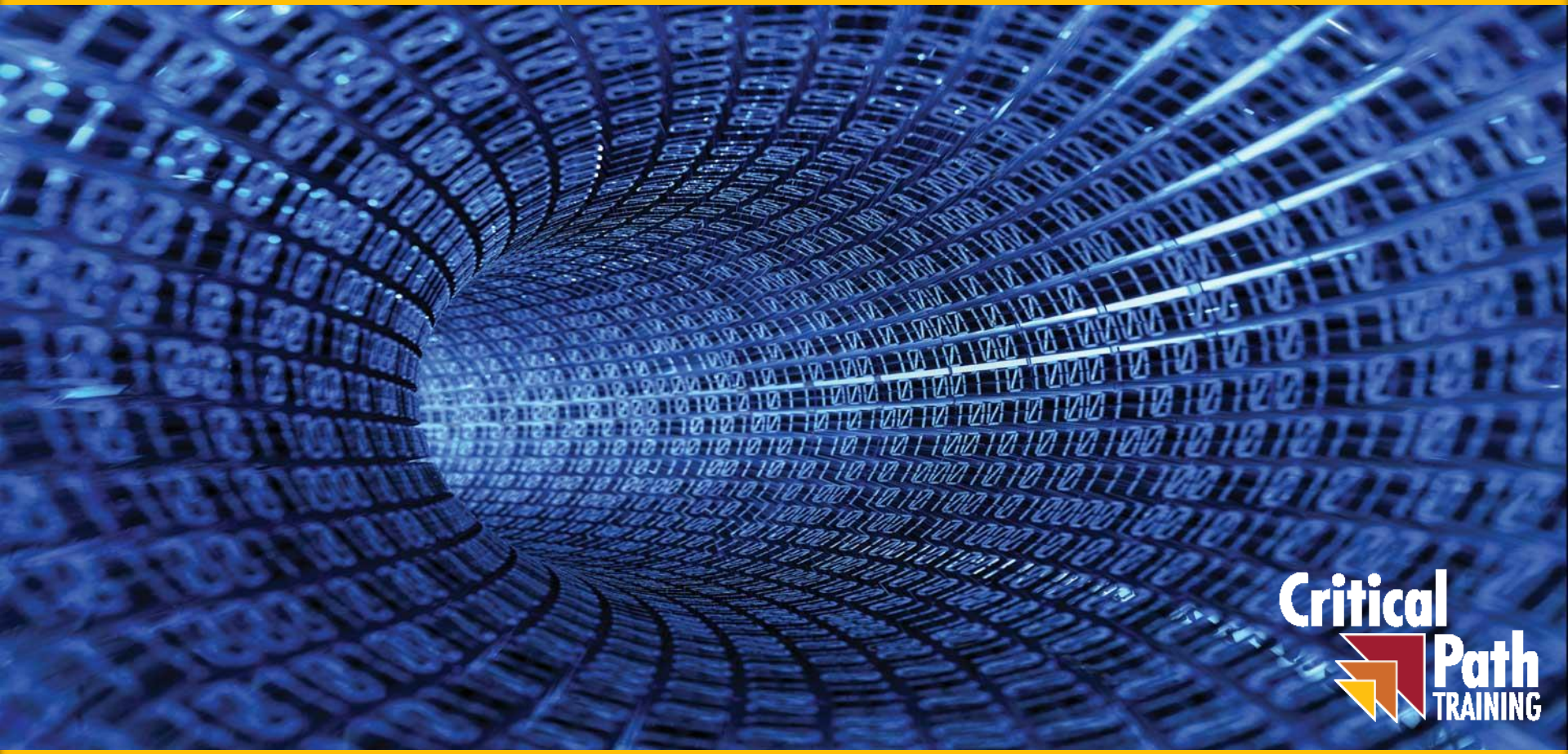
Developing and Distributing Custom Visuals



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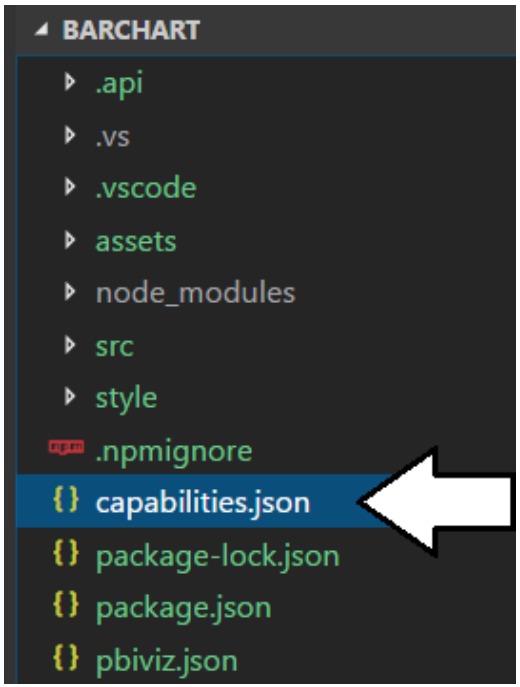
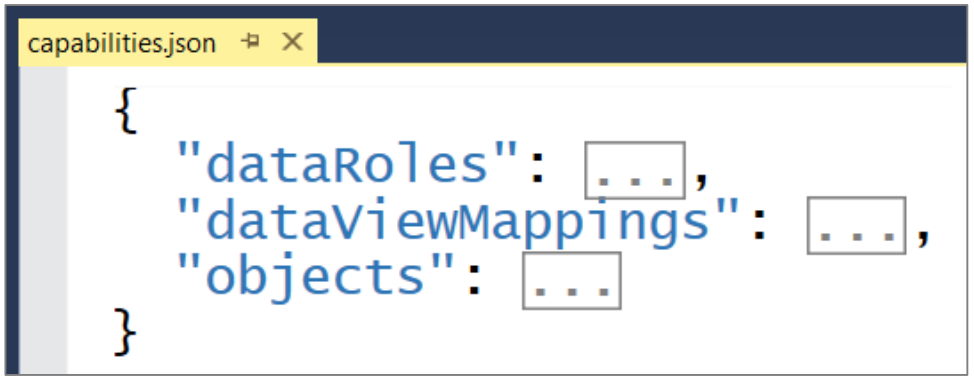
Visual Capabilities

- Visual capabilities defined inside **capabilities.json**
  - **dataRoles** defines the field wells displayed on Fields pane
  - **dataViewMappings** defines the type of DataView used by visual
  - **objects** defines custom properties for visual

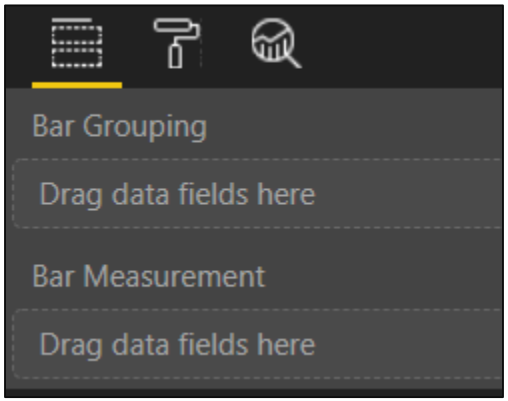




Data Roles

- DataRoles define how fields are associated with visual
  - Each dataRole is display as field well in the Field pane
  - dataRoles can be defined with conditions and data mappings

```
"dataRoles": [
  {
    "displayName": "Bar Grouping",
    "name": "myCategory",
    "kind": "Grouping"
  },
  {
    "displayName": "Bar Measurement",
    "name": "myMeasure",
    "kind": "Measure"
  }
]
```



Data Mapping Modes

- Power BI visual API provides several mapping modes
  - Single
  - Table
  - Categorical
  - Matrix
  - Tree

Single Mapping

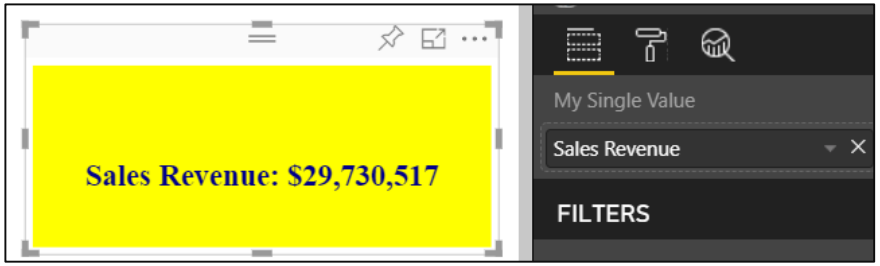
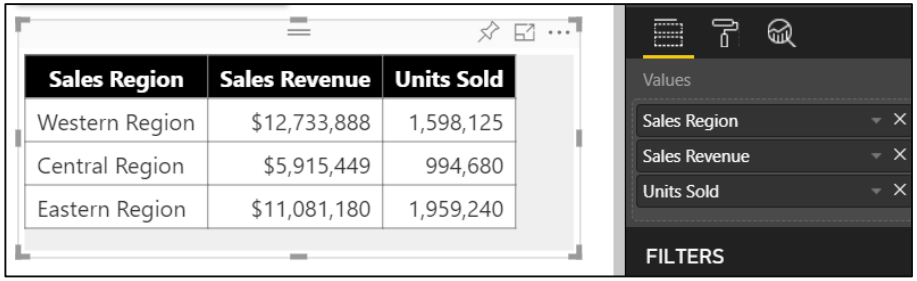


Table Mapping



Categorical Mapping

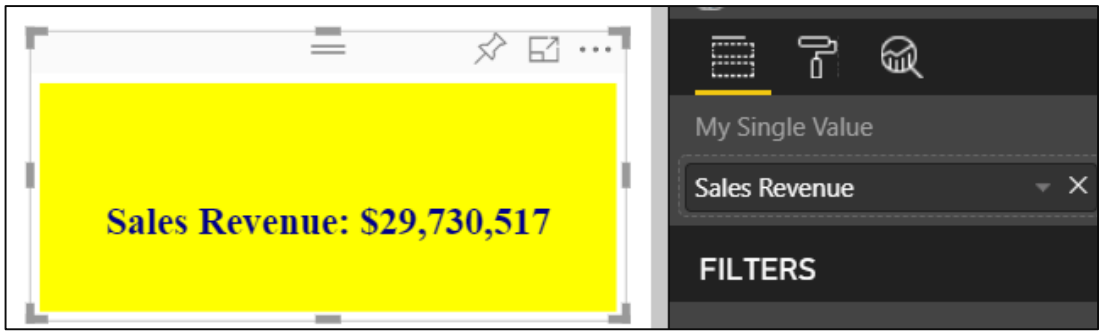
Developer Visual DataView

- Developer visual supports DataView mode
  - Allows you to see and explore data mapping
  - Allows you to see metadata for custom properties

Single Mapping Example: oneBigNumber

- dataRole can use dataViewMapping mode of single
  - For visuals like Card which only display single value
  - Condition can define that a dataRole requires exactly one measure

```
"dataRoles": [
  {
    "displayName": "My Single Value",
    "name": "myvalue",
    "kind": "Measure"
  }
],
"dataViewMappings": [
  {
    "conditions": [ { "myvalue": { "min": 1, "max": 1 } } ],
    "single": { "role": "myvalue" }
  }
]
```



Programming in Single Mapping Mode

- Single mapping easy to access through visuals API
  - DataView object provides single.value property
  - value property defined as PrimativeValue { bool | number | string }
  - PrimativeValue must be explicitly cast
  - Other measure properties available through column metadata


```
"tree": ⊕{...},
"categorical": ⊕{...},
"table": ⊕{...},
"matrix": ⊕{...},
"single": ⊖{
    "column": ⊕{...},
    "value": 29730517.14
},
"metadata": ⊖{
    "columns": ⊖[
       ⊖{
            "roles": ⊕{...},
            "type": ⊕{...},
            "format": "\\$#,0;(\\$#,0);\\$#,0",
            "displayName": "Sales Revenue",
            "queryName": "Sales.Sales Revenue",
            "expr": ⊕{...},
            "index": 0,
            "isMeasure": true
        }
```

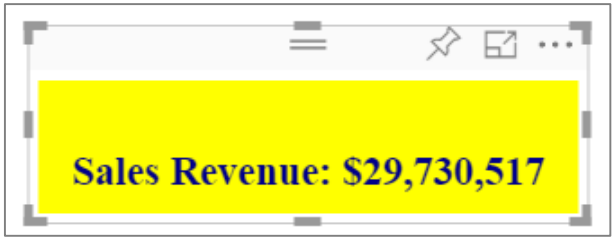

```
public update(options: VisualUpdateOptions) {

  // get DataView object
  this.dataView = options.dataViews[0];

  // get single value
  var value: number = <number>this.dataView.single.value;

  // get metadata to discover field name and format string
  var column: DataViewMetadataColumn = this.dataView.metadata.columns[0];
  var valueName: string = column.displayName
  var valueFormat: string = column.format;
```

Using the Power BI Formatting Utilities

- Used to format values using Power BI formatting strings
  - Requires installing powerbi-visuals-utils-formattingutils package

```
var value: number = <number>this.dataView.single.value;
var column: DataViewMetadataColumn = this.dataView.metadata.columns[0];
var valueName: string = column.displayName
var valueFormat: string = column.format;

var valueFormatterFactory = powerbi.extensibility.utils.formatting.valueFormatter;
var valueFormatter = valueFormatterFactory.create({
  format: valueFormat,
  formatSingleValues: true
});

var valueString: string = valueFormatter.format(value);
```

```
"column": ⊖{
    "roles": ⊕{...},
    "type": ⊕{...},
    "format": "\\$#,0;(\\$#,0);\\$#,0",
    "displayName": "Sales Revenue",
    "queryName": "Sales.Sales Revenue",
```

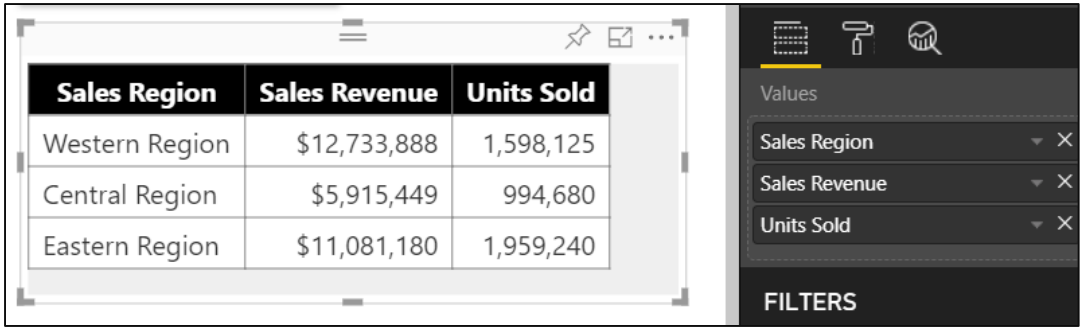



```
"column": ⊖{
    "roles": ⊕{...},
    "type": ⊕{...},
    "format": "#,0",
    "displayName": "Units Sold",
    "queryName": "Sales.Units Sold",
```

Table Mapping Example: Snazzy Table

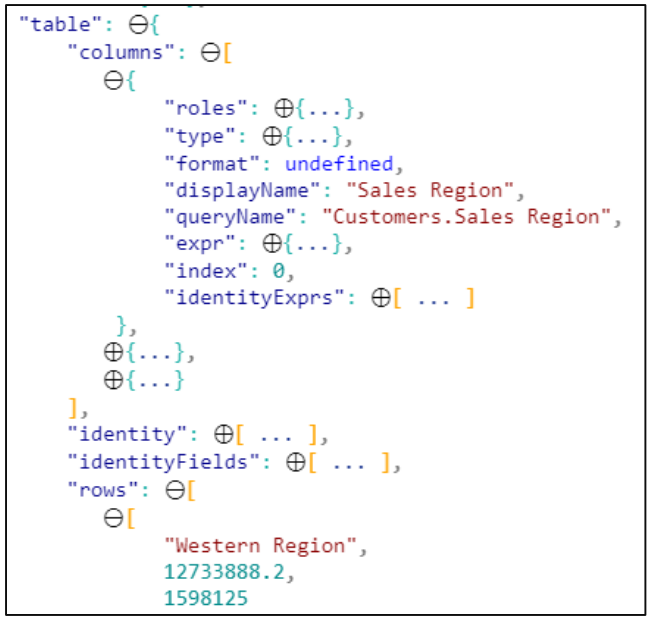
- dataRole can use dataViewMapping mode of table
  - For visuals which display rows & columns for ordered set of fields
  - condition can define number of fields that can be added

```
"dataRoles": [
  {
    "displayName": "Values",
    "name": "values",
    "kind": "GroupingOrMeasure"
  }
],
"dataViewMappings": [
  {
    "conditions": [ {"values": { "min": 1, "max": 5 } } ],
    "table": { "rows": { "for": { "in": "values" } } }
  }
]
```



Programming in Table Mapping Mode

- Table mapping data accessible through visuals API
  - DataView object provides table property
  - table property provides columns property and rows property

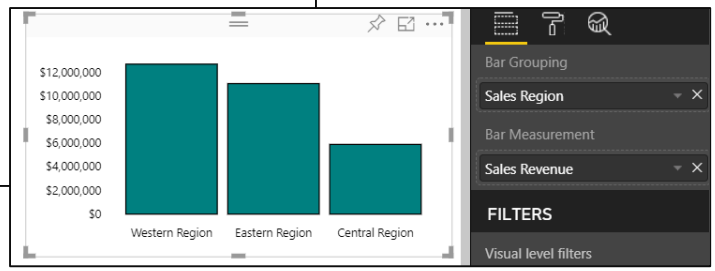



```
public update(options: VisualUpdateOptions) {

  var dataView: DataView = options.dataViews[0];

  var table: DataViewTable = dataView.table;
  var columns: DataViewMetadataColumn[] = table.columns;
  var rows: DataViewTableRow[] = table.rows;
```

Categorical Mapping Example: Barchart

- dataRole can use dataViewMapping mode of categorical
  - This is the most common type of data mapping
  - For visuals which divide data into groups for analysis
  - Groups defined as columns and values defined as measures

```
"dataRoles": [
  { "displayName": "Bar Grouping", "name": "myCategory", "kind": "Grouping" },
  { "displayName": "Bar Measurement", "name": "myMeasure", "kind": "Measure" }
],
"dataViewMappings": [
  {
    "conditions": [ { "myCategory": { "max": 1 }, "myMeasure": { "max": 1 } } ],
    "categorical": {
      "categories": {
        "for": { "in": "myCategory" },
        "dataReductionAlgorithm": { "top": {} }
      },
      "values": {
        "select": [ { "bind": { "to": "myMeasure" } } ]
      }
    }
  }
]
```



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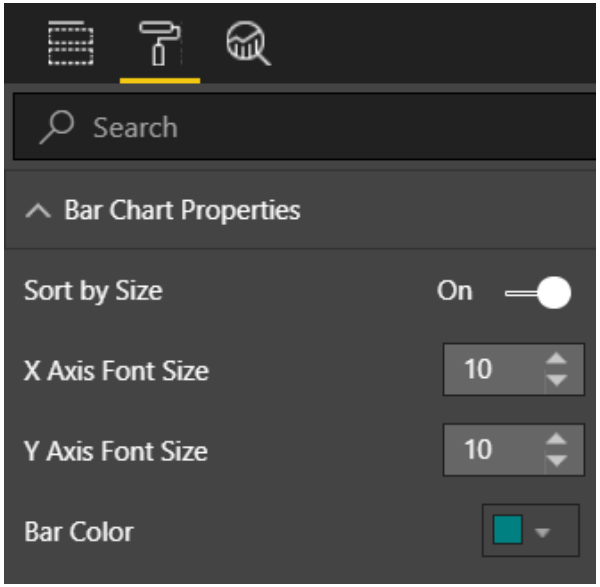
Extending Visuals with Custom Properties

- Custom properties defined using **objects**
  - You can define one or more objects in **capabilities.json**
  - Each object defined with name, display name and properties
  - object properties automatically persistent inside visual metadata
  - properties can be seen and modified by user in Format pane
  - Custom properties require extra code to initialize Format pane

```
"objects": {
  "barchartProperties": {
    "displayName": "Bar Chart Properties",
    "properties": {
      "sortBySize": {
        "displayName": "Sort by Size",
        "type": { "bool": true }
      },
      "xAxisFontSize": {
        "displayName": "X Axis Font Size",
        "type": { "integer": true }
      },
      "yAxisFontSize": {
        "displayName": "Y Axis Font Size",
        "type": { "integer": true }
      },
      "barColor": {
        "displayName": "Bar Color",
        "type": { "fill": { "solid": { "color": true } } }
      }
    }
  }
}
```



DataViewObjectParser and VisualSettings

- Power BI visual utilities provide DataViewObjectParser
  - Abstracts away tricky code to initialize and read property values

TS settings.ts

```
module powerbi.extensibility.visual {

  import DataViewObjectsParser = powerbi.extensibility.utils.dataview.DataViewObjectsParser;

  export class VisualSettings extends DataViewObjectsParser {
    public barchartProperties: BarchartProperties = new BarchartProperties();
  }

  export class BarchartProperties {
    sortBySize: boolean = true;
    xAxisFontSize: number = 10;
    yAxisFontSize: number = 10;
    barColor: Fill = { "solid": { "color": "teal" } };
  }

}
```

Mapping Object Properties to VisualSettings

- VisualSettings class must map to named objectnamed
  - VisualSetting class contains named field that maps to object name
  - Named field based on custom class with mapped properties
  - Object & property names must match what's in capabilities.json

Initializing Objects in the Format Pane

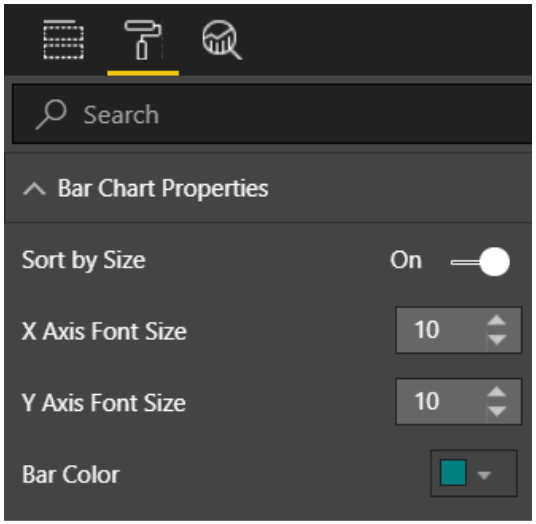
- Visual must initialize properties in Format pane
  - Visual must implement enumerateObjectInstances
  - VisualSettings makes this relatively easy
  - Extra code required to make property appear as spinner

```
public enumerateObjectInstances(options: EnumerateVisualObjectInstancesOptions): VisualObjectInstanceEnumeration {

  // register object properties
  var visualObjects: VisualObjectInstanceEnumerationObject =
    <VisualObjectInstanceEnumerationObject>VisualSettings
      .enumerateObjectInstances(this.settings, options);

  // configure spinners for integers properties
  visualObjects.instances[0].validValues = {
    xAxisFontSize: { numberRange: { min: 10, max: 36 } },
    yAxisFontSize: { numberRange: { min: 10, max: 36 } },
  };

  // return visual object collection
  return visualObjects;
}
```



Retrieving Property Values

- Property values persisted into visual metadata
  - Properties not persisted white they still retain default values

```
"tree": ⊕{...},
"categorical": ⊕{...},
"table": ⊕{...},
"matrix": ⊕{...},
"single": undefined,
"metadata": ⊖{
    "columns": ⊕[ ... ],
    "objects": ⊖{
        "barchartProperties": ⊖{
            "sortBySize": false,
            "xAxisFontSize": 14
        }
    }
}
```

  - Property values retrieved using VisualSettings object

```
public update(options: VisualUpdateOptions) {

  if (options.dataViews[0]) {

    // create VisualSettings object
    this.settings = VisualSettings.parse(options.dataViews[0]) as VisualSettings;

    // retrieve property values
    var sortBySize: boolean = this.settings.barchartProperties.sortBySize
    var xAxisFontSize: number = this.settings.barchartProperties.xAxisFontSize;
```

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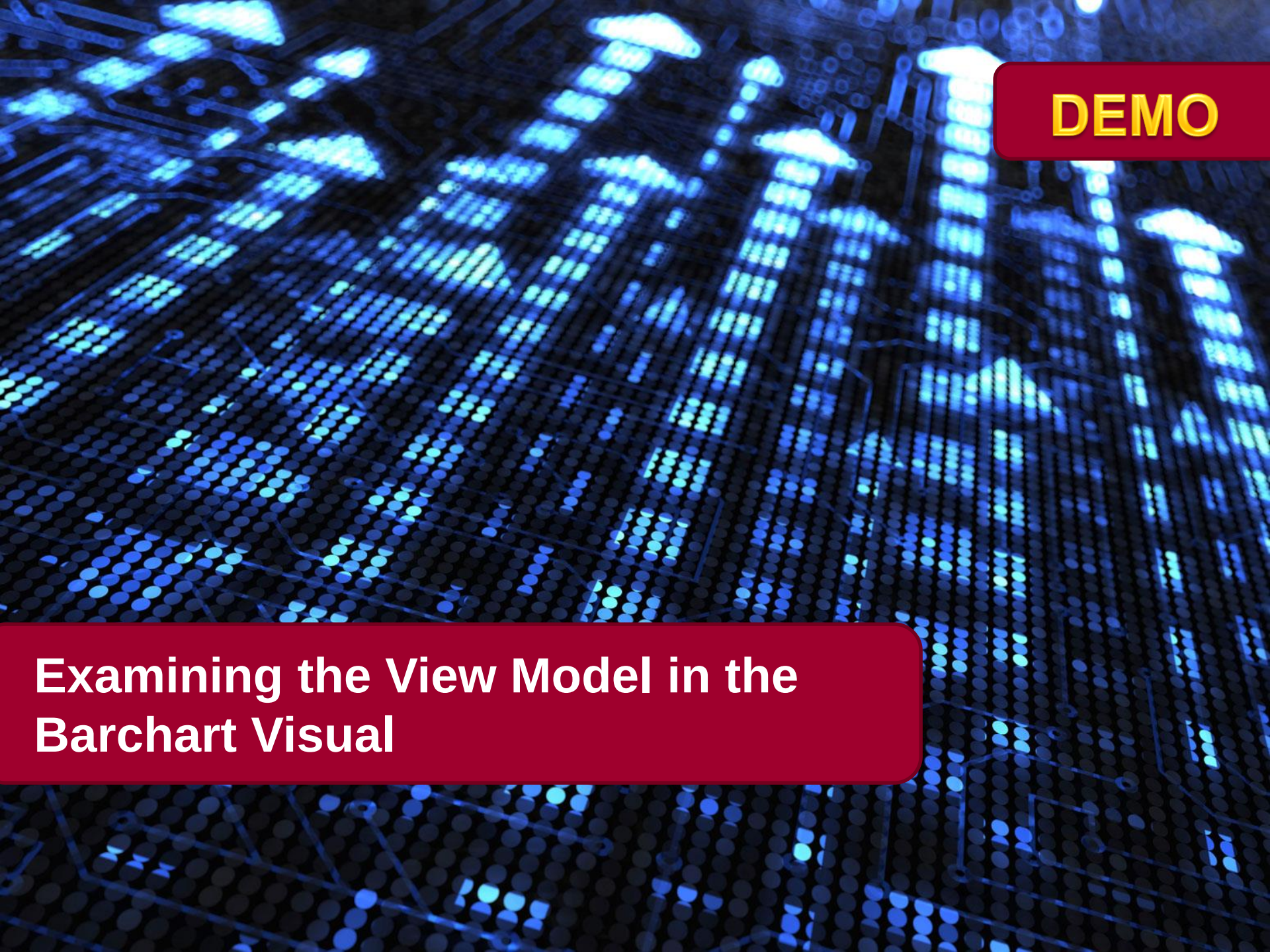
Designing with View Model

- Best practice involves creating view model for each visual
  - View model defines data required for rendering
  - createViewModel method gets data to generate view model
  - update method calls createViewModel to get view model

```
export interface BarchartDataPoint {
  Category: string;
  Value: number;
}

export interface BarchartViewModel {
  IsNotValid: boolean;
  DataPoints?: BarchartDataPoint[];
  Format?: string;
  SortBySize?: boolean;
  XAxisFontSize?: number;
  YAxisFontSize?: number;
  BarColor?: string;
}
```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Examining the View Model in the Barchart Visual

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- Advanced Visual Features
  - Support for Visual Highlighting
  - Selection Manager
  - TooltipsServiceWrapper

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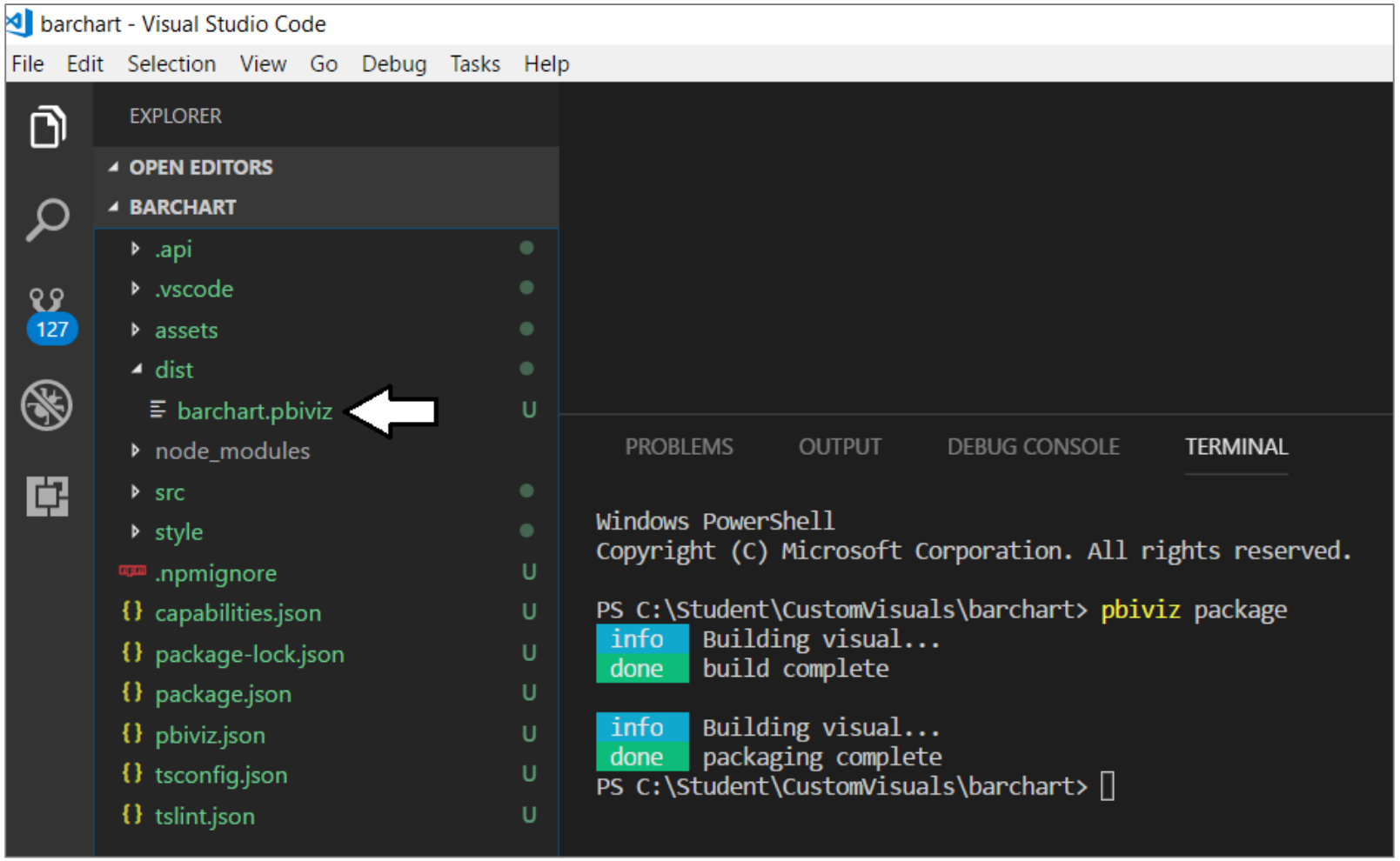

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