

MODERN GEOGRAPHY

MILESTONES

**Rebirth in Europe.
Basic Principles and
General Laws of Nature
Recognized.**

Humboldt –*generalist*
Von Thunen – *specialist*
Kant – *philosopher*
Ritter – *academician*

**Division of the Discipline
into Branches.**

Physical Geography
Anthropo (Human) Geography
Schools of thought develop:
Environmental Determinism
vs. *School of Possibilism*

**Creation of
Subunits within
the Branches.**

Regionalization
Cultural landscape
studies
Geopolitics

Accepted as a distinct
university discipline

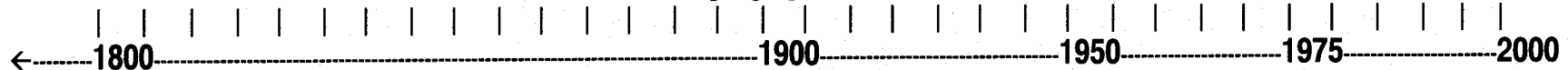
*Heyday of the
geographic societies*

**Increased specialization, less
description. Wanes as it loses dis-
tinctive nature, but “Back to Basics”
movement results in a resurgence.**

Spatial Analysis
Quantification
Hypothesis testing

Data manipulation
Computerization
Geographic education
Geographic applications
GIS

New technologies
Extreme specialization
Modeling



TIME