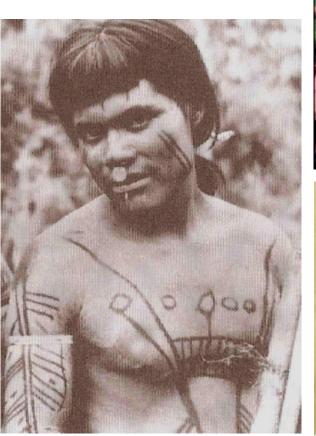
Linguistic and cultural diversity in the Amazon

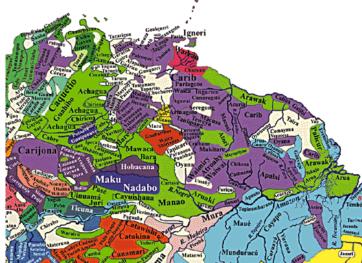
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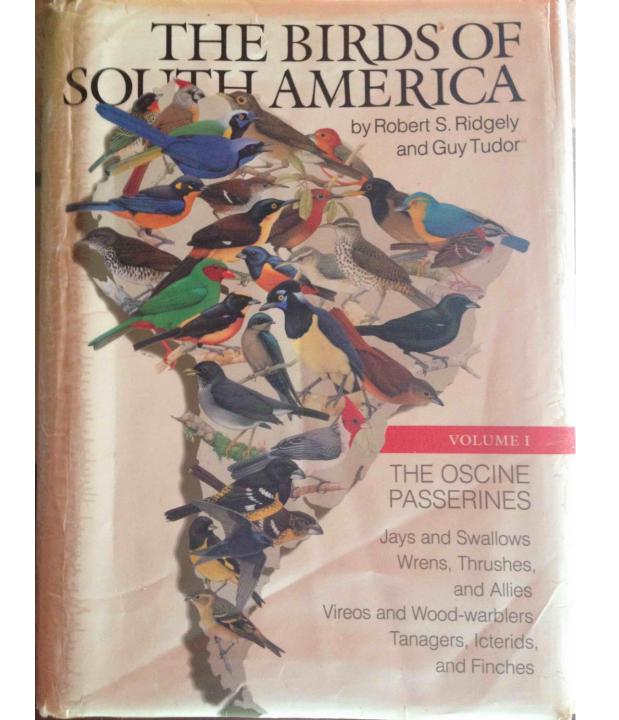


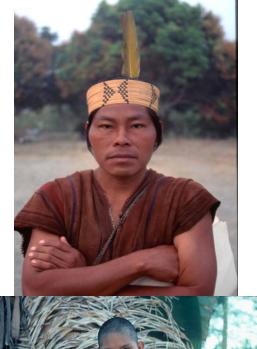










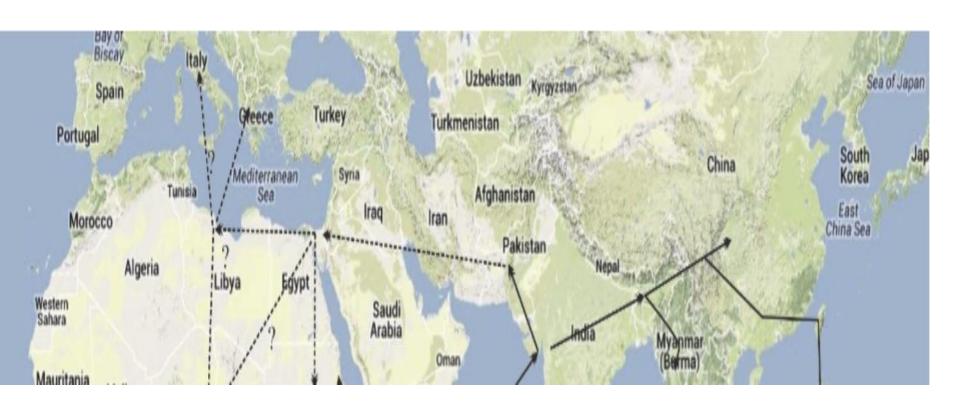


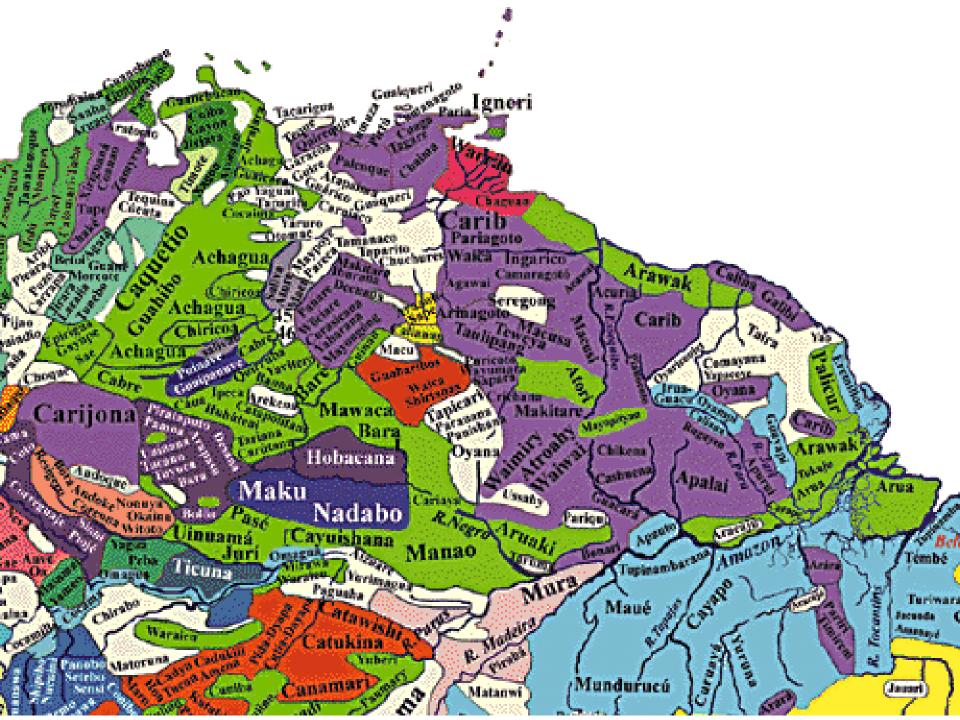












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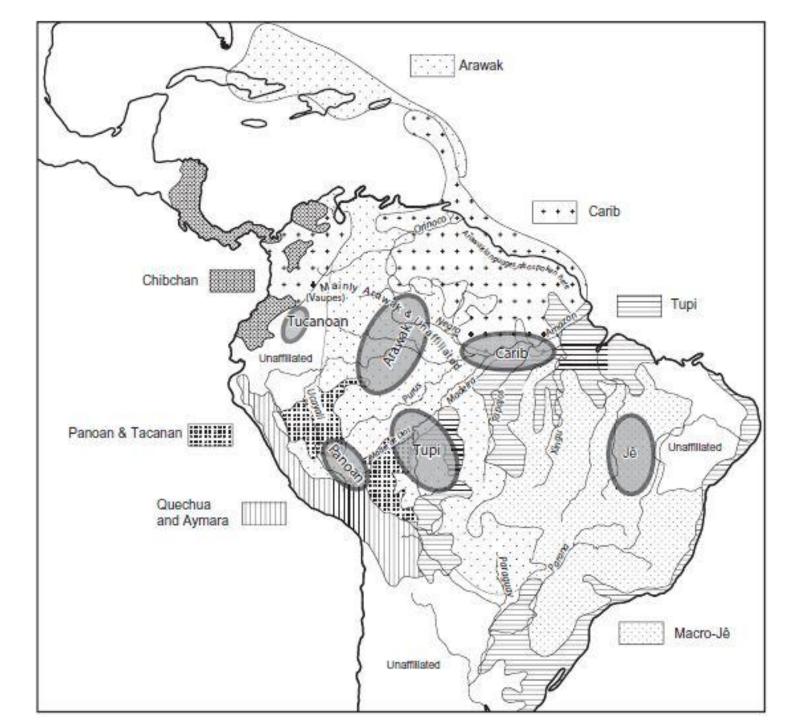
"dabs of yellow and blue and red and orange and brown mingled together like a painting by Jackson Pollock"

Staggering diversity

- Over 300 languages attested
- 20+ language families
- dozens of isolates
- 2-5 million in 1500, today 400,000
- 90% population reduction

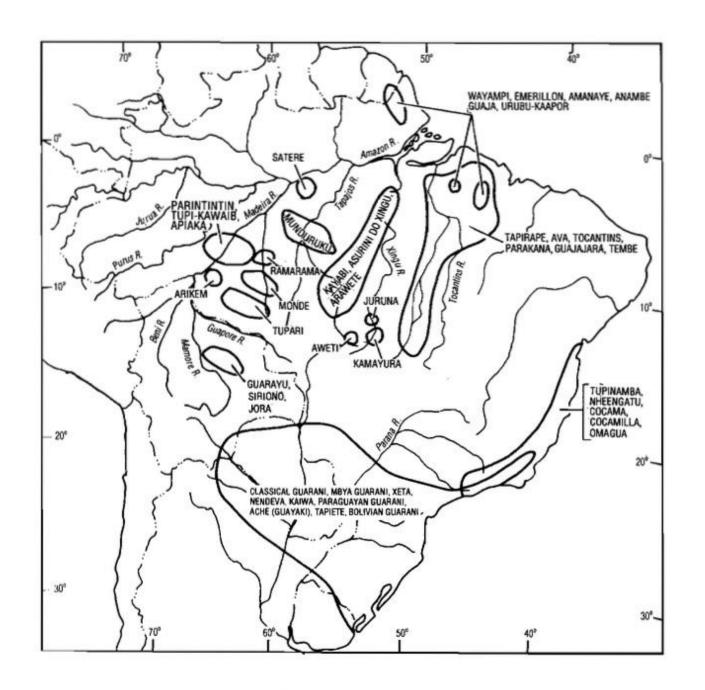
Serious endangerment

- Brazil: 215 ethnic groups
- 170 languages
- 115 of which < 1000 speakers
- Many have only a handful of speakers









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