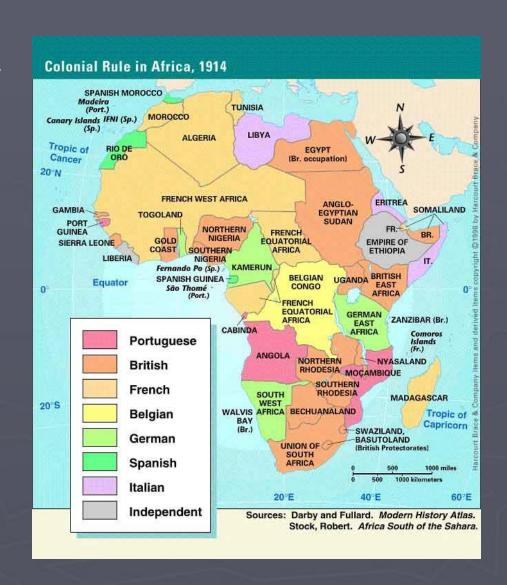
Formation of African Borders

Superimposed Boundary

- A political boundary placed by powerful outsiders on a developed human landscape
 - Most of Africa's borders created by European colonial powers

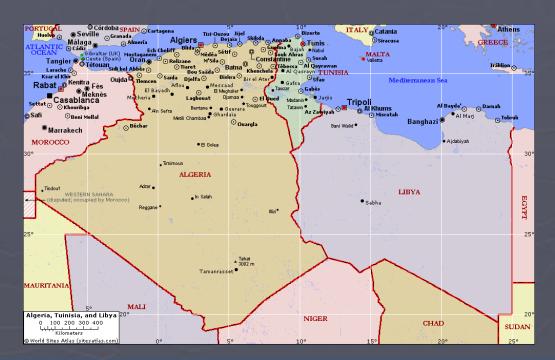


Types of Borders in Africa

Geometric Borders

Straight lines that create
separation and are
unrelated to landforms

or culture



Types of Borders in Africa

- Ethnic Borders
 - Borders that attempt to reflect the cultural differences of the people living in a particular area
 - Often leave to ethnic enclaves and exclaves
- Religious/Language Borders
 - Boundaries that divide different religious groups or language families

