

# Graphical Approaches and Visualization Methods for Mapping Hispanic Literary Journal's International Modernity (1915-1939)

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## *Digital approaches towards serial publications (18<sup>th</sup>–20<sup>th</sup> centuries)*

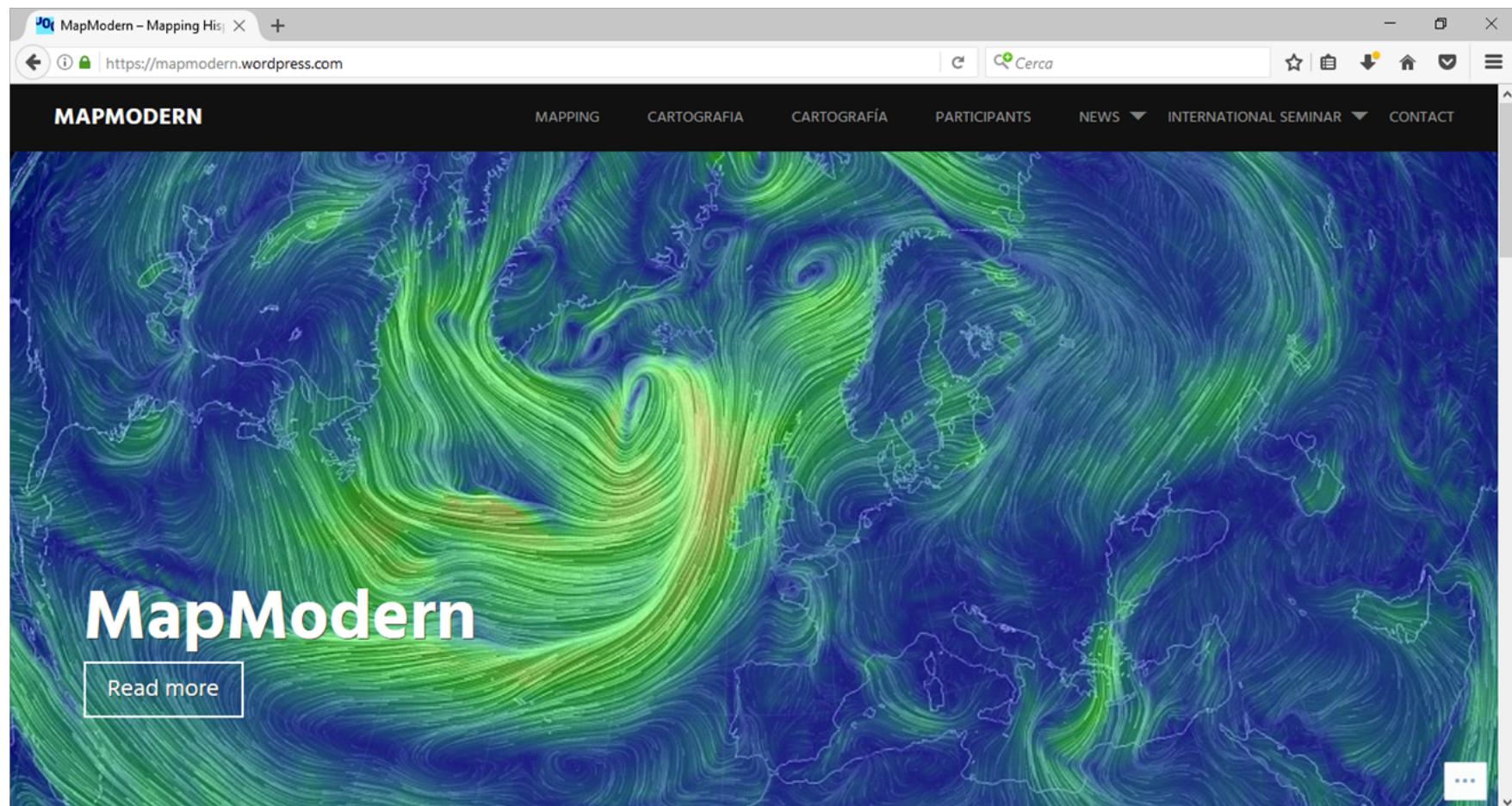
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# Outline

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# 1. MapModern - Project Presentation



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## The team

Main goal: study the impact of **Hispanic cultural mediators in international modernity** during the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century

### Aspects under examination:

International mobility: **studies, travel or residence abroad**

International networks: participation in **international conferences, social and cultural events; epistolary networks**

Collaboration in journals: translations and reviews of foreign authors in **Hispanic modernist journals**

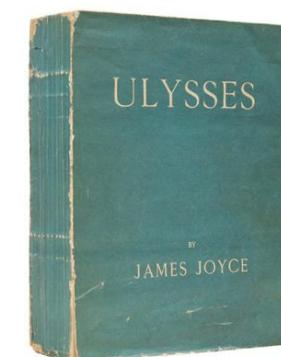
## 2. The importance of journals

Many important works were first published in periodicals.

\*e.g., J. Joyce's *Ulysses* or V. Woolf's *A Room of One's Own*

**Global scale of journals:** new movements and trends; national and international recognition of an author; intellectual debates; circulation of ideas and knowledge.

Platforms for literary and artistic groups, **local, regional and global**



### 3. MapModern's approach to journals

Focus on **metadata of publications** in journals, not publications themselves



- \* *La Revista*, Barcelona, 1915-1936 (in Catalan) – Josep Maria López-Picó
- \* *Revista de Occidente*, Madrid, 1923-1936 – José Ortega y Gasset
- \* *La Gaceta Literaria*, Madrid, 1927-1936 – Ernesto Giménez Caballero
- \* *Proa*, Buenos Aires, 1924-1926 – Jorge Luis Borges
- \* *Sur*, Buenos Aires, 1931-1939 – Victoria Ocampo

## 4. Database model and journals' metadata

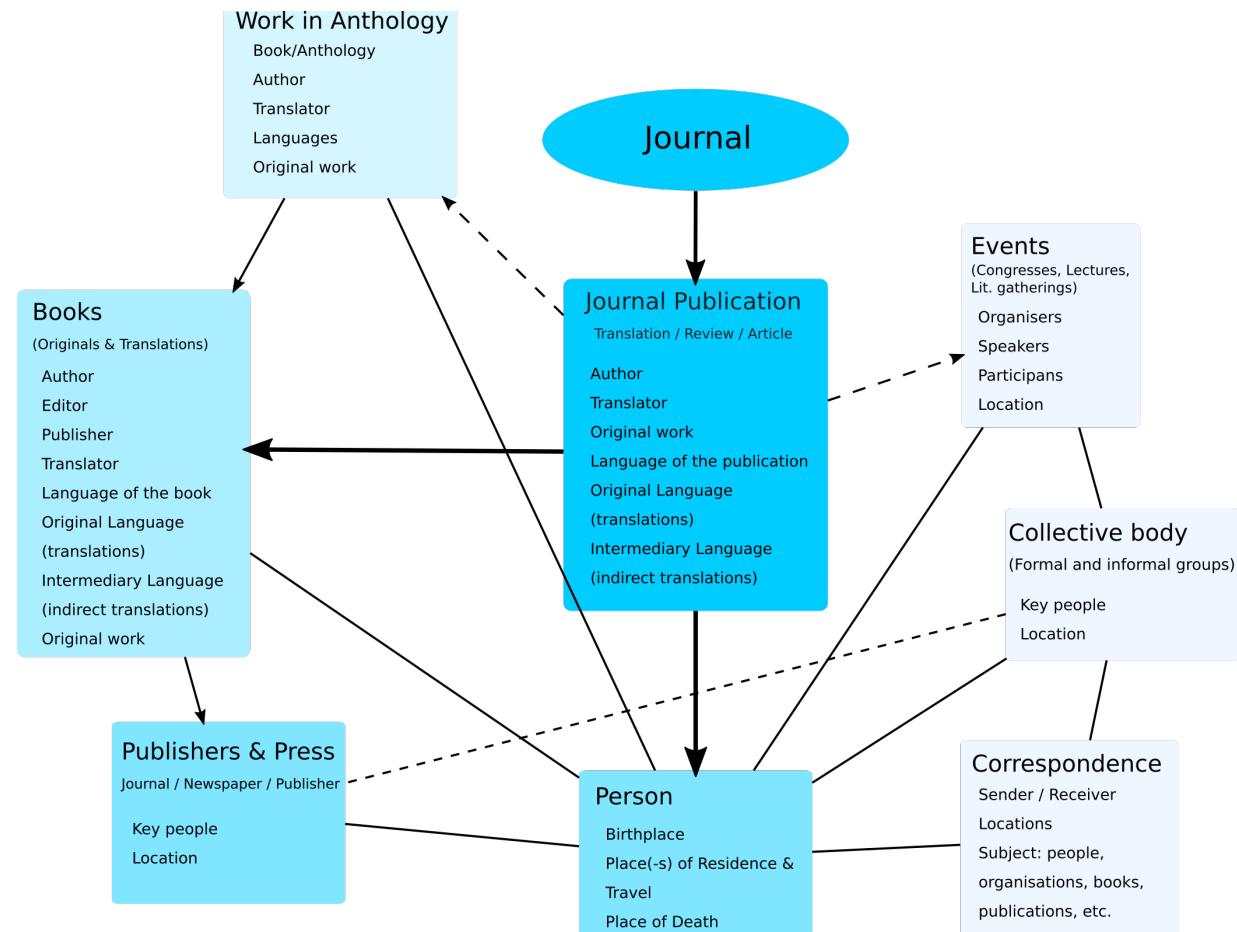
Relational database  
in nodegoat

Datasets for different  
categories or “types”

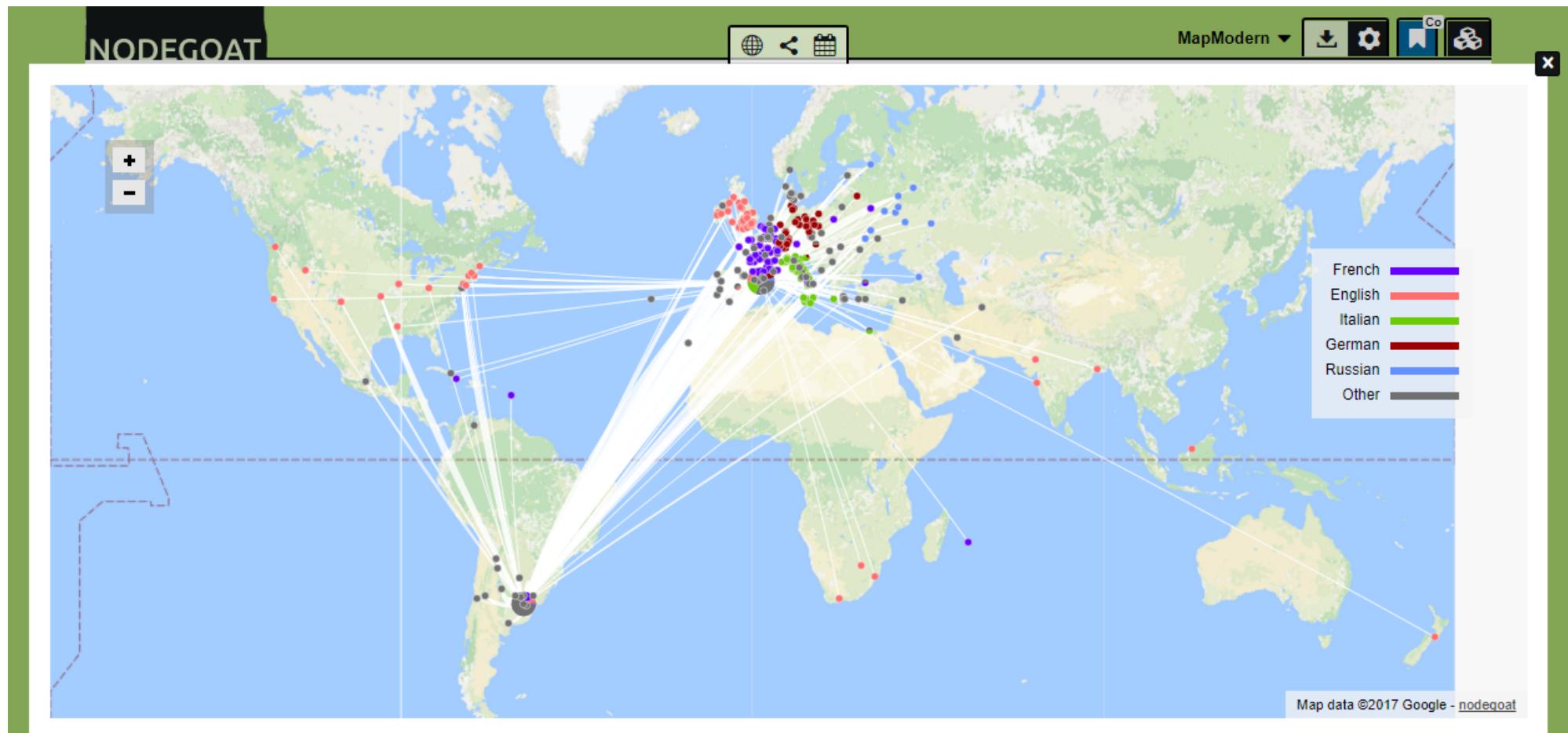
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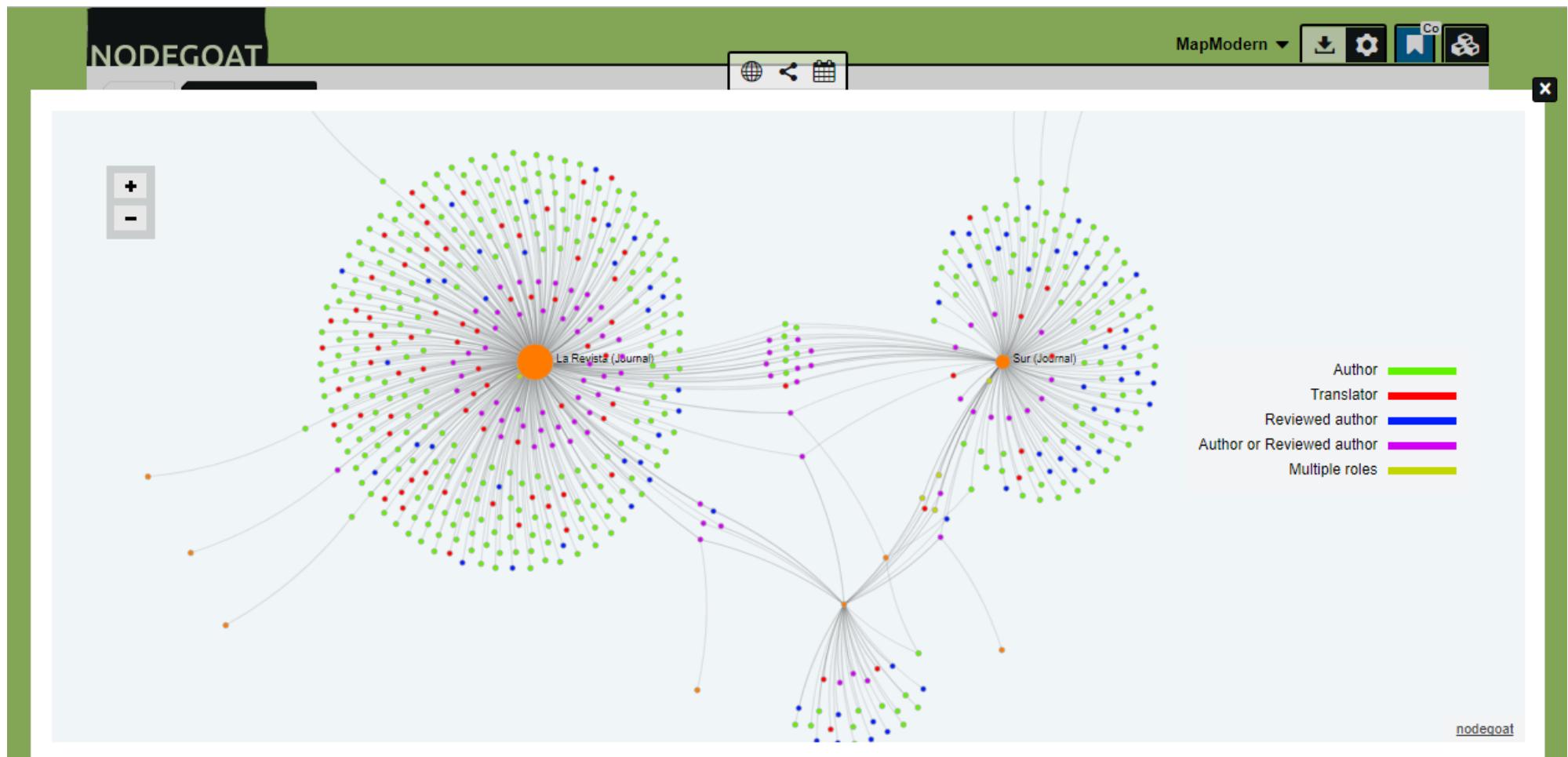
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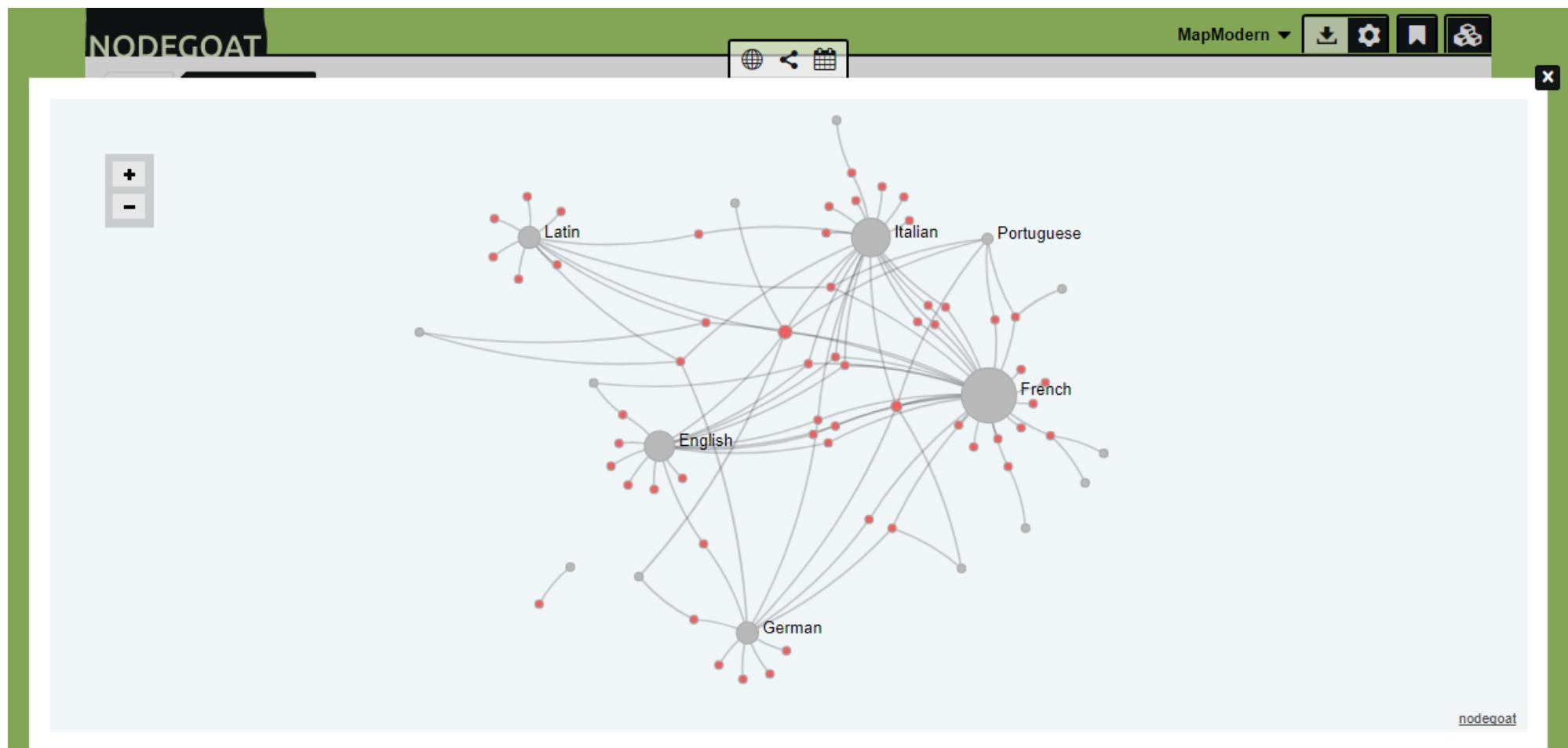
## 5. Visualisations: global flow of texts in journals



## 5. Visualisations: network between journals



## 5. Visualisations: literary languages in translation



## 6. Methodological difficulties

### General problems

Scale: too many journals

Selection: which journals?

Availability: digitized and non-digitized sources

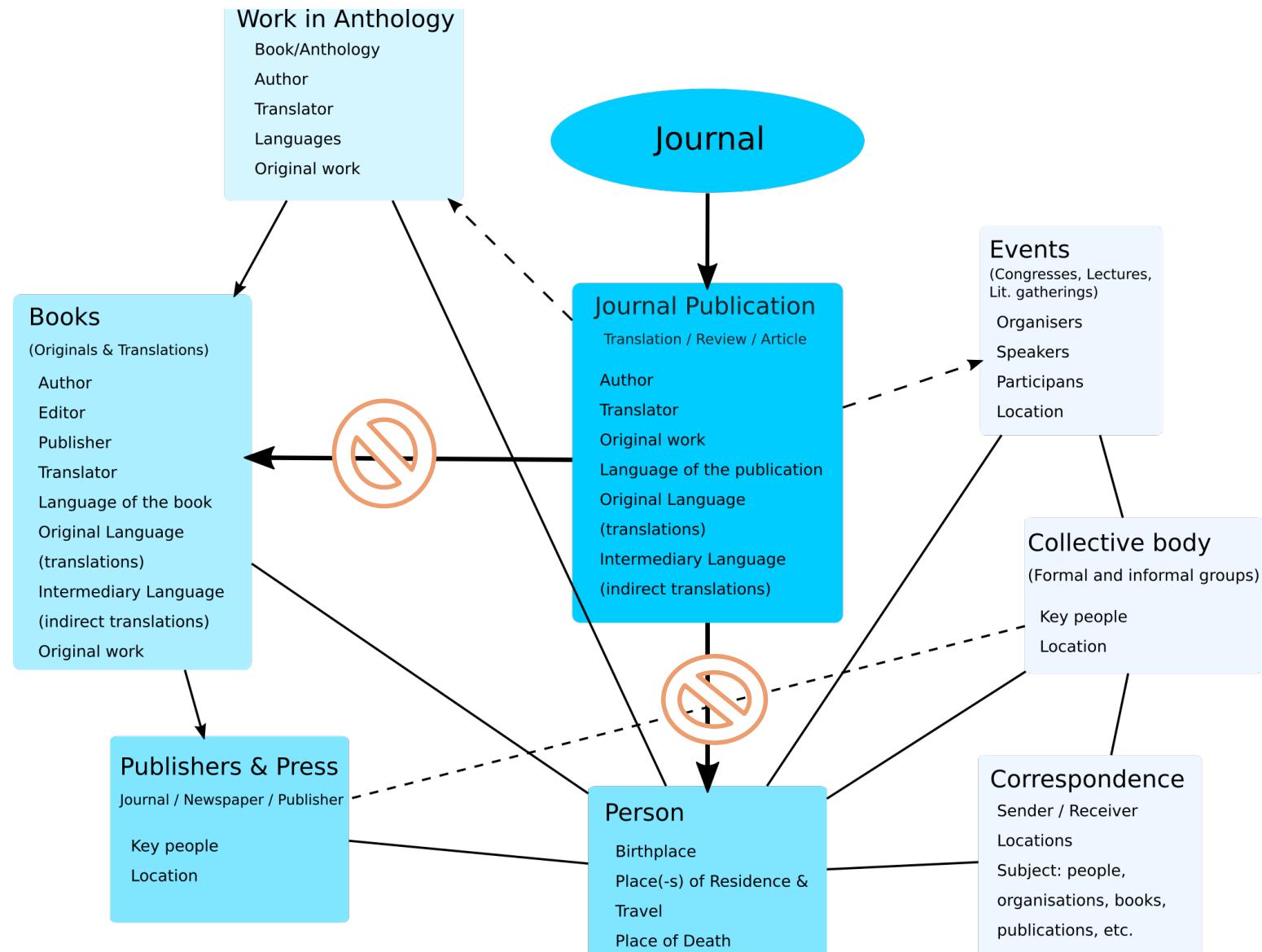
### Particular difficulties

Different level of detail between sources

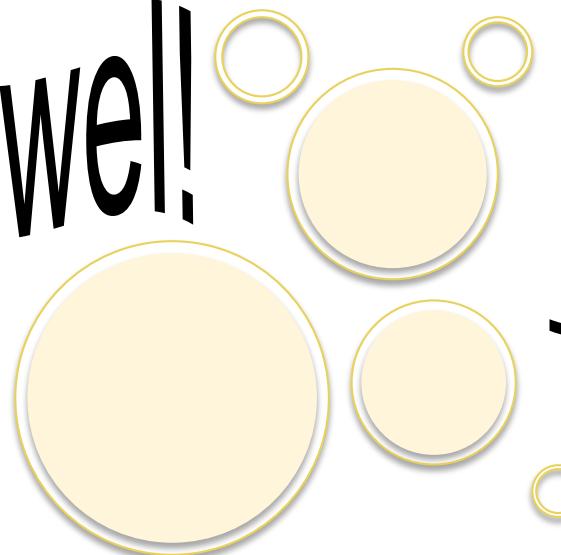
Missing data. Incomplete or incorrect data

Possible distortions – lack of data, rather than lack of activity

Representation rather than exhaustivity



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