

Research on Procedural Justice in Policing

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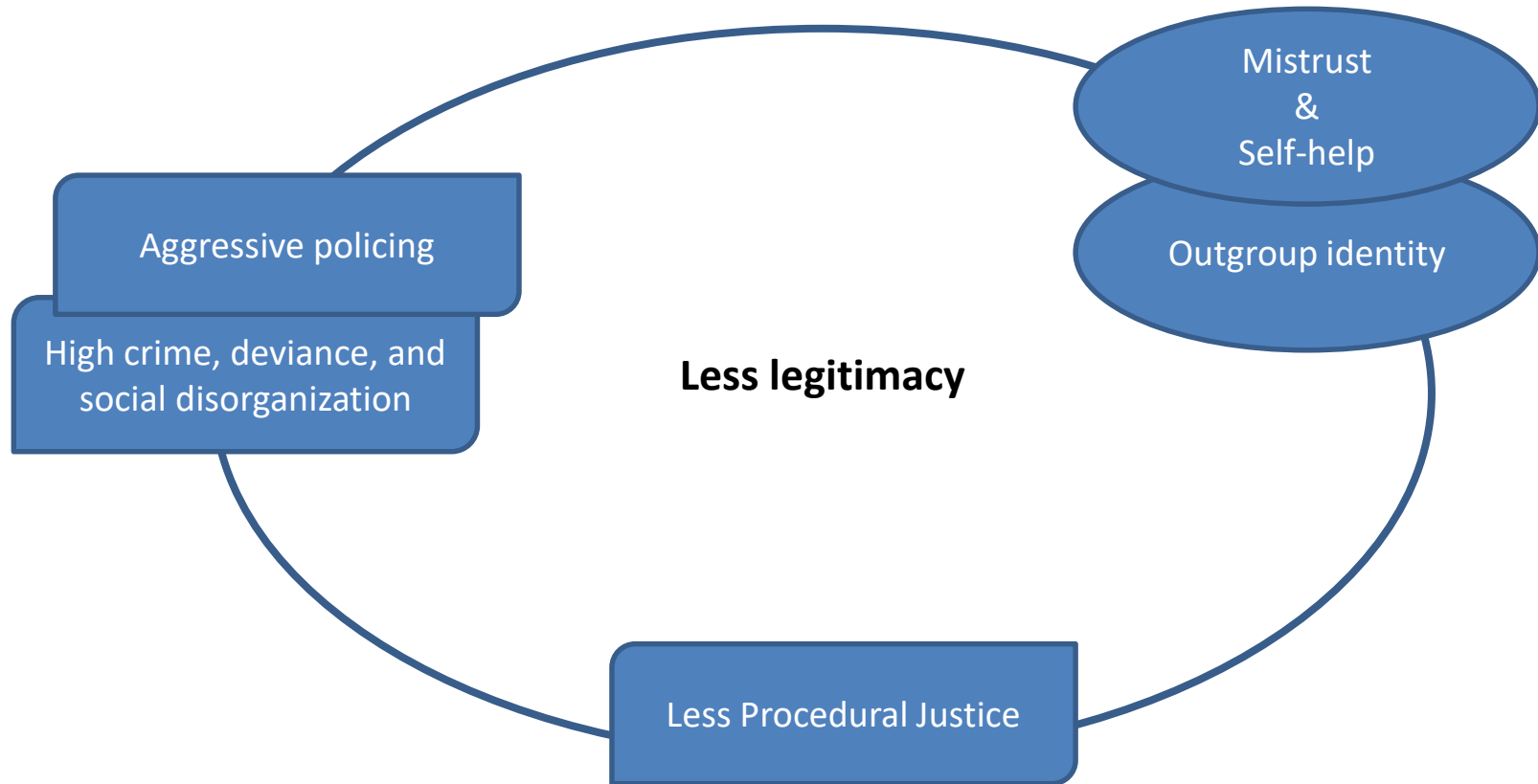
“It is not enough for us to be fair. We must also be seen as fair.”

Questions for Research



- What is procedural justice (PJ)?
- What does procedural justice do?
- Why/how does it do this?
- In what way is it most effectively implemented?

Procedural **In**justice – Gau and Brunson (2013)

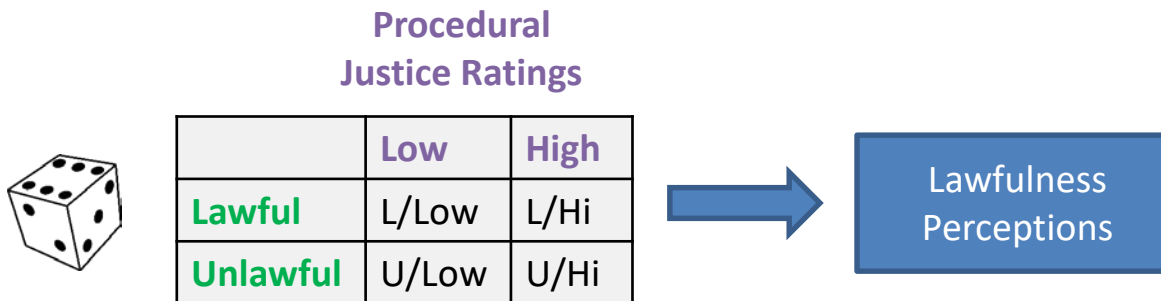


Legitimacy Intervention Outcomes – Mazerolle et al. (2013)

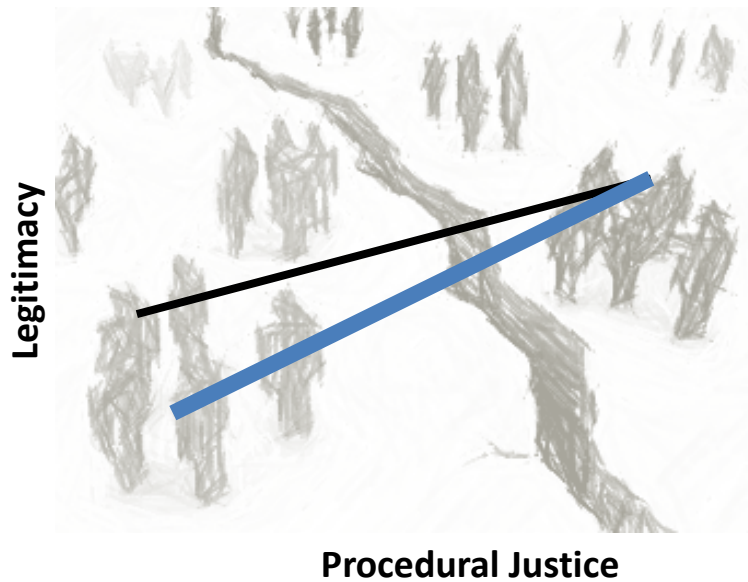
- Meta-analysis
- Direct
 - **Satisfaction/confidence**
 - **Compliance/cooperation**
 - **Perceived procedural justice**
 - **Perceived fairness**
 - **Views of legitimacy (sort of)**
- Indirect
 - Reoffending, crime, and social disorder

Lawful or Fair? – Meares et al. (2015)

Narrative – Interaction video – **Procedural Justice Ratings** – **Lawfulness Perceptions**



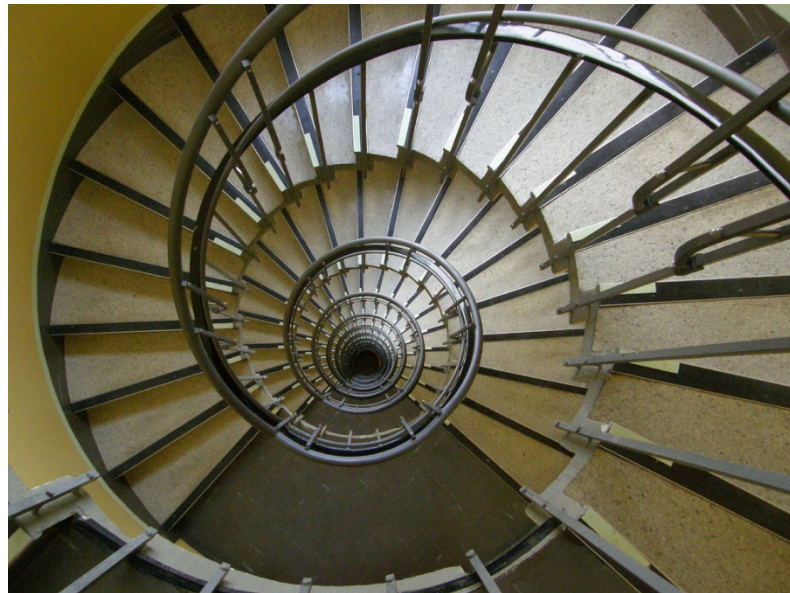
Disengaged/Disaffected Groups – Madon et al. (2017)



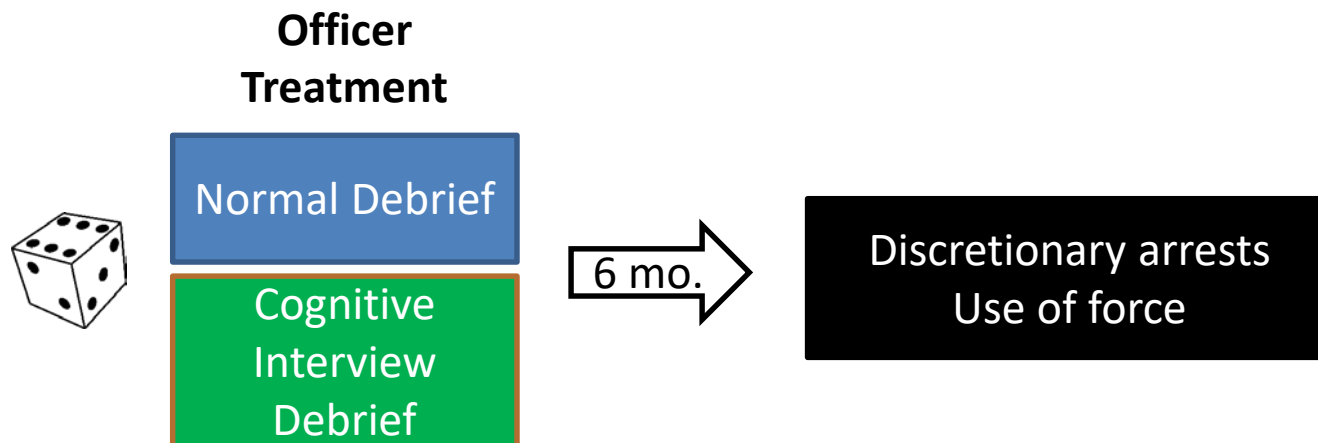
- Is procedural justice too little too late for some?
- Effect can vary by group, but...
- Stronger relationship with police legitimacy in **disengaged groups**

An Implementation Failure - MacQueen and Bradford (2016)

- Scottish community engagement trial
- Unexplained results
- Communication breakdown
- Top-down management failed



Officers Paying PJ Treatment Forward? - Owens et al. (2017)



Other interesting themes

- Pre-existing attitudes/identities and procedural justice judgments
 - Braga et al. (2014)
- Previous and vicarious experiences
 - Rosenbaum et al. (2005)
- Intersection of PJ with emotion
 - Murphy and Tyler (2008)



Where Research is Lacking

- Experimental studies (getting better)
- Longitudinal studies of perceptions and attitudes
- Officer PJ receptivity and implementation (process)
- Civilian role in PJ interactions (disrespect)
- Implementation components/best practices