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"PARTITIVES", NUMBER MARKING AND NEGATION IN OCCITAN

OCCITAN DIALECTS

Other divides

(or groupings):

. Northern Occitan

(in green) vs

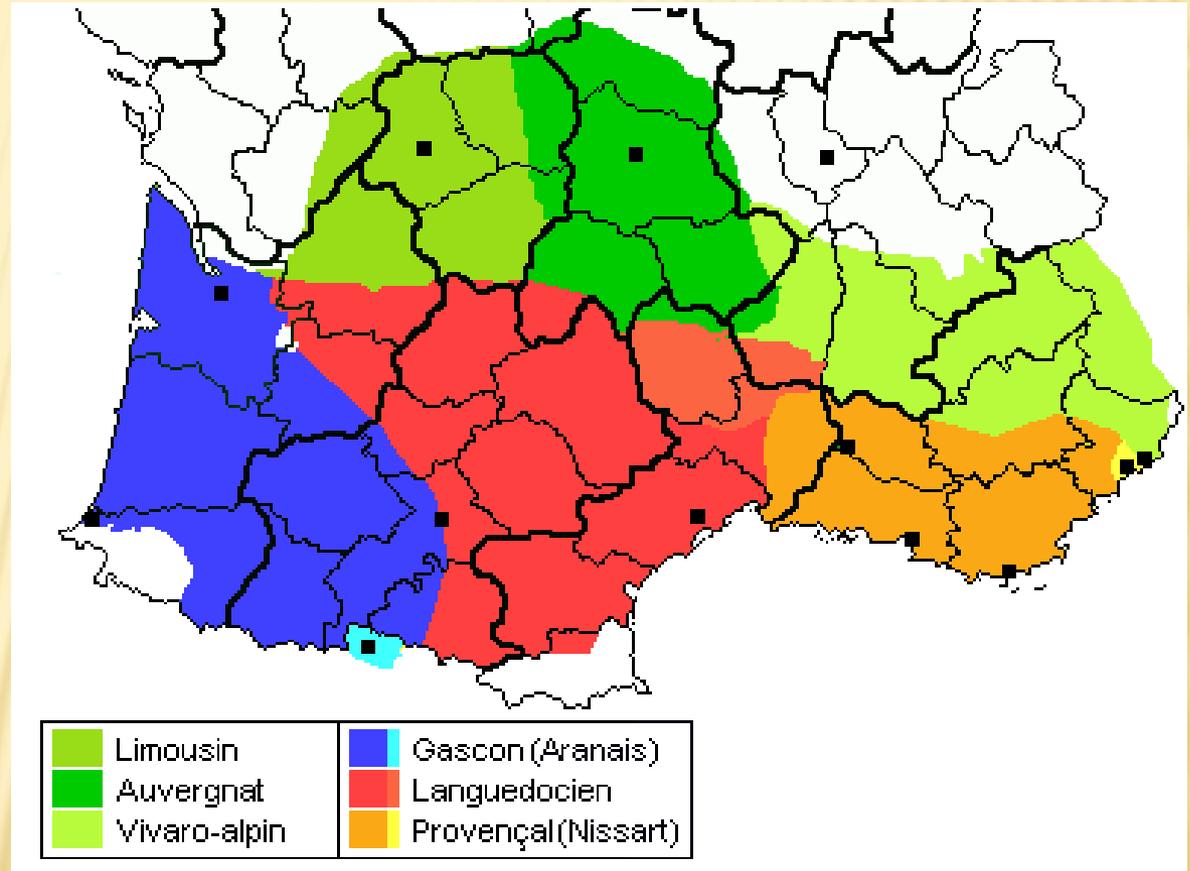
Southern Occitan

chabra ~ *cabra*

. Gascon vs

Common Occitan

haria ~ *farina*



OCCITAN DIALECTS (continued)

Aquitano-pyrenean

Conservative

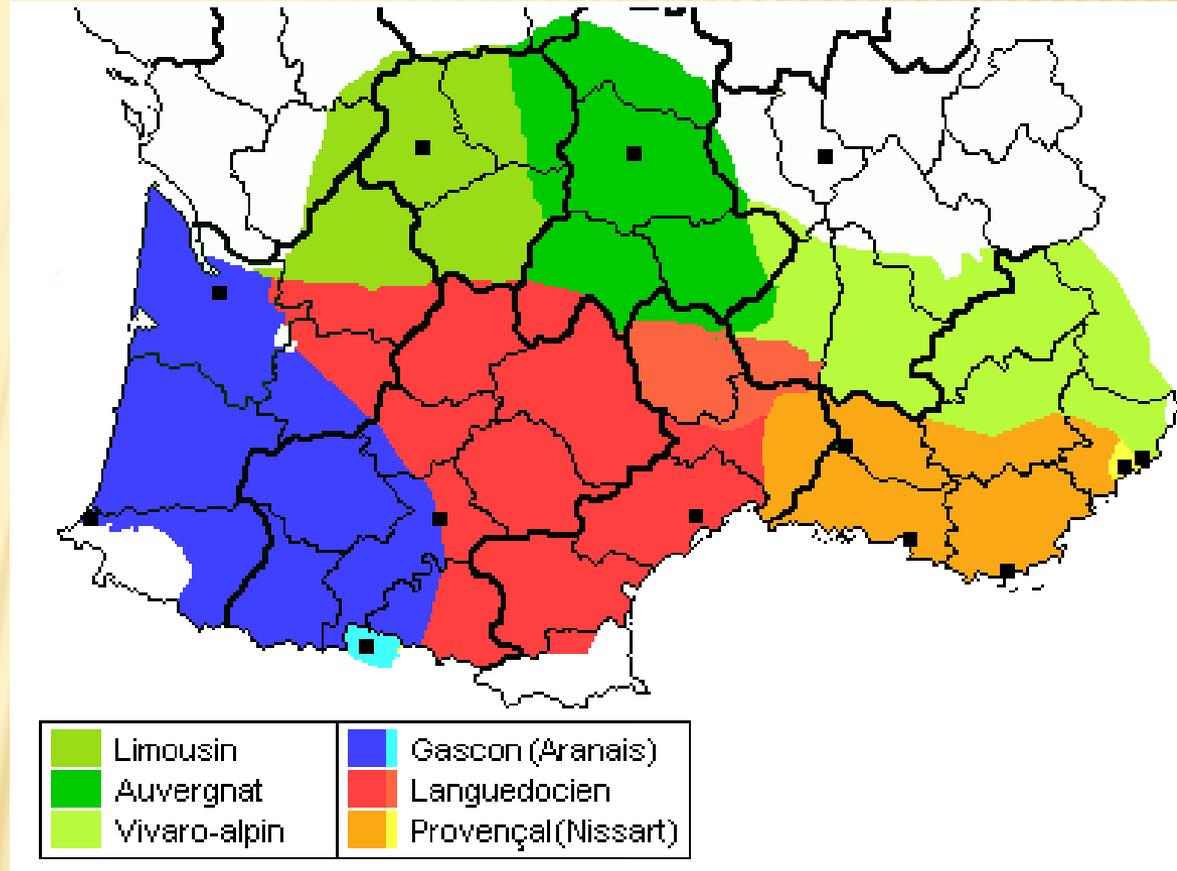
(gasc. most of leng. +
an alpine area in viv.alp)

vs

Alverno-mediterranean

Evolutionary

(northern occ. + prov.)



THE DATA

Many facts about Occitan can be found in various monographies and conveniently in Jules Ronjat's unreplaced and unrivalled synthesis the *Grammaire (h)istorique des parlers provençaux (= occitans) modernes*.

Ronjat worked in Geneva which gives an occasion to celebrate a Swiss contribution to Occitan linguistics, 101 years after the publication of Ronjat's seminal thesis (*Essai de syntaxe des parlers provençaux modernes*).

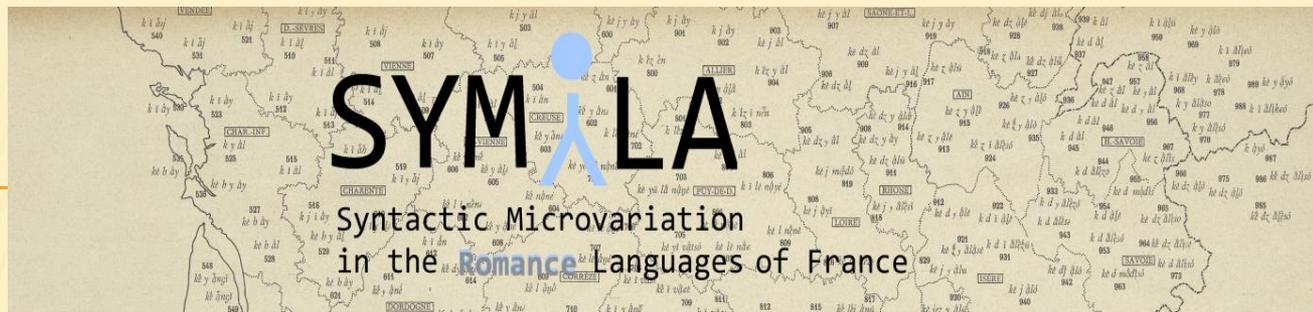
DATA FROM THE ALF

- ✘ Most of the data presented in the present talk come from the *Atlas linguistique de la France* (1902-1920) by Edmond Edmont and Jules Gilliéron.
- ✘ In fact it is an atlas of the Romance speaking areas where French was the education language at the time of the survey (1897-1902).

THE ALF: AN UNDERESTIMATED SOURCE OF DATA

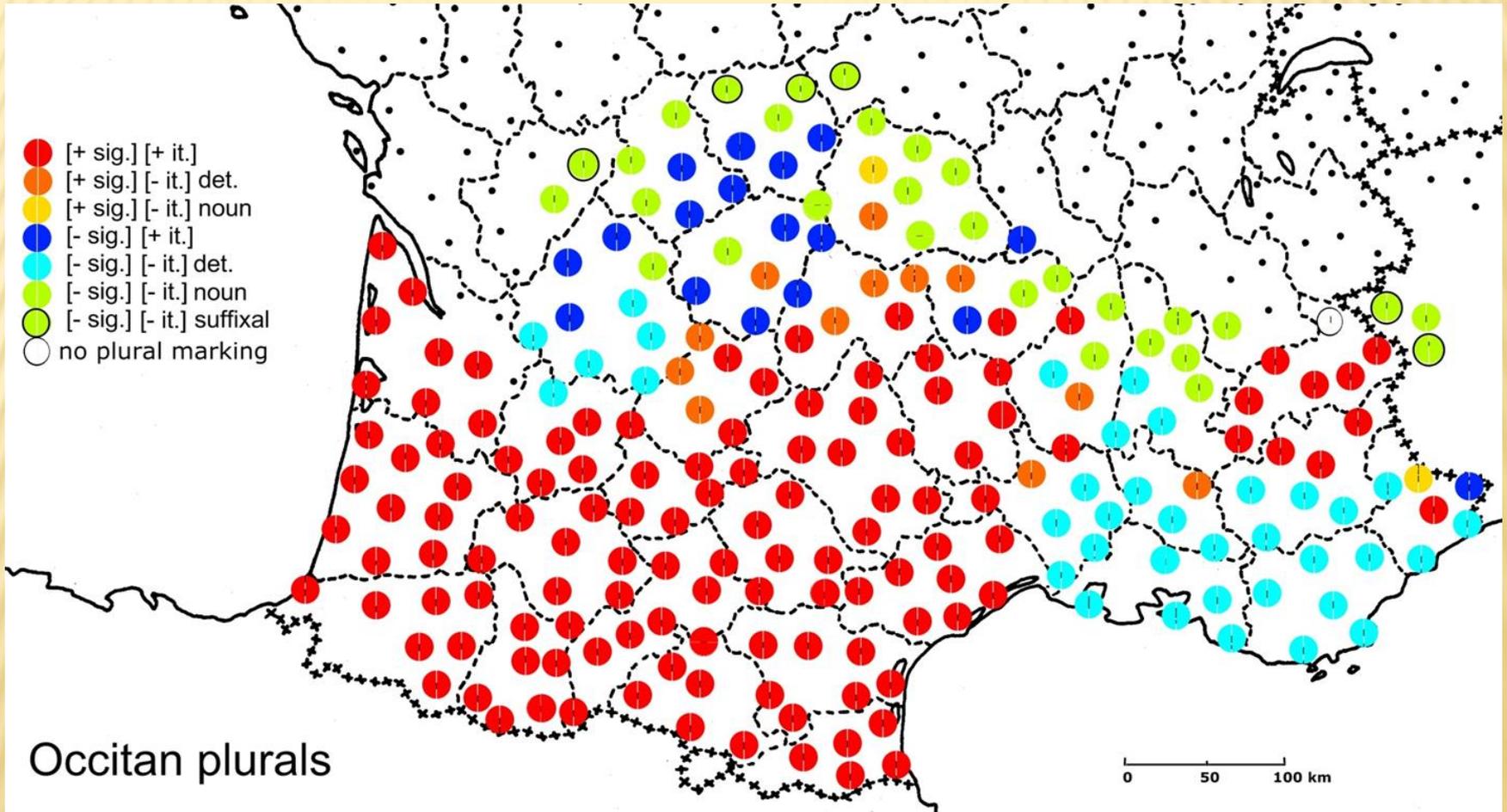
- ✘ The ALF has mostly been used as a basis for lexical or phonological studies. This is partly due to the alphabetical presentation of the Atlas (from *Abeille* to *Vrille*) which makes unapparent the fact that 25 % of the material in the Atlas has been elicited in the form of sentences.

ALF

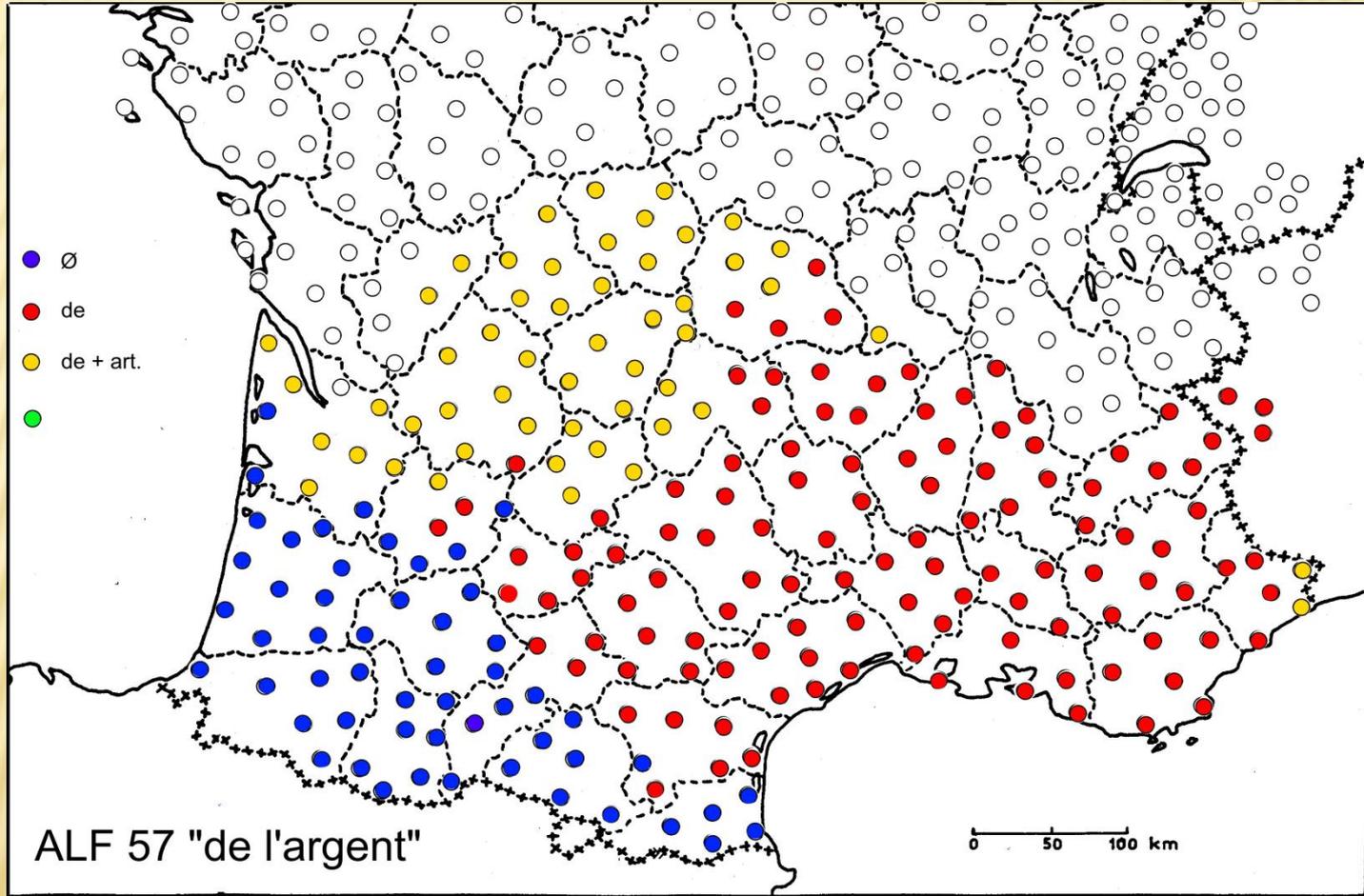


- ✘ The SYMILA project is funded by the ANR and is conducted jointly by the Laboratory CLLE-ERSS in Toulouse and Jean Nicod (ENS) in Paris.
- ✘ One of its aim is to make available the morphosyntactic and syntactic information in the ALF in a data base where the sentences would be reconstituted.
- ✘ An other aim of SYMILA is to gather new syntactic data on primary Romance varieties of France (which are on the verge of extinction).

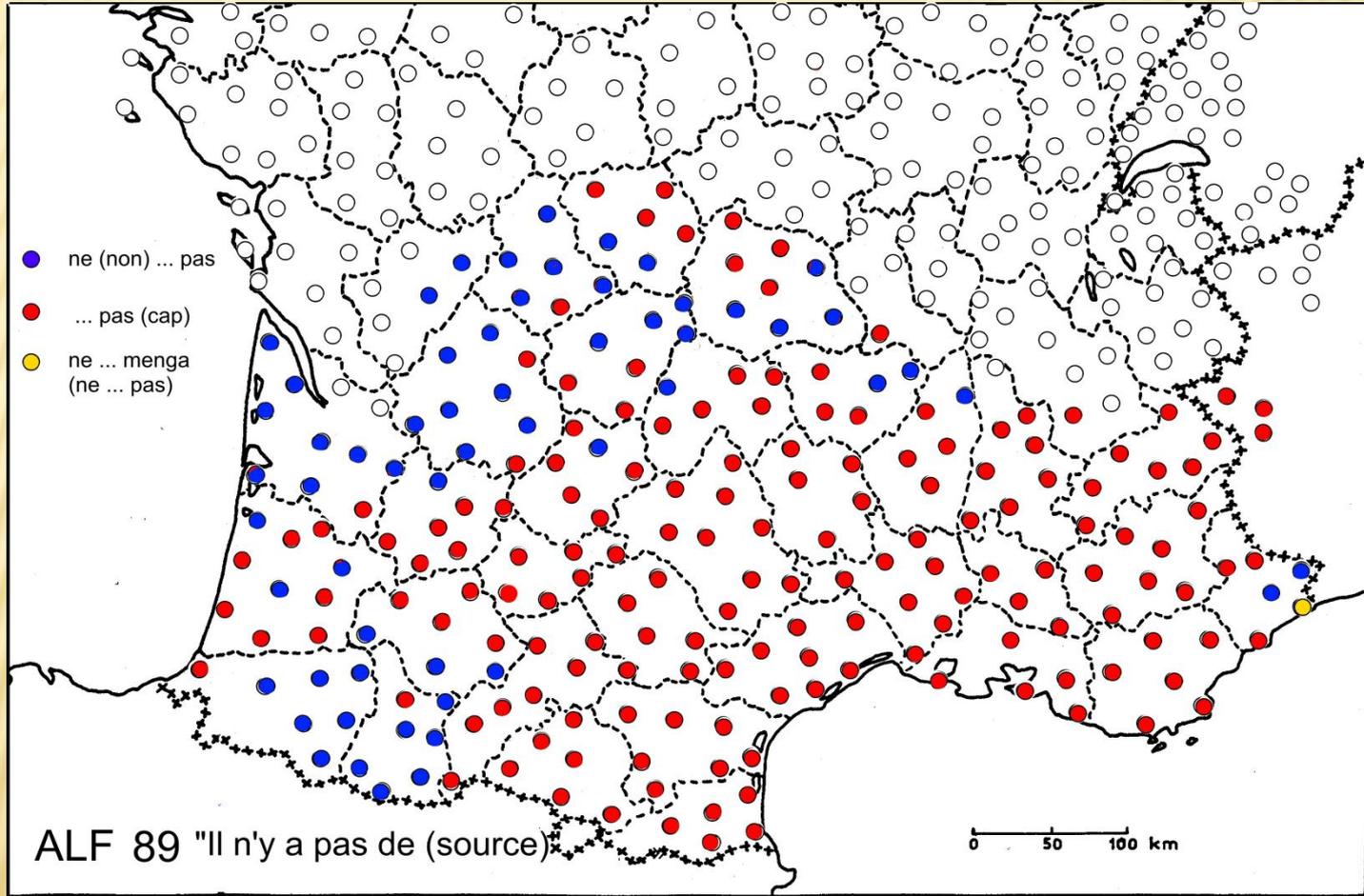
OCCITAN PLURALS



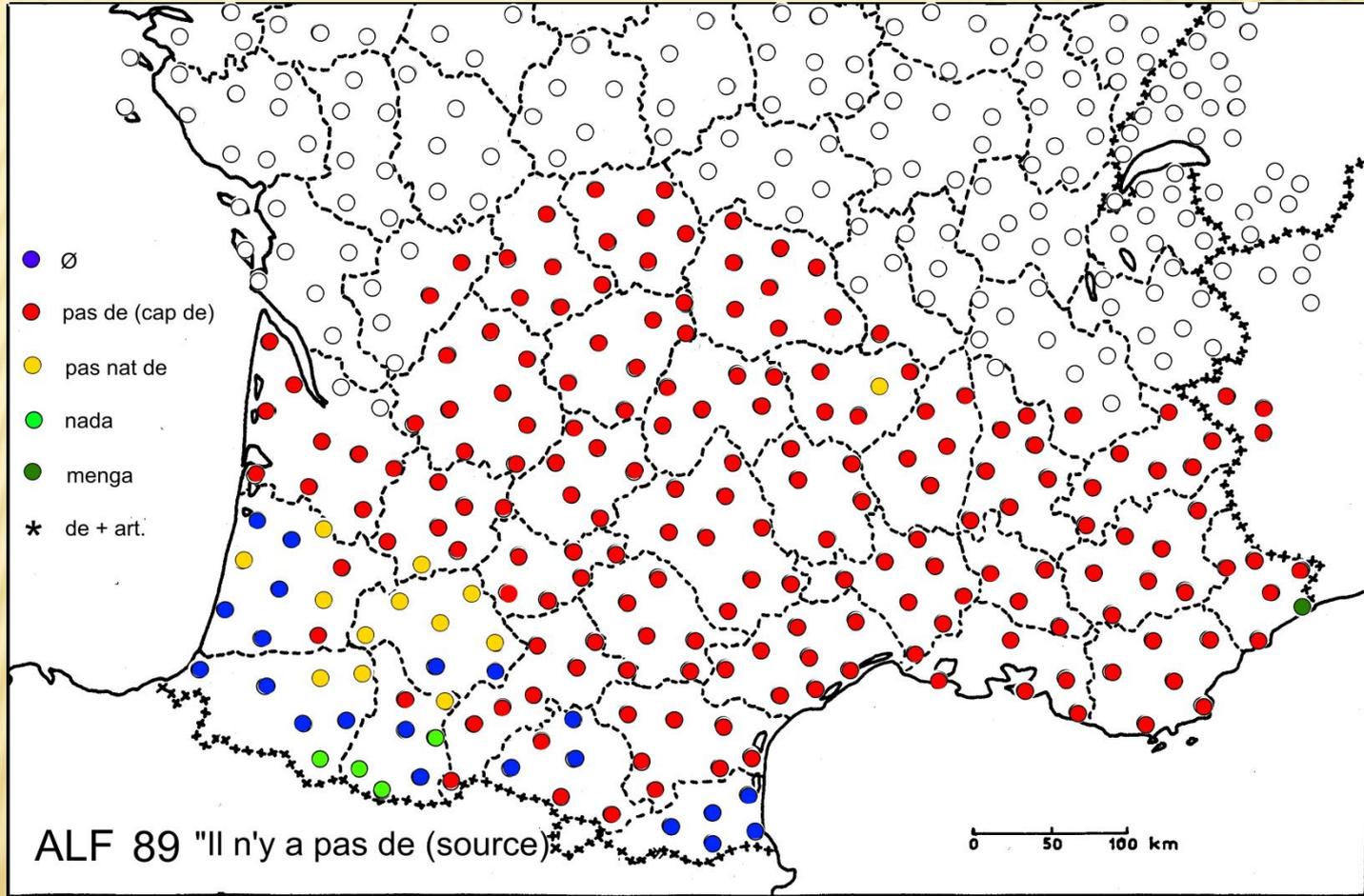
TYPES OF OCCITAN INDEFINITES (massic singular or plural)



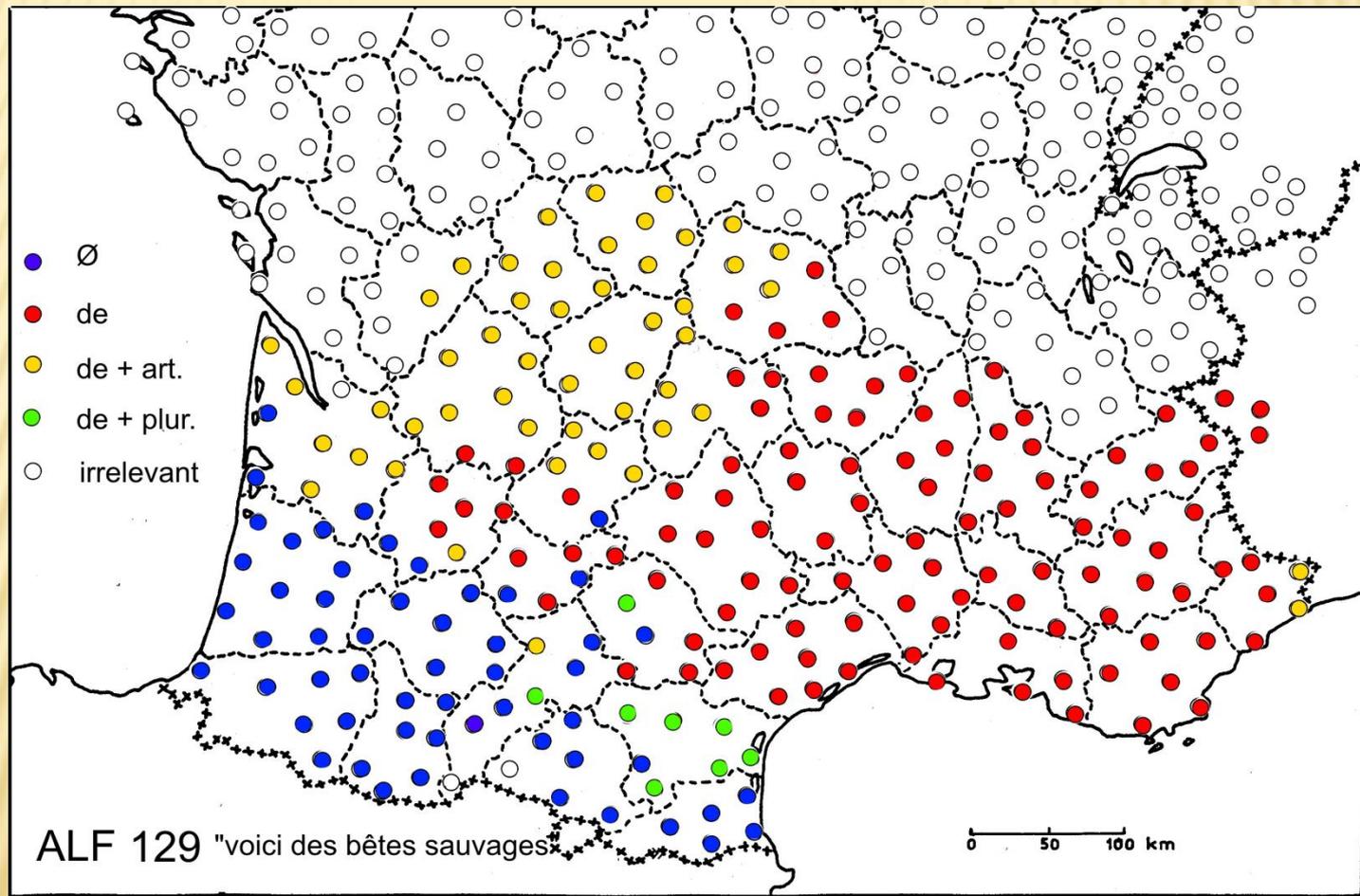
TYPES OF OCCITAN VERBAL NEGATIONS



TYPES OF INDEFINITE AFTER A NEGATION



TYPES OF PLURAL INDEFINITES (continued)



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