Visualizing Transnationality

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How can we map transnationality?

- Focusing on flows (origin → "host" country and viceversa).
- Focusing on active contacts with people with the same origin – ethnic group (transnational space).
- Focusing in the geographical distribution of all active contacts (both at individual and group level).

Focus on flows ...

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- Primary Targets:
 - Hungary
 - Italy
 - Spain
 - Izrael
- Secondary Targets
 - UK
 - Ireland
 - France

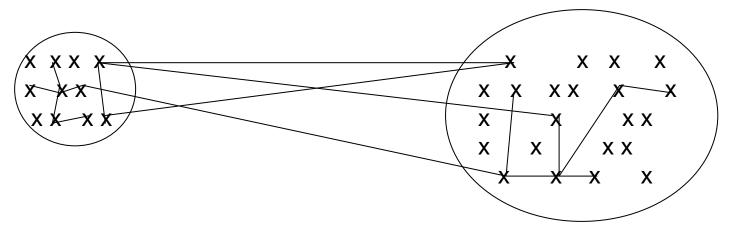


Focus on "transnational space" ...

Active contacts

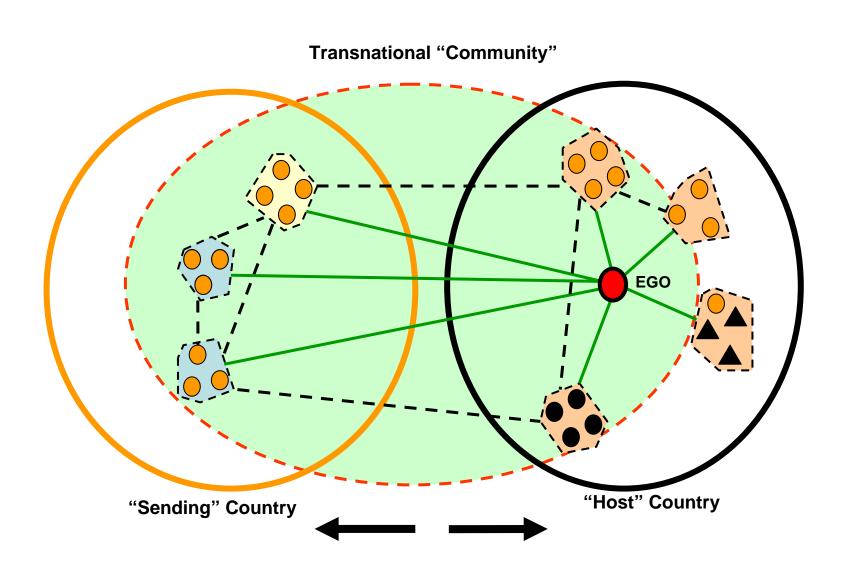
Moldavia

Budapest



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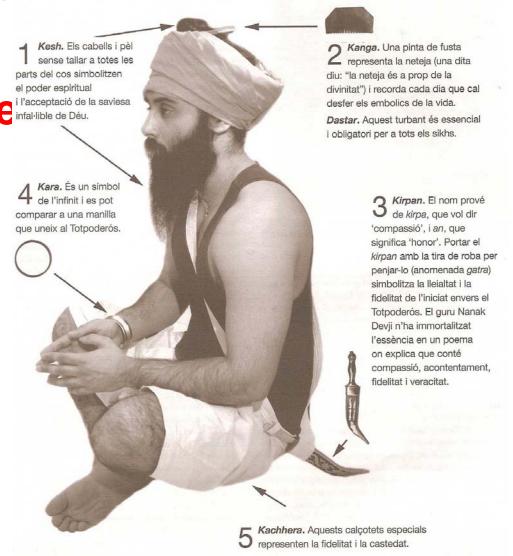
Transnational space ...



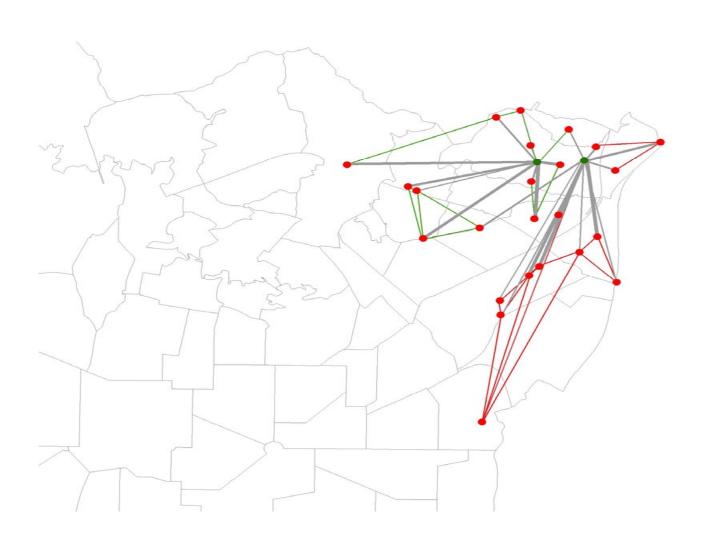
Focus in **geographical** distribution of active contacts

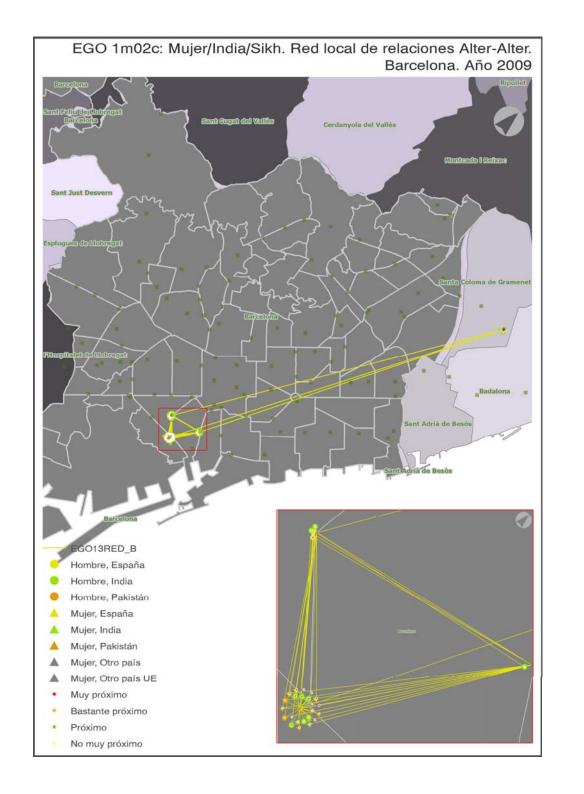
Sikhs (and other people) in Barcelona

 Objective of the project: Assess the infal·lible de Déu. local social support available for each collective looking at the geographical distribution of strong ties.



Active sikh contacts in Barcelona

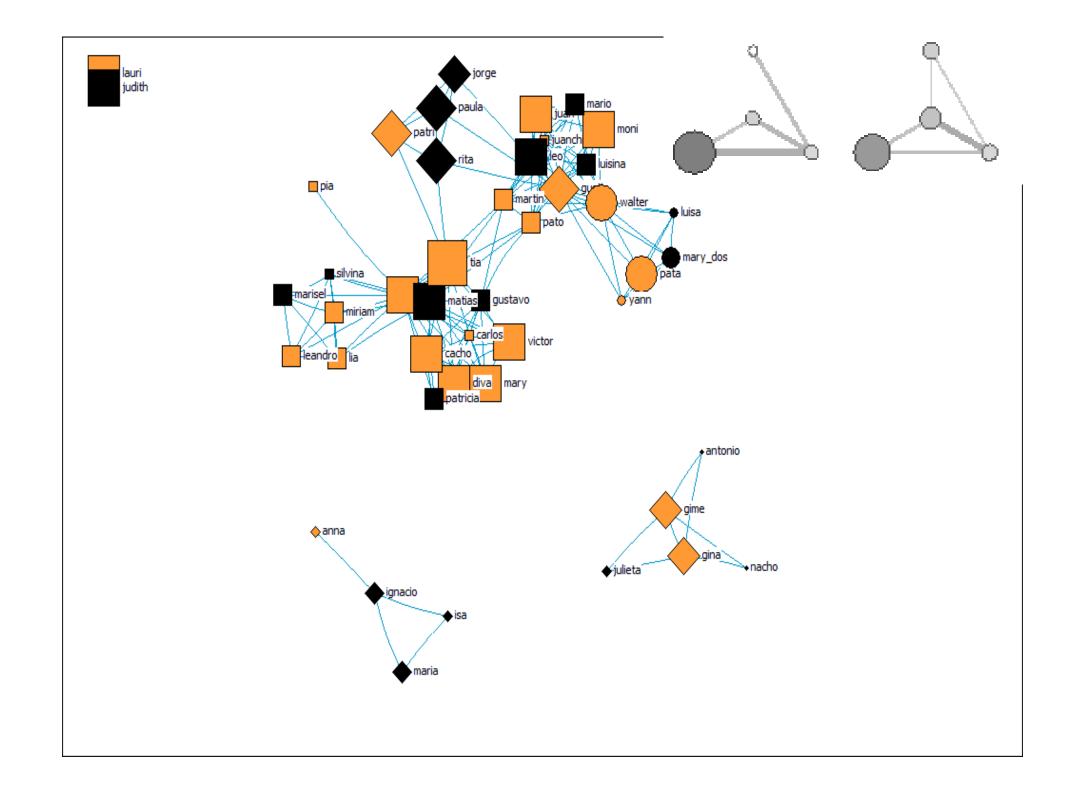


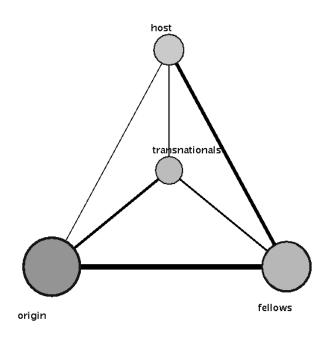


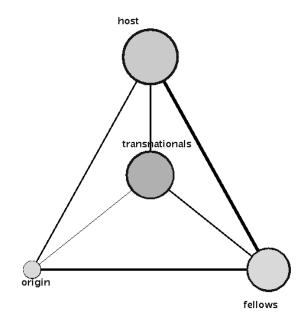
But ... what about comparision?

- Individuals of the same ethnic group.
 - Are there different patterns of transnationalism?
 - ... or different types of change?
- Different Ethnics Groups in a single country.
- Same Ethnic Group in different countries.

Clustered Graphs ...







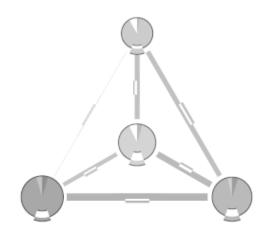
Dominicans in Barcelona

Dominicans in New York

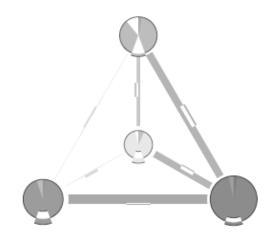


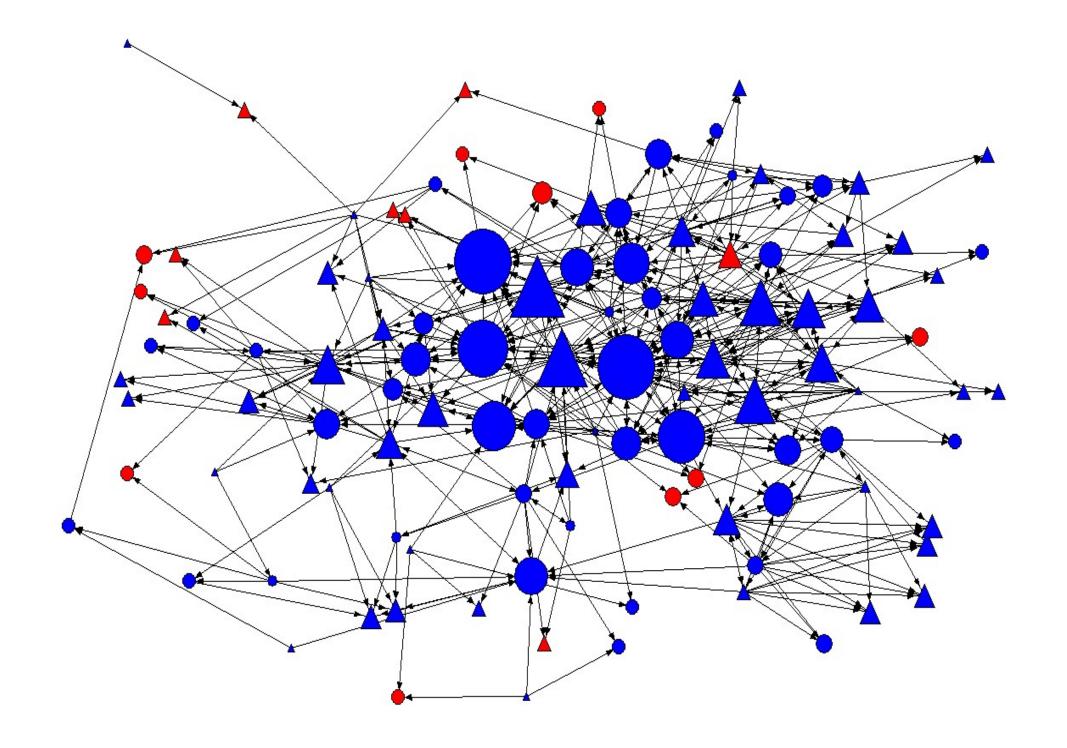
Bulgarians in Barcelona - Roses

median and quartiles (N=27)



median and quartiles (N=25)

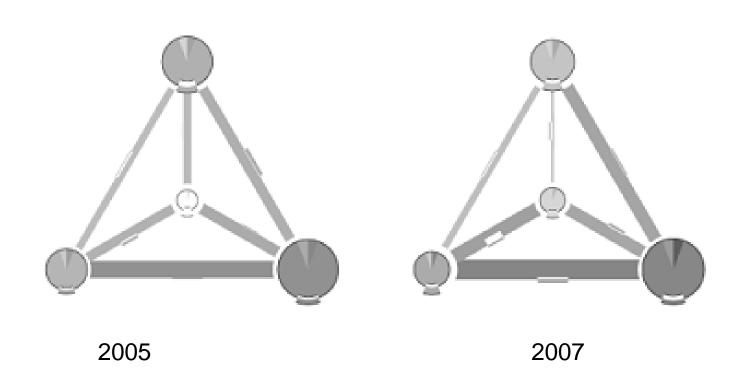




Comparision across time: exemple of assimilation ...

 Argentineans living in Barcelona ordered by time of residence.

Exemple of Re-ethnification...



Marruecos (n=13)

Next steps ...

- Develop a methodology for mapping geographically active contacts of individuals/communities.
- Look for a new visualization technique that allow us both compare and mapping lives of people ...

Any suggestions?

Thanks

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