Models of Development

Rostow's Stages of Development and Wallerstein's World-Systems Theory

Rostow Model

- 5-stage model
 - Traditional society
 - Preconditions for take-off
 - Take-off
 - Drive to maturity
 - High Mass Consumption
- Each stage has reasons the country moves from one stage to another

Stage 1: Traditional Society

- Little technology
- No social changes

Moves to next stage when other countries invest in resources or new markets appear.

- Ex: OIL! GOLD! Minerals!



Stage 2: Precondition to Take-Off

- Commercial companies invest
 - Plantation agriculture
 - Garment industry
 - Mining

 Moves to next stage when roads/railroads (infrastructure improves) and social and political leaders emerge.

Stage 3: Take-off

 Development of manufacturing (a country's own companies for export)

 Moves to next stage with even more investment in this sector and the creation of modern social, economic, and political institutions



Stage 4: Drive to Maturity

- Development of economy beyond manufacturing (widening base of industry and business)
- Moves to last stage
 when it can take
 advantage of its abilities
 to produce.



Stage 5: High Mass Consumption

- People buy almost all products
- Most of economy centered on services
 - Business, banking,etc...



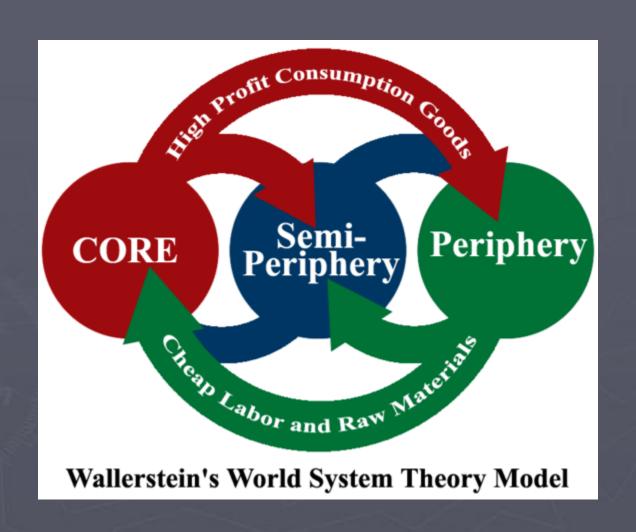
World Systems Theory

Core, Semi-Periphery, Periphery

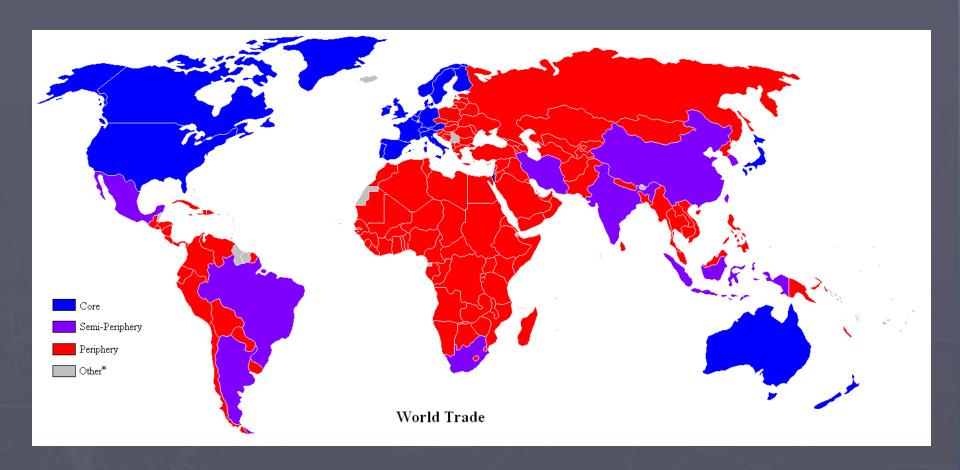
Basics

- The world is ONE economic market with a global division on labor (what each place does)
- Three levels:
 - Core
 - Semi-Periphery
 - Periphery

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CORE

- The world's richer countries
- Wide range of products and services
- High wages
- Import raw materials and export manufactured goods/services
- Have favorable trade balances with poor countries
- Build up capital which is invested largely at home
- Invest in other core country economies
- Valuable trade with other core countries

PERIPHERY

- Poorer countries
- Limited products
- Limited technology
- Lower wages
- Dependent on core countries to purchase goods, provide capital, etc.
- This dependency is the root of many global problems/conflicts
- Supply raw materials
- Generally exploited by core

SEMI-PERIPHERY

- Transition between core and periphery
- Still have dependent relationships with cores
- Have peripheral countries dependent on them
- South Korea, Mexico, Argentina, Thailand, Malaysia are examples of Semi-Periphery countries moving up
- Russia and neighbors moving down the scale