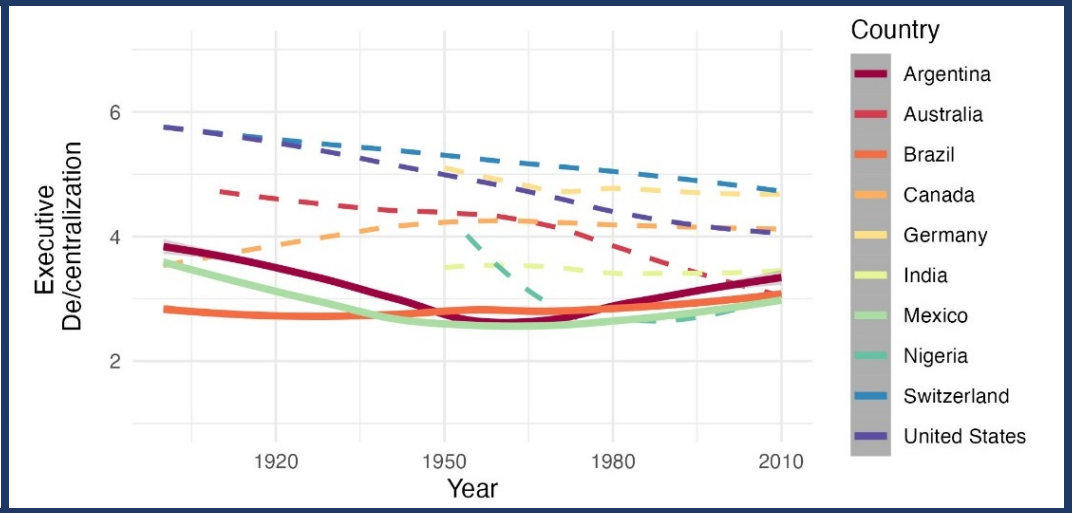

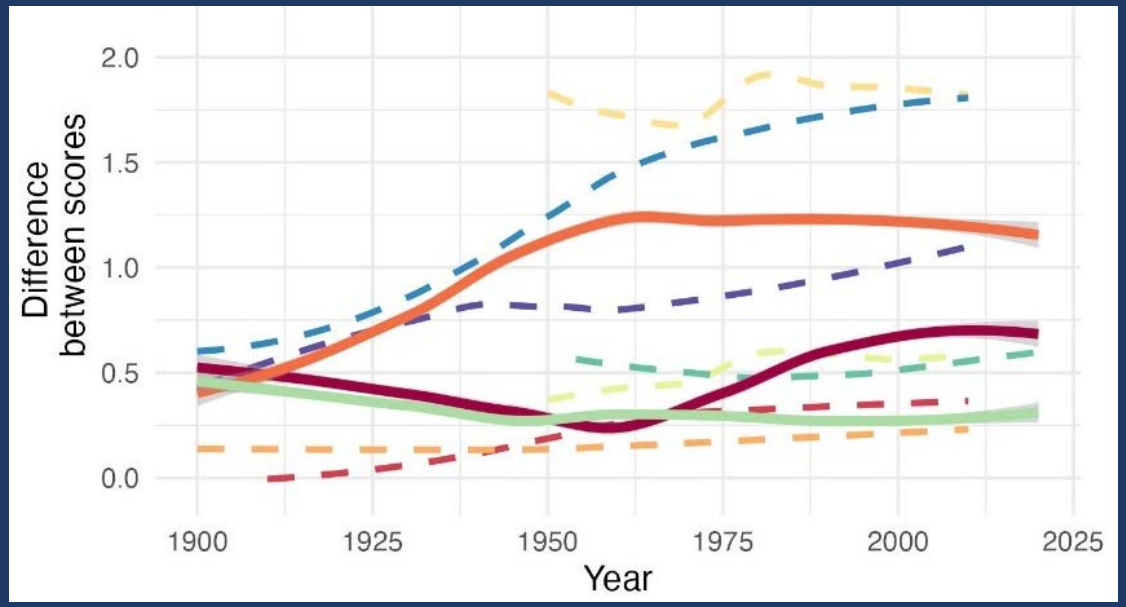

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Conclusions

PROTOADMINISTRATIVE

Brazil

- Seeking to eradicate regional inequality.
- Boost legislative centralization and indirect administration.
- The establishment of superintendency and oversight was ratified.
- Implementation options have been negotiated through Intergovernmental organizations.

HYBRIDS

- **Argentina** national funding of Welfare policy stands-out, provincial strong distrust derives in non-legislated discretionality which forbids oversight.
- **Spain** is undergoing a dual stage with moderate concurrencies.
- **México** holds revolutionary social ideals, excesive concurrencies hidden under a dual facade, adapted bilateralism.

Subnational government haven’t been able to consistently influence national policy design in any of the studied federations.

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