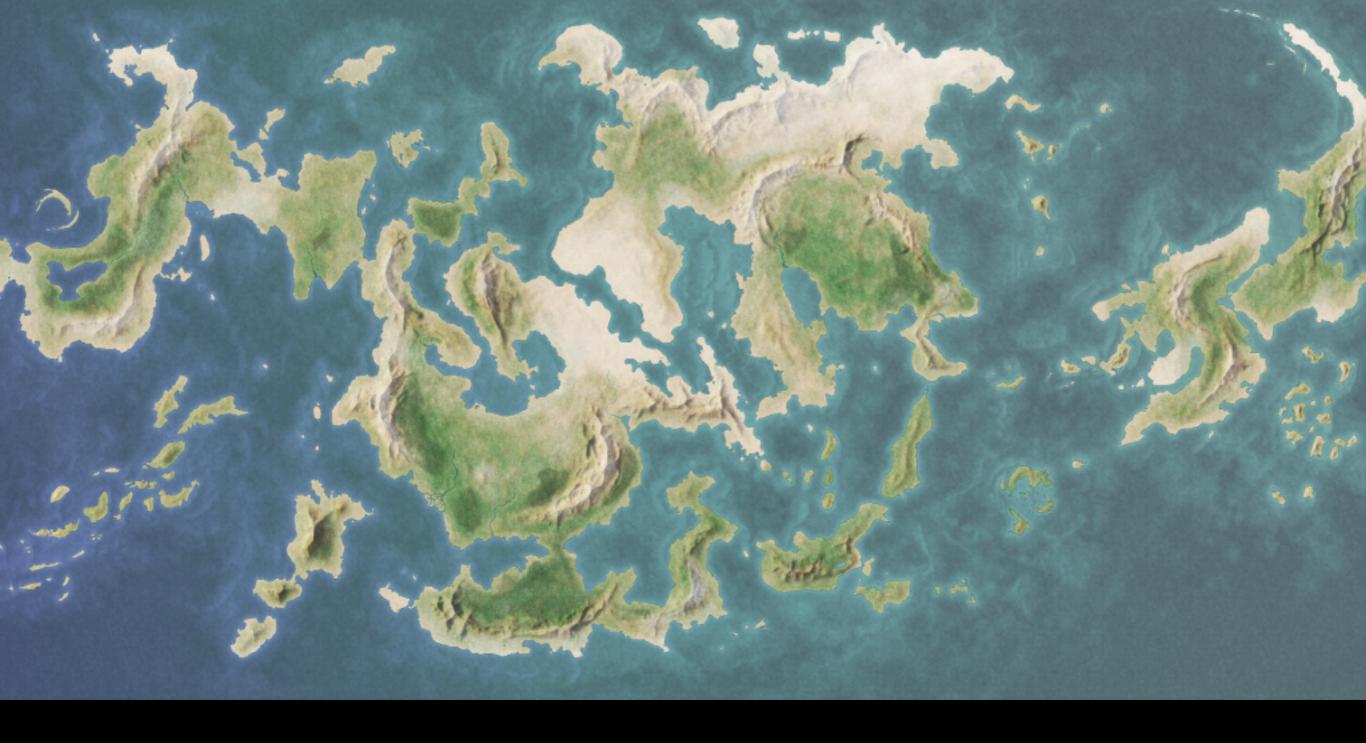


Imagine the field of sociology as a sprawling archipelago, populated by warring tribes.



Social reality isn't made up of atoms!
We can't really do that as sociologists: the social world is too varied and diverse!