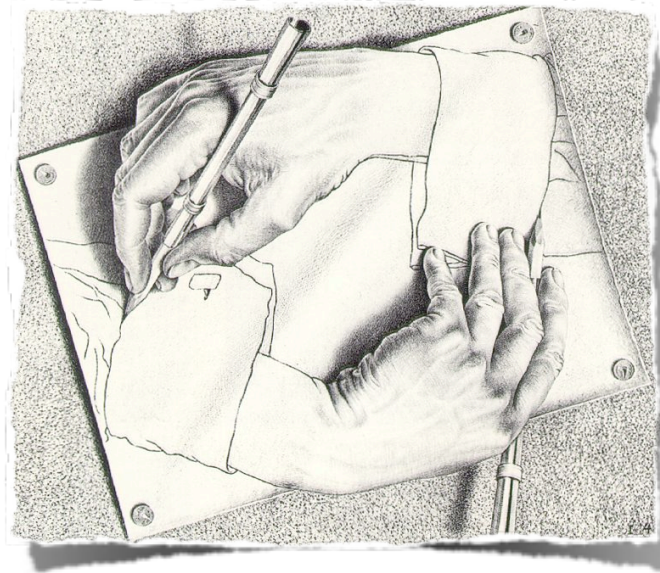


Declaring Independence via the Sketching of Sketches



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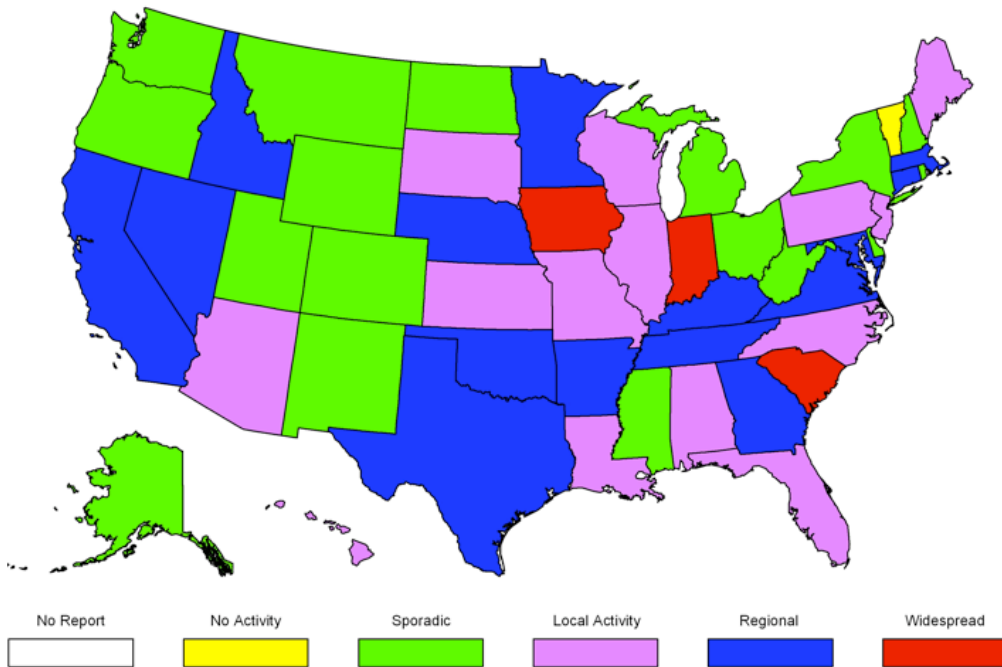
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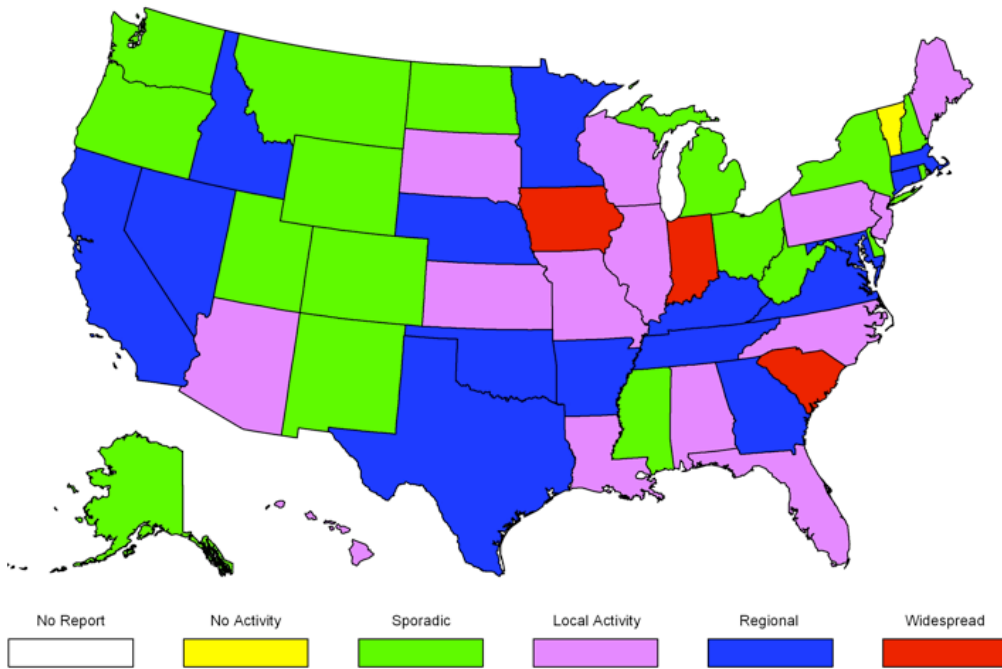
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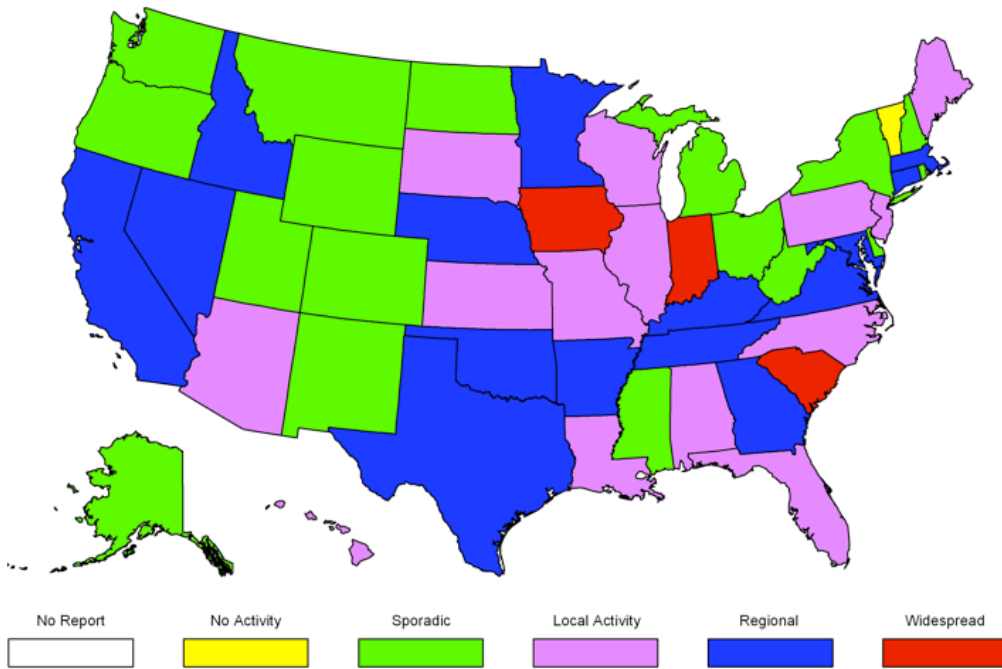
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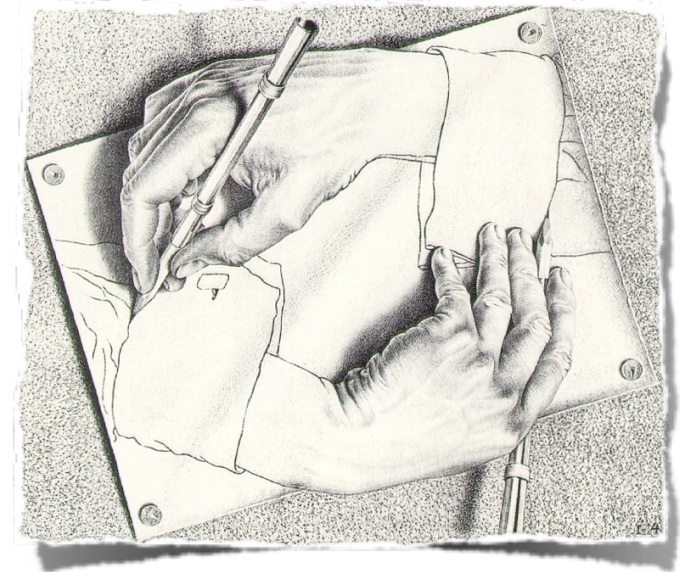
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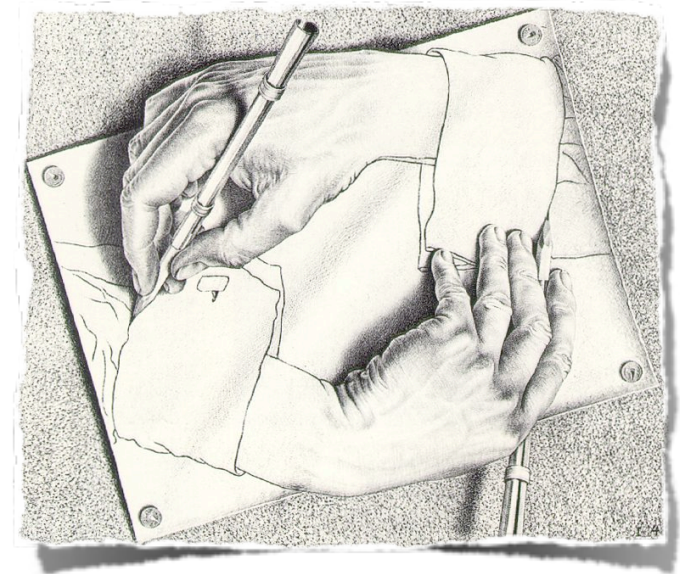
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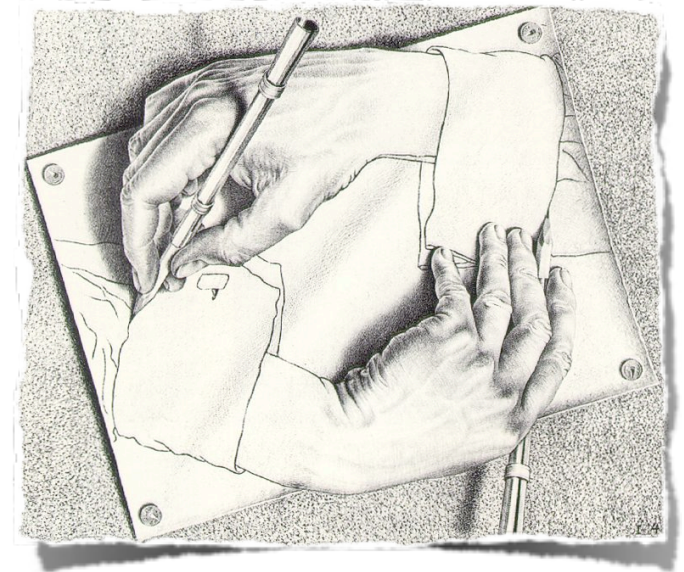
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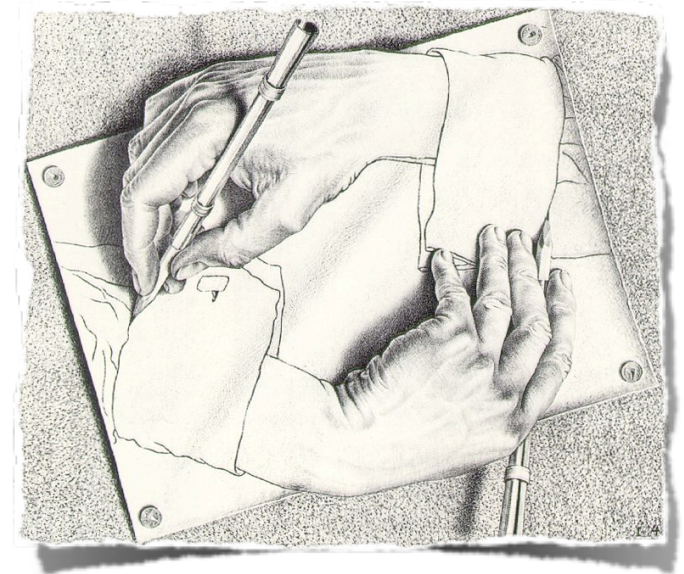
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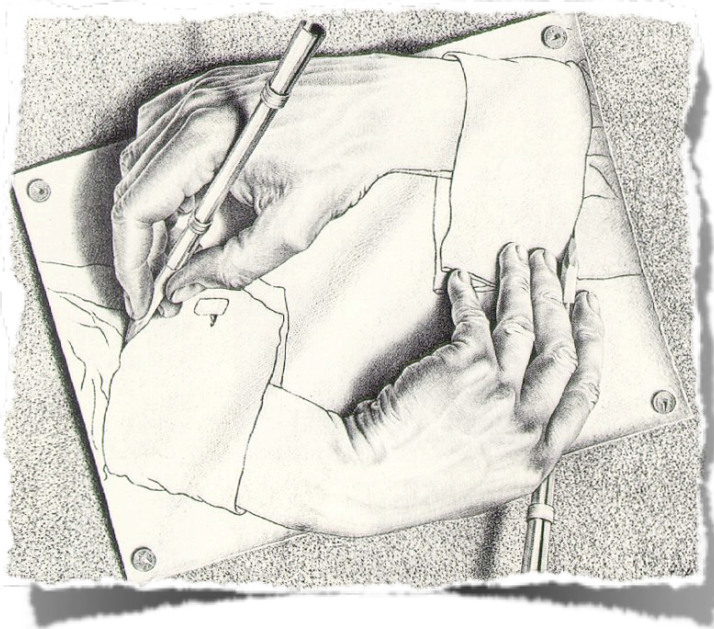
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[Guha, McGregor, Venkatasubramanian '06]

Main Results



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Questions?