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Socio-psychological understanding of collective actions



U ZNAK SOLIDARNOSTI SA STANISLAVOM TOMAŠOM

Prosvjed Roma u Zagrebu: 'Rasizam ubija'



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Pripadnici romske nacionalne manjine iz cijele Europe pokrenuli su međunarodni pokret kako bi osudili ovakvu vrstu ponašanja u institucijama za provođenje zakona

Posvađali se organizatori Hetero parade. Dado iz Smogovaca: Gdje su nestali novci?

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ALIN KAVUR, dopredsjednik GČ-a Donje Dubrave i donedavni član HDZ-a, noćas je medijima poslao priopćenje u kojem navodi da je on, pokretač inicijative Straight pride - Hetero parada, udruhu Hrvatska mati prijavio Ministarstvu financija.

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Collective actions refers to behaviours that aim at improving the conditions of group and achieving common goals...
... for own group

... due to the solidarity with some other group

Social Identity Model of Collective Action

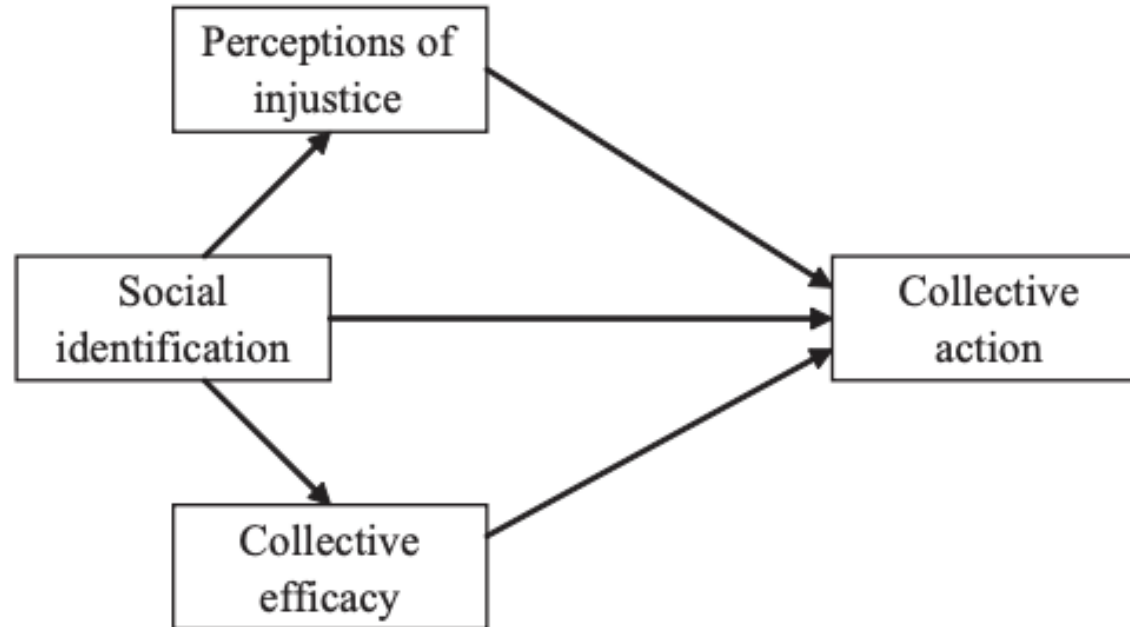


Figure 1. The social identity model of collective action (van Zomeren, Postmes & Spears, 2008).

RESEARCH GOALS

- Establish groups of Croatian citizens different regarding to combination of reported participation in collective actions
 - separately for Continental and Adriatic Croatia
- Investigate the potential differences between these groups with respect to
 - strengths of different social identifications
 - levels of concern regarding different groups and issues in Croatian society



METHOD

SAMPLE

$N = 1462$ Croatian citizens (Croatian nationality - subset of the European value study data set (EVS, 2020) collected in 2017-2018)

- $M_{\text{age}} = 48.8$ ($SD = 17.7$)
- 59% women
- 37% high income
- 27% from towns with less than 5000 citizens
- **36% from Adriatic Croatia**
- 69% did not participate in tertiary education

METHOD – Measures

Collective actions (activism)

- Signing a petition
- Joining in boycotts
- Attending lawful demonstrations
- Joining unofficial strikes

1 = have done,
2 = might do,
3 = would never do

METHOD – Measures

STRENGTHS OF SOCIAL IDENTIFICATIONS

How close do you feel to:

- Town/city
- County/region/district
- Country 1 = very close,
 4 = not close at all
- Continent
- World

How proud are you to be a Croat?

1 = very proud,
4 = not at all proud

CONCERNS

How much are you concerned with:

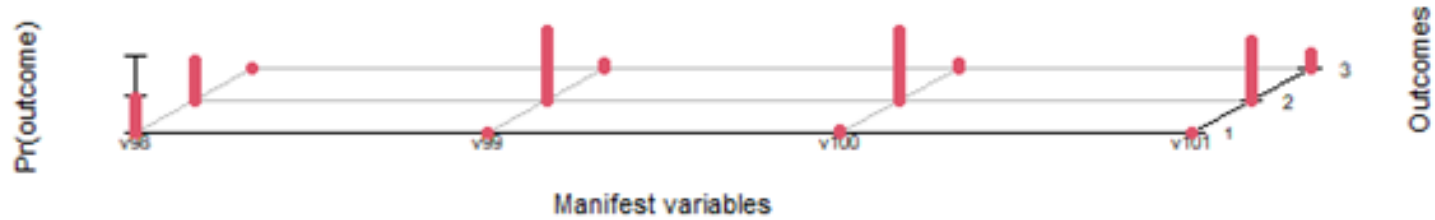
- People neighbourhood
- People own region
- Fellow countrymen
- Europeans 1 = very much,
• Humankind 4 = not so much
- Elderly people
- Unemployed people
- Immigrants
- Sick and disabled

Reverse-coded for main analyses

RESULTS Latent class analyses- 3 classes

Adriatic Croatia
(HR03)

Class 1: population share = 0.586



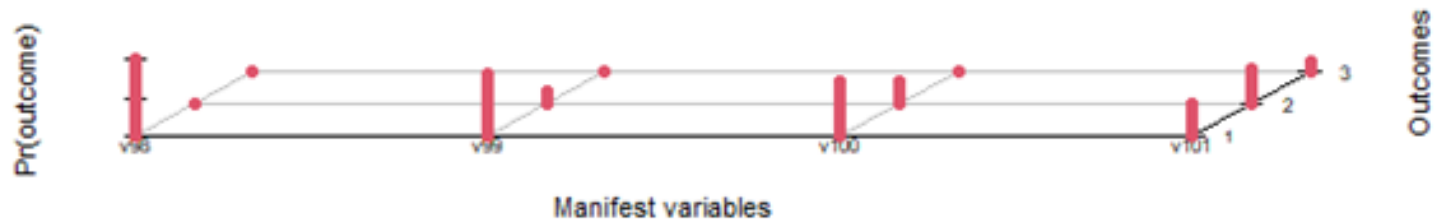
2 = might do

Class 2: population share = 0.269



3 = would never do
NON-ACTIVIST

Class 3: population share = 0.145



1 = have done
ACTIVIST

petitions

boycotts

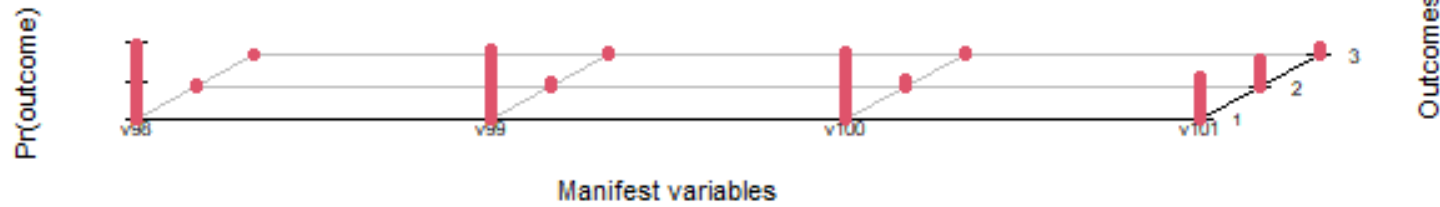
demonstrations

unofficial strikes

RESULTS Latent class analyses- 3 classes

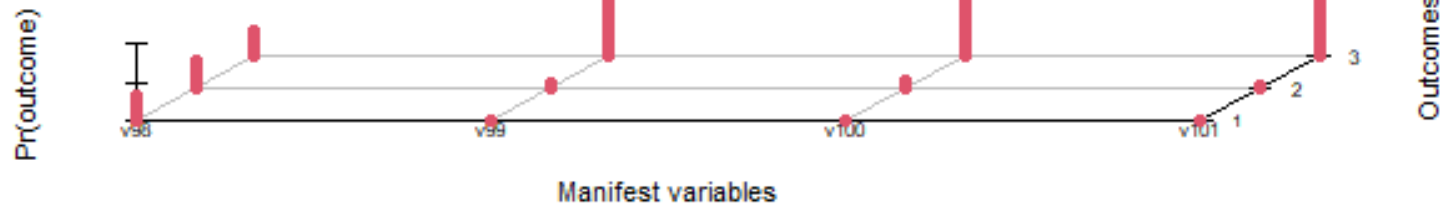
Continental Croatia
(HR04)

Class 1: population share = 0.105



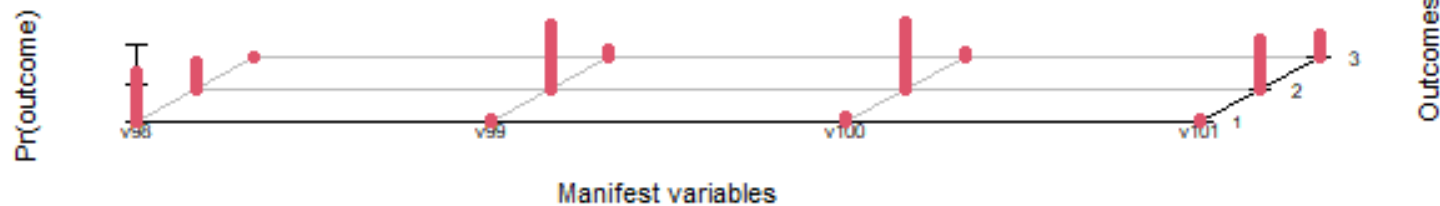
1 = have done
ACTIVIST

Class 2: population share = 0.317



3 = would never do
NON-ACTIVIST

Class 3: population share = 0.578



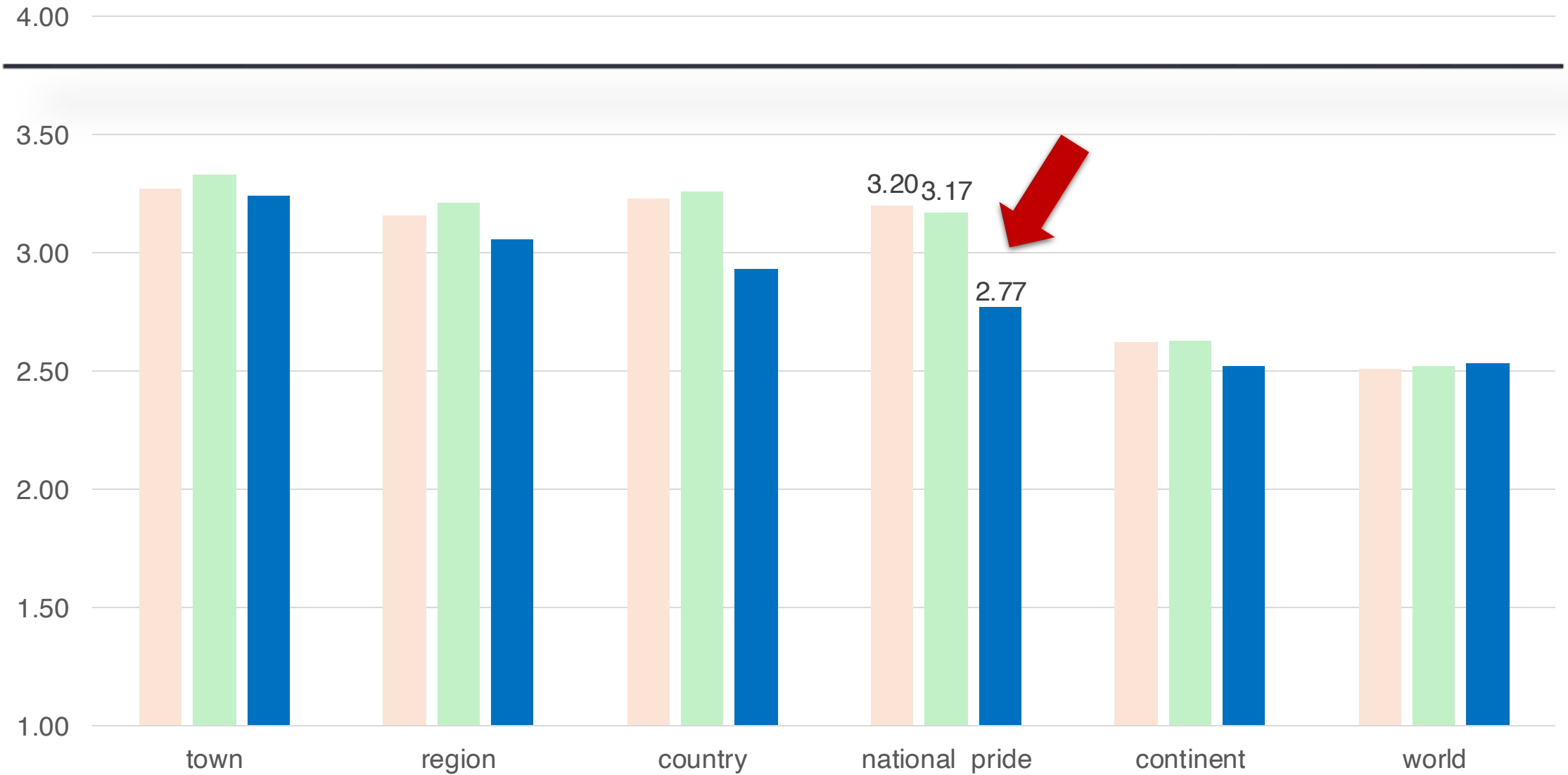
2 = might do

petitions boycotts demonstrations unofficial strikes

RESULTS LCA on the pooled sample

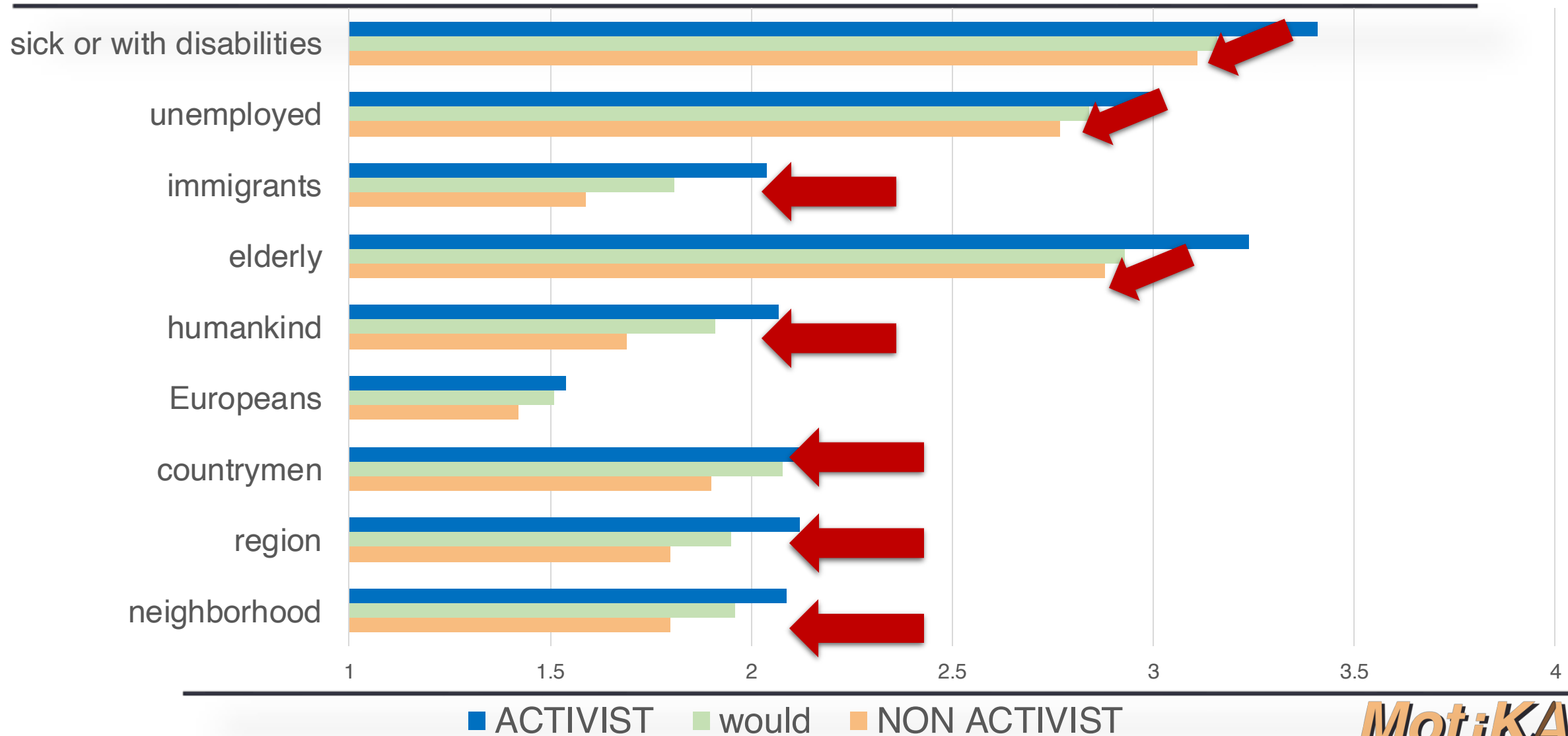


STRENGTH of social identifications – comparison of the classes



■ NON ACTIVIST ■ would ■ ACTIVIST

LEVEL OF CONCERN for DIFFERENT GROUPS/ISSUES



CONCLUSIONS

- THREE LATENT CLASES
 - Negligible differences between Adriatic and Continental Croatia
- STRENGTHS of SOCIAL IDENTIFICATIONS
 - Activists and non-activists feel similarly attached to broader group(s) covered by this study
 - Activists reported lower national pride compared to non-activists
- LEVEL of CONCERNS
 - Activists (and would-be activists) more concerned about different groups and issues
 - Politicized identity being more relevant for collective actions compared to strength of broader social identifications
- LIMITATIONS
 - Cross-sectional research design
 - Limited number of activism items used as indicators
 - Measurement scale
 - Concern as a measure of politicized identity?



Hvala 😊
Thank you!

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