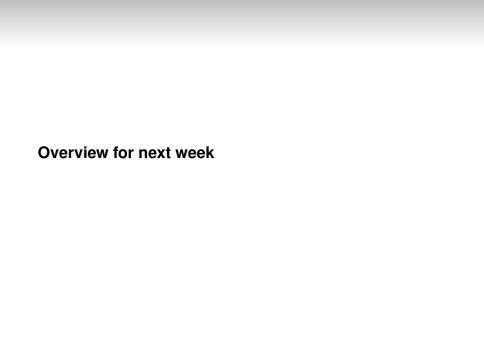
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Dahl

- Under what conditions are citizens fit to self-govern?
- How does/should democracy work?
- How must citizens act in democracy?
- Whose voice should be heard in democracy?

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- What is "public opinion"?
- How do we know public opinion?
- History of public opinion research

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- An economic model of how democracy works
- Assumptions about citizens that underly that model
- What are citizens supposed to do in democracy?
- How do citizens vote rationally?

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- Four models of representation
 - Promissory
 - Anticipatory
 - Gyroscopic
 - Surrogate
- How does the public influence their representatives in each model?
- What does each model imply about democracy?

