

Geog 4712  
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Recitation 9

**From Taylor and Flint readings definitions:**

Wallerstein's world-systems – blend of French *Annales* school and neo-Marxism

mini-system

world empire

world economy

world –systems

error of developmentalism

single world market

multiple state system

Interaction of state and markets – role of the state in competitive capitalist world-system

3 tier w-s structure – core, semi-periphery and periphery (definition and locations)

Kondratieff cycles (4 cycles and 8 phases) – know dates, locations, innovations etc – in the three regions (core. Semi-periphery and periphery) – graph p. 17 and table pp. 20

2 core processes – core and peripheral

Modelski's cycles of international politics - dates, global powers, leaders, wars etc (p.47)

Cycles of world hegemony – British and American hegemonic cycles in 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries (table p.56)

Questions;

- a) does the communications revolution mean the “end of geography”? What is really meant by that term?
- b) How would a world-systems theorist attempt to understand the US attack on Iraq in 2003?
- c) Can Modelski's model be used to predict the future trend in US relative power status?