PROPINQUITY



- Connections are created between people in a network by various "forces."
- This simplest is by propinquity, or being in the same place at the same time.
- This differs slightly from co-location, in which people are merely in range of each other, and co-presence, a social relationship that is within the framework of a social structure.

HOMOPHILY

- "Bird of a feather, flock together."
- Homophily, or "same love" in Greek, means that people with shared characteristics tend not only to socialize together, but also to influence each other's behavior when doing so.
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