CSE 564 VISUALIZATION & VISUAL ANALYTICS

INFOGRAPHICS DESIGN

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WHAT ARE INFOGRAPHICS?

A clipped compound of "information" and "graphics"

A graphic visual representations of information, data or knowledge intended to present information

- quickly
- clearly

Can improve cognition by utilizing graphics to enhance the human visual system's ability to see patterns and trends

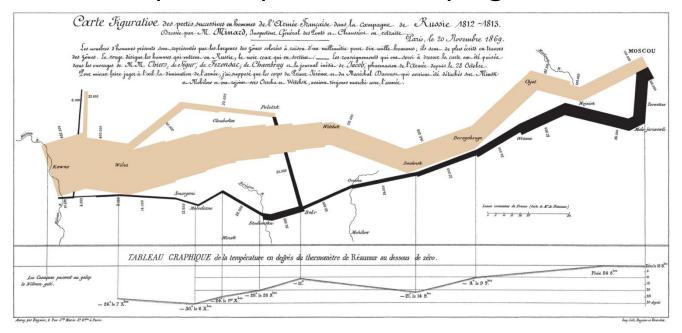
DESIGN RULES TO CONSIDER

Graphical displays should

- show the data
- induce the viewer to think about the substance rather than about methodology, graphic design, the technology of graphic production, or something else
- avoid distorting what the data has to say
- present many numbers in a small space
- make large data sets coherent
- encourage the eye to compare different pieces of data
- reveal the data at several levels of detail, from a broad overview to the fine structure
- serve a reasonably clear purpose: description, exploration, tabulation, or decoration
- be closely integrated with the statistical and verbal descriptions of a data set.

VERY EARLY EXAMPLE

Minard's 1869 map of Napoleon's campaign to Russia



Shows 6 variables in one 2D visualization:

- number of Napoleon's troops, temperature
- distance traveled, direction of travel
- latitude and longitude, location relative to specific dates

SOME MORE RANDOM EXAMPLES ...



Stress in the Workplace



of American workers experience stress-related illnesses.



think they'll burn out on the job in the next two years.

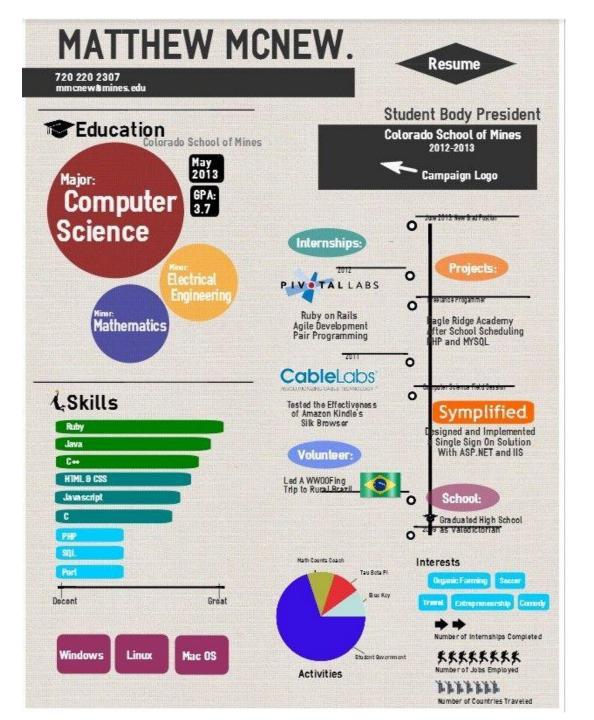


more heart attacks are occurring on Monday mornings.



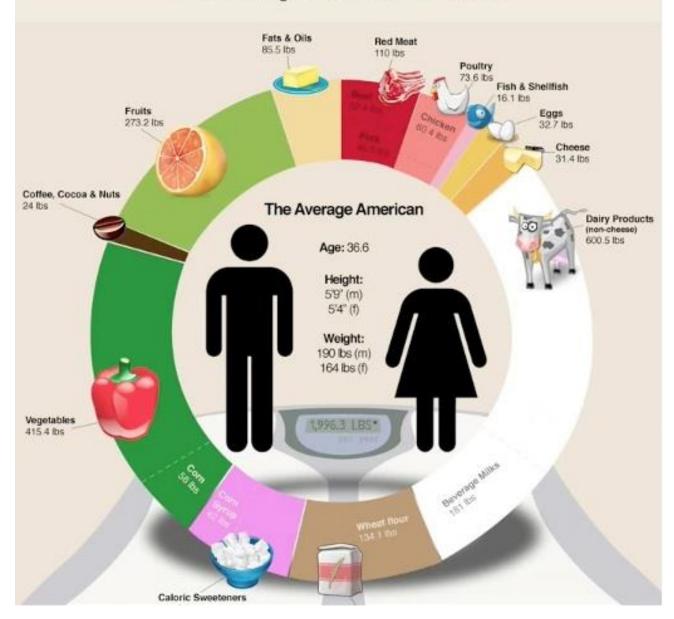
of entrepreneurs said they were stressed.





WHAT ARE WE EATING?

What the Average American Consumes in a Year



EDUCATION AROUND THE WORLD

There are **1.4 Billion** students on Earth.





Only 65.2 Million educators Globally.

THE CHALLENGE: Too many children remain out of school, and those who are in school aren't learning the skills they need for life and work.

Children leaving school before completing their Primary Education



In the Sub-Saharan, 11.07 million children leave school before completing their primary education In South and West Asia, that number reaches 13.54 million.

Children out of primary school



61 Million children are still out

children are still out of primary school.



32 Million of these children are

†††††

1 in 5

15 to 24 years old has not completed primary school and lacks skills for work.

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An estimated

250

million children are not able to read or write.



The poorest and most marginalized are the most affected.

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In some emerging economies,

3 in 10 youths cannot do basic arithmetic.



Fragile and conflict-affected countries account for more than

30%

of all children not completing primary school

In some developing countries, one quarter to one-half of youth who have graduated from primary school cannot read a single sentence.







OF THE 775 MILLION ILLITERATE ADULTS

TWO-THIRDS ARE WOMEN





Connect. Inspire. Empower.



STATES WITHOUT BULLYING LAWS

FIRST STATE WITH BULLYING LAW

ATTACKED IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS EACH MONTH

EACH DAY FOR FEAR OF BEING BULLIED

OF STUDENTS ARE BULLIED MENTALLY, VERBALLY, & PHYSICALLY, CYBER **BULLYING STATISTICS ARE** RAPIDLY APPROACHING SIMILAR NUMBERS

FEAR HARASSMENT IN THE **BATHROOM AT SCHOOL**

STUDENT BULLYING

Bullying can have a significant impact on both child and teenage students. Students who are bullied often suffer from anxiety, fear, withdrawal, low self-esteem, and poor concentration. A bullied student will often avoid school. have lower grades, and become socially isolated. There have been numerous reports of suicide due to bullying.

bul-lyi-ng

Physical, verbal, or psychological attacks or intimidation against a person who cannot properly defend himself or herself. It includes two key components: 1. Repeated harmful acts 2. Imbalance of power



Bullying is often a warning sign that children and teens are heading for trouble and are at risk for serious violence. Teens (particularly boys) who bully are more likely to engage in other antisocial/delinquent behavior (e.g., vandalism, shoplifting, truancy, and drug use) into adulthood. They are four times more likely than nonbullies to be convicted of crimes by age 24, with 60 percent of bullies having at least one criminal conviction.



WORST STATES TO LIVE IN FOR BULLYING K-12

1 OUT OF 4

STUDENTS WILL **BE ABUSED BY ANOTHER YOUTH**



1 OUT OF 5

ADMIT TO BEING A BULLY, OR DOING SOME "BULLYING"



SOURCES:

HTTP://WWW.COPS.USDOJ.GOV WWW.KEEPSCHOOLSSAFE.ORG WWW.BULLYPOLICE.ORG

PRODUCED BY: **BUCKFIRE & BUCKFIRE PC** WWW.BUCKFIRELAW.COM

http://bit.ly/studentbullyingfacts @

HITTING, THREATENING, INTIMIDATING, MALICIOUSLY TEASING AND TAUNTING, NAME-CALLING, MAKING SEXUAL REMARKS, AND STEALING OR DAMAGING BELONGINGS OR MORE SUBTLE, INDIRECT ATTACKS (SUCH AS SPREADING RUMORS OR ENCOURAGING OTHERS TO REJECT OR EXCLUDE SOMEONE).

PLAYGROUND SCHOOL BULLYING STATISTICS

MORE YOUTH VIOLENCE OCCURS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS AS OPPOSED TO ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL



ADULT INTERVENTION: 11% PEER INTERVENTION: 4% NO INVERVENTION: 85%

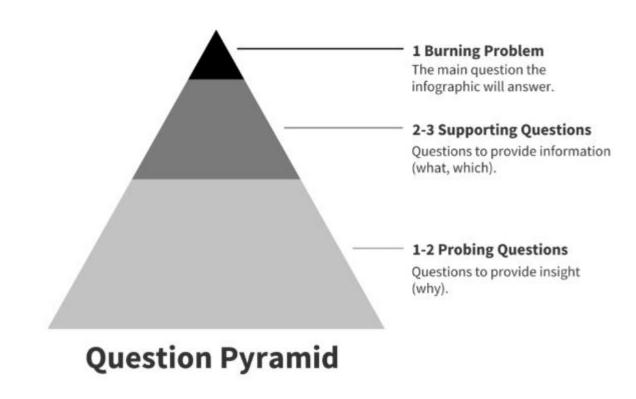
HOW TO MAKE EFFECTIVE INFOGRAPHIC

Five steps (from Venngage.com)

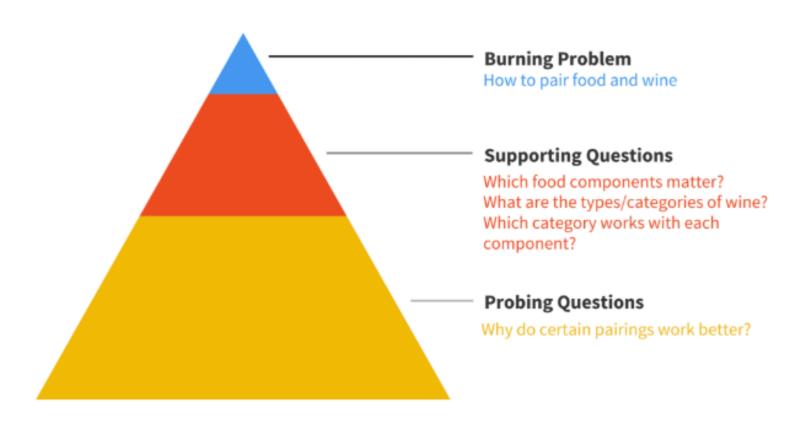
- 1. Outline the goals of your infographic
- 2. Collect data for your infographic
- 3. Visualize the data for your infographic
- 4. Layout your infographic using an infographic template
- 5. Add style to your infographic design

STEP 1: OUTLINE YOUR GOALS

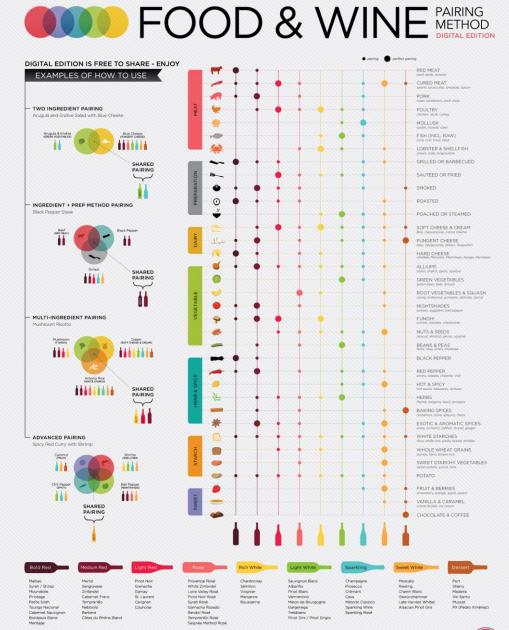
Use the question pyramid



Example: Food - Wine Pairing



INFOGRAPHIC



STEP 2: COLLECT THE DATA

We discussed this

STEP 3: VISUALIZE THE DATA

Decide what are your primary goals

what data aspect do you want to convey

The ICORE method

- Inform,
- Compare,
- Change,
- Organize,
- Reveal relationships, or
- **E**xplore.

INFORM

Convey an important message or data point that doesn't require much context to understand

Make a numerical stat stand out with large, bold, colorful text:

700
neural connections per second before the age of 5.

Demand extra attention by pairing icons with text:



Highlight a percentage or rate with a donut chart or a pictograph:





COMPARE

Show similarities or differences among values or parts of a whole



Use a pie chart, donut chart, pictograph, or tree map to compare parts of a whole.



Use a stacked bar chart or stacked column chart to compare categories *and* parts of a whole.



Use a stacked area chart to compare trends over time.

STACKED AREA CHART



CHANGE

Use a line chart or an area chart to show changes that are continuous over time.

LINE CHART

AREA CHART





Show trends over time or space

Use a timeline to show discrete events in time.

TIMELINE



Use a choropleth map to show spatial data.

CHLOROPLETH MAP



Use a map series to show data that changes over both space and time.

MAP SERIES







ORGANIZE

Show groups, patterns, rank or order

Use a list to show rank or order when you want to provide extra information about each element.



Use a table to show rank or order when you want readers to be able to look up specific values.

TABLE

Cars	Motorcycles	Phones
BMW	Suzuki	Lenovo
Aston Martin	Yamaha	Samsung
Bentley	Harley Davidson	Huawei

Use a flowchart to show order in a process.

Otherwise, show rank or order with a bar chart, column chart, bubble chart, or pyramid chart.













RELATIONSHIP

Reveal more complex relationships among things

Use a scatter plot when you want to display two variables for a set of data.

SCATTERPLOT



Use a multi-series plot when you want to compare multiple sets of related data.

MULTI-SERIES PLOT



EXPLORE

Add interaction

- filtering, sorting, and drilling down
- can't do with a static chart
- but useful for online infographics displays
- will discuss later

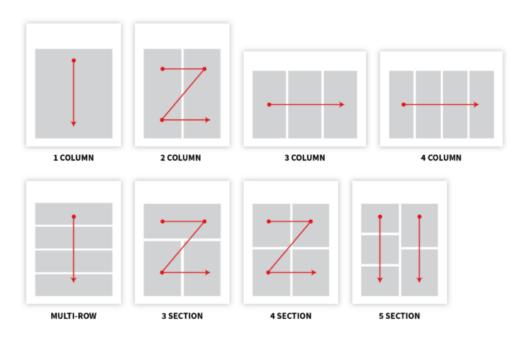
STEP 4: LAYOUT

Create a natural flow

- could use the question pyramid to guide the layout
- burning question into header
- follow with charts to address the supporting questions
- finish with the probing questions

Use a grid layout

- guides the reader's eye
- symmetrical grid
- consider that people read
 - top to bottom
 - left to right



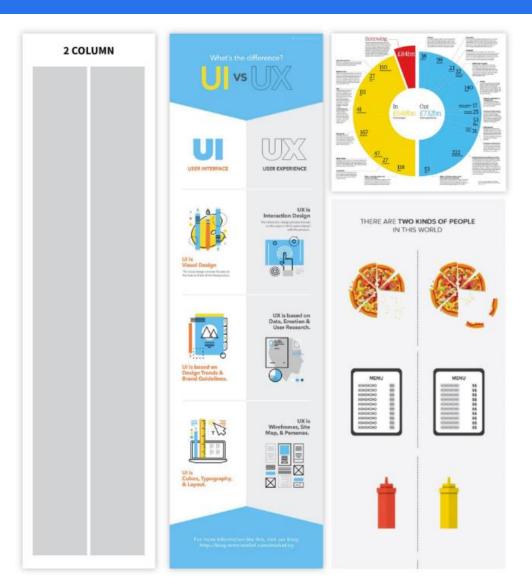
ONE COLUMN FOR LINEAR FLOW



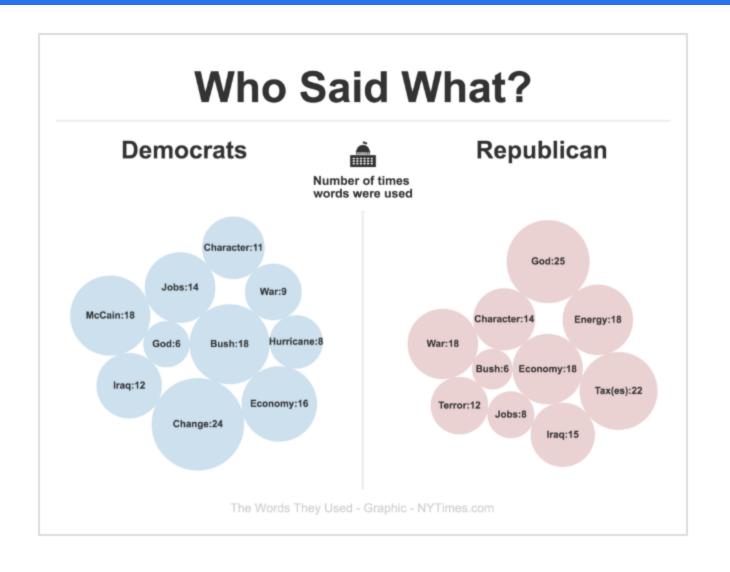




TWO COLUMNS FOR COMPARISONS



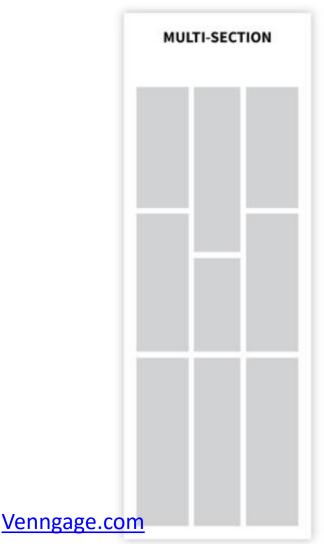
TWO COLUMN EXAMPLE



THREE COLUMN EXAMPLE



MULTI-SECTION LAYOUT FOR RANDOM VISUAL ACCESS







STEP 5: ADD STYLE

Overall goal

- make your infographics aesthetically pleasing
- make it easy to consume and understand

Minimize text

- should supplement the visuals
- short paragraphs (at most) at about a grade six reading level

Use font to point out importance

- readable font for the bulk of the text,
- amp up size and style of your main header, section headers, and data highlights
- make sure that the gist of your infographic is immediately apparent

EXAMPLE



REPETITION, CONSISTENCY, AND ALIGNMENT

Repeat basic shapes to reinforce the underlying grid



EMPHASIZE USING SHAPES

Use basic shapes to emphasize headers and list elements

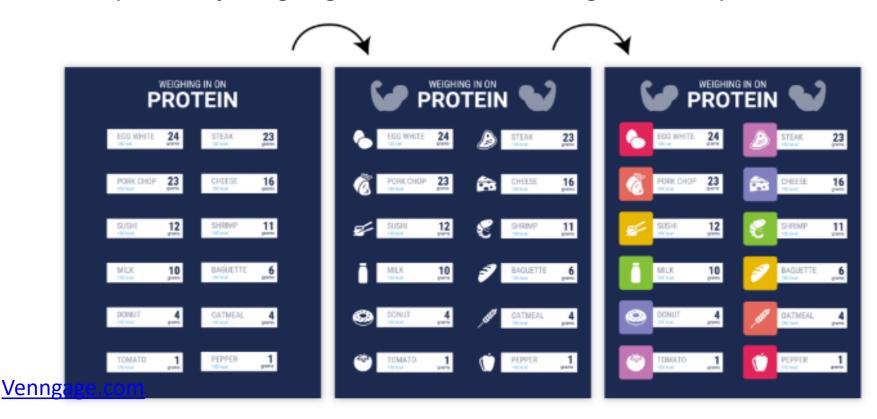


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USE ICONS

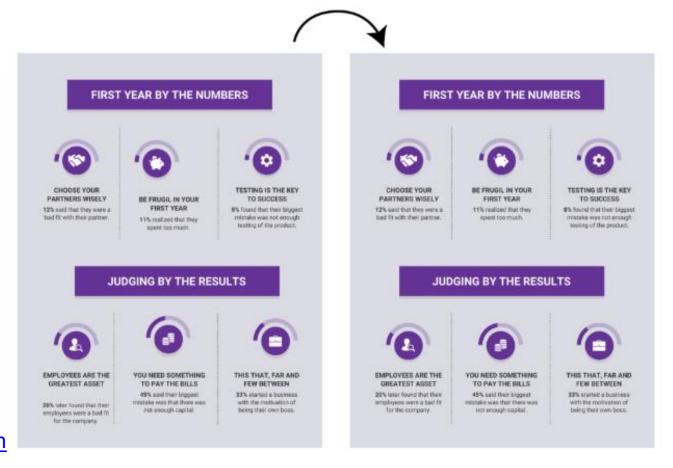
Add icons to reinforce important concepts in the text

- keep icon color, style, and size consistent
- pull everything together with extra background shapes



BE DILIGENT

Make sure the repeated elements you add are aligned!



NEGATIVE SPACE

Negative (white) space is often used in advertising

the space around and between the subject of an image

helps to define a subject

helps emphasizing a message

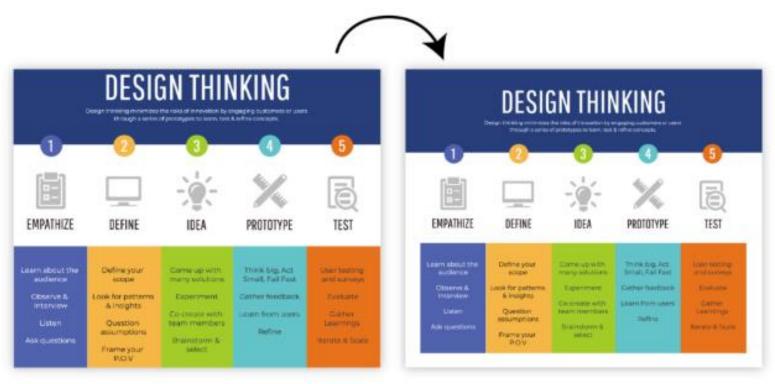




NEGATIVE SPACE IN INFOGRAPICS

Just as important as any other element of a design

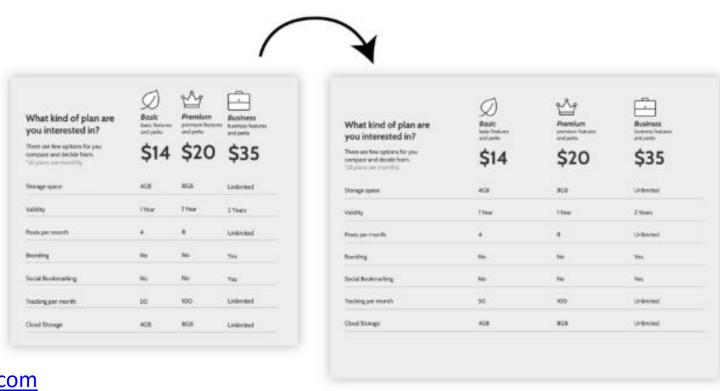
simplest negative space are margins around the graphics



NEGATIVE SPACE: GAPS

Use gaps between unrelated elements

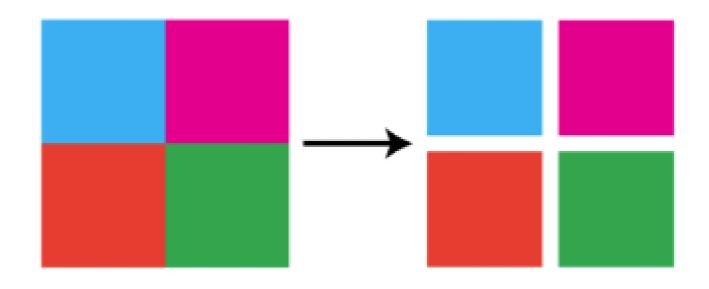
 makes it easier to immediately understand which elements are grouped together



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NEGATIVE SPACE: COLOR INTERACTION

Much easier to make colors play nicely with each other by adding a little whitespace



COLOR FOR HIGHLIGHTING

Use color to highlight important information





COLOR FOR GROUPING

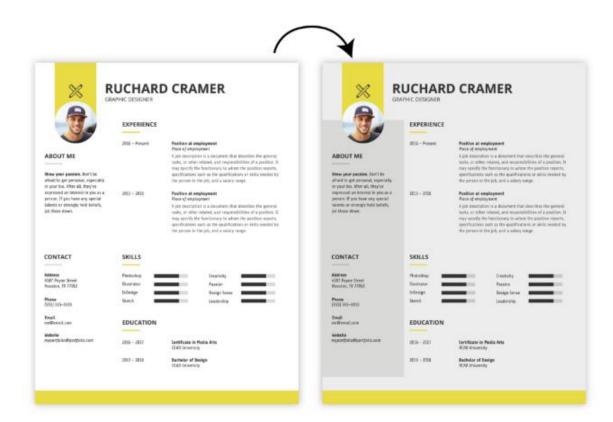
Use color to group related elements together



NEUTRAL COLORS

Use neutrals to offset bright colors

- helps put together a composition
- can group in a more subtle way



COLOR PALETTES



THERE ARE TEMPLATES ON THE WEB











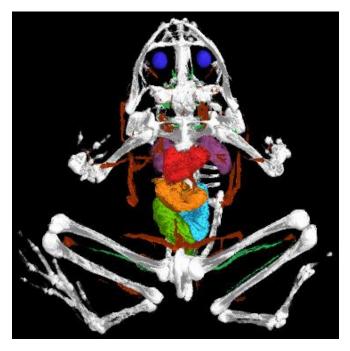






Color Harmony

Non-harmonic colors



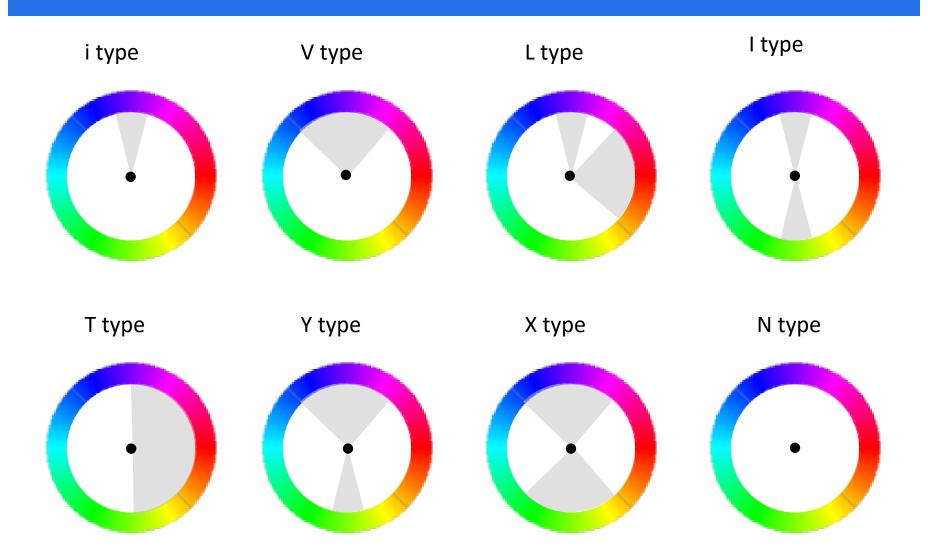






Hue wheel:

Harmonic Color Schemes



COLOR HARMONIZATION PROCEDURE (1)

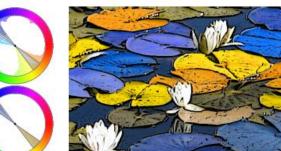
Given arbitrary hue histogram H(p) for image X, find the closest harmonic template T_m

- minimize the distance of the histogram to template coverage (delineated by template edges E)
- use an optimization procedure for this
- lacktriangleq also find the orientation angle lpha

$$F(X(m,\alpha)) = \sum_{p \in X} ||H(p) - E_{T_m(\alpha)}(p)|| \cdot S(p)$$







harmonized

COLOR HARMONIZATION PROCEDURE (2)

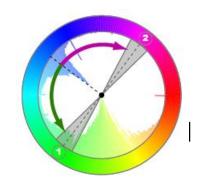
Given closest template and α has been found (user may specify other template)

- shift all hues H(p) to the closest harmonic template position H'(p) with width w
- a Gaussian G controls the clustering of the hues around the sector mean C of the template (greater σ clusters more, we use w/2)

$$H'(p) = G(p) + \frac{w}{2}(1 - G_{\sigma}(||H(p) - C(p)||)$$

This may break up coherent regions into disjointly colored regions

 to avoid this, may embed a graph-cut labeling into the shifting procedure



Color Harmonization: Example

Collage harmonization (from Cohen '06):











non-harmonic





harmonized (T type)

COLOR HARMONIZATION: EXAMPLE

Collage harmonization (from Wang '08):

