

REFLECTIONS FROM THE FIELD TRIP IN CHINA:
TRAVELLING FROM EAST TO WEST

ICS WEDNESDAY SEMINAR

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INTRODUCTION AND AGENDA

20th July to 2nd Aug. 2014

- a. India and SCO?
- b. Understanding the perception of Chinese scholars towards India's interest in SCO
- c. Chinese expectations and reservations
- d. Covering responses from academics and research institutes in China
- e. Travelling inside China, discovering variety of responses
- f. Gathering general ideas to establish further institutional contacts

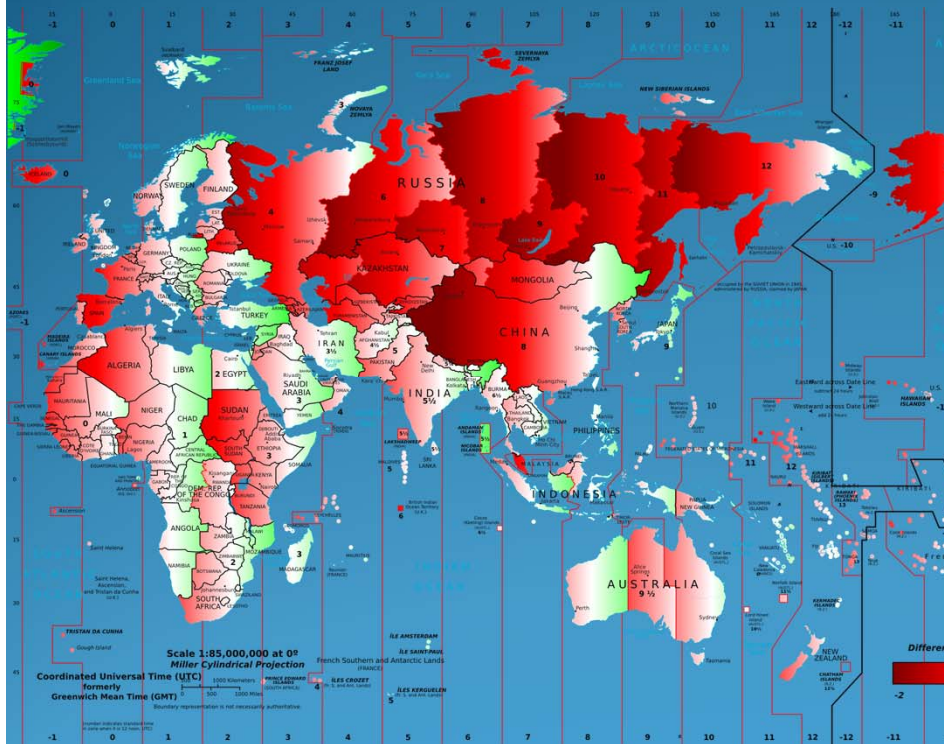
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a. the team travelled from 'Finland to Libya'



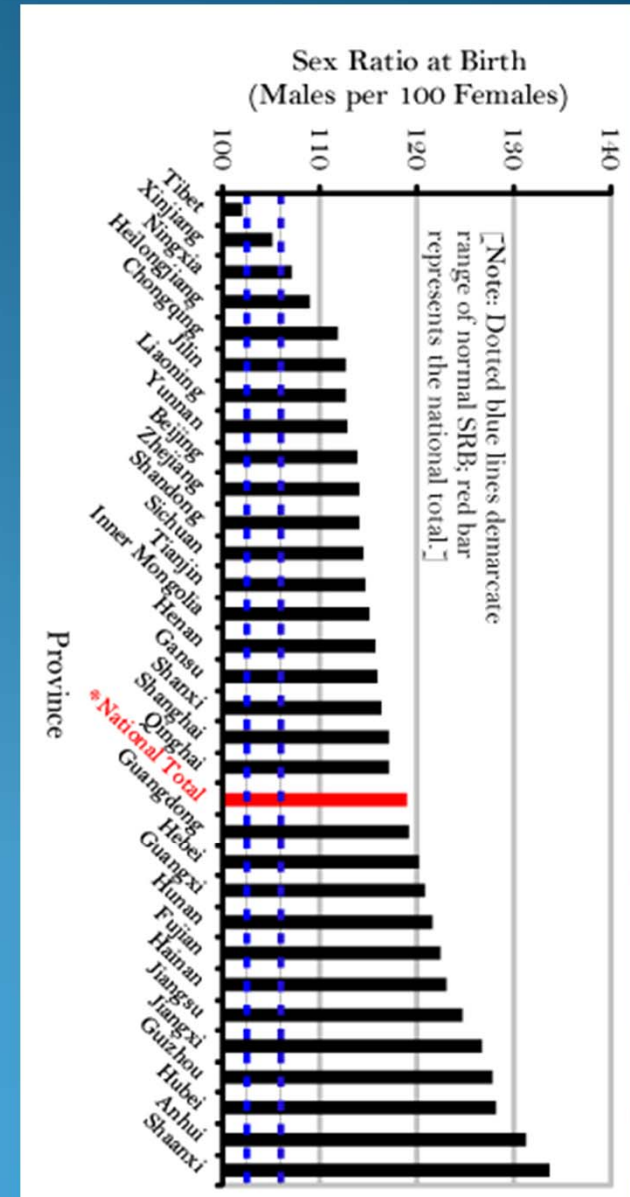
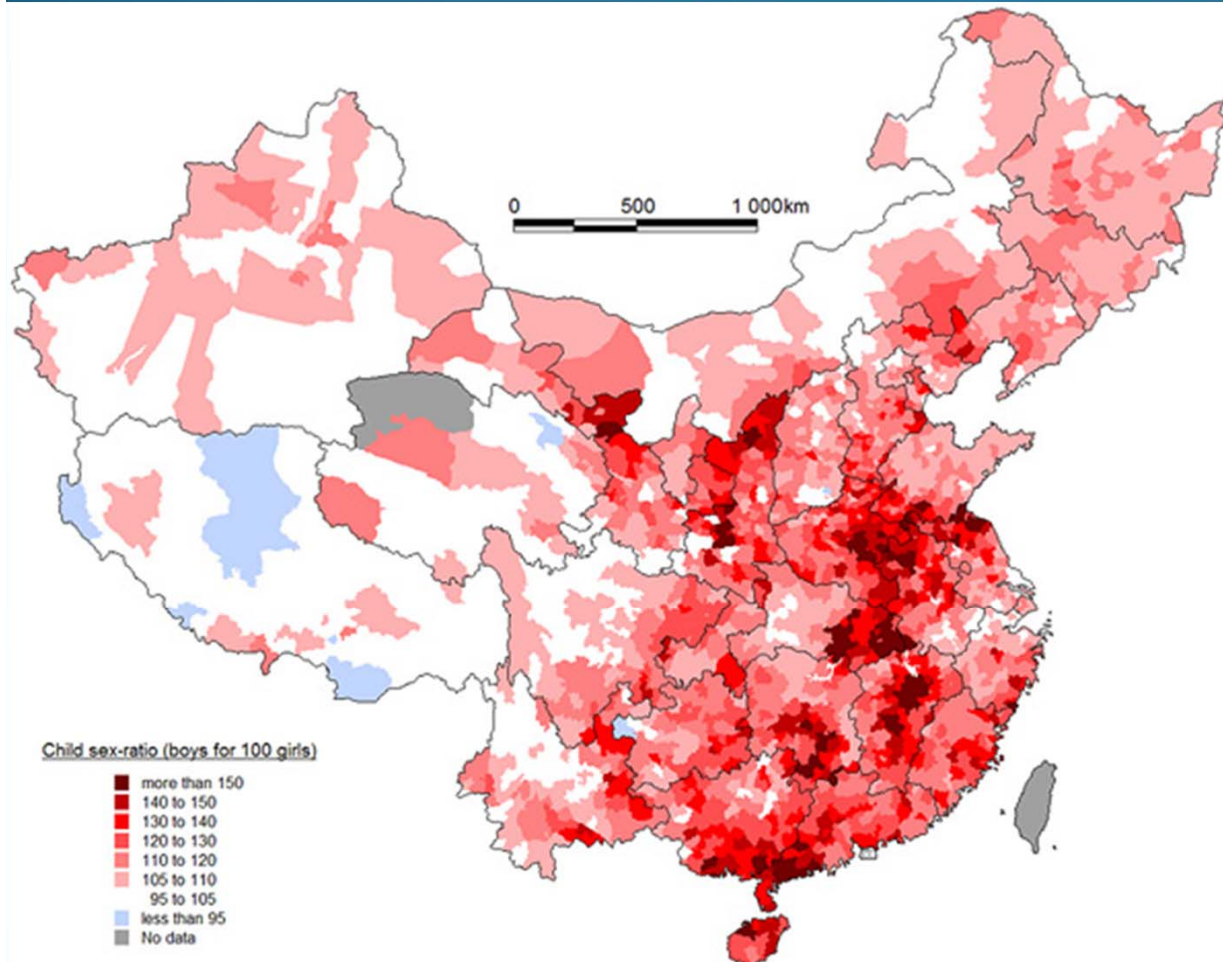
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b. Field travel across five time zones



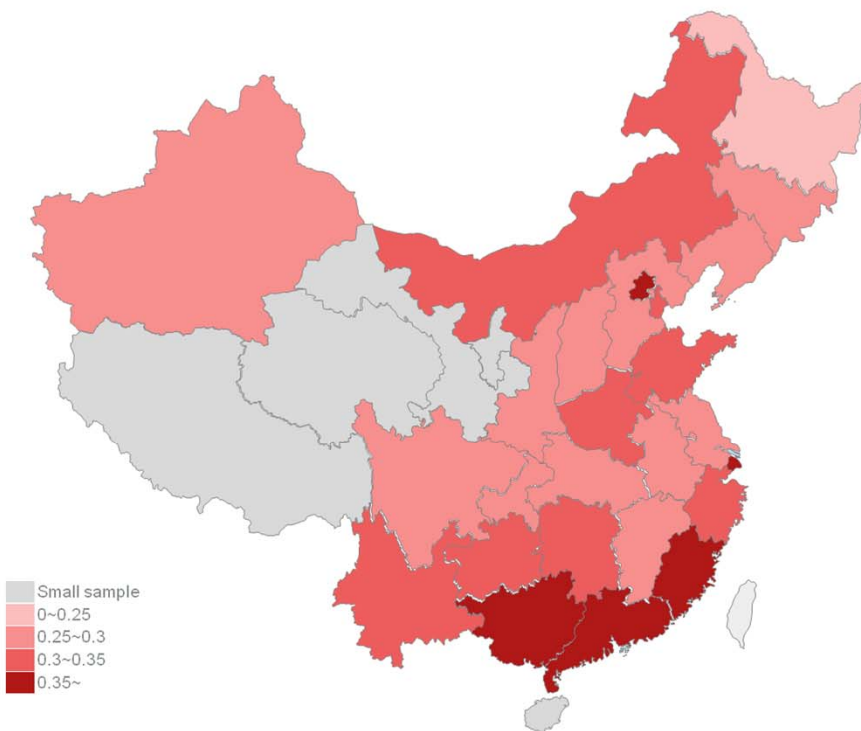
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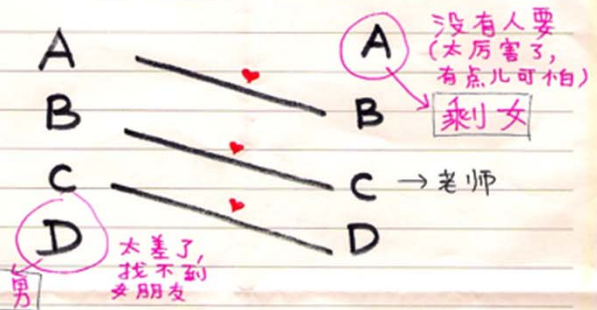


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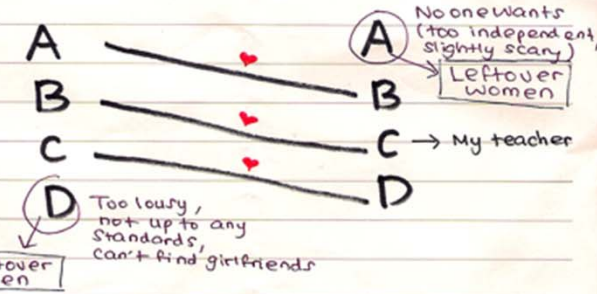
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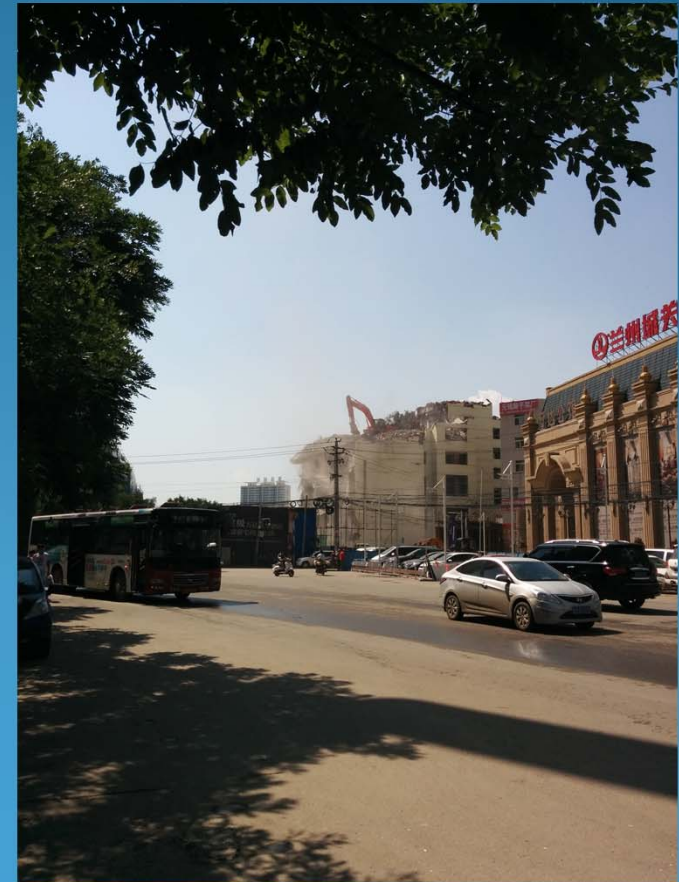


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d. From a civilised world to the region of nomads



PRIMARY CONCLUSIONS OF SCO PROJECT

- a. SCO is the only int. org. created by China to best serve its 'natural interest'
- b. China appears to have no clarity on why India wishes to join SCO as a full member.
- c. RATS is a failure
- d. Regional variation in responses

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- a. Communication - Language
- b. Field immersion experiences – “it teaches humility”
- c. Psycho-cultural factors may be as important as rational or cognitive considerations.
- d. Validate the forecasts that either overestimated or underestimated Chinese perceptions
- e. Design and execute a research project based on field observations (Reverse research)



Thank you!