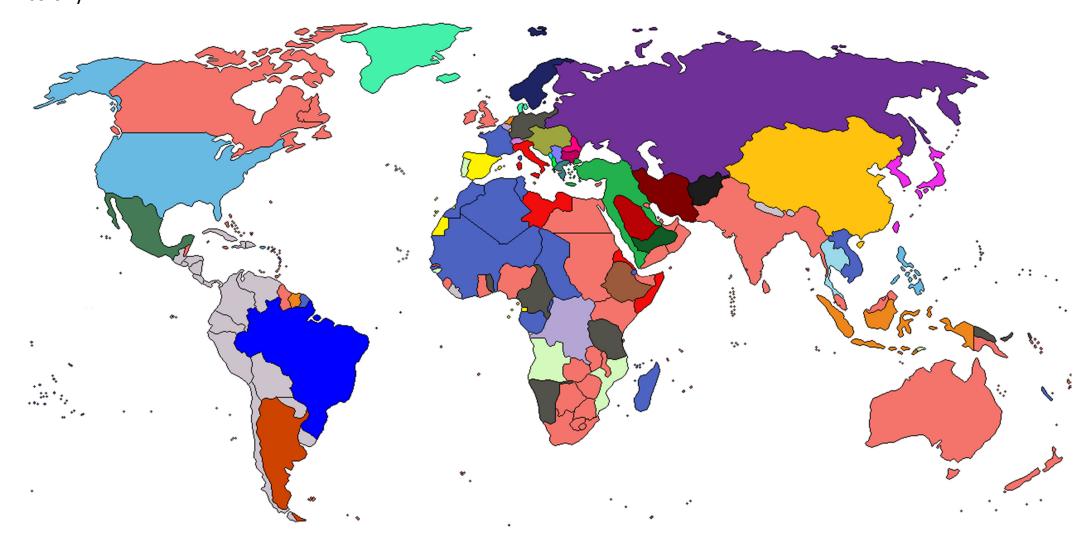
World Empires c. 1900

Most of the world in 1900 was under European control, or was the independent successor to a former European colony...



Modern World Ethnicity

There are lots of things we could look at here (and excuse the fact this is heavily simplified), but focus on the spread of the European groups: Romance, Norse-Germanic and Slavic. Why is there *partial* overlap between this map of ethnicity in the world today, and the map of world empires in 1900 above? What role did disease play in the areas where there is overlap and where there is not overlap?

