

# 危殆に瀕する米国の民主制

## —2022 年中間選挙の総合的構造分析—

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### 【要約】

本研究は 2022 年の中間選挙を契機と捉え、米民主制の現況に関して分析と考察を行う。本論は、米国覇権の凋落と動揺する米民主制との間の相互作用の重要性を重視し、政治経済論的および政治社会学的な観点からの総合的構造分析を提供する。このアプローチは、従来の政党政治分析や選挙投票行動データや世論調査データの分析では、選挙結果が権力配置における大きなシフトをもたらさない限り、特に「統一政府」や極度な「分割政府」など生まない場合以外は、分析対象の社会に関する詳細な構造的変容を十分に捉えきれないとの理解に基づく。本分析は、覇権の衰退と民主制の弱体化が、産業の空洞化、失業、社会経済の二極化を通じて密接に結び付いており、人種、エスニシティ、社会経済的地位、宗教、言語、性別、そして性的指向等、部分的に重複する分岐線に沿って、深刻な不安定化と分断をもたらしていることを明らかにした。その結果、これらの分裂は現在進行中の政治的内戦と文化戦争の中、政党間の政治闘争を激化させている。現状は日台が対中安全保障の目的で米国にだけ依存している状況を、非常にリスクの高いものとしている。

**キーワード：**金融覇権、覇権の衰退、政治的内戦、文化戦争

# 瀕於危殆的美國民主制

## —針對 2022 年期中選舉的綜合性結構分析—

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### 【摘要】

本文以 2022 年期中選舉為契機，分析並審視美國民主制度之現狀。本文從政治經濟論和政治社會學的角度，採用綜合性結構分析法，強調美國霸權的衰落與美國民主制度的不穩定交互影響的重要性。本文採用此研究途徑，是彌補過往研究的死角，因為過往採用政黨政治分析、選舉投票和民意調查數據分析的方法，在選舉結果並未出現權力分配大幅轉變時，如「一到性政府」或極端的「分立性政府」的情況，並無法充分掌握分析社會內部發生的深層結構改變。本研究發現，霸權的衰落和民主制度的弱化，是透過產業空心化、失業、社會經濟的兩極化而緊密結合，並與種族、族裔，社會經濟地位、宗教、語言、性別，以及性取向等支線有部分重疊，進而使社會趨於更嚴重的不穩定與分裂。於是，在當前發生的政治內戰與文化戰爭中，前述分裂加劇了政黨間的政治鬥爭。對於將美國視為對中安全保障而高度仰賴美國的日本與台灣而言，美國面臨的現狀，將會帶來非常大的風險。

**關鍵字：**金融霸權、霸權衰落、政治內戰、文化戰爭

# **American Democracy in Peril: A Comprehensive Structural Analysis of the Midterm Elections of 2022**

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## **【Abstract】**

This study finds the 2022 mid-term elections as an opportunity to look into the current state of American democracy. It offers a comprehensive structural analysis from a political-economic and political-sociological perspective that emphasizes the central importance of the interplay between declining U.S. hegemony and American democracy in turbulence. This approach is taken based on the understanding that conventional party-political analyses and those of vote behavior-in-election and public opinion survey data do not fully capture in-depth structural metamorphoses of a society concerned, particularly when election results do not bring about a major shift in power configuration, such as a unified or a severely divided government. The analysis has found the decline of the hegemony and the weakening of the democracy have been intertwined through industrial hollow-out, unemployment, and social-economic bipolarization, and also led to significant destabilization and disintegration along to the partially overlapping divide-lines of race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, religions, languages, gender, and sexual orientations. Consequentially, these divisions have intensified party-political struggles in the midst of the ongoing political civil war and cultural war. The state of affairs is making it extremely risky for

Japan and Taiwan to rely on the U.S. as their sole security guarantor vis-à-vis China.

**Keywords:** financial hegemony, hegemonic decline, political civil war, cultural war

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