

What is the state? Democracy?

Indicators of state capacity

1. Public order / coercion

- Army
- Police
- Secret police
- Criminal justice

2. Economic regulation

- Currency
- Revenue collection
- Property rights (physical capital, enforcement of contracts, IP)

3. Public services

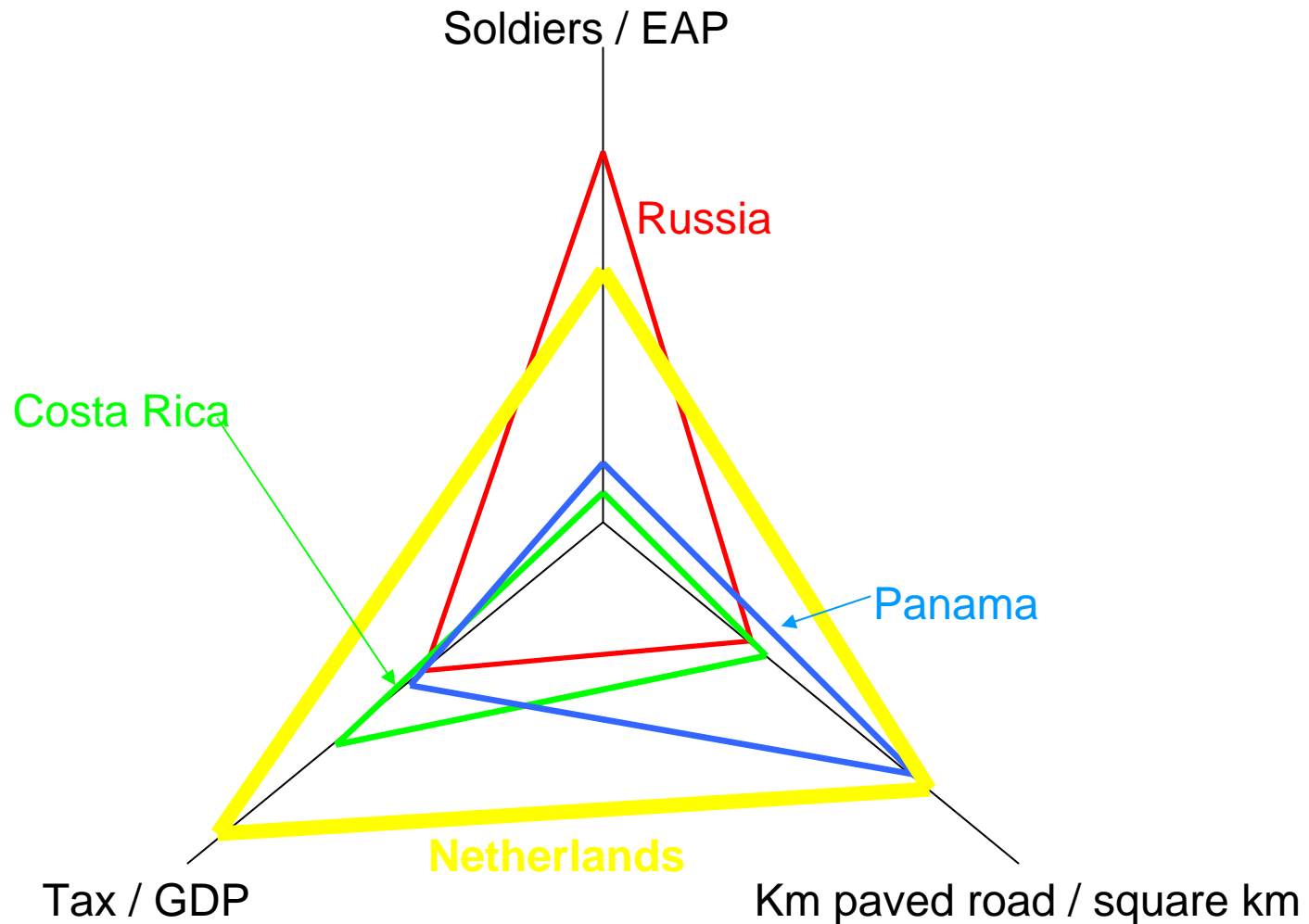
- Infrastructure
- Health
- Education

4. Legitimation

- “Official” religion
- Propaganda

How might we measure state strength?

Some measures using a “spider graph”



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The democratic chain

