

POLI 100B: Congress

Agenda: 26 February 2008

Topic 3: Ideology, Party, and Polarization in Congress

B. Estimating Spatial (Geometric) Maps of Voting and Party Competition

1. Roll Call Voting in Congress

c. The *Unfolding* Problem

d. The Spatial (Geometric) Model of Roll Call Voting

2. The Basic Space of American Politics

C. The Polarization of American Politics

1. Political Party Means 1879 – 2006

2. The Disappearance of Moderate Legislators

Topic 4: Congressional Elections

A. Turnout and Trust

B. Erikson and Wright