

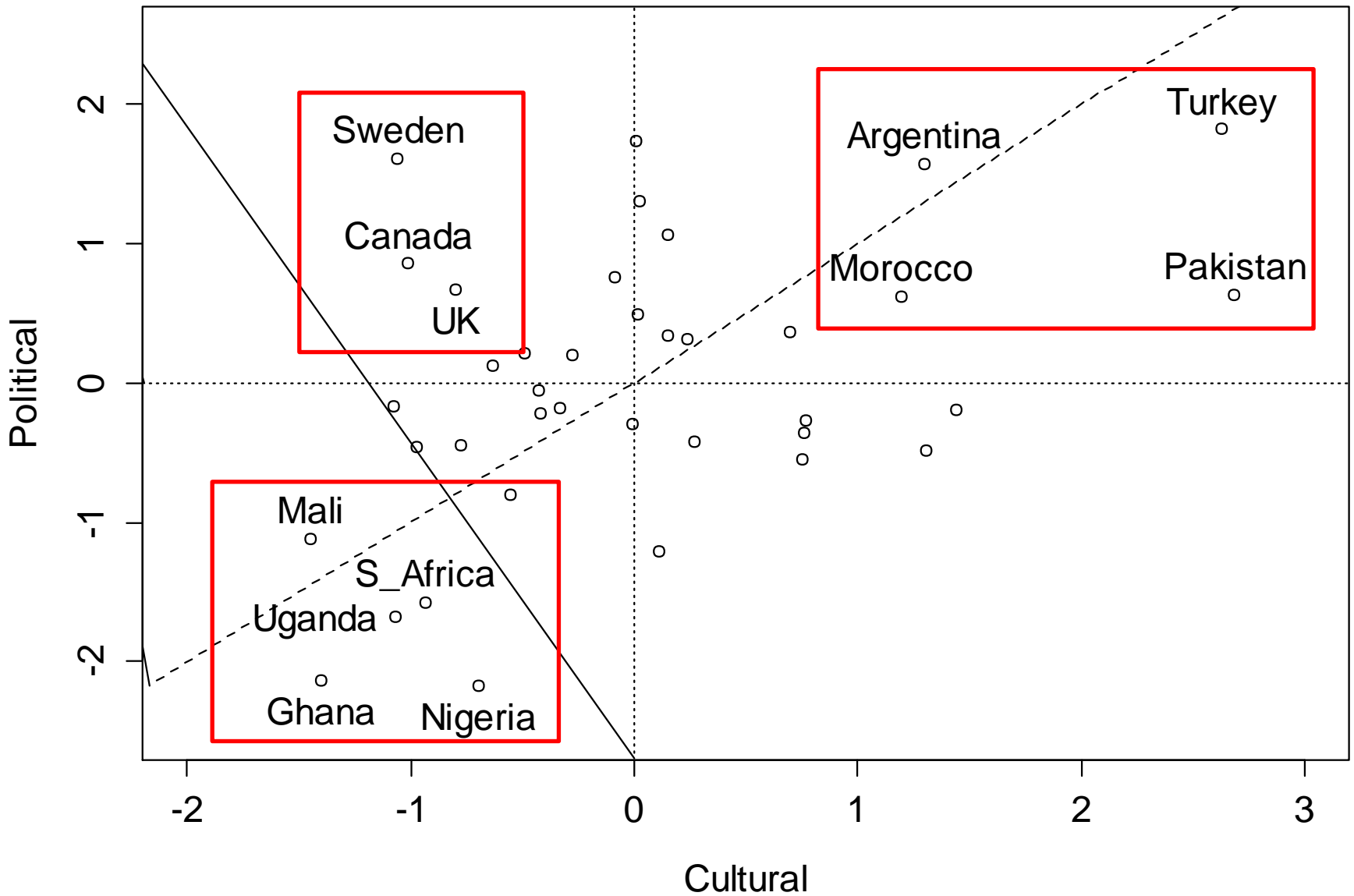
# **Cultural and Political Anti-Americanism and Their Relationships to Modernization**

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# The Two Forms of Anti-Americanism

- **Cultural:**
  - Negative attitude to the U.S.
  - Negative attitude to Americans
  - Negative attitude to American culture
- **Political:**
  - The U.S. promotes democracy where it serves its interests
  - The U.S. foreign policy does not take into account interests of other countries
  - Negative attitudes to American way of doing business
  - The U.S. policies increase gap between rich and poor countries

# Anti-Americanism: Cultural vs. Political



# Index of Cultural Modernization

- Justification of homosexuality
- Acceptance of woman as single parent
- Justification of divorce
- Gender equality into the labor market
- Opposition to military government
- Obedience is not essential quality for children
- Opposition to economic paternalism

# Other Predictors

- Logarithm of GDP per capita adjusted for purchasing power parity (World Bank)
- Democracy index (Freedom House)
- Dissatisfaction (with life, with income, feeling of not being free)
- Percentage of Muslim population (Pew Research Center special report “Mapping Muslim Population of the World”)

# Significant predictors of anti-Americanism

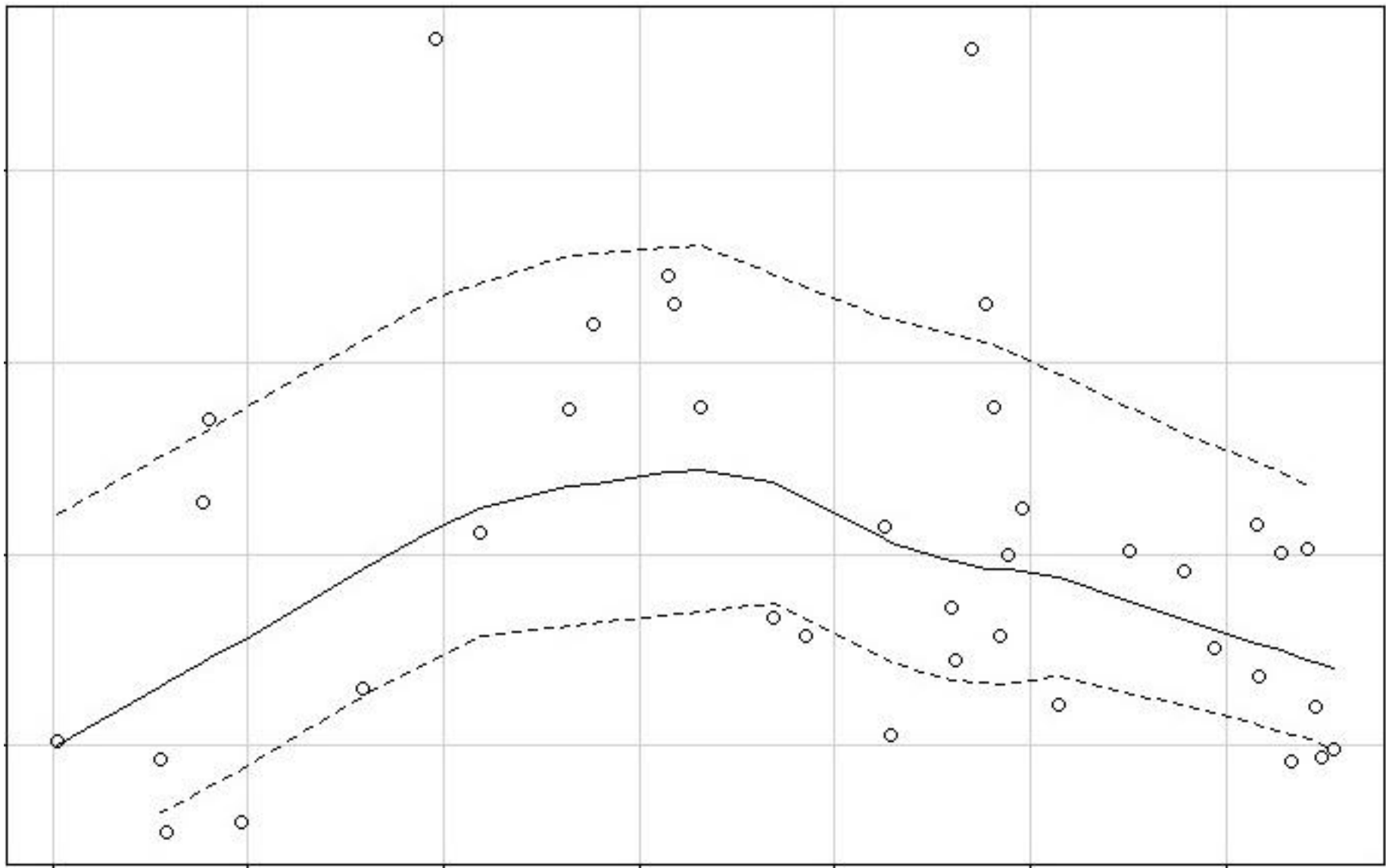
## Cultural:

- High GDP per capita
- Traditional values
- Authoritarian political regime
- Dissatisfaction

## Political:

- High GDP per capita
- Modern values
- Percentage of Muslim population

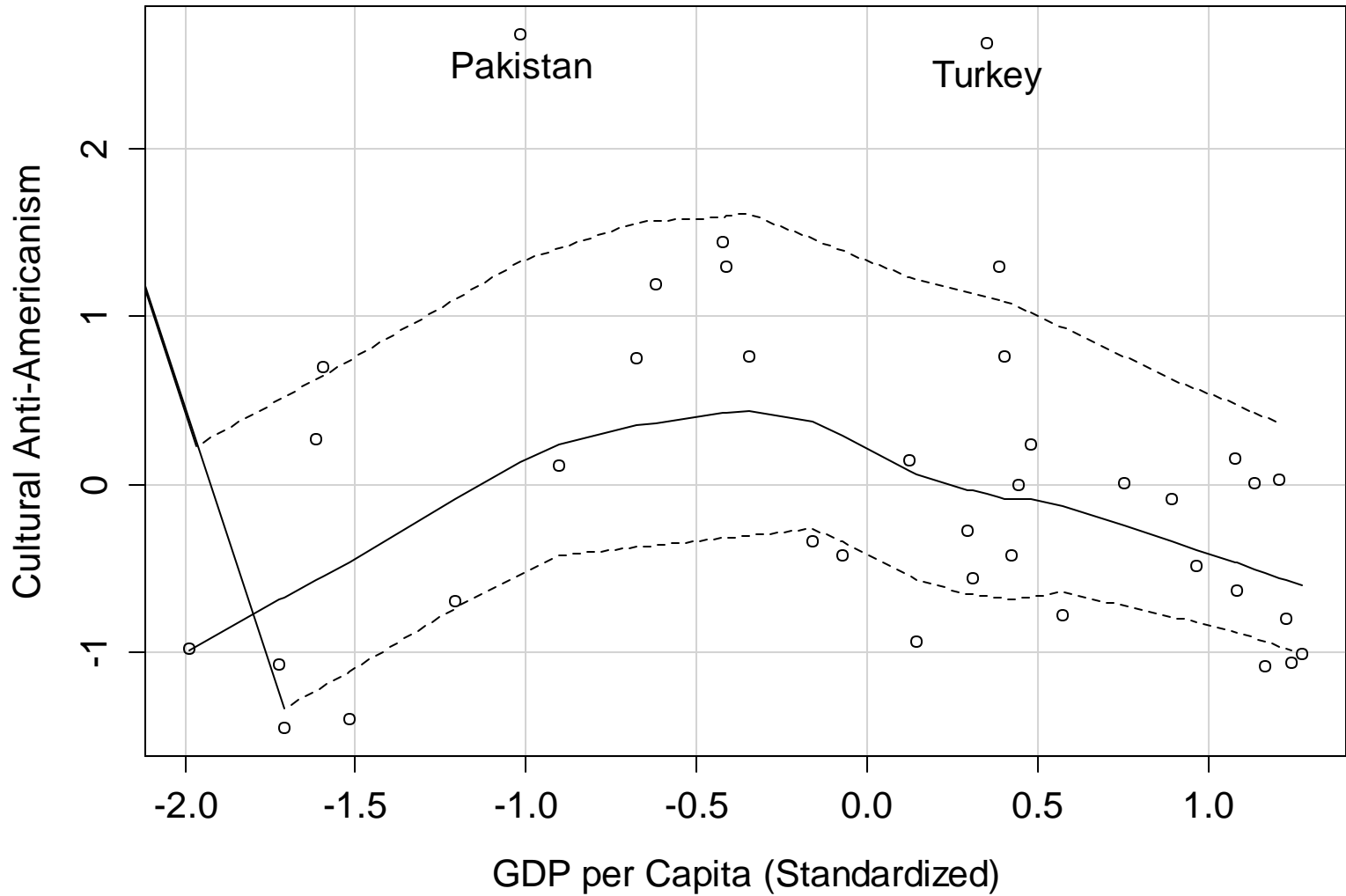
NB. Muslim countries are on average more culturally anti-American, but after adding socio-economic characteristics to the model “pure” religion loses its significance



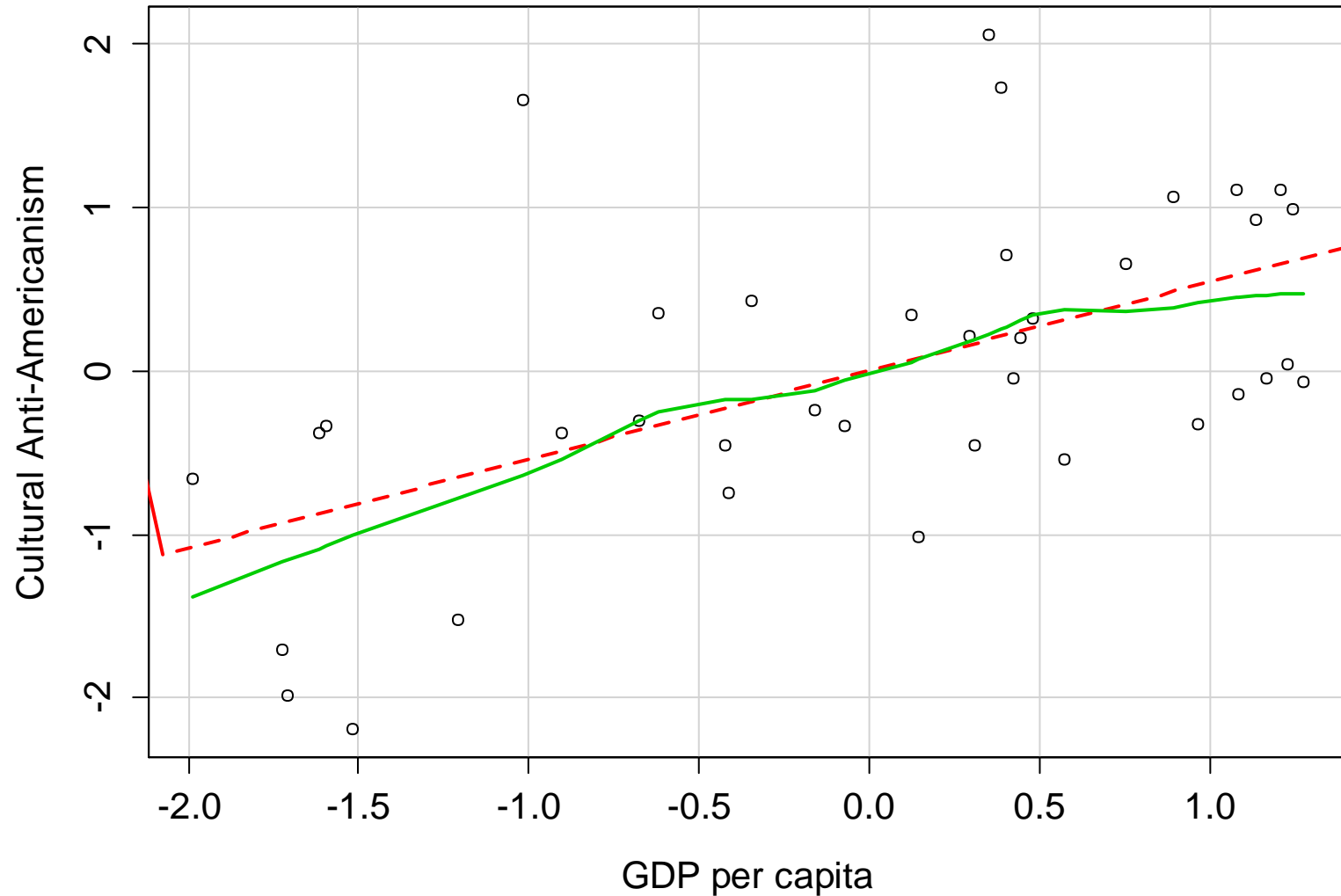




# Cultural Anti-Americanism vs. GDP per Capita (Bivariate)



# Cultural anti-Americanism vs. GDP per capita— taking into account cultural modernization



# Possible Explanations

- Resentment occurs in the middle stage of modernization, not in the initial one
- Backwardness evident, euphoria diminishes
- Lag between economic and cultural modernization
- “Fractured” modernization: Governments adopt certain modern instruments and not others
- Can also be attributed to the structure of economy or integration into global market

# Key Conclusions

- Two forms of anti-Americanism, distinct both in manifestations and in roots
- Cultural anti-Americanism is negatively related to cultural modernization
- Political anti-Americanism is positively related to cultural modernization
- Cultural gap is the real source of anti-Americanism in the Muslim world