

**THE CLASSICAL DEBATE, REALISM AND THE IR
DISCIPLINE**

(a) Power Politics Realism

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| THUCYDIDES | Structural Anarchy 'Power' Morality 'Evil' Human Nature |
| AUGUSTINE | Sovereignty Rule by Strongest State-as-Actor |
| MACHIAVELLI | Reason of State Self-Interest-Rationality National Interest |
| HOBBS | Balance of Power Deterrence Universal 'Laws' of System |

(b) Liberalism 1919 - 1939

Kantian Influence
Woodrow Wilson
League of Nations
Rise of Fascism

(c) Renaissance of Realism 1939 -

E.H. Carr
World War 2
U.S. and Cold War
Towards a 'Science' of IR
Vietnam/Game Theory

(d) 1970s- Realism under challenge

problems of one 'rationality'
Problems of scientific -
modelling
'Neo-Liberalism'

(e) Post 9/11: the Bush Doctrine challenge

Neoconservatism
Realism 'irrelevant'
Explicit US hegemony