

## Review

- Centripetal forces: pull together
- Centrifugal forces: pull apart
  
- Sources of identity:
  - Ethnic (exclusionary)
  - Civic (inclusive)

### Nation:

- A group of people.
- Believe that they there is more in common *among* the group than *between* the group and other groups.
- Believe that the nation is the primary basis for political organization (modernist).

### Nationalism:

- Drive towards national identity
- Belief in primacy of national identity

## Nationalism theories

1. Primordialism – ethnic-based identity – cultural explanation
  
2. Social construction – a modern creation  
role of elites/educated
  
3. Geographic – territory (homeland) – blend primordialist  
and social constructionist approaches

Constructing nationalism: western European model

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Pre-national identities:

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1. Family
2. Locale
3. Occupation
4. Region
5. **Religion**
6. **Sovereign**

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Two preconditions for national identity construction in Europe.

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Creating national identity

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Question: what things does a state need to do in order to get its population to start to think of itself as a nation?

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State-based nationalism:

State creates national identity within its borders.  
Membership in the nation is open to all who support the state.

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Why bother? The state gains:

- Population more willing to fight
- Ability to use economic nationalism to protect domestic producers
- **Legitimacy**

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#### Minority Nationalism

Incomplete modernization thesis

- Core and periphery within the state
- Examples

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Necessary and Sufficient Conditions for Minority Nationalism

Necessary:

1. Case for distinctiveness
2. **TERRITORY**

Sufficient:

3. Trigger Effect
  - Relative deprivation
  - Cultural/national oppression
  - Relative economic superiority

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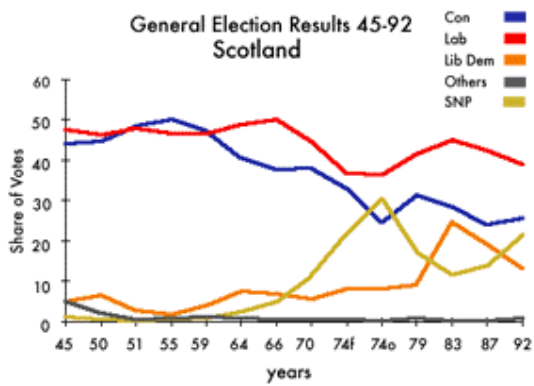
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The creation of minority identity: two cases of "false" nationalisms

Scotland

- Celtic heritage
- Tartan kilt
- The rise of nationalism
  - Necessary and sufficient conditions



Padania: Northern Italy

Lega Nord (Northern League)

Umberto Bossi

