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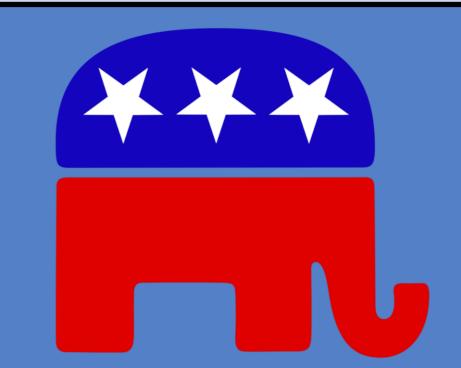
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Short-Term Control

- Obtained through the creation and intensification of crises
- Obstructionism seeks to do this by gridlocking government efforts at stopping or alleviating cr1ses
- Deregulation creates conditions for economic crises not occuring until post-Republican governance

Tax Cuts, Wars Account for Nearl

TARP, Fannie, and Freddie

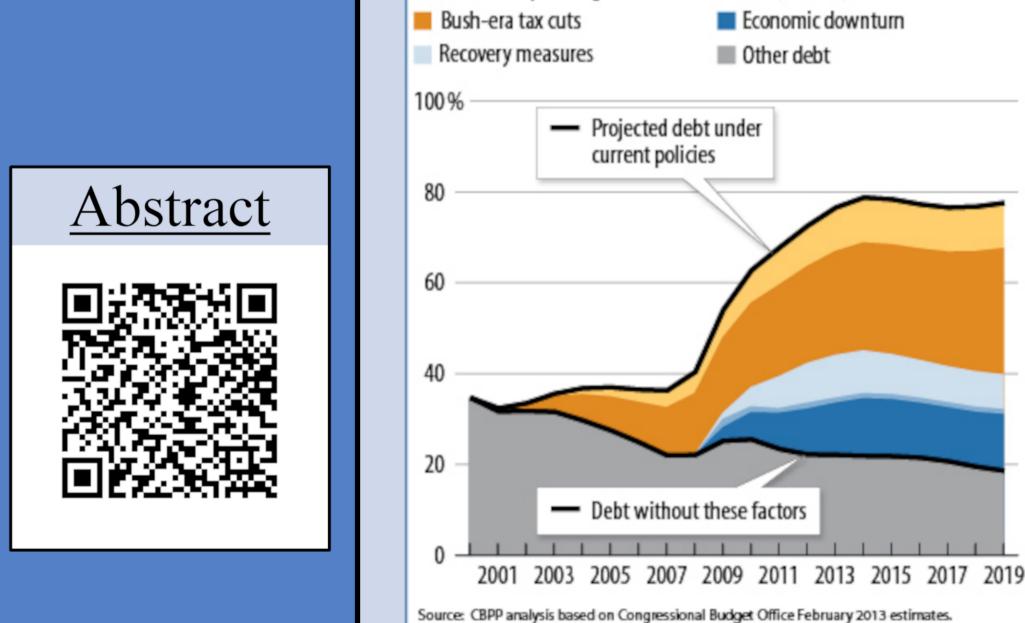
- Political Capitalism is a form of governance in which state works in tandem with a socioeconomic oligarchy.
- A Crisis is a period of time in which there is a heightened awareness and anxiety of government failure.
- Crisis Politics is a tactic in which a political party exploits the anxieties of a crisis, real or percieved, to label the ruling party incompetent and take power themselves.
- The Republican Party uses Crisis Politics to gain short-term and long-term power. This is then used to undermine Liberal and regulatory institutions.

Long-Term Control

- Obtained by taking advantage of power gained during crises
 - Institutional

Overrepresentation occurs when Republicans gain more political control than their popular vote share would warrant

- Judicial Control is gained via an organized utilization of executive and legislative power to put politically aligned justices and judges in power



Debt held by the public as percent of GDP

Conclusion

- The Republican Party is a radical and undemocratic force in American politics
- As the emobodiment of Accelerated Capitalism, the party seeks to utilize crises to bring about an oligarchic dictatorship
- Crisis Politics will not mitigate until the root cause of most crises, Capitalism, is abolished

