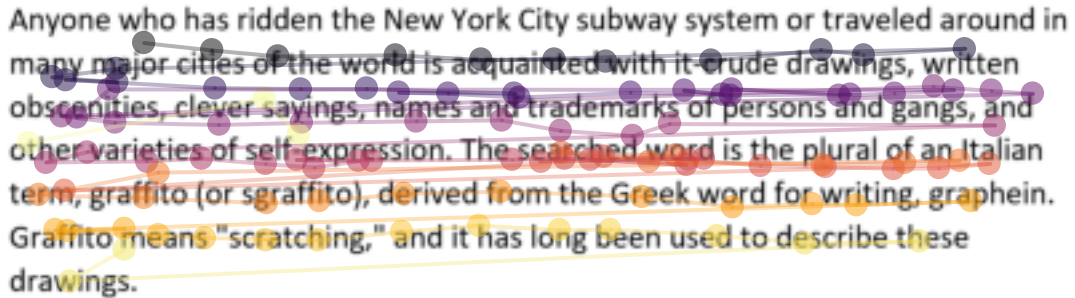


Anyone who has ridden the New York City subway system or traveled around in many major cities of the world is acquainted with it—crude drawings, written obscenities, clever sayings, names and trademarks of persons and gangs, and other varieties of self-expression. The searched word is the plural of an Italian term, graffiti (or sgraffito), derived from the Greek word for writing, graphein. Graffiti means "scratching," and it has long been used to describe these drawings.

A network diagram is overlaid on the text. It consists of numerous circular nodes of various colors (dark grey, purple, magenta, pink, orange, yellow) connected by thin, semi-transparent lines of corresponding colors. The nodes are distributed across the text, with some appearing as clusters and others as isolated points. The lines connect nodes that are often close to each other in the text, creating a web-like structure that spans the entire paragraph.