

# Geographies of Participation in the Digital Economy

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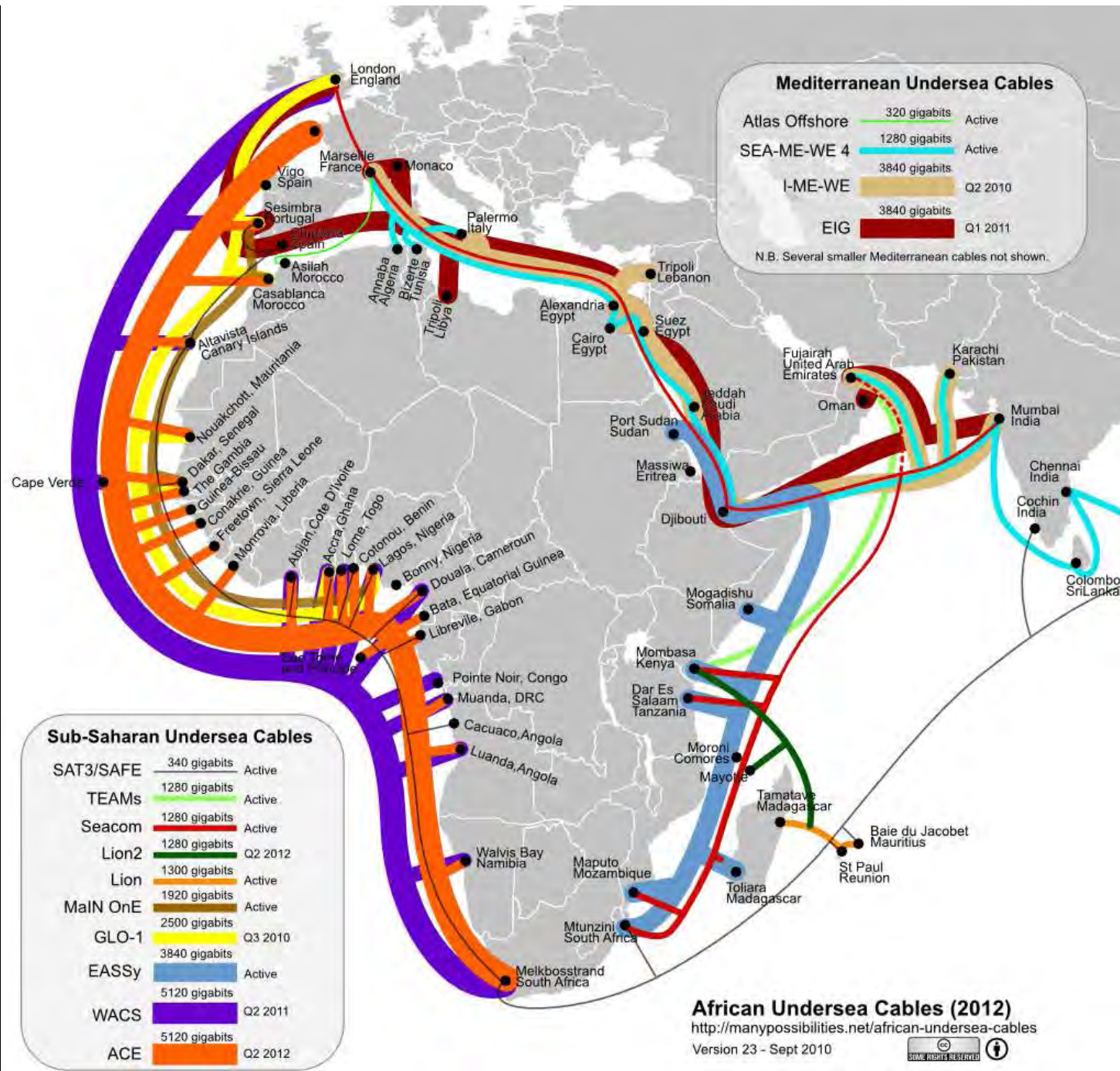
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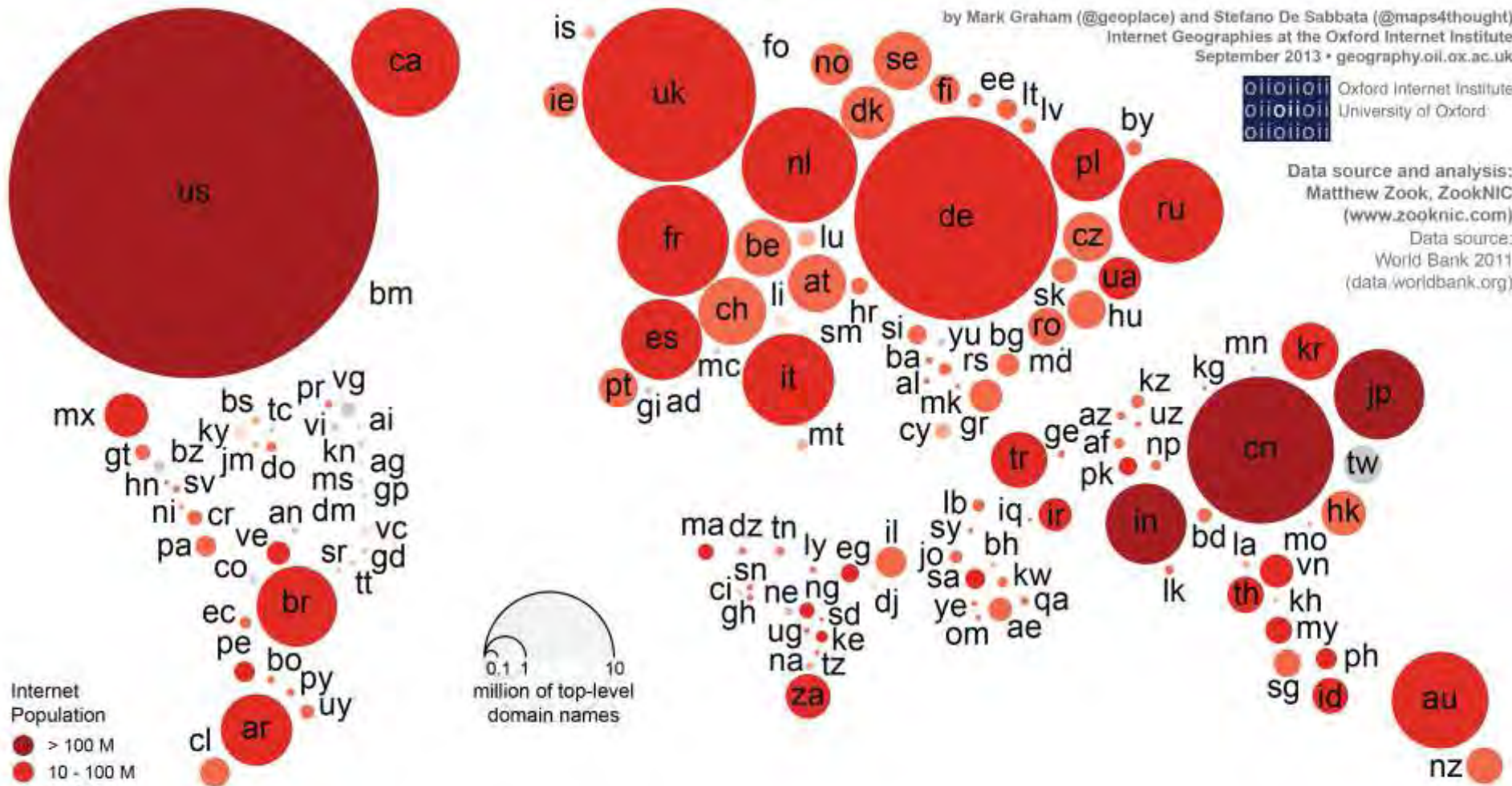
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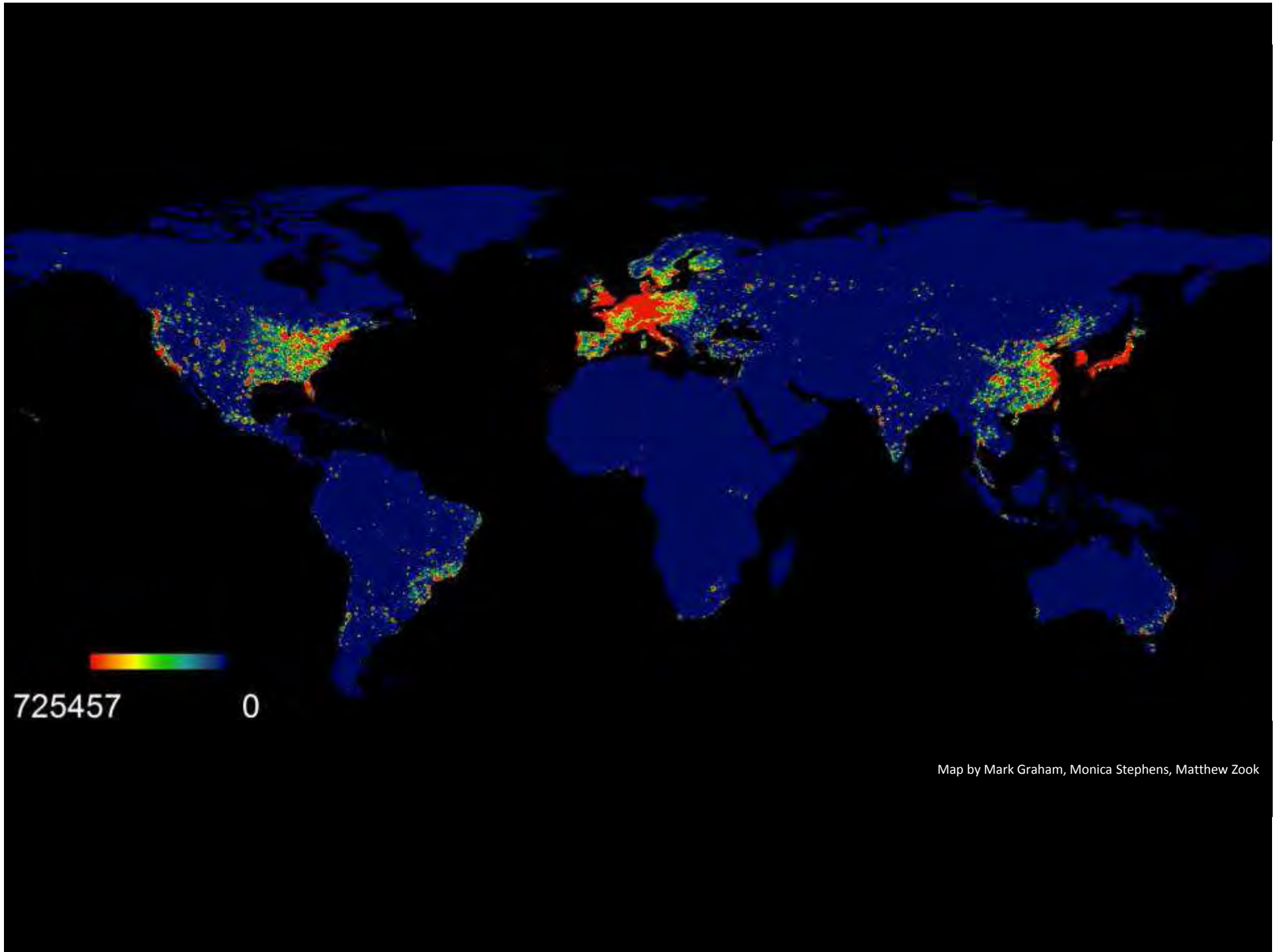
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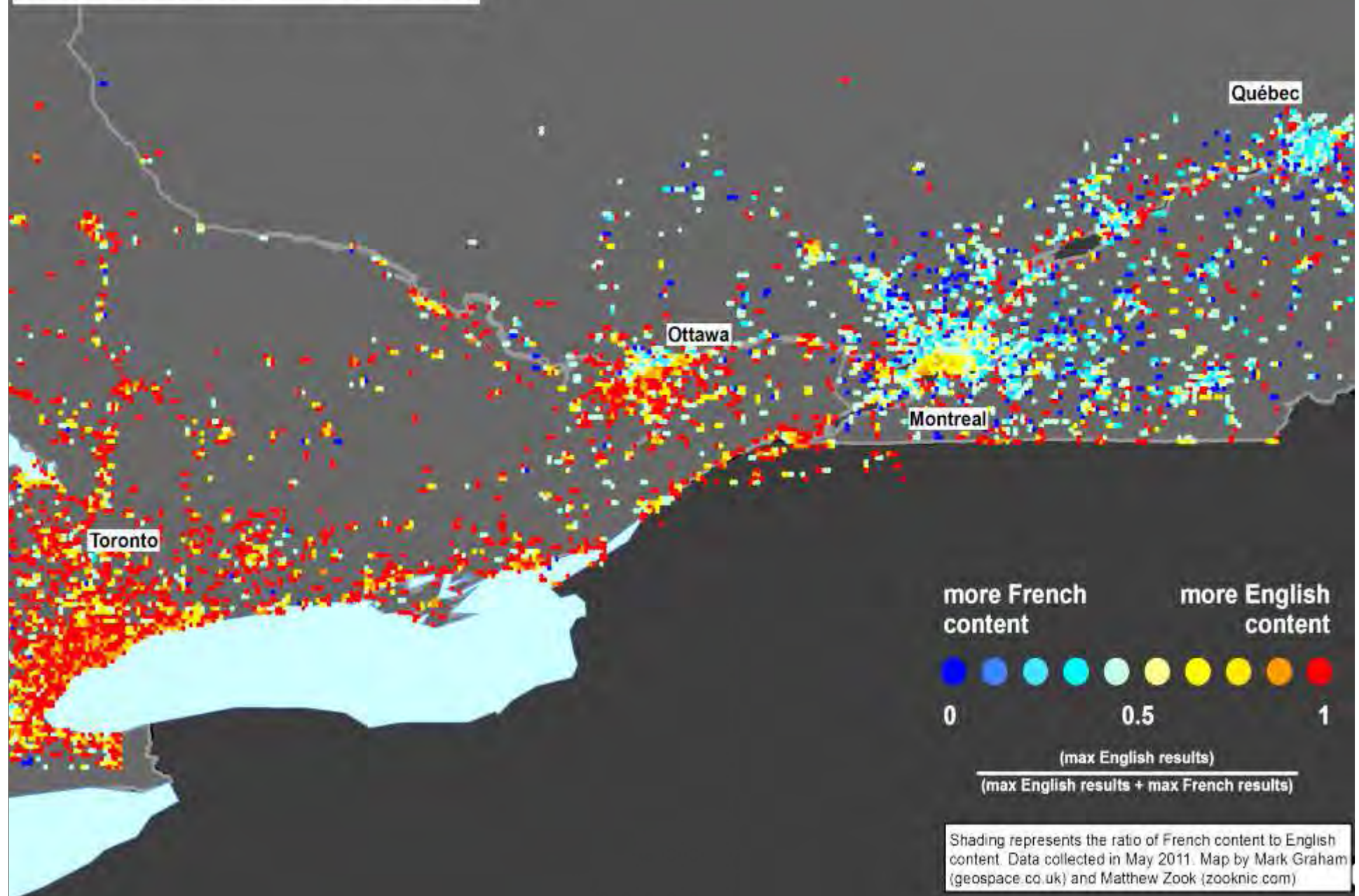


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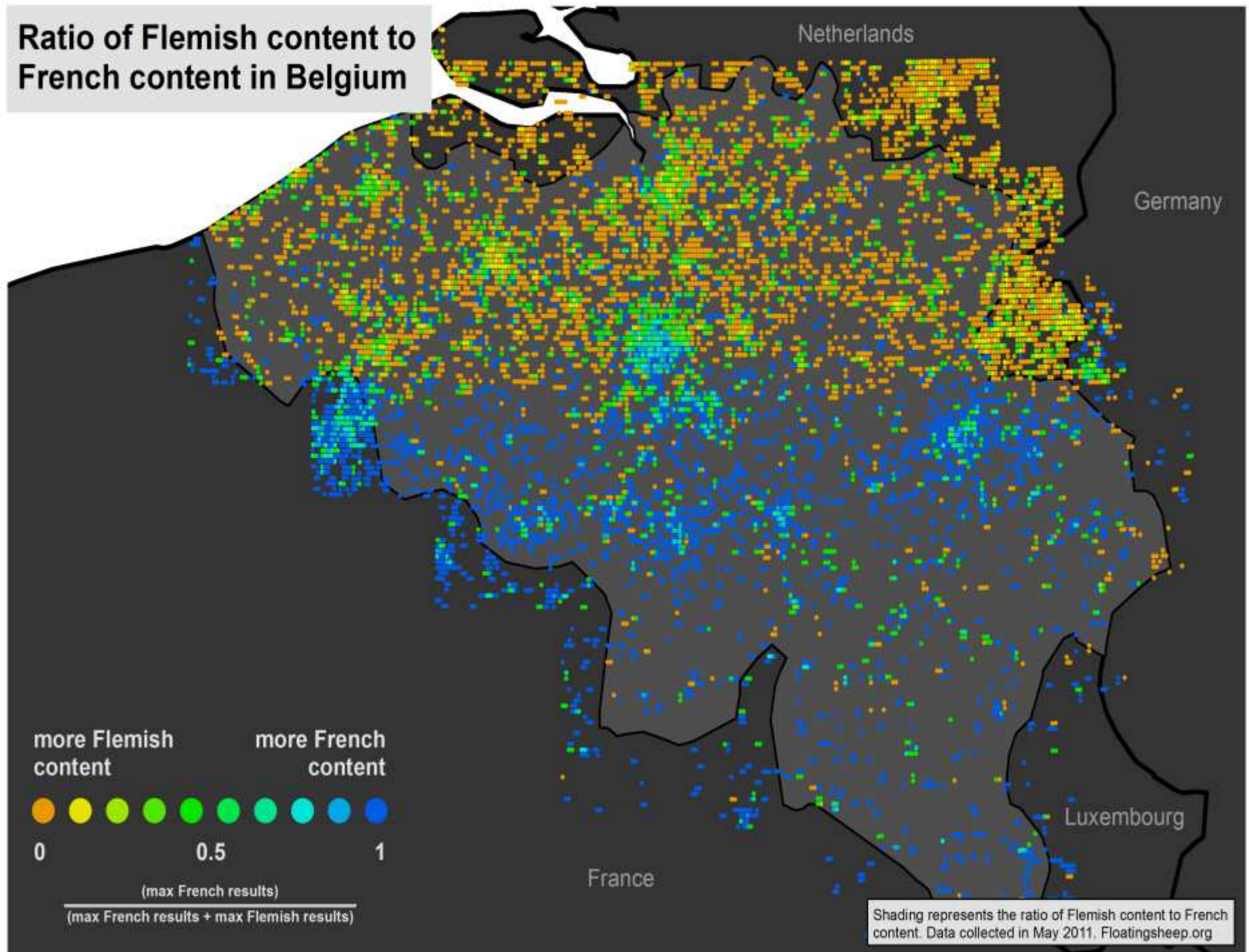


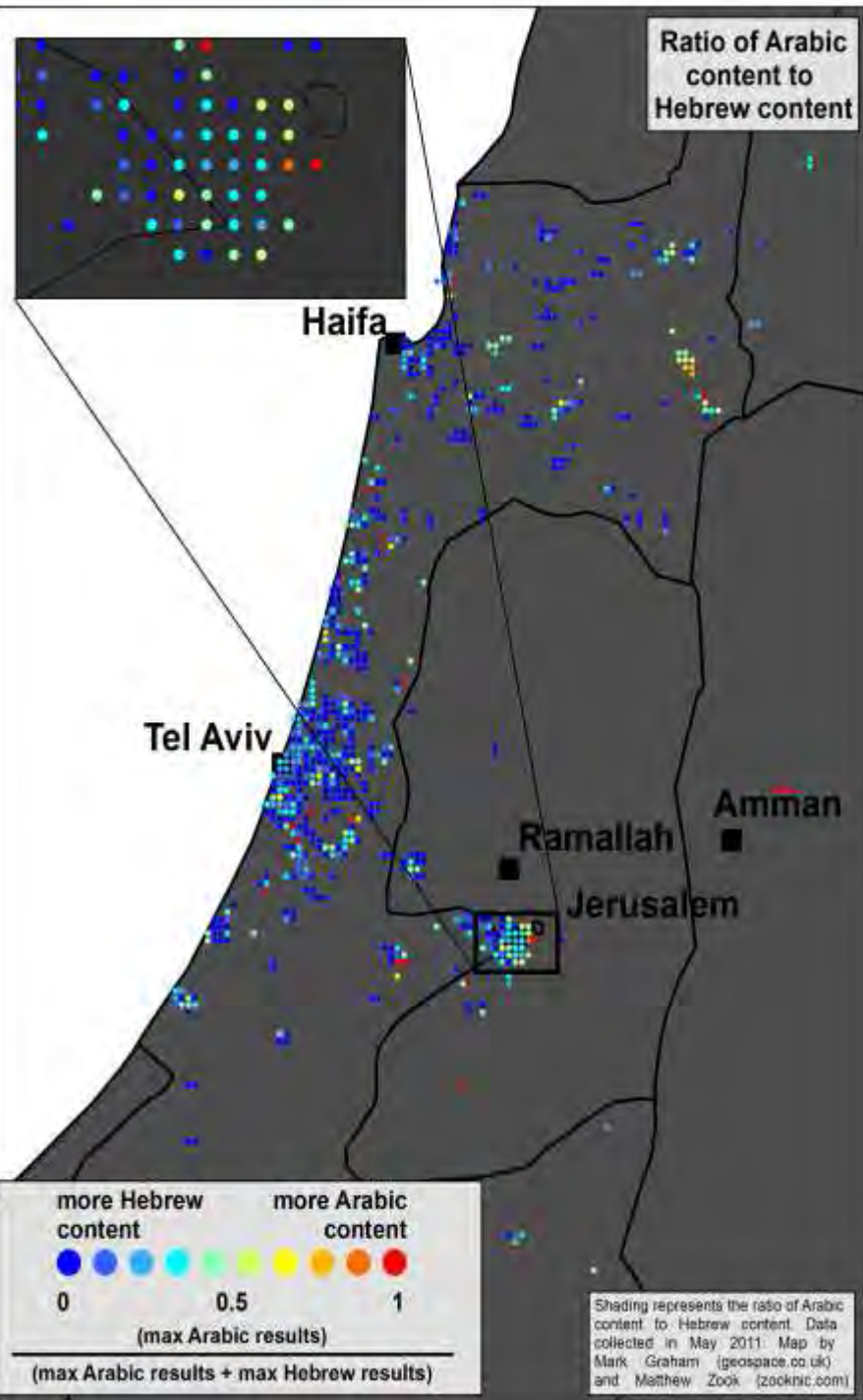
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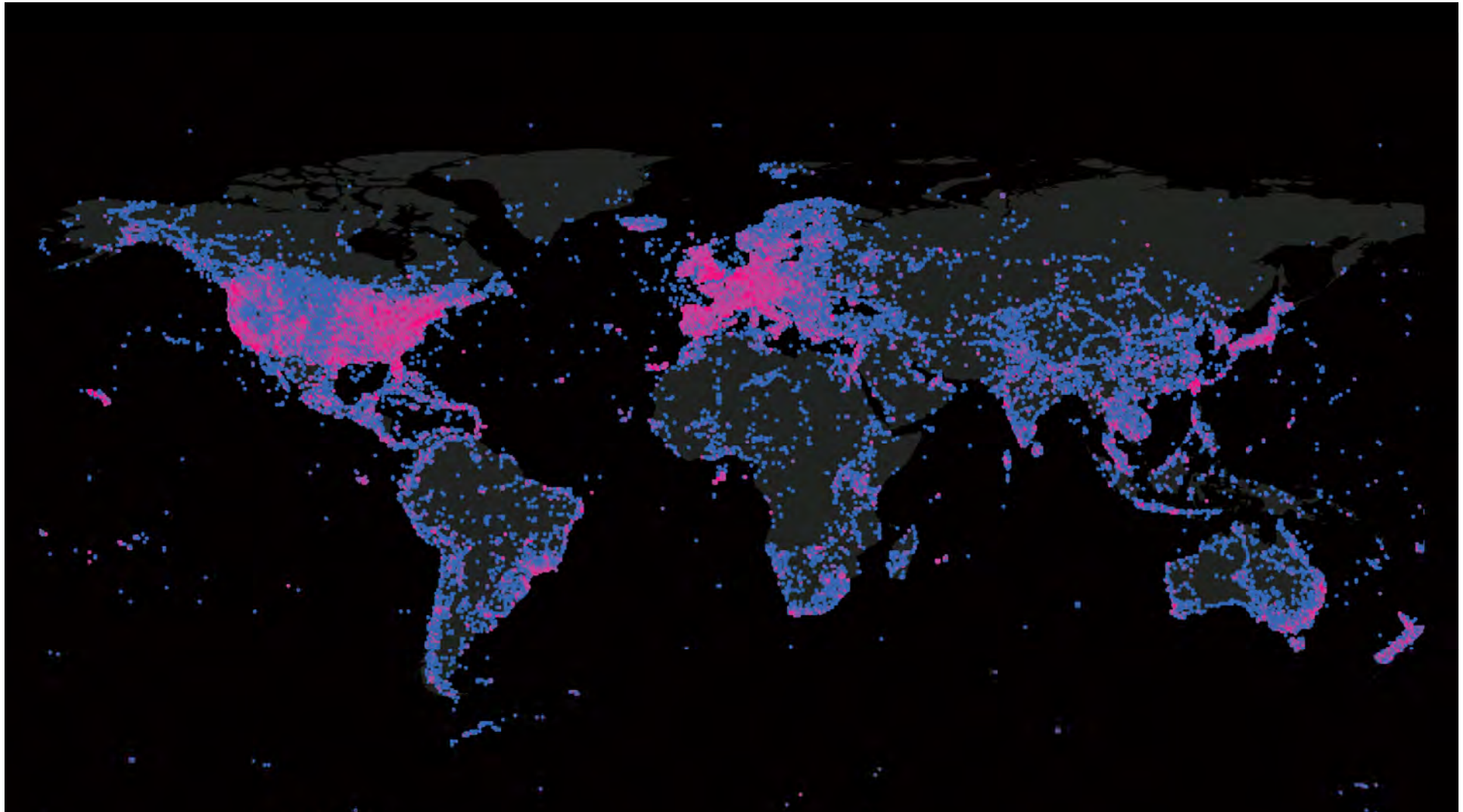
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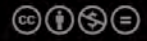
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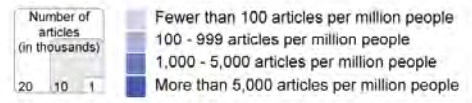
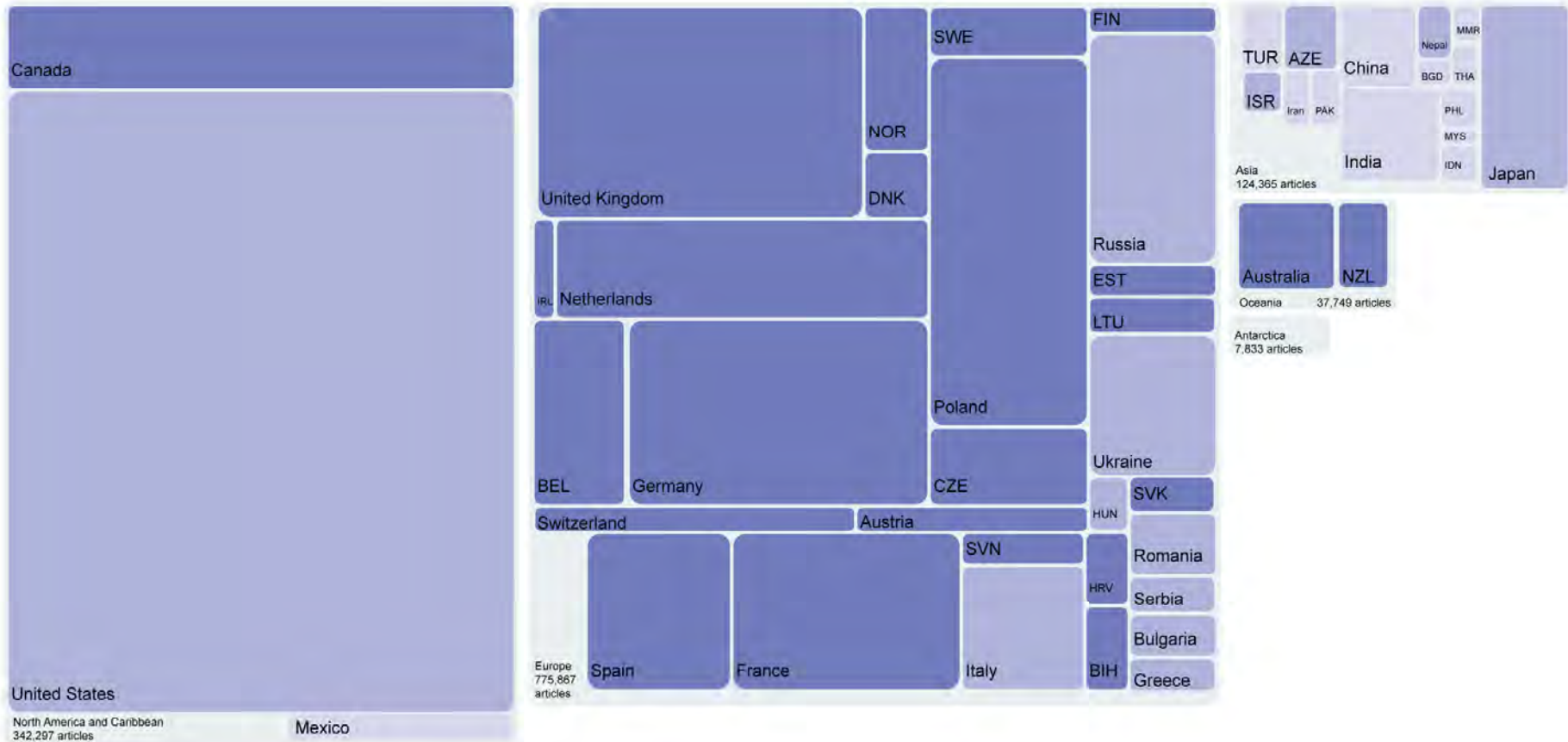
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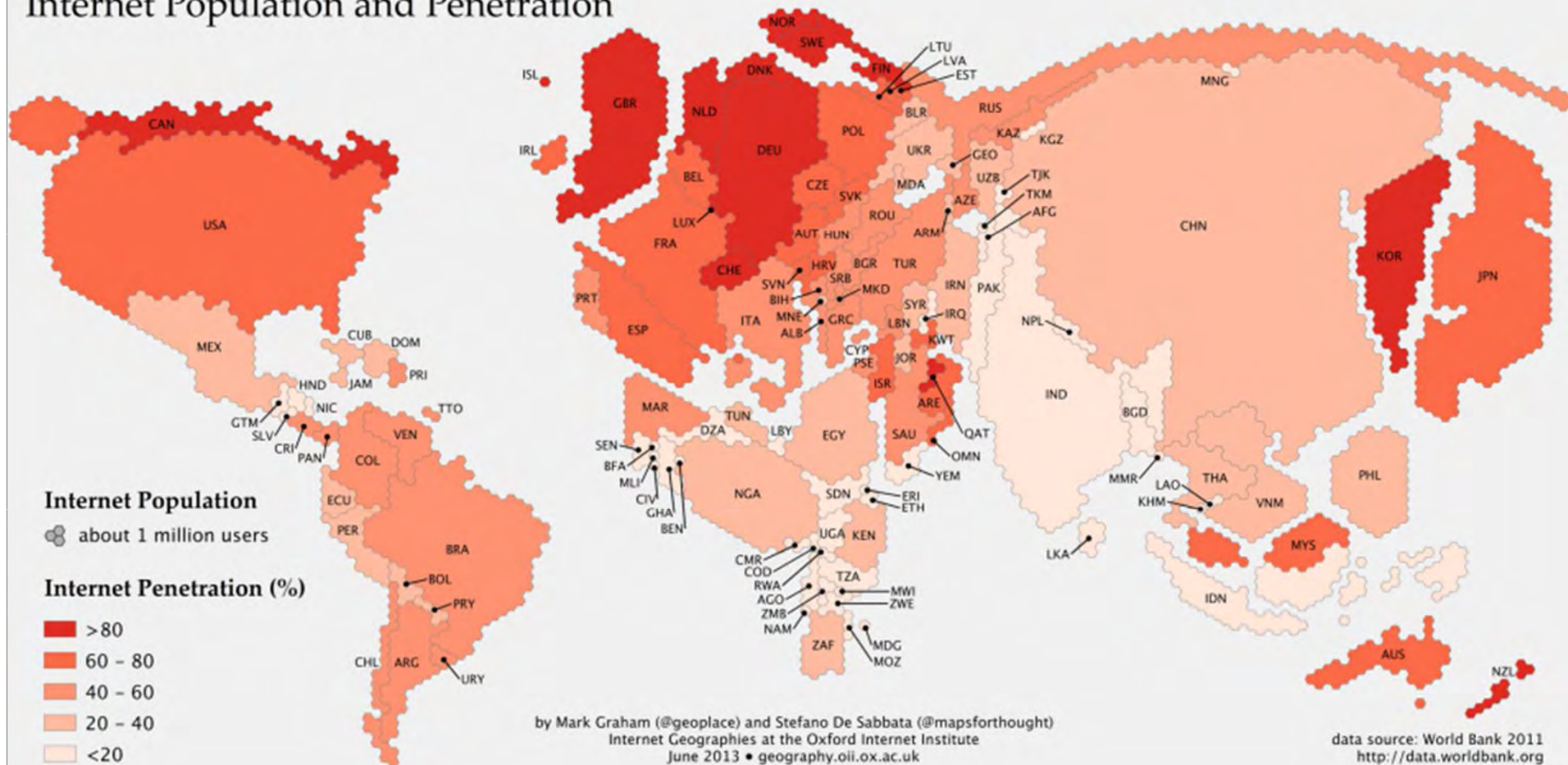
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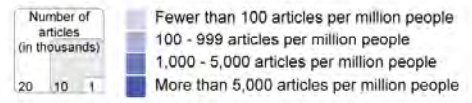
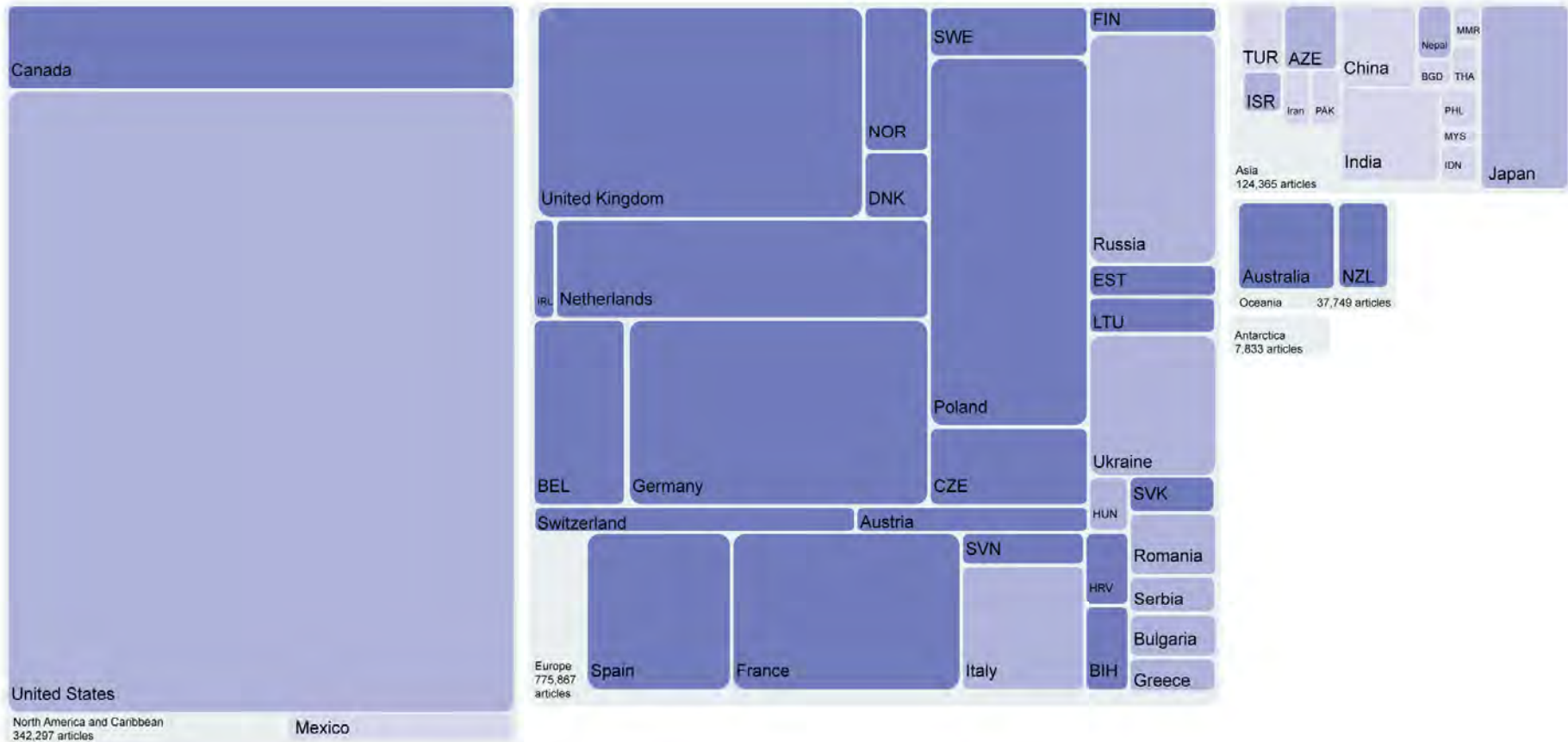
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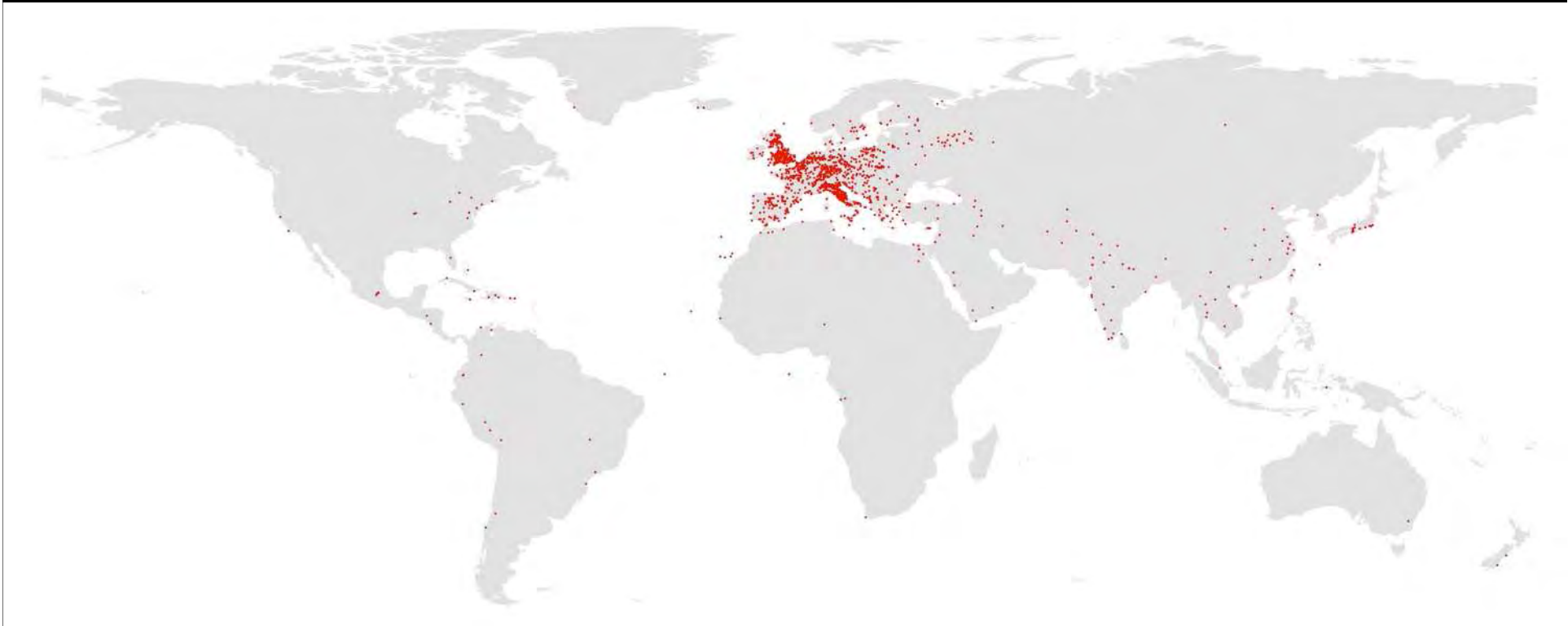
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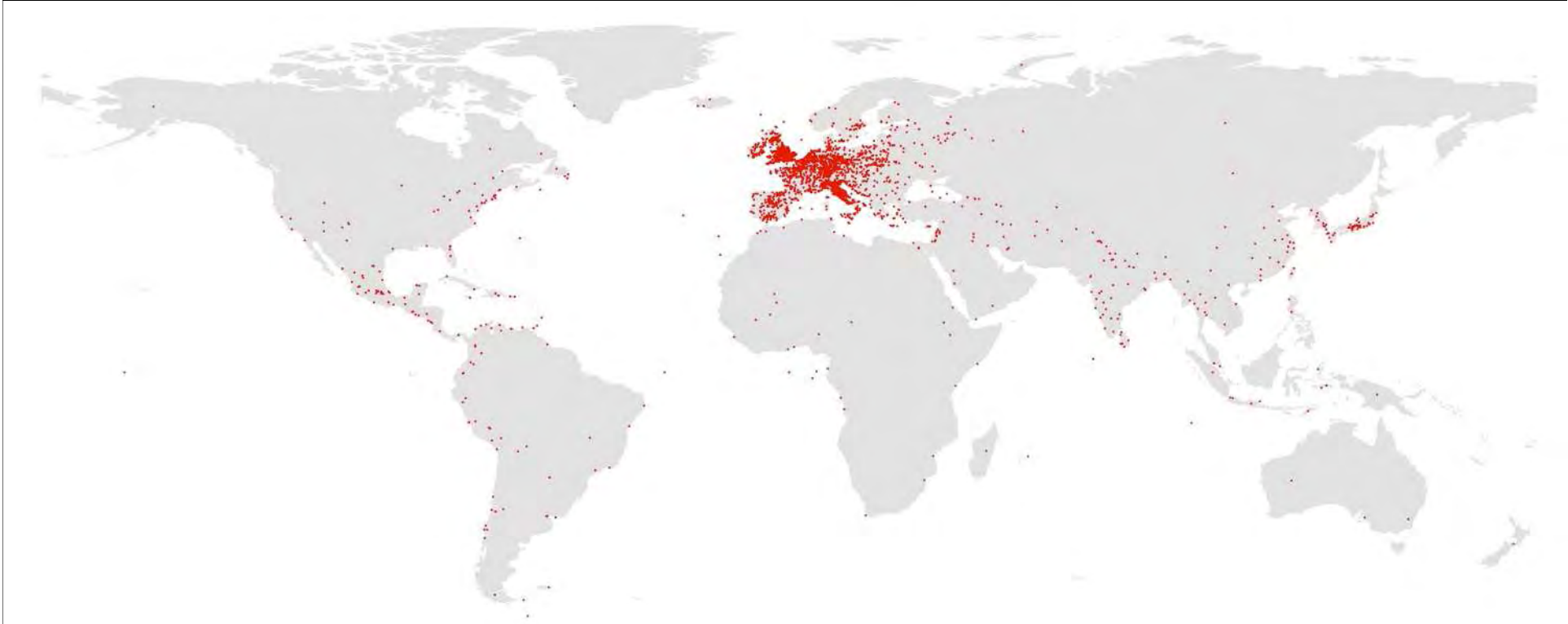
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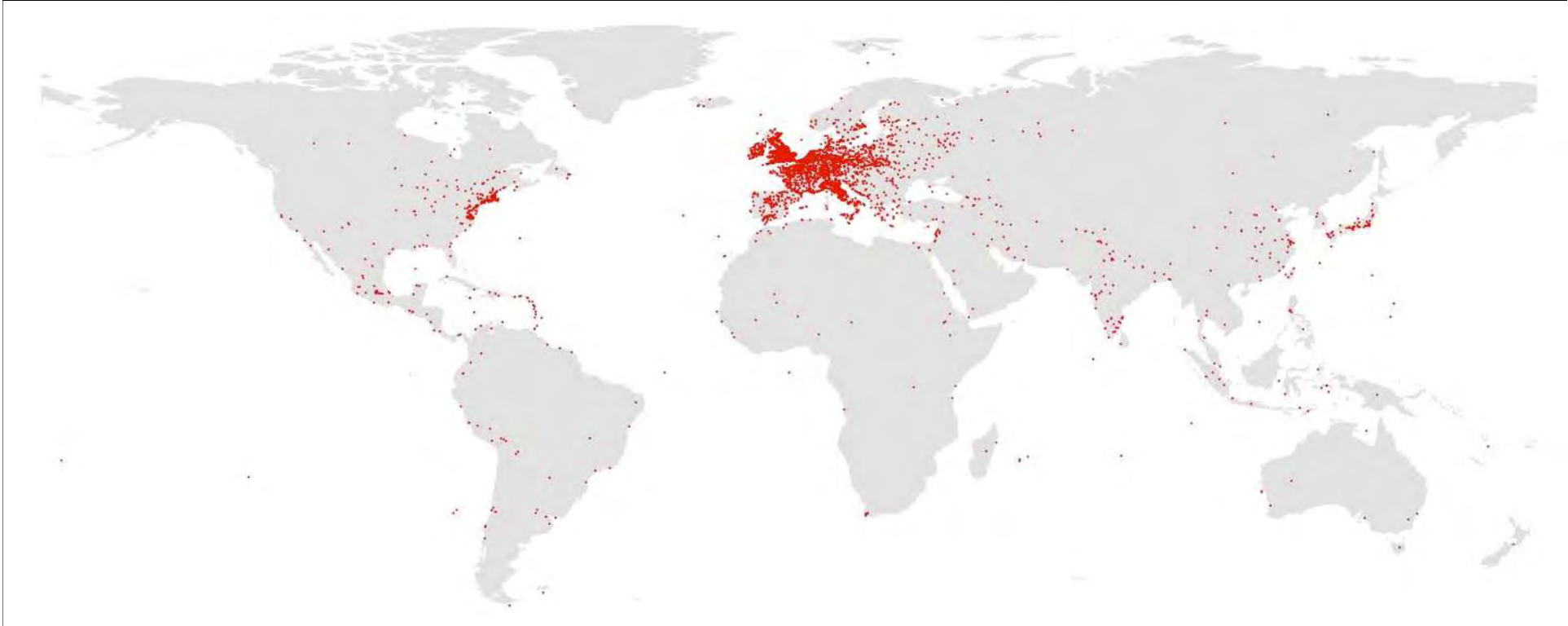
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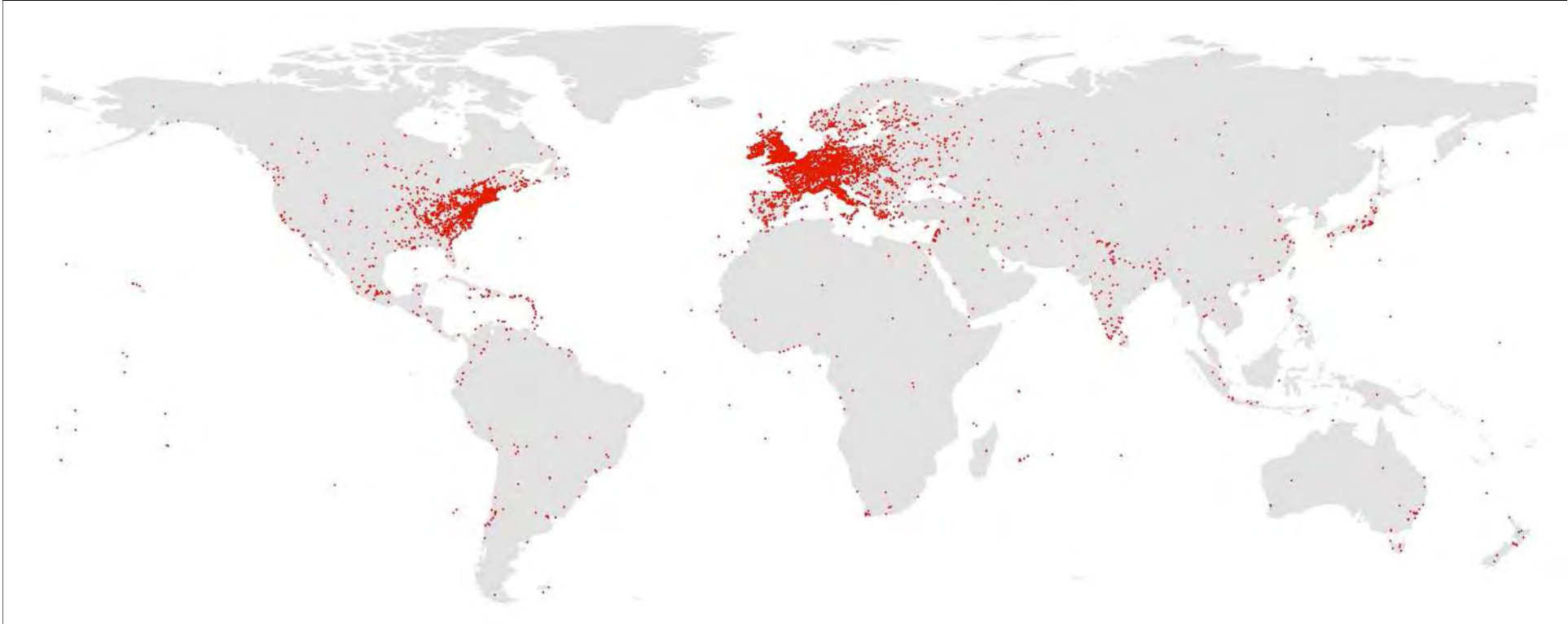
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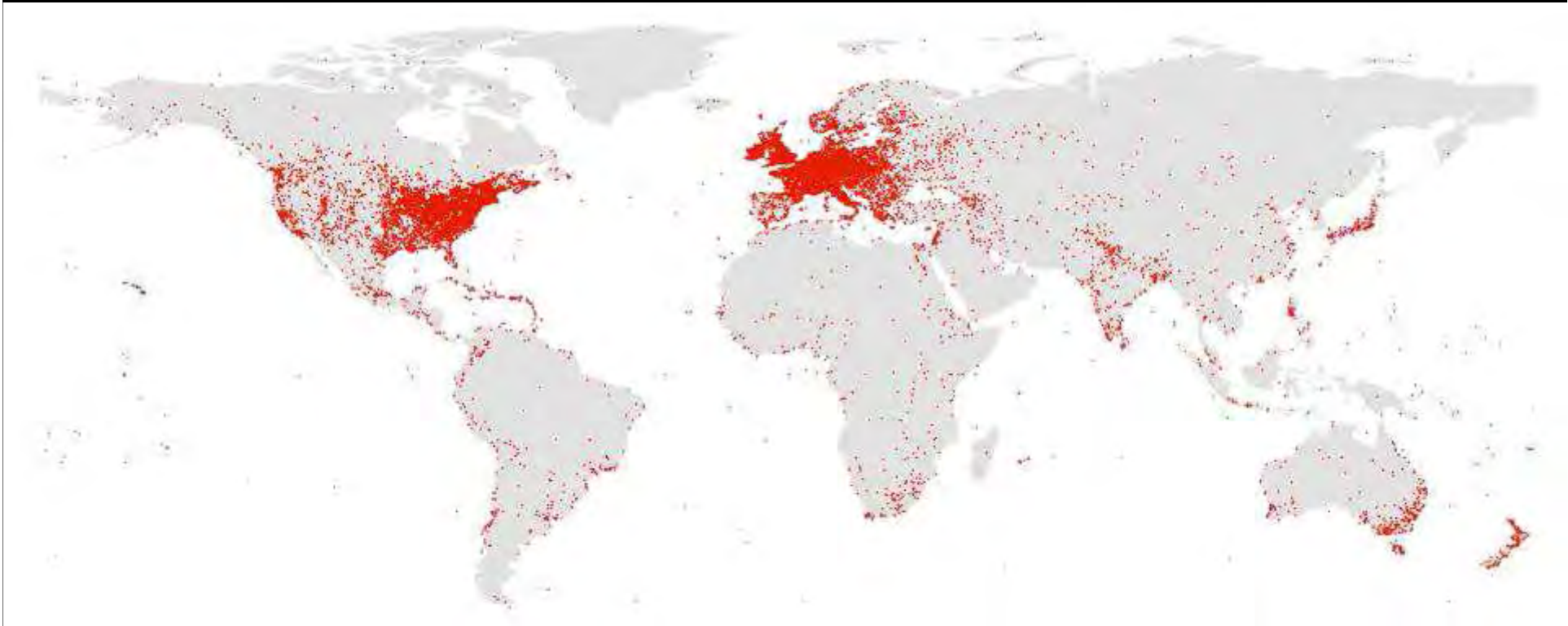


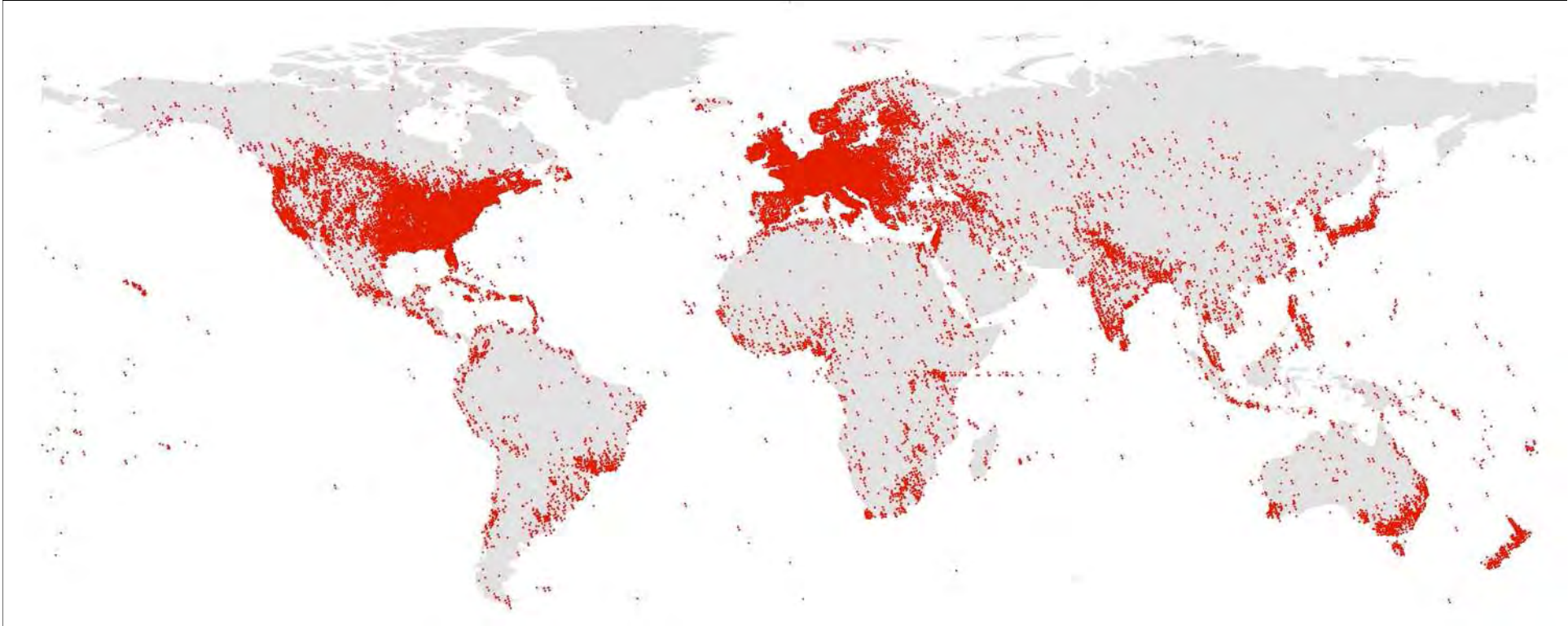










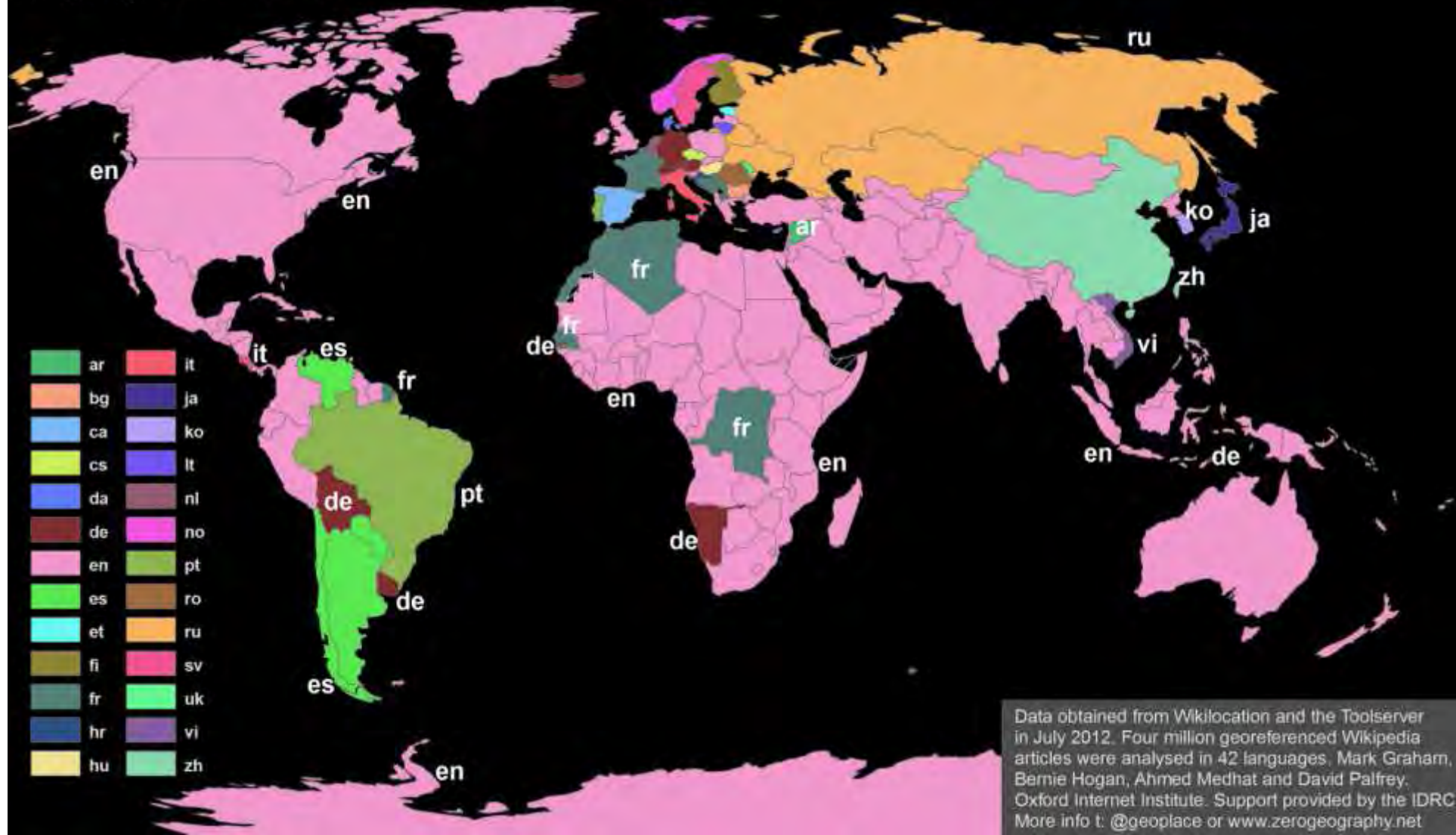




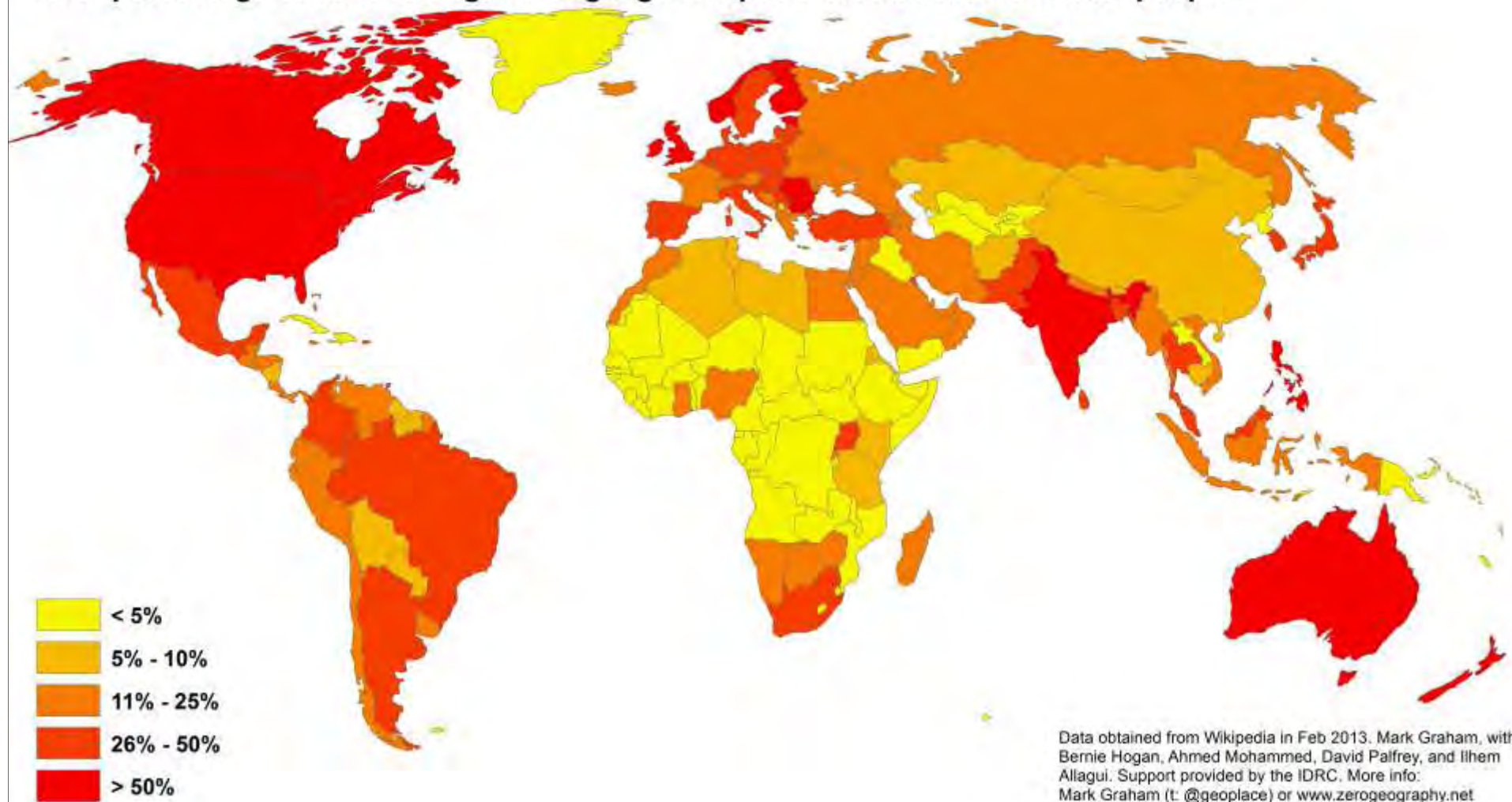
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## Feodor Vassilyev

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*Not to be confused with Fyodor Vasilyev.*

**Feodor Vassilyev** (Russian: Фёдор Васильев) (b. approx. 1707<sup>[1]</sup>) was a peasant from *Shuya, Russia*. His first wife, Mrs. Vassilyev sets the record for most children birthed by a single woman. She gave birth to a total of 69 children; however, few other details are known of her life, such as her date of birth or death. She gave birth to 16 pairs of twins, 7 sets of triplets and 4 sets of quadruplets between 1725 and 1765, in a total of 27 births. 67 of the 69 children born are said to have survived infancy.<sup>[2][3]</sup>

### Background

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The first published account about Feodor Vassilyev's children appeared in a 1783 issue of *The Gentleman's Magazine* (Vol. 53 p. 753, London, 1783) and states that the information "however astonishing, may be depended upon, as it came directly from an English merchant in St Petersburg to his relatives in England, who added that the peasant was to be introduced to the Empress".<sup>[1][2]</sup> The same numbers were given in a 1834 book of Bashutskiy, *Saint Petersburg Panorama*.<sup>[2][4]</sup>

Several published sources raised doubts as to the veracity of these claims. According to a 1933 article by Julia Bell<sup>[5]</sup> in *Biometrika*, a 1790 book of B. F. J. Hermann *Statistische Schilderung von Rußland* did provide the claims about Feodor Vassilyev's children but "with a caution". Bell also notes that the case was reported by *The Lancet* in a 1878 article about the study of twins.<sup>[6]</sup> The *Lancet* article states that the French Academy of Sciences attempted to verify the claims about Vassilyev's children and contacted "M. Khanikoff of the Imperial Academy of St Petersburg for advice as to the means they should pursue, but were told by him that all investigation was superfluous, that members of the family still lived in Moscow and that they had been the object of favours from the Government".<sup>[6][7]</sup> Bell concludes that Vassilyev's case "must be regarded as under suspicion".<sup>[5]</sup> Similarly, Marie Clay in a 1998 book notes: "Sadly, this evasion of proper investigation seems, in retrospect, to have dealt a terminal blow to our chances of ever establishing the true detail of this extraordinary case".<sup>[8]</sup>

Nevertheless, the data about Feodor Vassilyev's children is included in the *Guinness Book of World Records*.<sup>[3]</sup>

### See also

[edit]

- List of multiple births

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## Al-Matariyyah

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**Al-Matariyyah**, **Mataria** or **El Matariya** (*Arabic*: المطرية) is a district in the northern region of [Greater Cairo](#), east of the [Nile](#), in [Egypt](#). The district is unrelated to the [El Matareya](#) coastal region in the [Dakahlia Governorate](#). The Al-Matariyyah district's location was part of the ancient city of [Heliopolis](#), one of the oldest cities of [ancient Egypt](#).

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Al-Matariyyah, with the Masalla Obelisk of Senusret I.

### Name [edit]

The name Al-Matariyyah is thought to come from [Latin](#) name of *Mater* which means 'mother', and is from the presence of the 'tree of the Virgin Mary' in this district.

### History [edit]

Al-Matariyya, with the nearby [Ain Shams](#) district, had a notable history during [Egypt's Pharaonic period](#) as a part of ancient Heliopolis. The district has archaeological sites of the period, some only recently discovered, beneath its current structures.<sup>[1]</sup> In [ancient Roman](#) times Heliopolis belonged to the [Augustamnica](#) province. Legend tells of the [Christian Holy Family](#) sheltering under a tree in Heliopolis, presently known as 'the tree of the [Virgin Mary](#)',<sup>[2]</sup> now with the [Chapel of the Virgin](#) in Al-Matariyyah.<sup>[3]</sup>

The French naturalist [Pierre Belon du Mans](#) mentions visiting Al-Matariyyah in his 1547 journey to [Egypt](#).<sup>[4]</sup> Al-Matariyyah once had the *villas* of prominent people. The famous Egyptian poet [Ahmed Shawqi](#) lived in a villa he named 'Karmet Ibn Hani' or Ibn Hani's Vineyard - كرومة ابن هاني here, near the palace of the Khedive [Abbas II](#) at [Saray El-Qobba](#), until his exile from Egypt at [World War I](#).<sup>[5]</sup>



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