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# Introduction to D3.js, Part III

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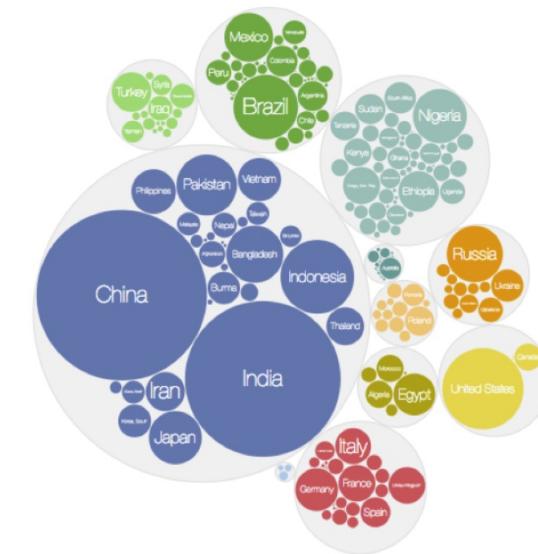
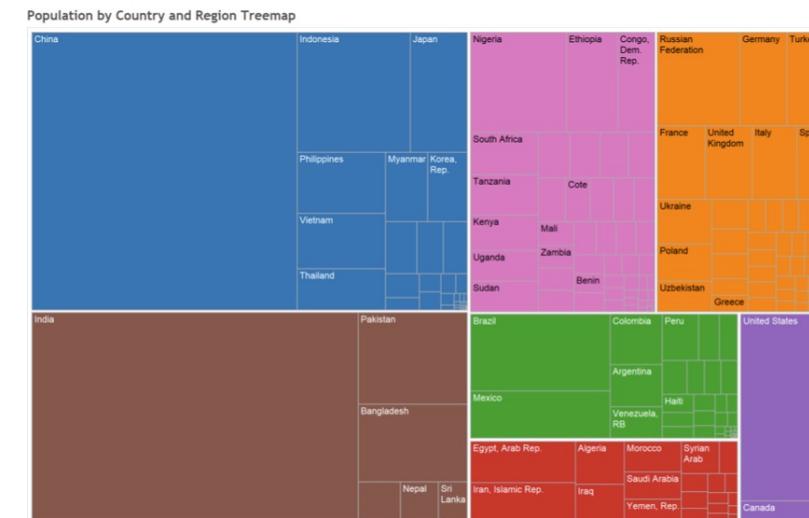
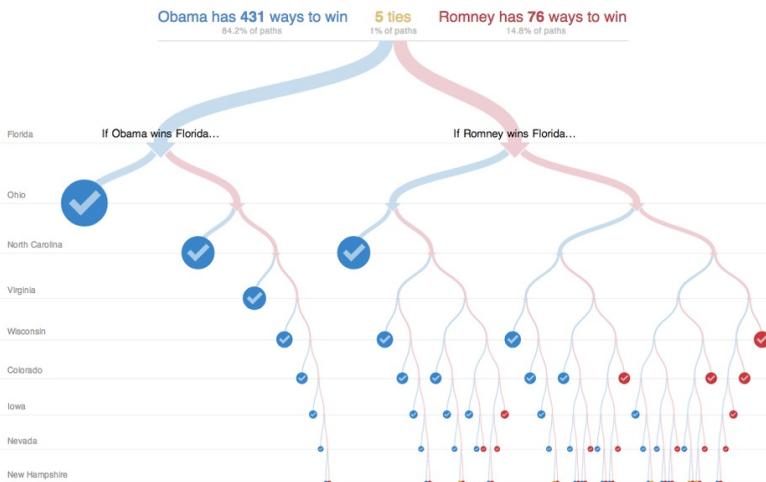
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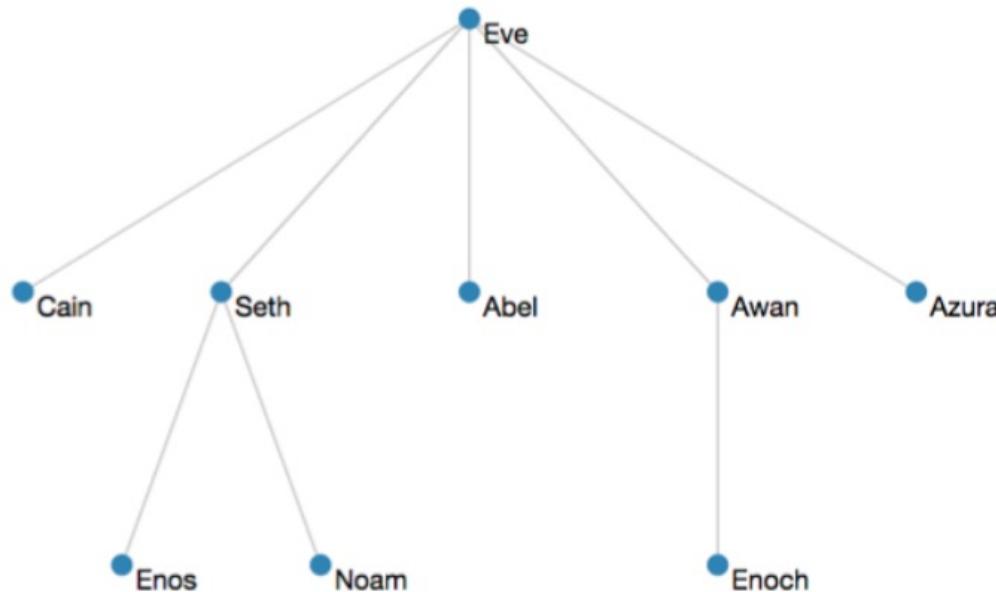
- <https://www.d3indepth.com/>
- <https://d3js.org/>
- <https://www.d3-graph-gallery.com/>
- [HTML tutorial](#)
- Prof. Han-Wei Shen, Jiayi Xu, and Wenbin He

# Hierarchies

- Many datasets are intrinsically hierarchical (e.g., geographic entities)
- A common technique when analyzing or visualizing data is to organize your data into groups.



# Hierarchical data



```
var data = {  
    "name": "Eve",  
    "children": [  
        {  
            "name": "Cain"  
        },  
        {  
            "name": "Seth",  
            "children": [  
                {  
                    "name": "Enos"  
                },  
                {  
                    "name": "Noam"  
                }  
            ]  
        },  
        {  
            "name": "Abel"  
        },  
        {  
            "name": "Awan",  
            "children": [  
                {  
                    "name": "Enoch"  
                }  
            ]  
        },  
        {  
            "name": "Azura"  
        }  
    ]  
};
```

Name	Parent
Eve	
Cain	Eve
Seth	Eve
Abel	Eve
Enos	Seth
Noam	Seth
Awan	Eve
Enoch	Awan
Azura	Eve

## d3.hierarchy

- d3.hierarchy is a nested hierarchical structure representing a tree
- Input: already in a hierarchical format (e.g., JSON), d3.hierarchy(data)

```
family = d3.hierarchy({  
  name: "root",  
  children: [  
    {name: "child #1"},  
    {  
      name: "child #2",  
      children: [  
        {name: "grandchild #1"},  
        {name: "grandchild #2"},  
        {name: "grandchild #3"}  
      ]  
    }  
  ]  
})
```

```
family = ▶ Zh {  
  data: ▶ Object {name: "root", children: Array(2)}  
  height: 2  
  depth: 0  
  parent: null  
  children: ▶ Array(2) [Zh, Zh]  
  x: 0  
  y: 0  
  <prototype>: ▶ Zh {constructor: f(t), count: f(), e}
```

# d3.hierarchy

- Input: list representation (e.g., csv), d3.stratify(data)

```
chaos = d3.stratify()([  
  {id: "Chaos"},  
  {id: "Gaia", parentId: "Chaos"},  
  {id: "Eros", parentId: "Chaos"},  
  {id: "Erebus", parentId: "Chaos"},  
  {id: "Tartarus", parentId: "Chaos"},  
  {id: "Mountains", parentId: "Gaia"},  
  {id: "Pontus", parentId: "Gaia"},  
  {id: "Uranus", parentId: "Gaia"}  
])
```

```
chaos = ▶ Zh {  
  data: ▷ Object {id: "Chaos"}  
  height: 2  
  depth: 0  
  parent: null  
  id: "Chaos"  
  children: ▷ Array(4) [Zh, Zh, Zh, Zh]  
  x: 0  
  y: 0  
  <prototype>: ▷ Zh {constructor: f(t), c  
}
```

# D3 Hierarchies – tree layout

The tree layout arranges the nodes of a hierarchy in a tree-like arrangement

- takes a hierarchy object
- configure the size using `.size`
- computes `x` and `y` attributes for each node

```
//convert a json data to a d3 hierarchy object
family = d3.hierarchy(json data...);

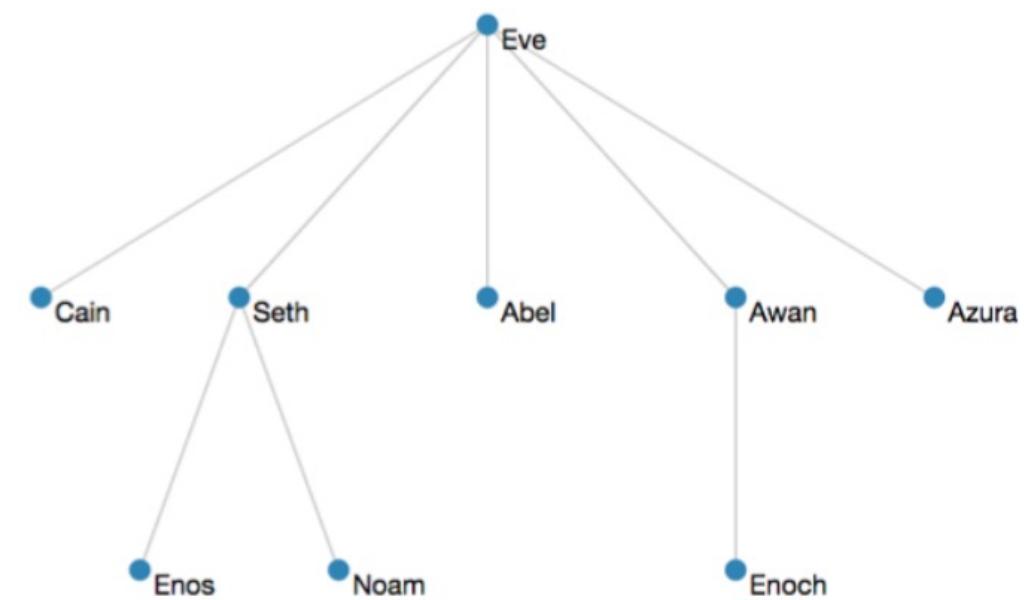
var treeLayout = d3.tree().size([400, 200]);
treeLayout(family);
```

```
var treeLayout = d3.tree().size([400, 200]);
treeLayout(family);
  ▼ pd {data: {...}, height: 2, depth: 0, parent: null,
        ▼ children: Array(2)
          ▼ 0: pd
            ▶ data: {name: 'child #1'}
            depth: 1
            height: 0
            ▶ parent: pd {data: {...}, height: 2, depth: 0,
              | x: 100
              | y: 100
              ▶ [[Prototype]]: Object
            ▶ 1: pd {data: {...}, height: 1, depth: 1, parent:
              | length: 2
              ▶ [[Prototype]]: Array(0)
            ▶ data: {name: 'root', children: Array(2)}
            depth: 0
            height: 2
            parent: null
            ▶ x: 150
            ▶ y: 0
            ▶ [[Prototype]]: Object
```

## D3 Hierarchies – tree layout

draw the tree

- draw nodes using circles
- draw links using lines

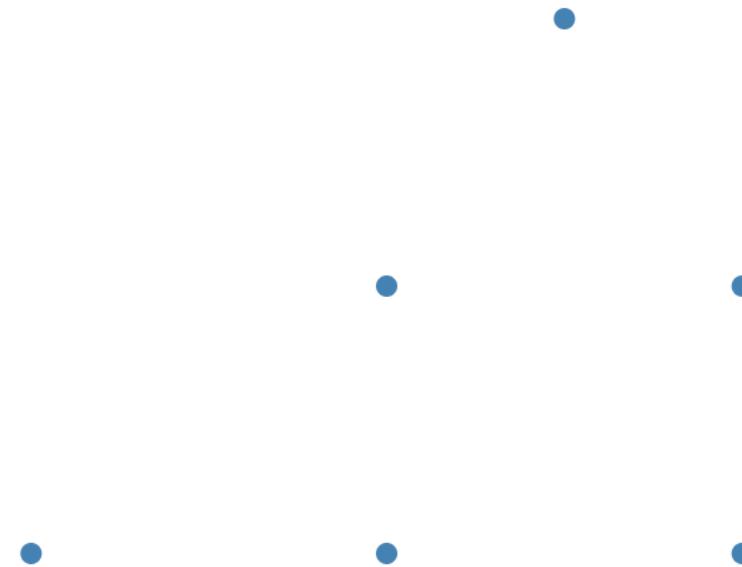


# D3 Hierarchies – tree layout

draw the tree

- draw nodes using circles
  - use `root.descendants()` to get an array of all the nodes
  - join this array to circles (or any other type of SVG element)
  - use `x` and `y` to position the circles

```
// Nodes
d3.select('svg g.nodes')
  .selectAll('circle.node')
  .data(root.descendants())
  .join('circle')
  .classed('node', true)
  .attr('cx', function(d) {return d.x;})
  .attr('cy', function(d) {return d.y;})
  .attr('r', 4);
```

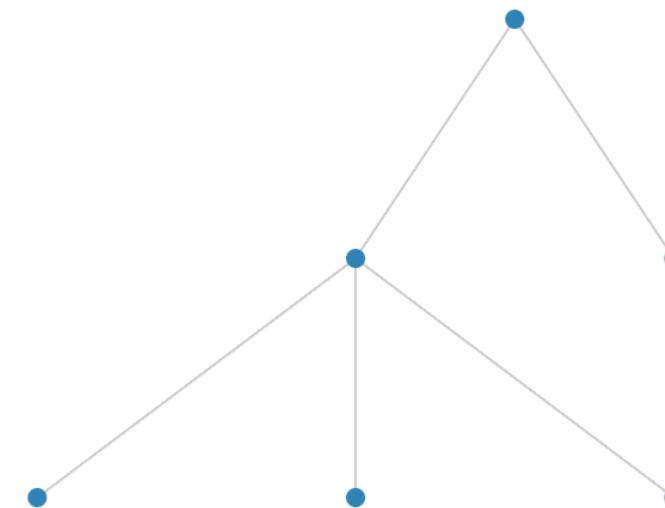


# D3 Hierarchies – tree layout

draw the tree

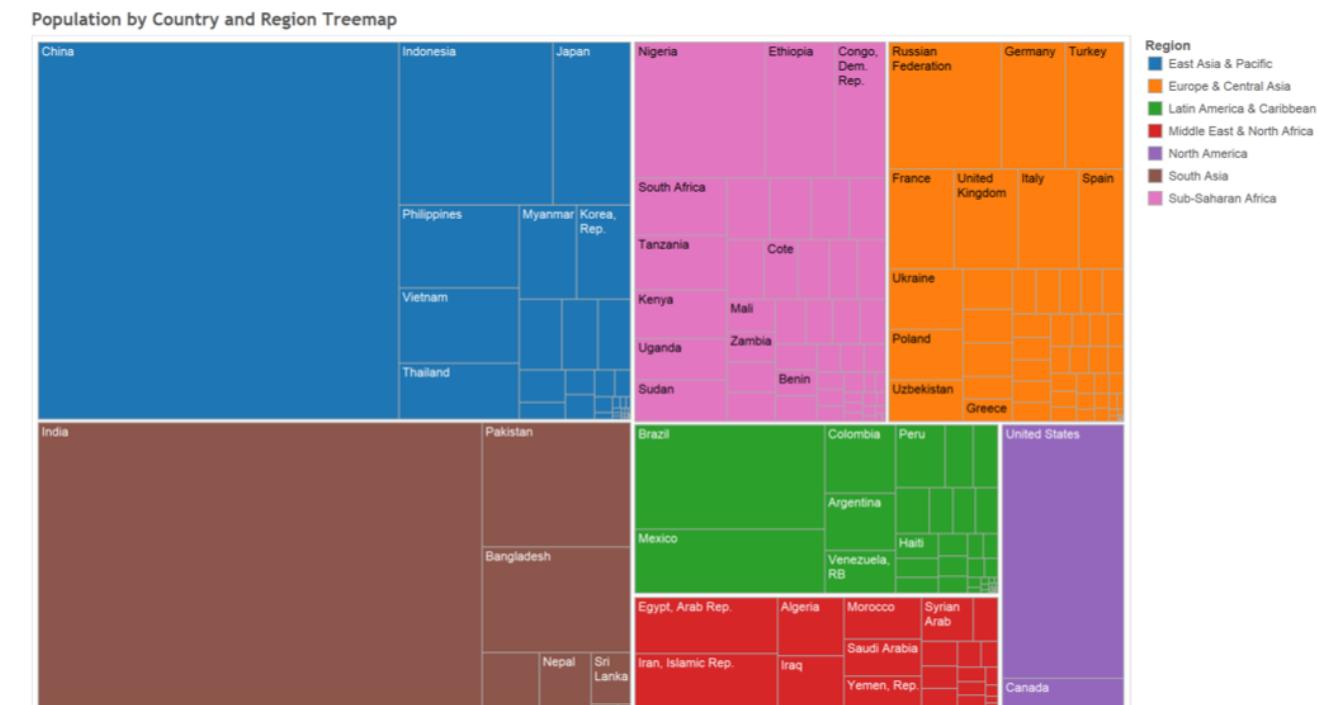
- draw links using lines
  - use root.links() to get an array of all the links
  - join the array to line (or path) elements
  - use x and y of the link's source and target properties to position the line

```
// Links
d3.select('svg g.links')
  .selectAll('line.link')
  .data(root.links())
  .join('line')
  .classed('link', true)
  .attr('x1', function(d) {return d.source.x;})
  .attr('y1', function(d) {return d.source.y;})
  .attr('x2', function(d) {return d.target.x;})
  .attr('y2', function(d) {return d.target.y});
```



# Treemap

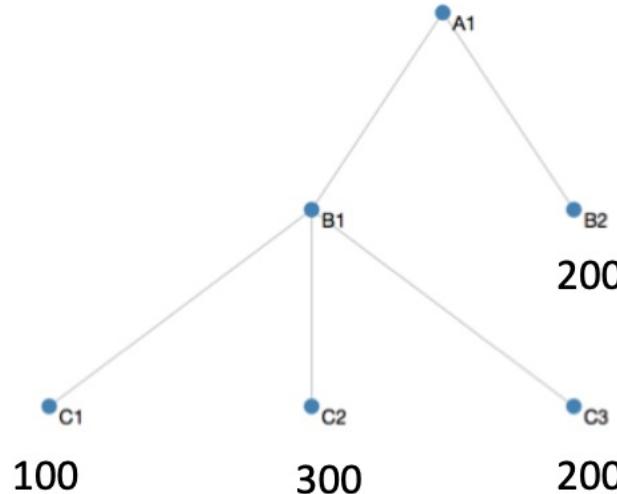
- Treemap can visually represent hierarchies where each item has an associated value
- For example, we can think of country population data as a hierarchy
  - The first level represents the region
  - The next level represents each country.



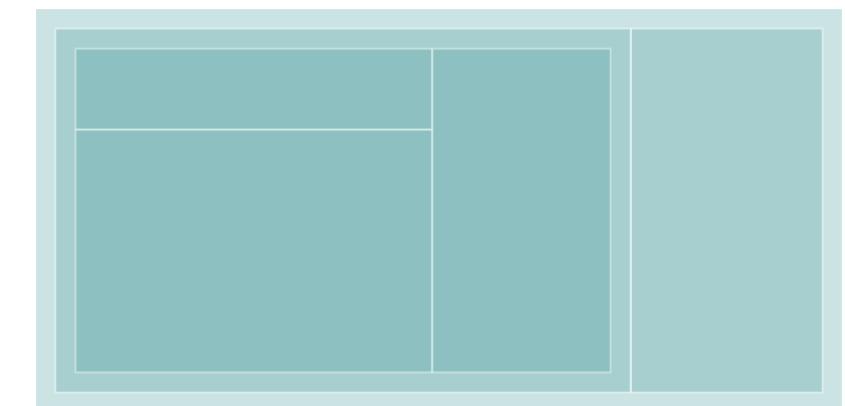
# Treemap

## Example

- Data
  - A fake hierarchical data
  - Each leaf node has a quantity value



```
var data = {
  "name": "A1",
  "children": [
    {
      "name": "B1",
      "children": [
        {
          "name": "C1",
          "value": 100
        },
        {
          "name": "C2",
          "value": 300
        },
        {
          "name": "C3",
          "value": 200
        }
      ]
    },
    {
      "name": "B2",
      "value": 200
    }
  ];
};
```



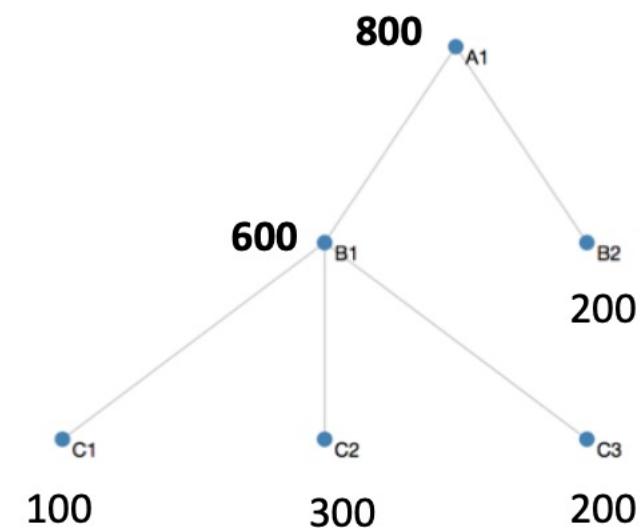
# Treemap

- Draw a treemap
  - Construct the hierarchy structure

```
var root = d3.hierarchy(data);
```

- Calculate values of parents
  - Equals to sum of children's values
  - *node.sum()* can calculate the sums automatically

```
root.sum(function(d) {  
    return d.value;  
});
```



# Treemap

- Draw a treemap
  - Treemap generator: d3.treemap()
    - Take the screen size and padding/gaps between rectangles
    - Compute the coordinates of rectangles

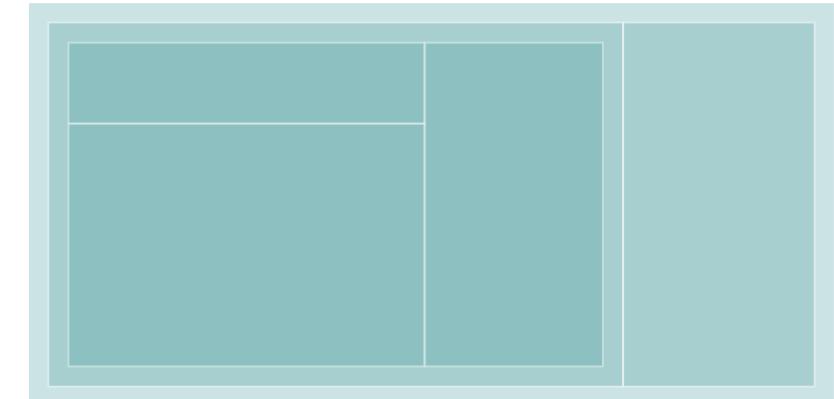
```
var treemapLayout = d3.treemap()  
  .size([400, 200])  
  .paddingOuter(10);  
  
treemapLayout(root);
```

```
root  
  ▼ pd {data: {...}, height: 2, depth: 0, parent:  
    ▶ children: (2) [pd, pd]  
    ▶ data: {name: 'A1', children: Array(2)}  
      depth: 0  
      height: 2  
      parent: null  
      value: 800  
      x0: 0  
      x1: 400  
      y0: 0  
      y1: 200  
    ▶ [[Prototype]]: Object
```

# Treemap

- Draw a treemap
  - Draw rectangles by
    - top-left corner ( $x_0, y_0$ )
    - bottom-right corner ( $x_1, y_1$ )

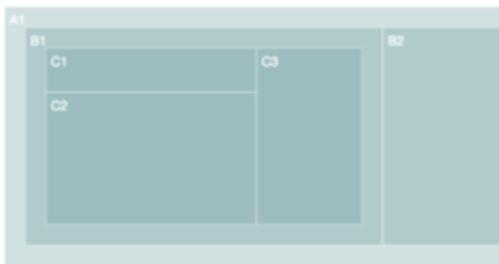
```
d3.select('svg g')
  .selectAll('rect')
  .data(root.descendants())
  .join('rect')
  .attr('x', function(d) { return d.x0; })
  .attr('y', function(d) { return d.y0; })
  .attr('width', function(d) { return d.x1 - d.x0; })
  .attr('height', function(d) { return d.y1 - d.y0; })
```



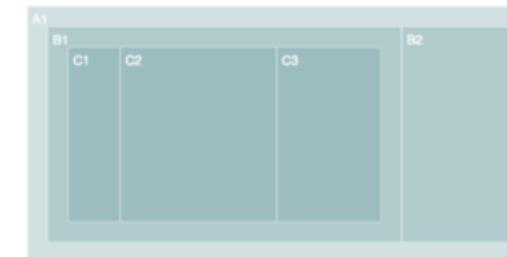
# Treemap

- Tiling strategies
  - By default: squarified: generate rectangles with a [golden](#) aspect ratio

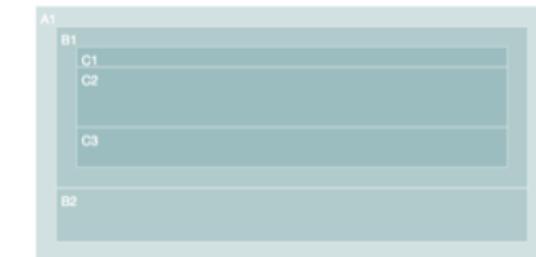
```
var treemapLayout = d3.treemap()  
  .size([400, 200])  
  .paddingOuter(10)  
  .tile(d3.treemapDice);
```



Golden ratio



d3.treemapDice

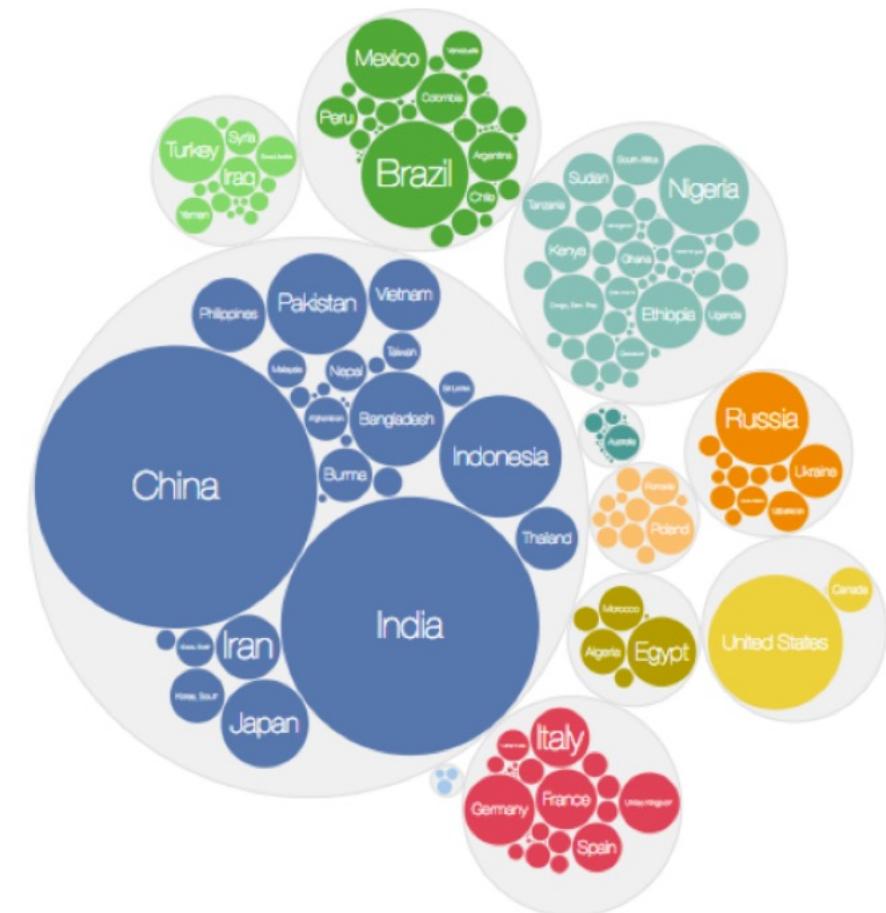


d3.treemapSlice

# Pack Layout

The pack layout is similar to the treemap layout

- **But circles instead of rectangles** are used to represent nodes.
- For example, we could visualize region and country data using pack layout



# Pack Layout

- Draw a circular pack chart

```
var rootNode = d3.hierarchy(data)

//create the pack layout
var packLayout = d3.pack()
  .size([300, 300]);

//calculate values of parents
rootNode.sum(function(d) {
  return d.value;
});

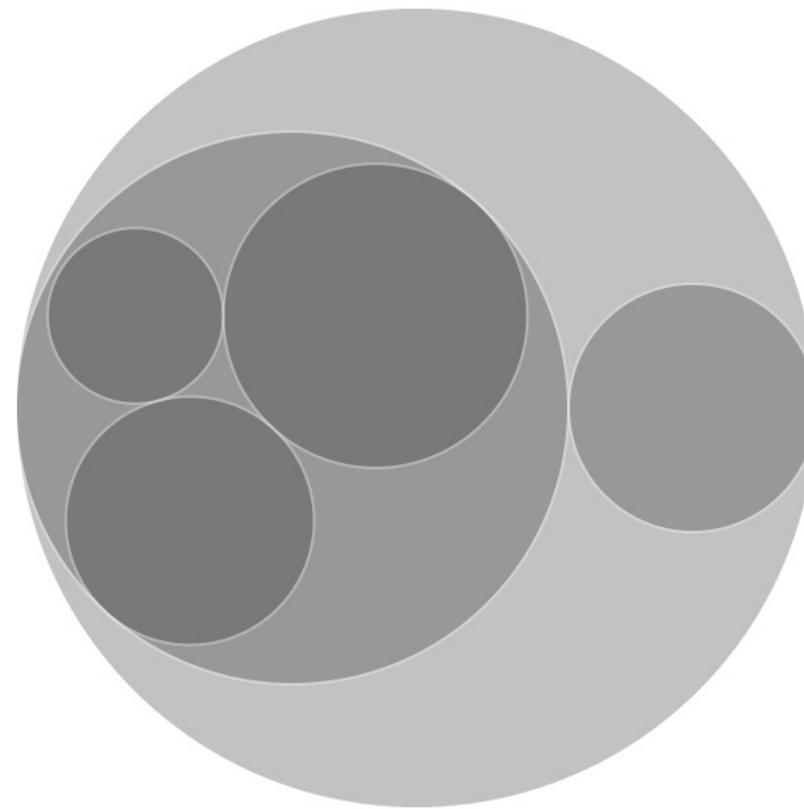
//calculate the coordinates of circles
packLayout(rootNode);
```

```
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  ► children: (2) [pd, pd]
  ► data: {name: 'A1', children: Array(2)}
    depth: 0
    height: 2
    parent: null
    r: 150
    value: 800
    x: 150
    y: 150
  ► [[Prototype]]: Object
```

# Pack Layout

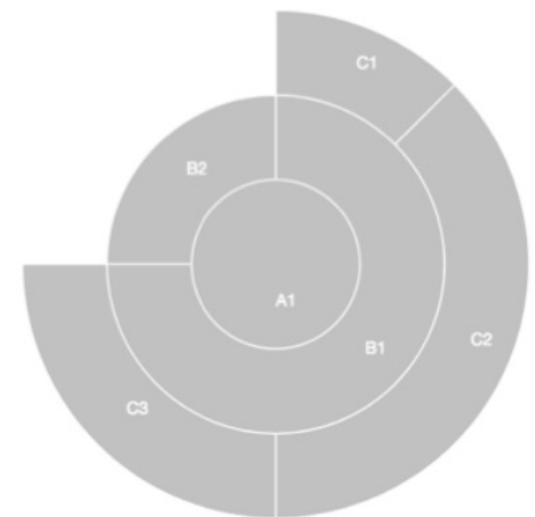
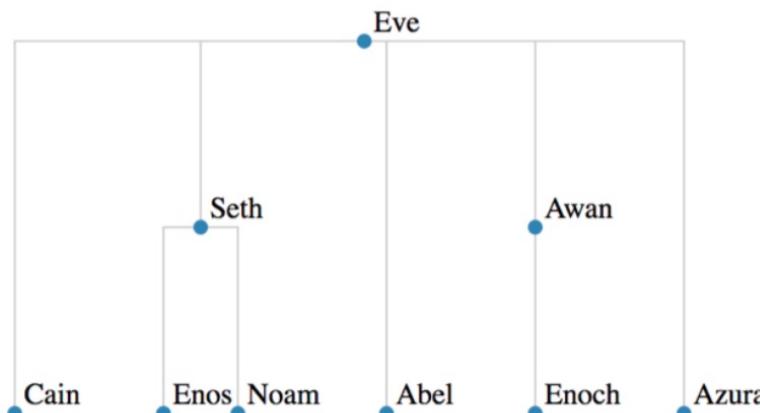
- Draw a circular pack chart
  - Draw circles by
    - center point (cx, cy)
    - radius (r)

```
d3.select('svg g')
  .selectAll('circle')
  .data(rootNode.descendants())
  .join('circle')
  .attr('cx', function(d) { return d.x; })
  .attr('cy', function(d) { return d.y; })
  .attr('r', function(d) { return d.r; })
```



# D3 Hierarchies – More Layouts

- [cluster](#)
- [partition](#)

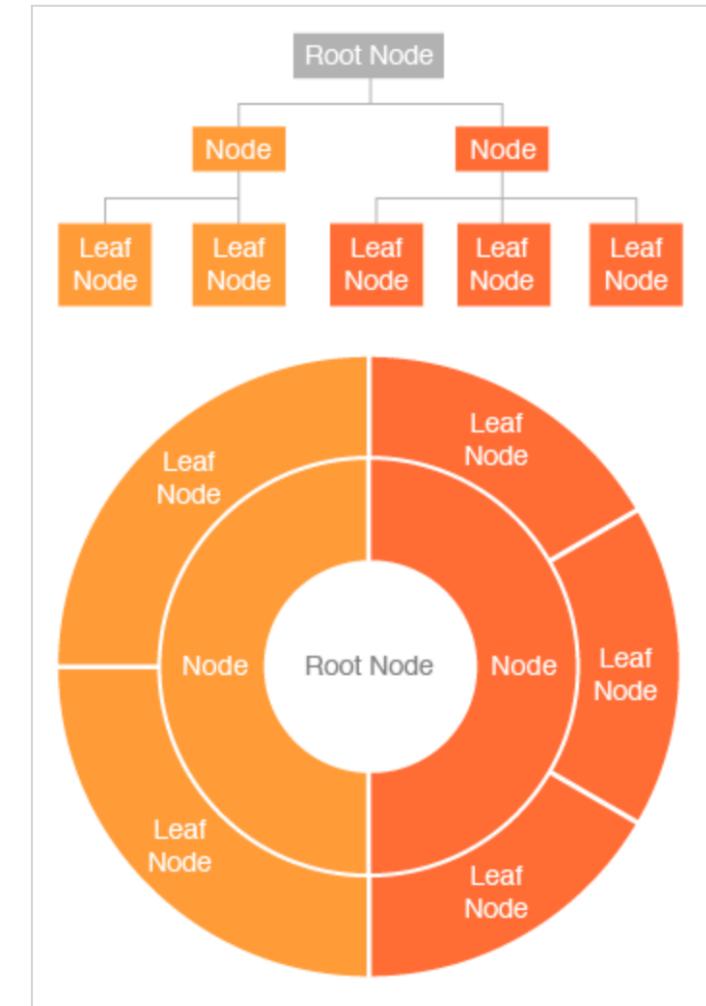


# Sunburst Diagram

- Shows hierarchy through a series of rings that are sliced for each category node
- Each ring corresponds to a level in the hierarchy
- The central circle representing the root node



<https://observablehq.com/@d3/zoomable-sunburst>



[https://datavizcatalogue.com/methods/sunburst\\_diagram.html](https://datavizcatalogue.com/methods/sunburst_diagram.html)

# Sunburst Diagram

```
const radius = 150;

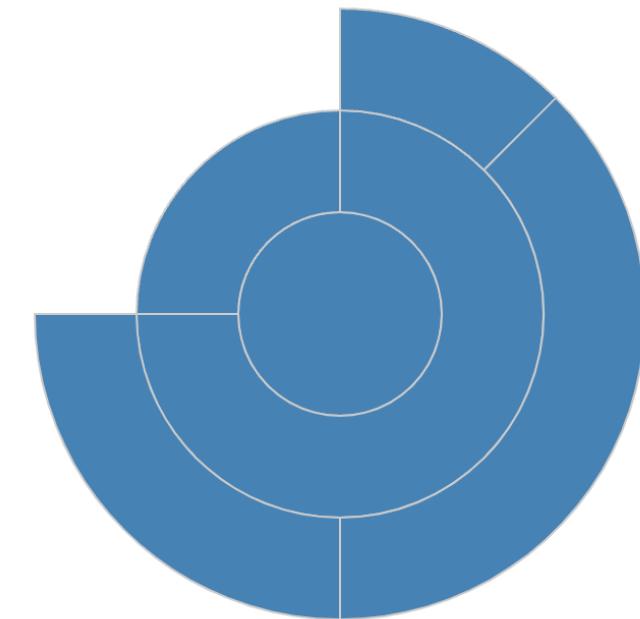
const arcGenerator = d3.arc()
  .startAngle(function (d) { return d.x0; })
  .endAngle(function (d) { return d.x1; })
  .innerRadius(function (d) { return d.y0; })
  .outerRadius(function (d) { return d.y1; });

const rootNode = d3.hierarchy(data);

rootNode.sum(function (d) {
  return d.value;
});

const partitionLayout = d3.partition()
  .size([2 * Math.PI, radius]);

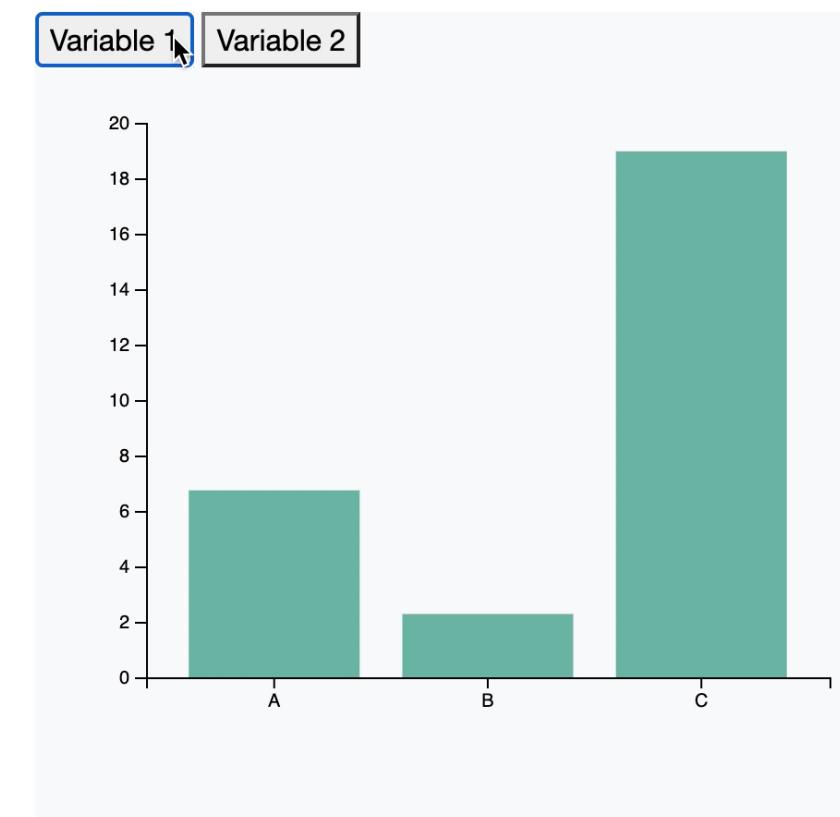
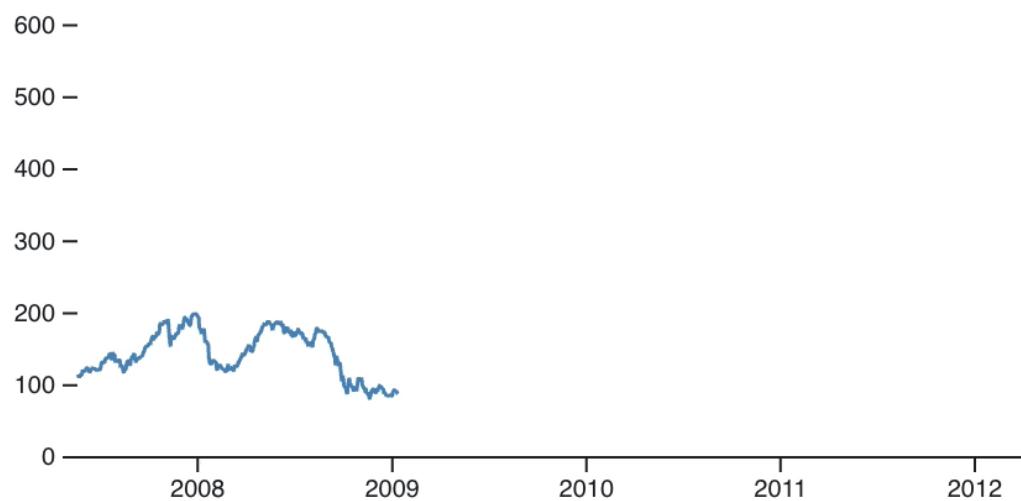
partitionLayout(rootNode);
```



# D3 Transitions

D3 transitions let you smoothly **animate** between different **chart states**.

- Example:
  - timeseries datasets
  - update dataset



# D3 Transitions

## Create a d3 transition

- `transition()`
- add it before calling `.attr()` or `.style` methods.

```
function update() {  
  d3.select('svg')  
    .selectAll('circle')  
    .data(data)  
    .join('circle')  
    .attr('cy', 50)  
    .attr('r', 40)  
    .transition()  
    .attr('cx', function(d) {  
      return d;  
    });  
}
```

`cx` attribute of the circles transitioning into new positions

# D3 Transitions

Transition methods:

- duration(time)
- delay(time)
- easing effect

```
d3.select('svg')
  .selectAll('circle')
  .data(data)
  .join('circle')
  .attr('cy', 50)
  .attr('r', 40)
  .transition()
  .delay(function(d, i) {
    return i * 75;
  })
  .attr('cx', function(d) {
    return d;
 });
```



# Chained transitions

- Transitions can be chained together by adding multiple calls to `.transition`. Each transition takes its turn to proceed. (When the first transition ends, the second one will start, and so on.)

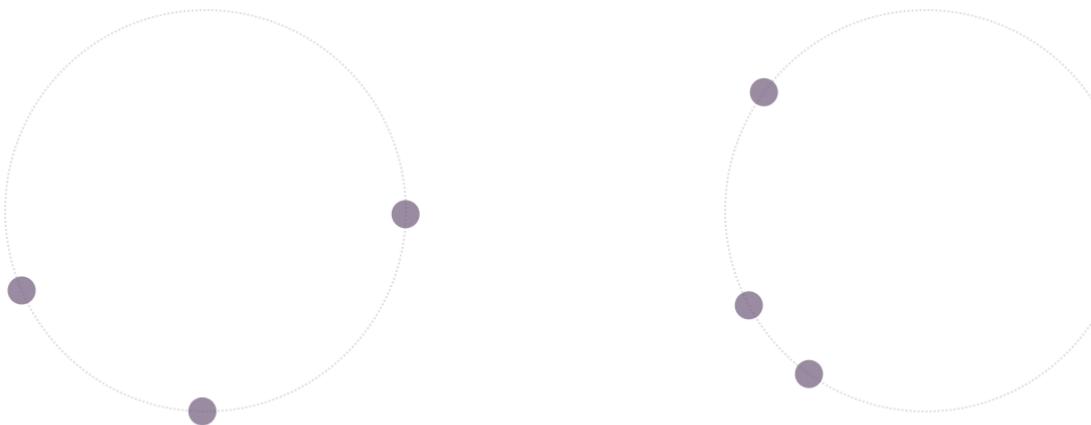
Trigger transition



```
d3.select("#my_rect")
  // First, make the bar wider
  .transition()
  .duration(2000)
  .attr("width", "400")
  // Second, higher
  .transition()
  .attr("height", "100")
  // Change its color
  .transition()
  .style("fill", "#69b3a2")
  // And now very small
  .transition()
  .duration(200)
  .attr("height", "10")
  .attr("width", "10")
```

# Customizing transitions

- D3 provided default transition behavior. However, there are times when the default behavior is not suitable.
- We can customize the transition behavior by:
  - Writing your own tween function



Update data

Update data

```
d3.select('svg g')
  .selectAll('circle')
  .data(data)
  .join('circle')
  .transition()
  .tween('my-tween', function(d) {
    ...
    // Return a tween function
    return function(t) {
      // Do stuff here such as updating
    }
  });
}
```

# Customizing transitions

- D3 provided default transition behavior. However default behavior is not suitable.
- We can customize the transition behavior by:
  - Writing your own tween function
  - Specifying details when entering and exiting elements

```
d3.select('svg')
  .selectAll('circle')
  .data(data)
  .join(
    function(enter) {
      return enter
        .append('circle')
        .attr('cy', 50)
        .attr('cx', function(d) { return d; })
        .attr('r', 40)
        .style('opacity', 0);
    },
    function(update) {
      return update;
    },
    function(exit) {
      return exit
        .transition()
        .attr('cy', 500)
        .remove();
    }
  )
  .transition()
  .attr('cx', function(d) { return d; })
  .style('opacity', 0.75);
```

## D3 Interactions

It is often required to interact with our visualizations, e.g., hovering, zooming, clicking etc., to change the appearance of the visual elements or drill down information.

### **examples:**

- zoom, panning, and selection
  - <http://web.cse.ohio-state.edu/~li.8950/project/DVLab4/dvlab4.html>
- lasso selection
  - <https://observablehq.com/@bumbeishvili/d3-lasso-selection>
- brush
  - <https://observablehq.com/@d3/focus-context>

# D3 Interactions

- Mouse Events
- Tooltip
- Zoom and pan
- Drag
- Brush and Lasso section

## D3 Mouse Events

- Mouse events like *click*, *mousedown*, *mouseover* etc. are very common in UI interaction
- `selection.on(EventType, listener)`
  - Register an event listener to a selection
  - *EventType* is the name (string) of an event type, e.g., *click*, *mouseover*, etc.  
Any DOM event type supported by your browser may be used (not only mouse events)
  - Event list: [https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events#Standard\\_events](https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/Events#Standard_events)
  - When a specified event is triggered, the *listener* function will be invoked

## D3 Mouse Events

- **mousedown**, depresses the mouse button on the element
- **mouseup**, user releases the mouse button on the element
- **click**, one mousedown and one mouseup detected on the element
- **mouseout**: Fires when the mouse leaves the canvas or any of its children.
- **mouseover**: Fires when the mouse enters the canvas or any of its children

```
svg.append('g')
  .selectAll('dot')
  .data(data)
  .join('circle')
  .attr('cx', function(d, i) {
    return x(d.Sepal_Length);
  })
  .attr('cy', function(d, i) {
    return y(d.Petal_Length);
  })
  .attr('r', 4)
  .style('fill', function(d, i) {
    return color(d.Species);
  })
  .on("mouseover", function() {
    d3.select(this).attr('r', 10);
  })
  .on("mouseout", function() {
    d3.select(this).attr('r', 4);
  })
```

# D3 Mouse Events

- Event manager

- You can get the triggered event and the data item through the following syntax

```
selection.on("mousemove", function(event, d) {  
  ... do something with event and d ...  
})
```

- You can get the event target by calling:

- event.currentTarget gives access to the element to which the listener is bound and can replace this in arrow functions
    - this

```
//es6 arrow function  
selection.on("click", (event, d) => {  
  console.log(event.currentTarget);  
})
```

```
//conventional function  
selection.on("click", function(event, d) {  
  console.log(this);  
})
```

```
MouseEvent {isTrusted: true}  
  i  
  isTrusted: true  
  altKey: false  
  bubbles: true  
  button: 0  
  buttons: 0  
  cancelBubble: false  
  cancelable: true  
  clientX: 394  
  clientY: 384  
  composed: true  
  ctrlKey: false  
  currentTarget: null  
  defaultPrevented: false
```

## D3 tooltip

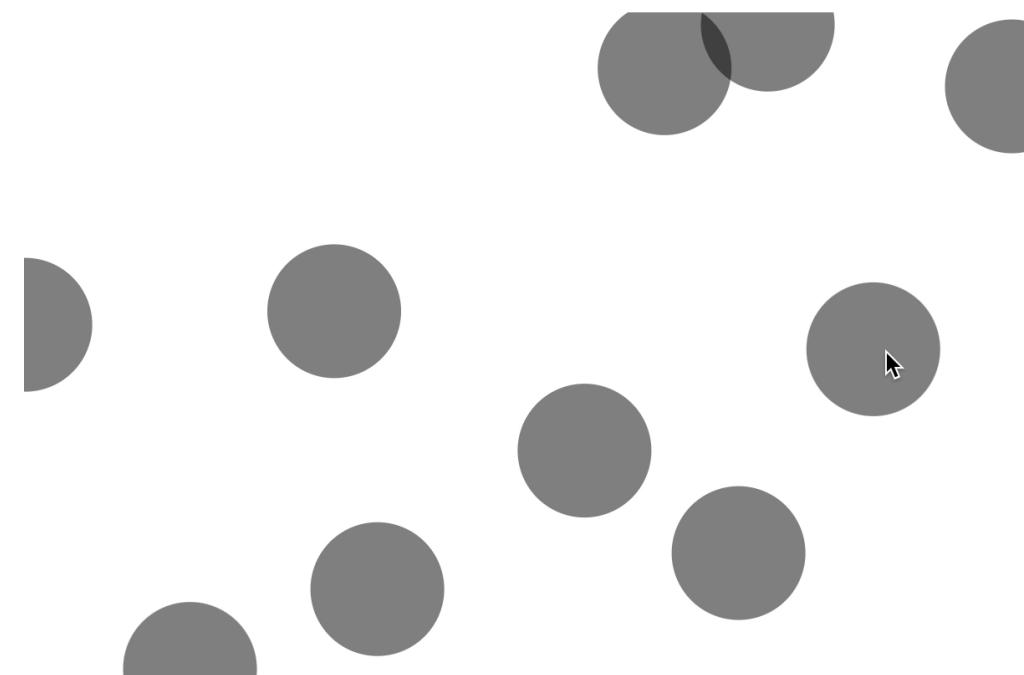
- Create a blank tooltip div
- Display the tooltip when mouseover or mousemove
  - determine the position of the tooltip based on the mouse event
  - update the tooltip content based on the data item (d)
- Disable the tooltip when mouseleave
- [Example](#)

```
//es6 arrow function
selection.on("click", (event, d) => {
  console.log(event.currentTarget);
})
```

```
//conventional function
selection.on("click", function(event, d) {
  console.log(this);
})
```

## D3 Drag

- Drag-and-drop is a popular and easy-to-learn pointing gesture
  - move the pointer to an object
  - press and hold to grab it
  - “drag” the object to a new location • release to “drop”



# D3 Drag

- create a **drag behavior** function
- add an event handler that's called when a drag events occurs
- attach the drag behavior to the elements

```
//step 1
var drag = d3.drag()
  .on("start", dragStarted)
  .on('drag', dragged)
  .on("end", dragEnded);

//step 2
function dragStarted() {
  d3.select(this).attr("stroke", 'black');
}

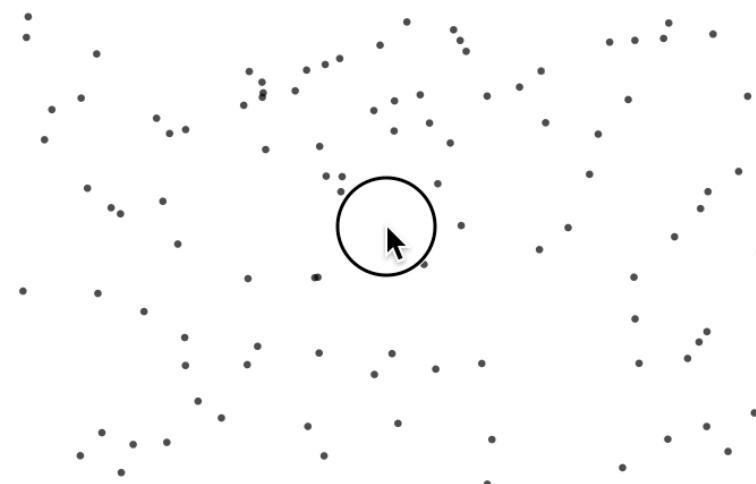
function dragged(event) {
  d3.select(this).attr("cx", event.x).attr('cy', event.y);
}

function dragEnded() {
  d3.select(this).attr("stroke", null);
}

//step 3
svg.append('g')
  .selectAll('dot')
  ...
  .call(drag)
```

## D3 Zoom and Pan

- D3 provides a module that adds **zoom** and **pan** behavior to an HTML or SVG element.
- Let's use d3.zoom() to enable our scatterplot to support zooming and panning



# D3 Zoom and Pan

- create a **zoom behavior** function
- add an event handler that gets called when a zoom or pan event occurs.
- attach the zoom behavior to an element

```
//step 1
var zoom = zoom = d3.zoom()
  .scaleExtent([0.5, 32])
  .on("zoom", zoomed);

//step 2
function zoomed(event) {
  //create new scale objects
  var new_xScale = event.transform.rescaleX(x);
  var new_yScale = event.transform.rescaleY(y);

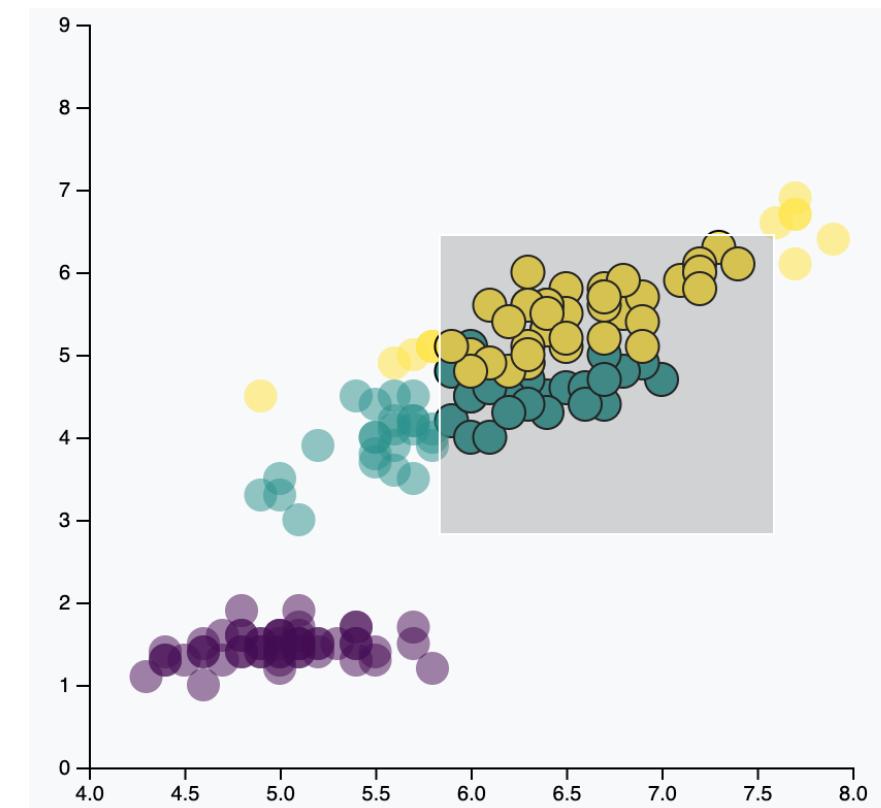
  points.attr('transform', event.transform);
  points.attr("display", function(d) {
    if (new_xScale(d.Sepal_Length) < 60 ||
        new_xScale(d.Sepal_Length) > width + 60 ||
        new_yScale(d.Petal_Length) < 0 ||
        new_yScale(d.Petal_Length) > height) {
      return 'none'
    }
  });
}

xAxis.call(d3.axisBottom(x).scale(new_xScale));
yAxis.call(d3.axisLeft(y).scale(new_yScale));
};

//step 3
svg.call(zoom);
```

## D3 Brush

- Brushing lets you user **specify an area** (by pressing the mouse button, moving the mouse, then releasing) in order to, for example, select a group of elements.



# D3 Brush

- create a **brush behavior** function
- add an event handler that's called when a brush event occurs.
- attach the brush behavior to elements

```
let brush = d3.brush()  
  .on('brush', handleBrush);  
  
function handleBrush(event) {  
  // get the brush boundingbox  
  var extent = event.selection;  
  points.style("fill", function(d) {  
    let ifIncluded =  
      x(d.Sepal_Length) >= extent[0][0] &&  
      x(d.Sepal_Length) <= extent[1][0] &&  
      y(d.Petal_Length) >= extent[0][1] &&  
      y(d.Petal_Length) <= extent[1][1];  
    if (ifIncluded) {  
      return 'purple';  
    } else {  
      return color(d.Species);  
    }  
  })  
}  
  
svg.call(brush);
```

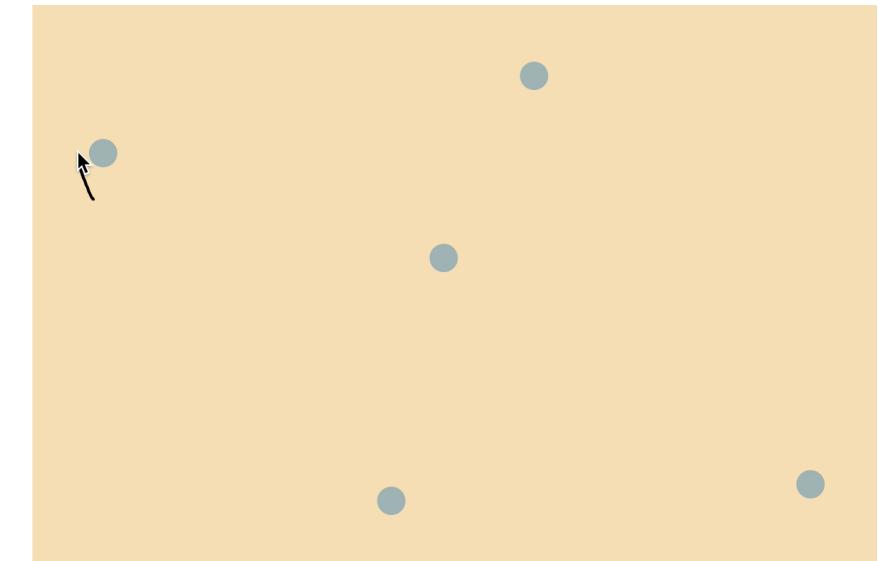
# D3 lasso selection

```
function dragStart() {  
    coords = [];  
    circles.attr("fill", "steelblue");  
    d3.select("#lasso").remove();  
    d3.select("#chart")  
        .append("path")  
        .attr("id", "lasso");  
}  
  
function dragMove(event) {  
    let mouseX = event.sourceEvent.offsetX;  
    let mouseY = event.sourceEvent.offsetY;  
    coords.push([mouseX, mouseY]);  
    drawPath();  
}  
  
function dragEnd() {  
    let selectedDots = [];  
    circles.each((d, i) => {  
        let point = [  
            xScale(d.x),  
            yScale(d.y),  
        ];  
        if (pointInPolygon(point, coords)) {  
            d3.select("#dot-" + d.id).attr("fill", "red");  
            selectedDots.push(d.id);  
        }  
    });  
    console.log(`select: ${selectedDots}`);  
}
```

Remove previous lasso  
selections and append the  
new lasso path to the SVG

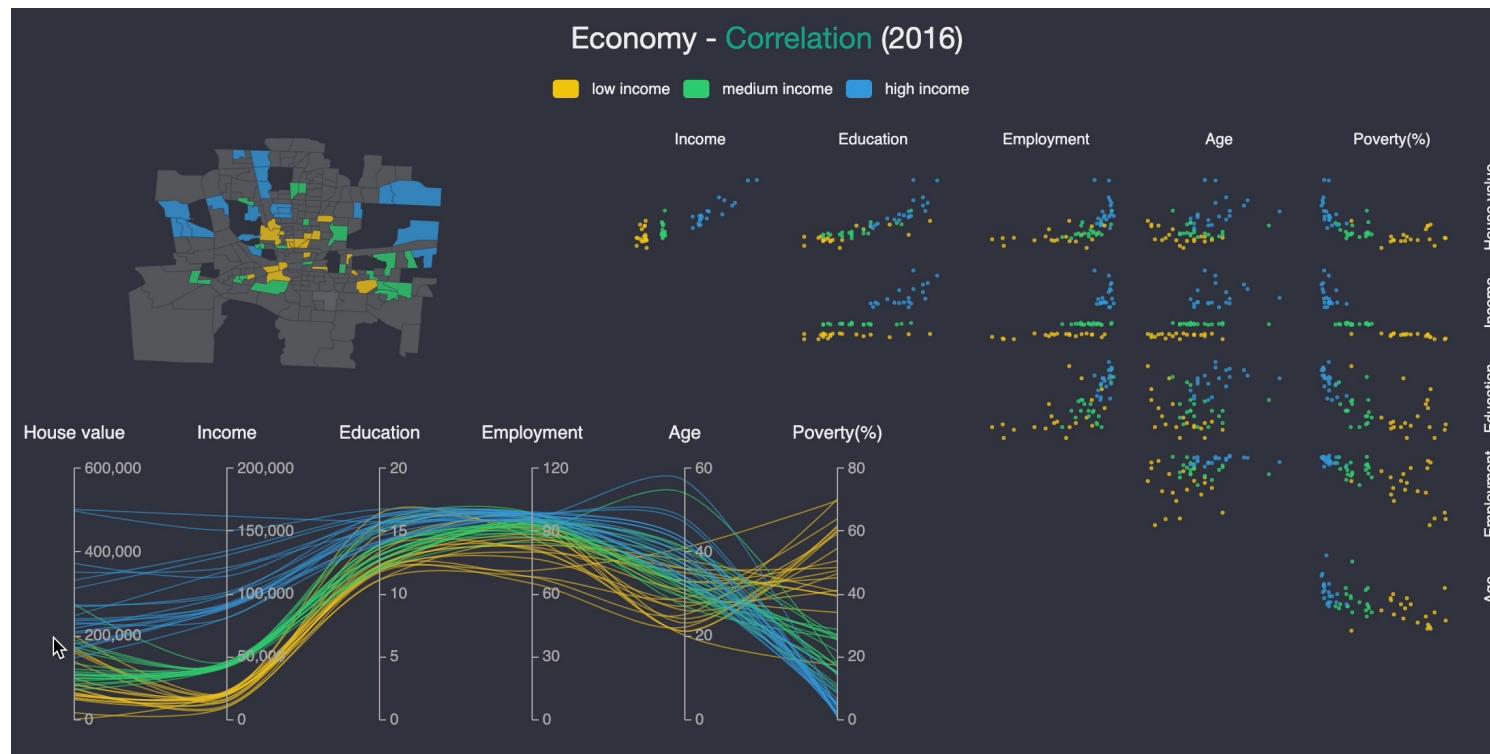
- Put the current mouse position (mouseX and mouseY) into an array (coords).
- Render a path based on the coords (using lineGenerator)

For each element on the SVG,  
check whether it's inside or outside  
the lasso boundary (determine if a  
point is inside a polygon)

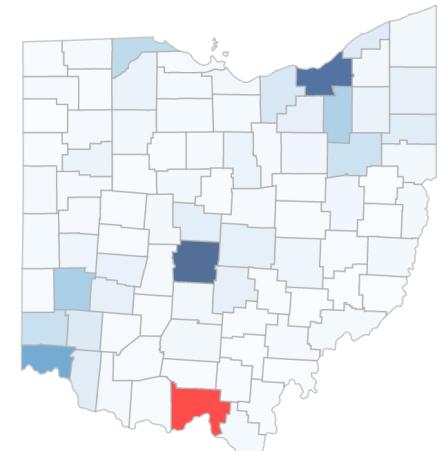


# Multi-view visualization

- Triggered by interactions such as clicking and mouseover, etc.
- Attribute **ID** is very useful in selecting elements from a different view!



```
d3.select("#C-Scioto").style("fill","red")
```



# Geospatial Visualization

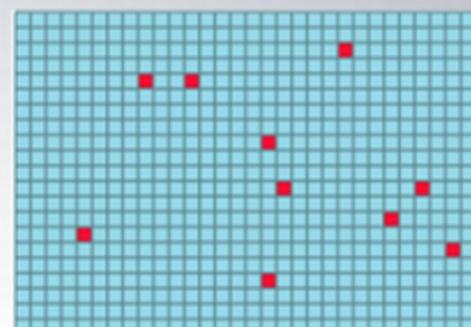
- Raster map
  - based on [raster tiles](#)
- Vector map
  - smaller
  - more aesthetically-pleasing
  - many vector map formats: Shp, GeoJson, TopoJson, PBF, etc.
  - D3 uses GeoJson

Vector



Point features

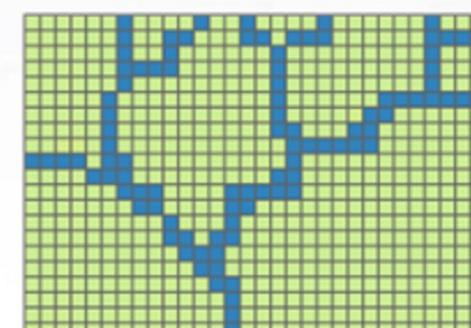
Raster



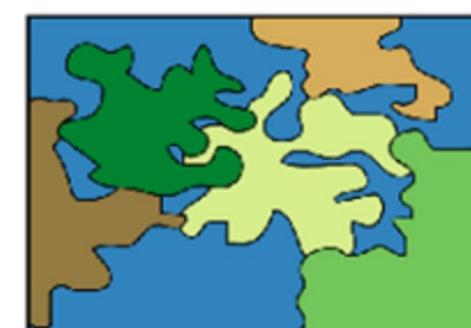
Raster point features



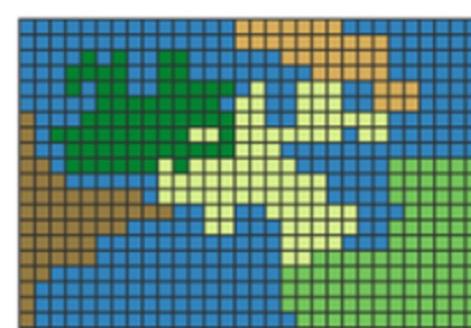
Line features



Raster line features



Polygon features



Raster polygon features

# GeoJson Format

- Vector map geometries
  - points/lines/polygons
- GeoJSON format
  - [specification](#) (RFC 7946)
  - typically contains a collection of features
  - each feature contains:
    - properties
    - [geometry information](#)
  - Converting tools
    - [shp2json](#)
    - [QGIS](#)
    - [GDAL](#)



```
{  
  "type": "FeatureCollection",  
  "features": [  
    {  
      "type": "Feature",  
      "properties": {  
        "name": "Africa"  
      },  
      "geometry": {  
        "type": "Polygon",  
        "coordinates": [[[[-6, 36], [33, 30], ... , [-6, 36]]]  
      }  
    },  
    {  
      "type": "Feature",  
      "properties": {  
        "name": "Australia"  
      },  
      "geometry": {  
        "type": "Polygon",  
        "coordinates": [[[143, -11], [153, -28], ... , [143, -11]]]  
      }  
    },  
  ]  
}
```

# GeoJSON Format

- Load GeoJSON data
  - d3.json()
- Find GeoJSON data
  - [Natural Earth](#)
  - Census Bureau
  - QGIS
  - [great tutorial](#)

# Map projections

- **Input:** [longitude, latitude]
- **Output:** pixel coordinate [x, y] (depends on the projection type)

```
let projection = d3.<projectType>();  
projection( [-3.0026, 16.7666] );
```

<u>scale</u>	Scale factor of the projection
<u>center</u>	Projection center [longitude, latitude]
<u>translate</u>	Pixel [x,y] location of the projection center
<u>rotate</u>	Rotation of the projection [lambda, phi, gamma] (or [yaw, pitch, roll])

- Example

```
let projection = d3.geoAzimuthalEqualArea()  
.scale(300)  
.center([-3.0026, 16.7666])  
.translate([480, 250]);
```

# Geographic path generators

- A geographic path generator is a function that transforms **GeoJSON object** into an **SVG path string** (or into canvas element calls)
- geoPath()

```
let projection = d3.geoEquirectangular();

let geoGenerator = d3.geoPath()
  .projection(projection);

geoGenerator(geoJson); //e.g. returns a SVG path string "M464.01,154.09L491.15
```

# Map Visualization Pipeline in D3

1. Prepare and load the GeoJSON data
2. Create the geoPath() and specify the projection configurations
3. Join a GeoJSON features array to SVG path elements
4. Update each path element's d attribute using the geographic path generator
5. Customize each feature (e.g., colors and interactions)

# D3 Applications

- Commonly used setup
  - node.js + database (sql&nosql) + d3.js
  - flask (python based) + database (sql&nosql) + d3.js
  - [observable](#)
- For spatial / 3D data, three.js / vtk is recommended.

# Flask

- Flask is a **micro web framework** written in **Python**. It is classified as a microframework because it does not require particular tools or libraries.
- [Install Flask](#)
  - pip install Flask
  - conda install -c anaconda flask



# Takeaways

- be careful with D3 version iterations
- learn d3.js through online examples.
  - <https://www.d3-graph-gallery.com/index.html> (choose the v6 version)
  - <https://observablehq.com/@d3/gallery>
  - [stackoverflow](https://stackoverflow.com/questions/tagged/d3.js)