Networks in the Gregorian Era:

Methodological remarks about the case of Cambrai – Arras

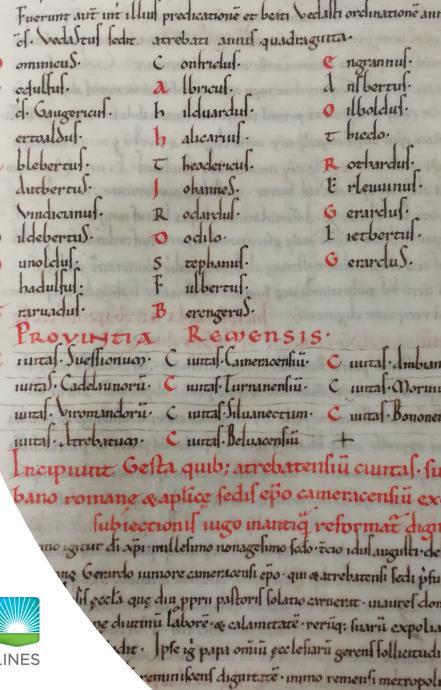
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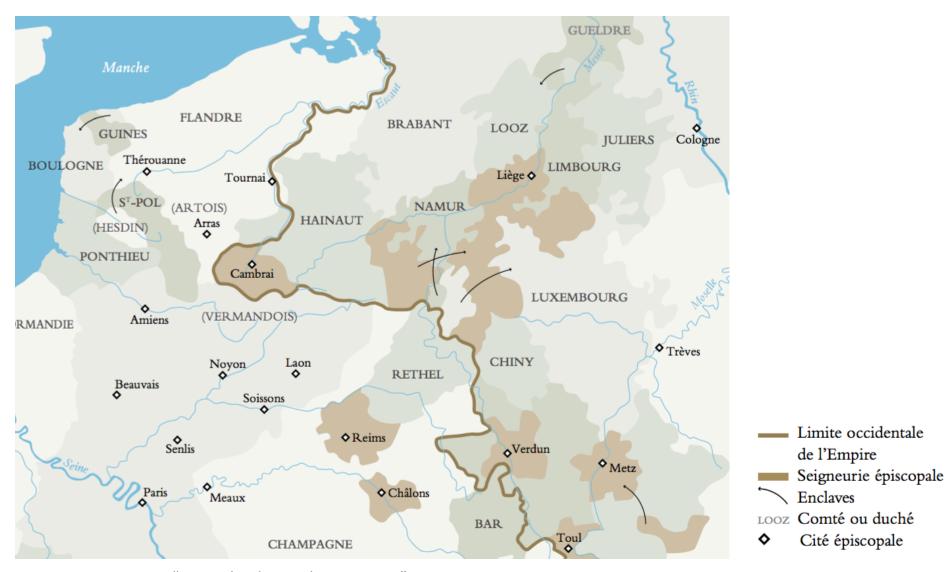






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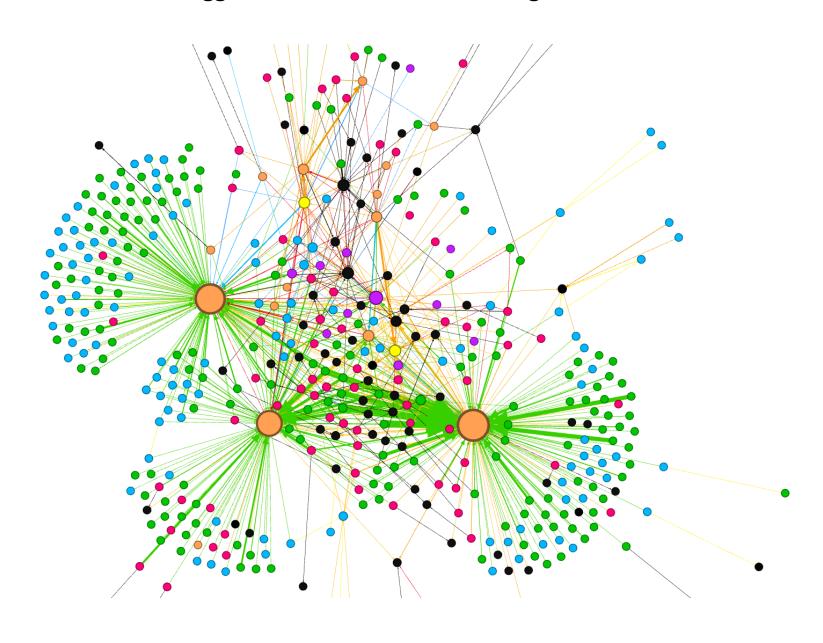
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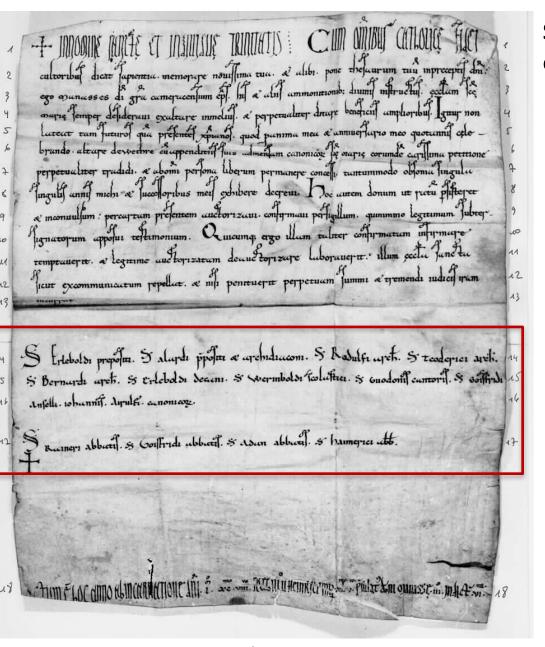


Source : J.-Fr. NIEUS, "Entre Flandre et Champagne...", p. 15.

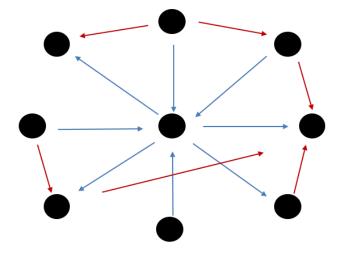
Colour (nodes)	Meaning (nodes)
Yellow	Pope
Orange	Archbishop / Bishop
Red	Abbot / Provost
Green	Canon / Monk / Priest
Purple	Emperor / King / Duke / Count
Blue	Lower aristocracy
Black	Institution
Colour (edges)	Meaning (edges)
Red	Conflict
Blue	Political alliance
Black	Membership (Institution)
Green	Presence in a witness list
Orange	Other role in a charter / a letter

The struggle in Arras and Cambrai: « big network »



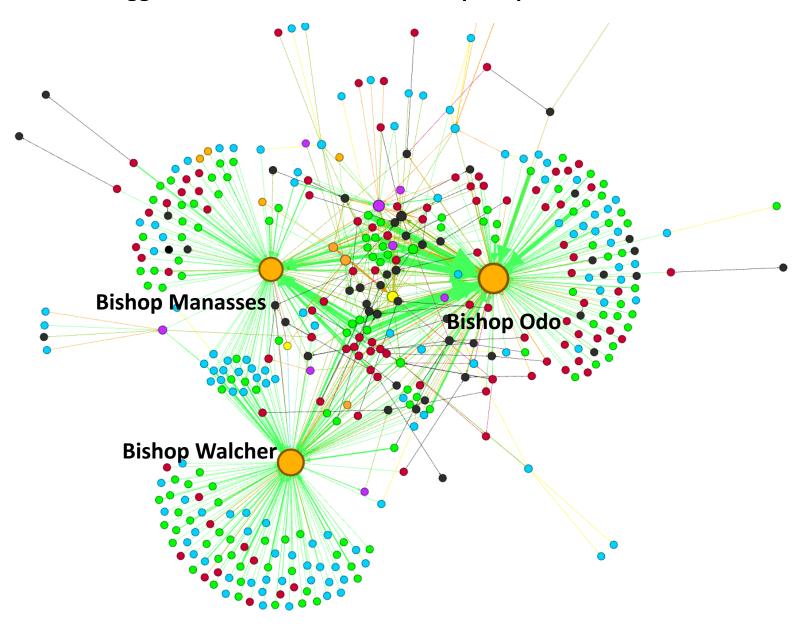


Source 1 – The witness lists of the episcopal charters

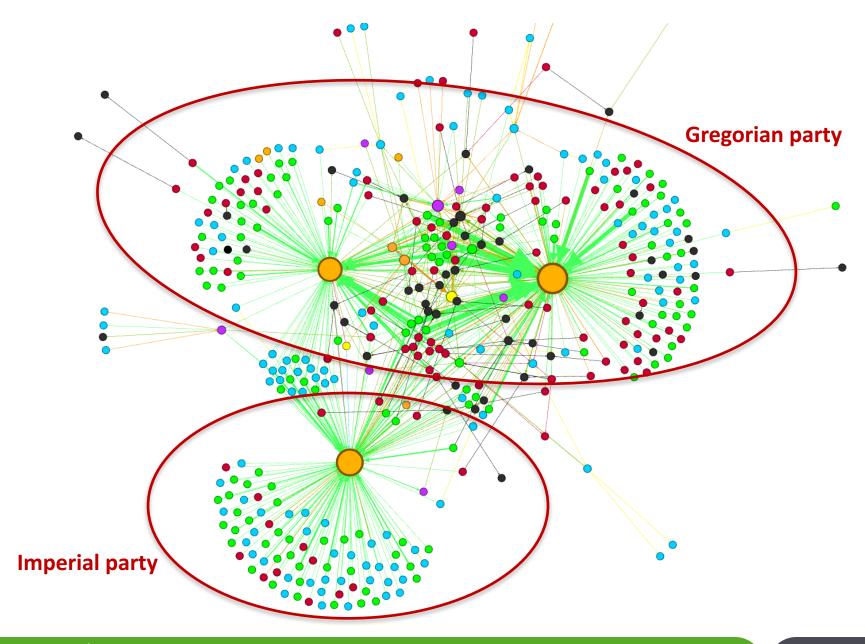


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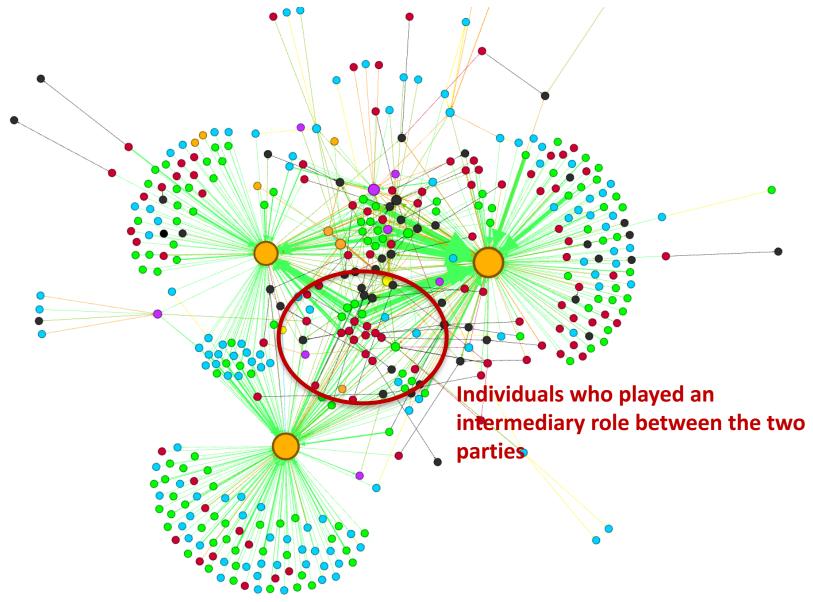
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Source 2 – The *Gesta Galcheri episcopi* (narrative)

The Gesta Galcheri episcopi: 40 chapters – 2400 octosyllabic verses

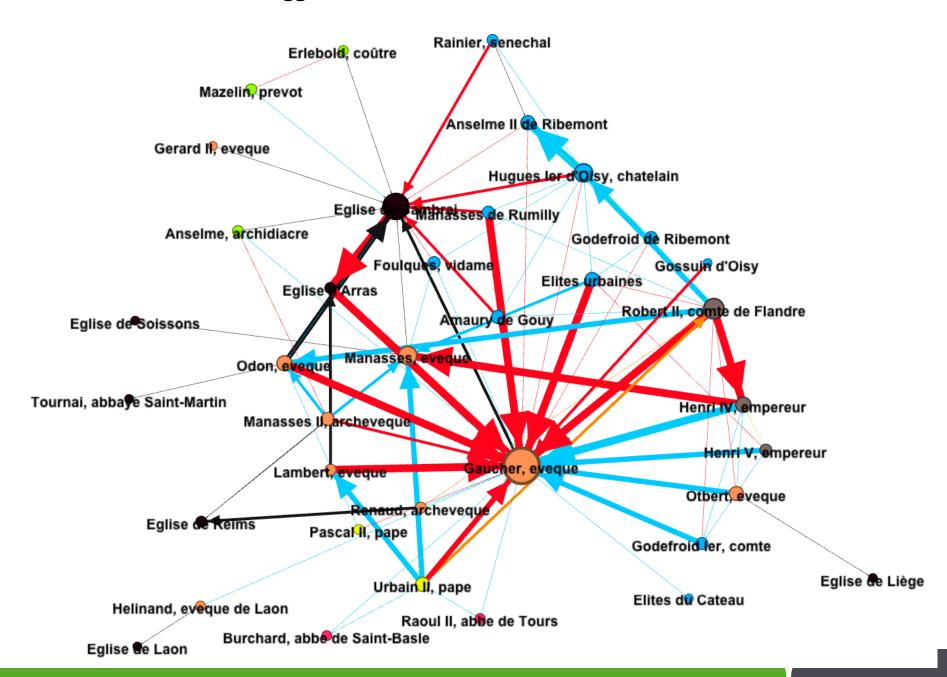
Dating:

- Terminus post quem: 1113 (death of Odo of Tournai)
- > Terminus a quo : circa 1126 (before the death of Walcher)

Author: a close relation of Walcher

One twelfth-century manuscript: Paris, BNF, n.a.l. 264.

The struggle in Arras and Cambrai: the Gesta Galcheri



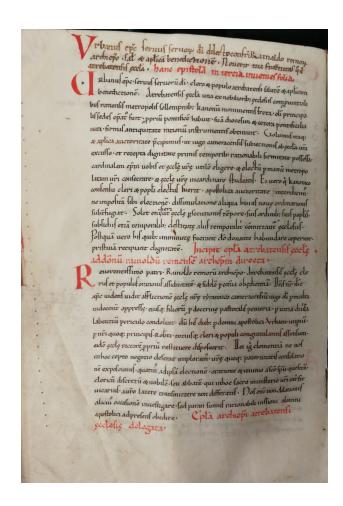
Source 3 – The *Register* of Bishop Lambert of Arras

Dating: towards 1100

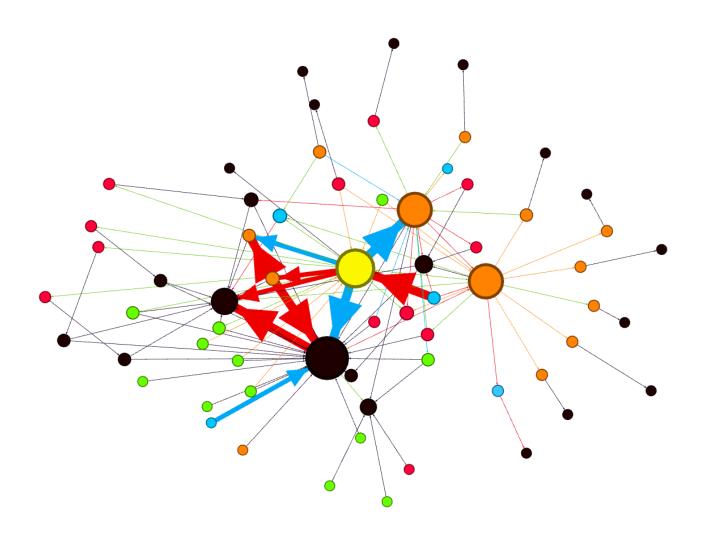
Written for Lambert, bishop of Arras

"Founding manuscript": Boulogne-sur-Mer, Bibliothèque Municipale, ms. 84

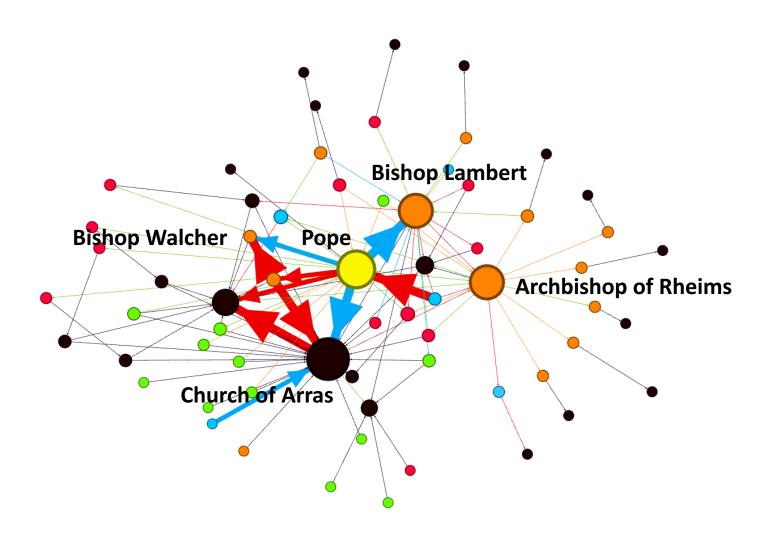
According to Steven Vanderputten: this manuscript is a "manuscrit fondateur [...]" which "lays out liturgical, juridical, historical and ideological arguments in favour of the independent bishopric of Arras" — S. Vanderputten, « Bishop Lambert of Arras (1093/1094-1115), Boulogne-sur-Mer, Bibliothèque Municipale, 84, and the historical, liturgical and documentary legacies of the former bishopric of Cambrai/Arras », in *Scriptorium*, 68, 2014, p. 167-186).



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In conclusion: which option is best?

