

DATA VISUALIZATION

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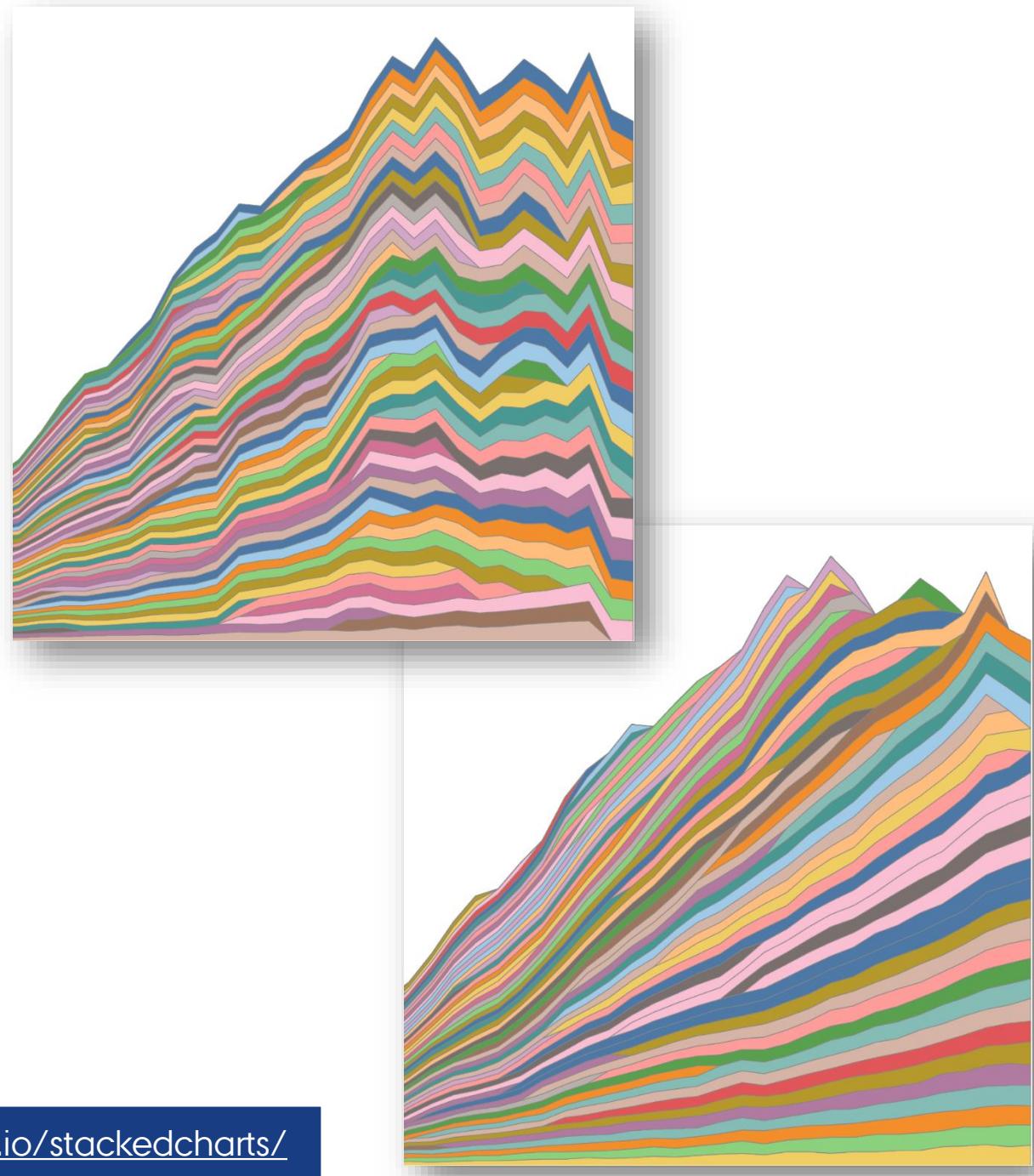
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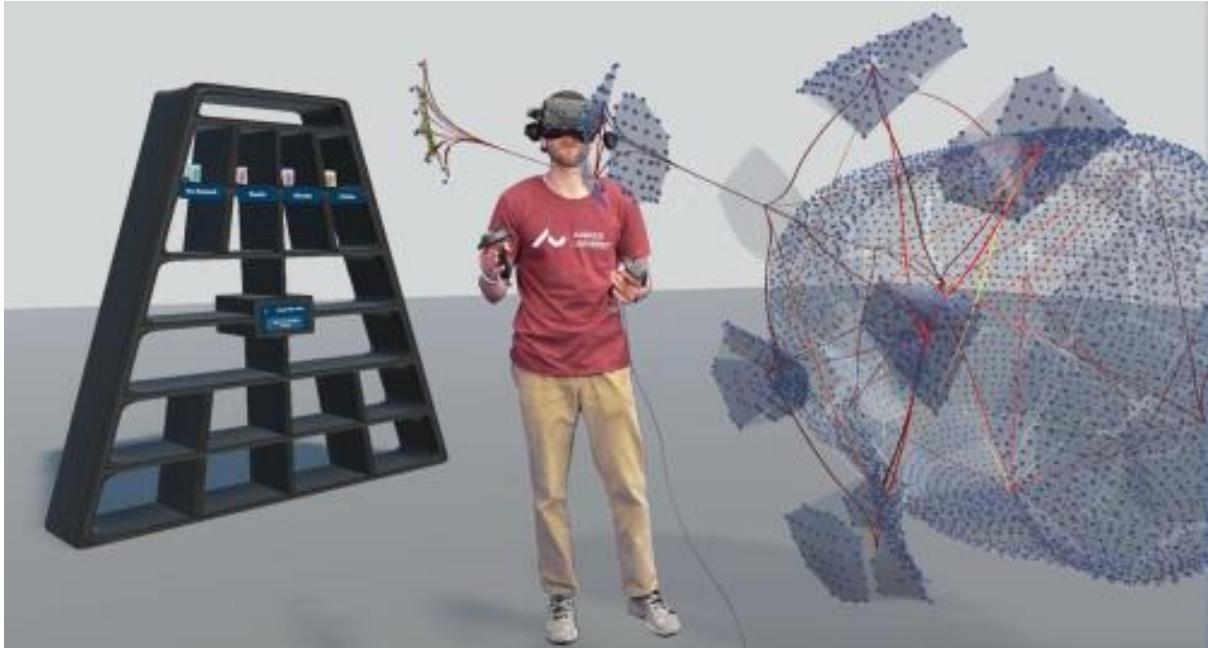
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- TU Graz, Austria
- University of Calgary, Canada
- Fraunhofer IGD, Germany
- IBM Visual Communications Lab, USA

Algorithm 2 FindBestPosition

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1: procedure FINDBESTPOSITION(order, fi)
2:   /* Preprocessing Stage */
3:   gBelow  $\leftarrow$  0
4:   gAbove  $\leftarrow$  fi
5:   costBelow, costAbove, costLayer  $\leftarrow$  []
6:   for pos = 0 to length(order) - 1 do
7:     costBelow.add(costlayer(order[pos], gBelow))
8:     costAbove.add(costlayer(order[pos], gAbove))
9:     costLayer.add(costlayer(fi, gBelow))
10:    gBelow  $\leftarrow$  gBelow + order[pos]
11:    gAbove  $\leftarrow$  gAbove + order[pos]
12:   end for
13:   costLayer.add(costlayer(fi, gBelow))
14:
15:   /* Testing Stage */
16:   currentCost  $\leftarrow$  costLayer[0] + \sum_{l=0}^{j-2} costAbove[l]
17:   bestIndex  $\leftarrow$  0, bestCost  $\leftarrow$  currentCost
18:   for pos = 1 to length(order) - 1 do
19:     currentCost  $\leftarrow$  currentCost + costBelow[pos - 1]
20:     currentCost  $\leftarrow$  currentCost - costAbove[pos - 1]
21:     currentCost  $\leftarrow$  currentCost + costLayer[pos]
22:     currentCost  $\leftarrow$  currentCost - costLayer[pos - 1]
23:     if currentCost < bestCost then
24:       bestIndex  $\leftarrow$  pos, bestCost  $\leftarrow$  currentCost
25:     end if
26:   end for
27:   return bestIndex
28: end procedure
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<https://vis-au.github.io/scivis23/>

Dimensionality



Representation



Alignment

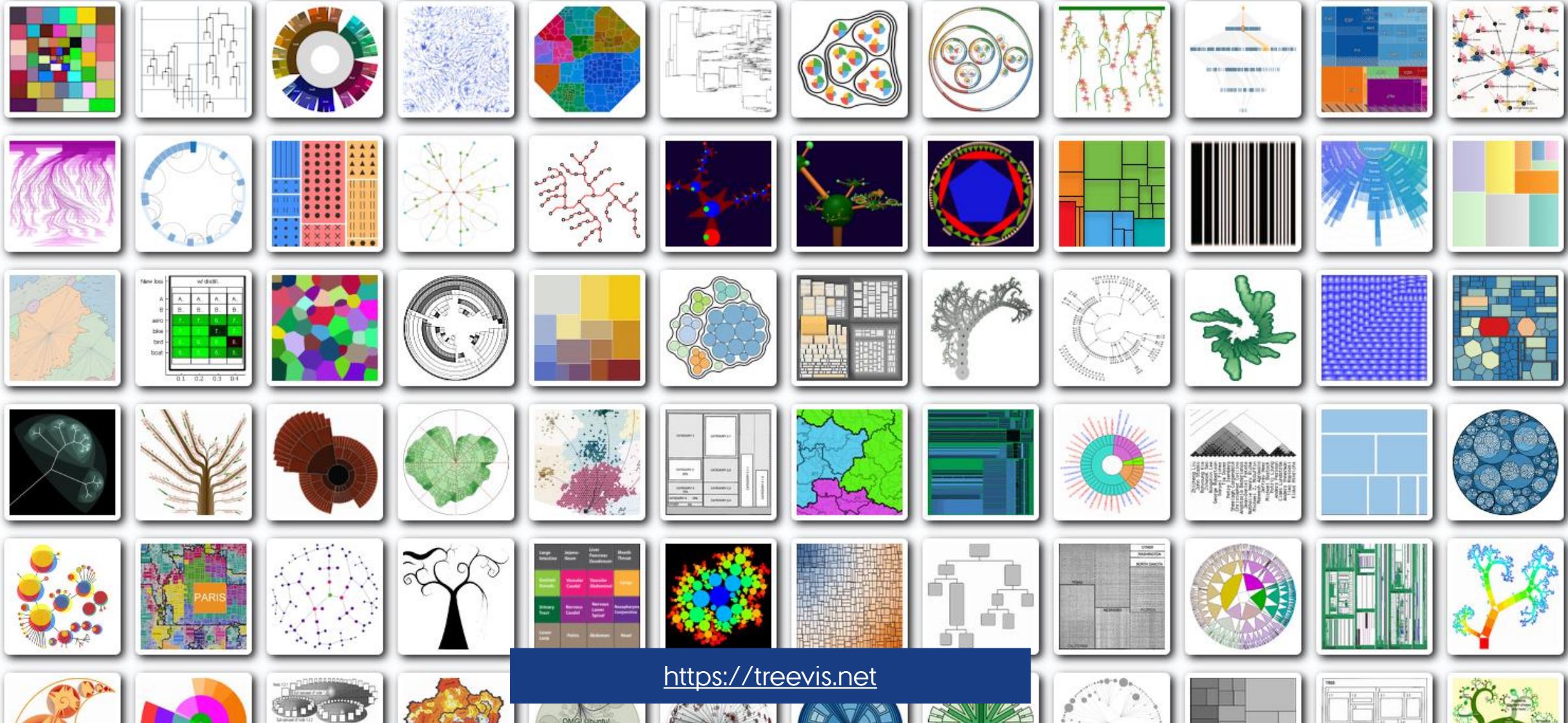


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Techniques Shown

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TODAY'S AGENDA

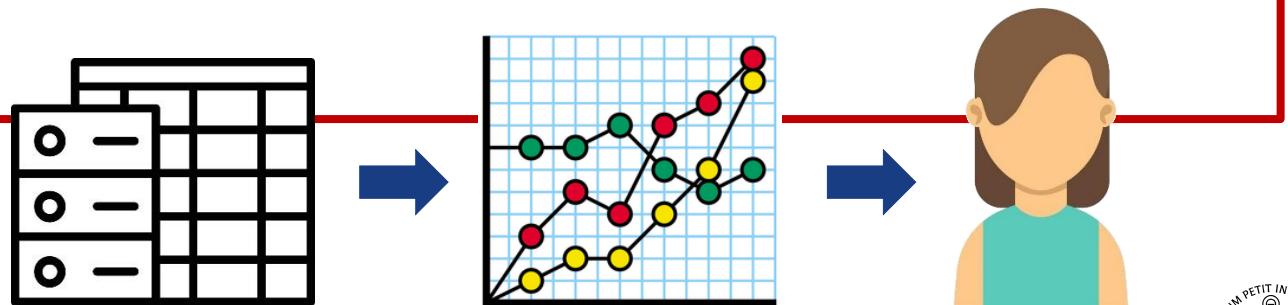
- **Part 1: Introduction to Data Visualization**
 - What is data visualization?
 - How not to do data visualization?
- **Part 2: Guidelines for Creating Data Visualizations**
 - What makes a good data visualization?
 - How to do data visualization?
- **Part 3: Choosing the Right Tools**
 - A brief introduction to Vega-Lite
 - An even briefer introduction to D3.js
- **Part 4: From Data Visualization to Visual Analytics & Recap**
 - What is Visual Analytics?
 - Recap

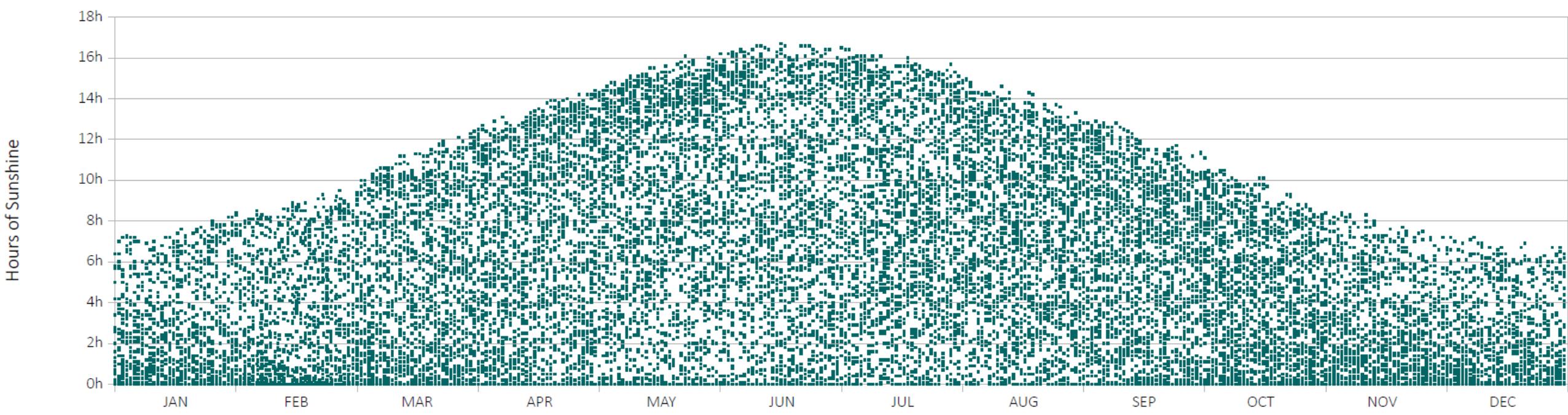
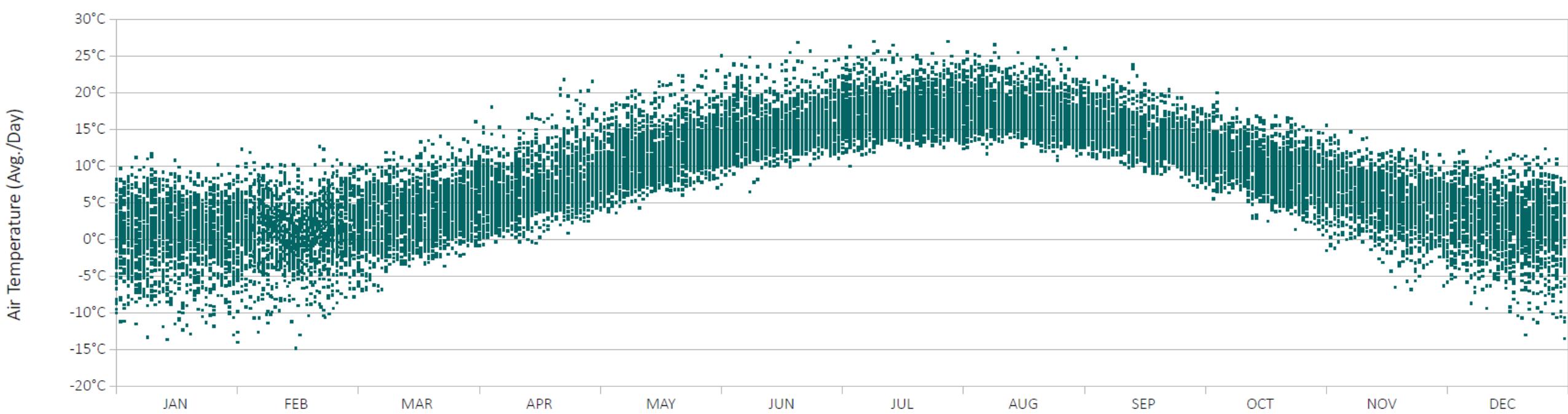
This is YOUR lecture!

PART 1: INTRODUCTION

NOT ALL PROBLEMS IN THE WORLD ARE A GOOD FIT FOR COMPUTATIONAL SOLUTIONS!

- Intractable problems (e.g., Halting problem)
- Computationally complex problems (e.g., Factorization in Crypto)
- Ill-specified problems (e.g., plausibility checking or pattern detection)





WHY NOT JUST USE STATISTICS?

I		II		III		IV	
x	y	x	y	x	y	x	y
10.0	8.04	10.0	9.14	10.0	7.46	8.0	6.58
8.0	6.95	8.0	8.14	8.0	6.77	8.0	5.76
13.0	7.58	13.0	8.74	13.0	12.74	8.0	7.71
9.0	8.81	9.0	8.77	9.0	7.11	8.0	8.84
11.0	8.33	11.0	9.26	11.0	7.81	8.0	8.47
14.0	9.96	14.0	8.10	14.0	8.84	8.0	7.04
6.0	7.24	6.0	6.13	6.0	6.08	8.0	5.25
4.0	4.26	4.0	3.10	4.0	5.39	19.0	12.50
12.0	10.84	12.0	9.13	12.0	8.15	8.0	5.56
7.0	4.82	7.0	7.26	7.0	6.42	8.0	7.91
5.0	5.68	5.0	4.74	5.0	5.73	8.0	6.89

Source: [Anscombe 1973]

$$\text{Mean}(x) = 9.0$$

$$\text{Mean}(y) = 7.5$$

$$\text{Variance}(x) = 11.0$$

$$\text{Variance}(y) = 4.1$$

$$\text{Correlation}(x,y) = 0.816$$

Regression line:

$$y = 3.0 + 0.5x$$

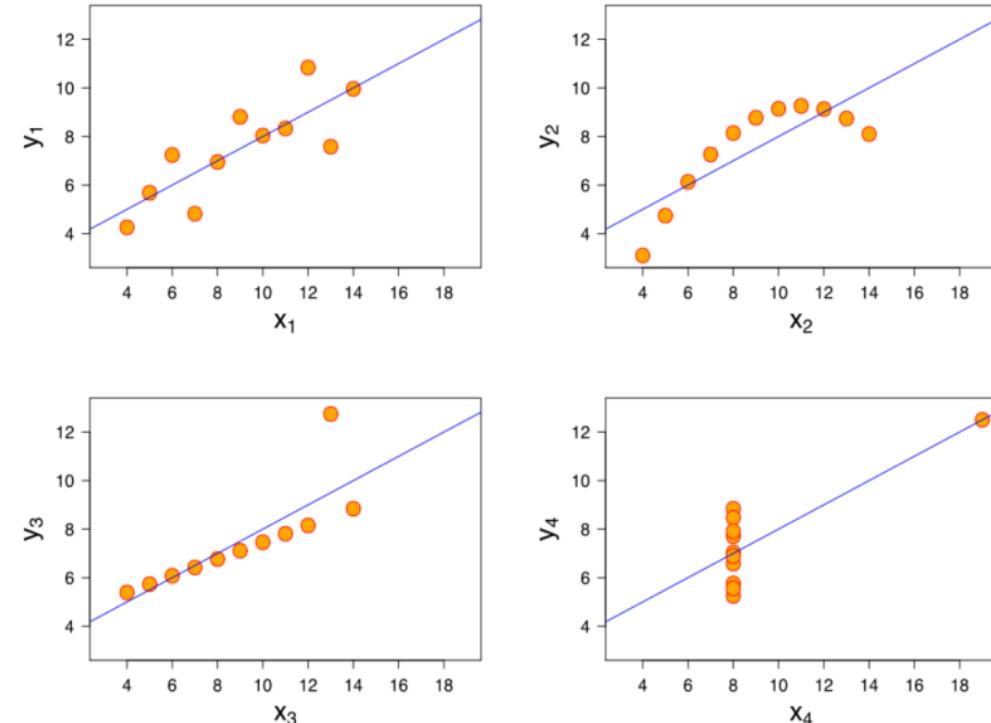
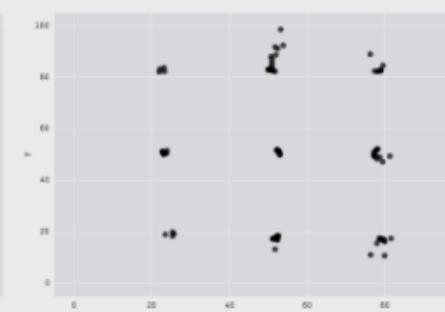
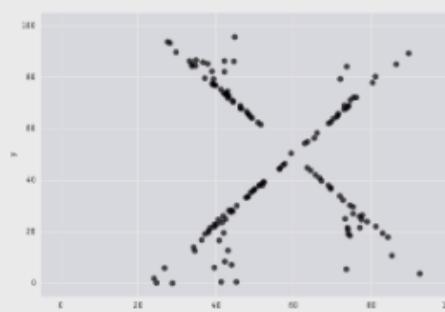
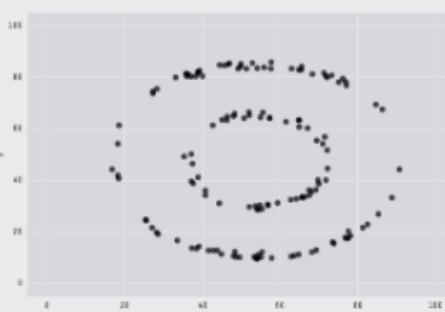
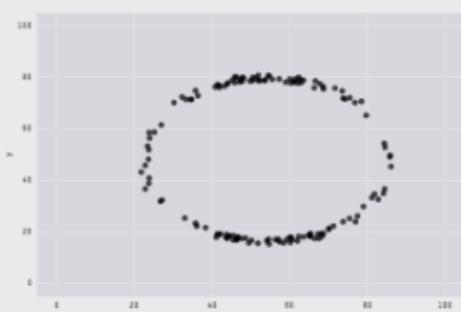
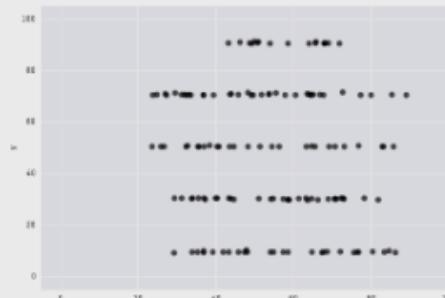
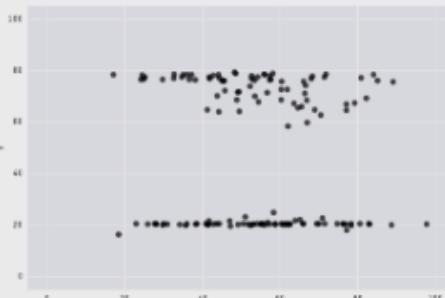
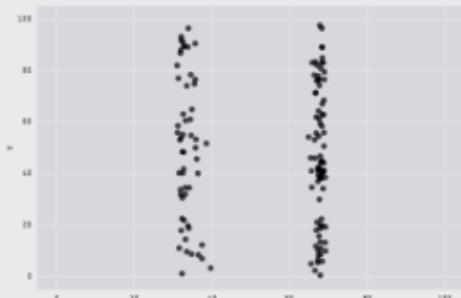
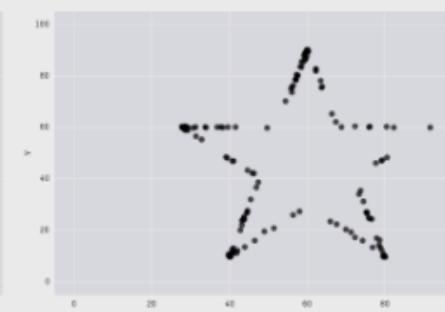
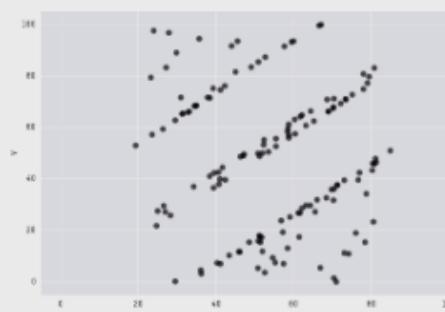
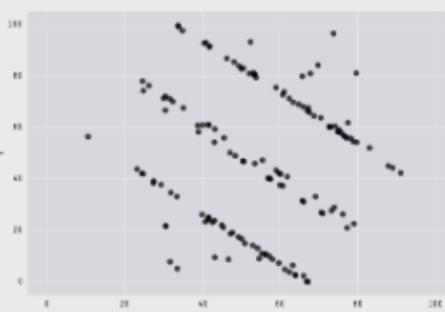
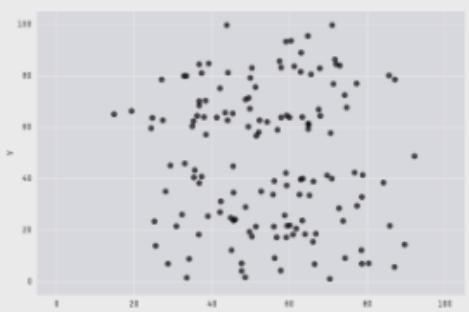


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THE DATASAUR [CAIRO 2016]



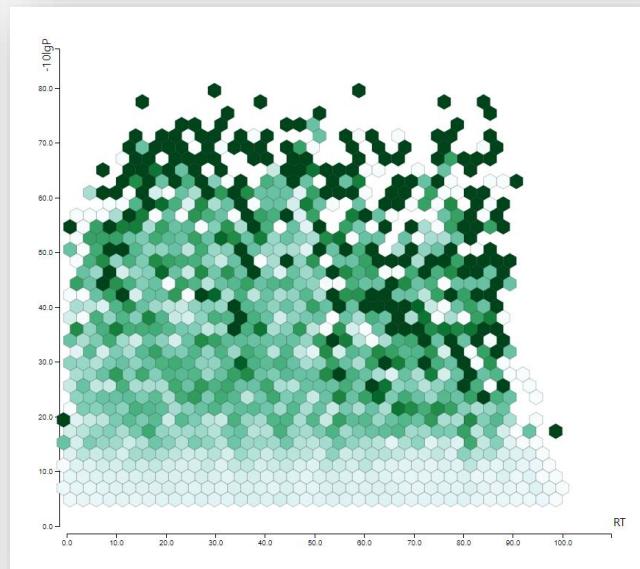
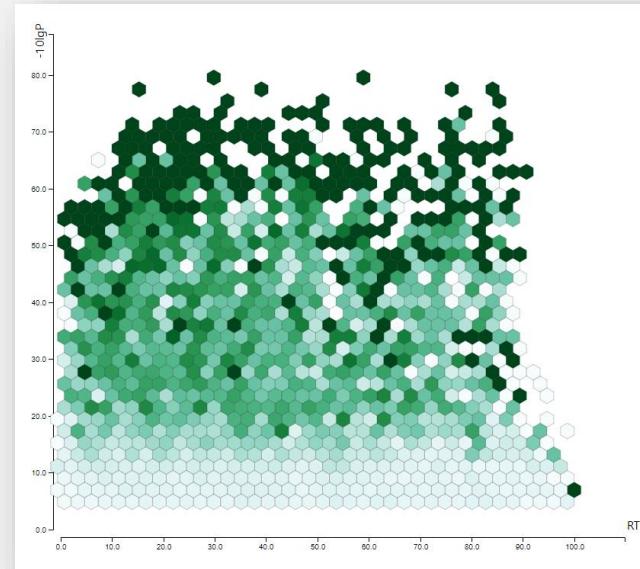
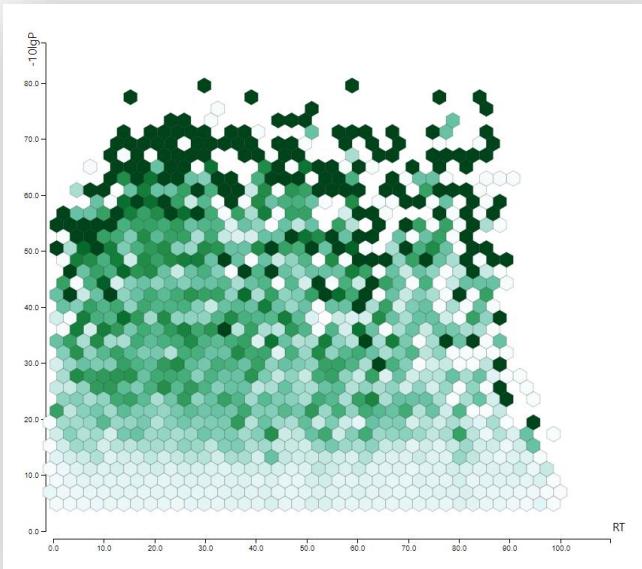
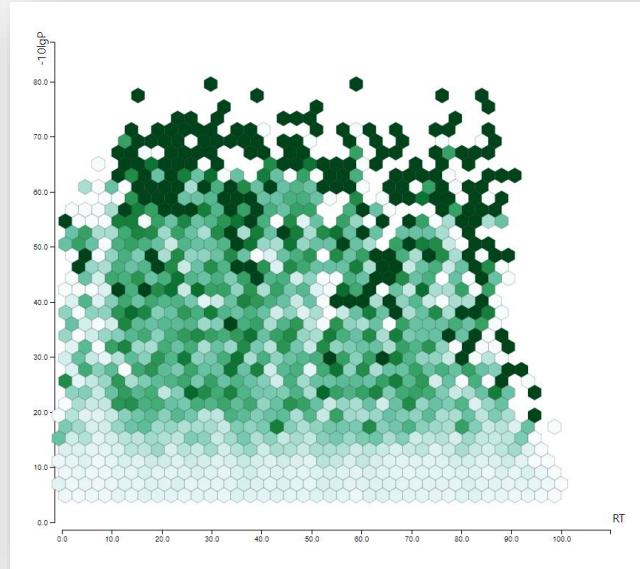
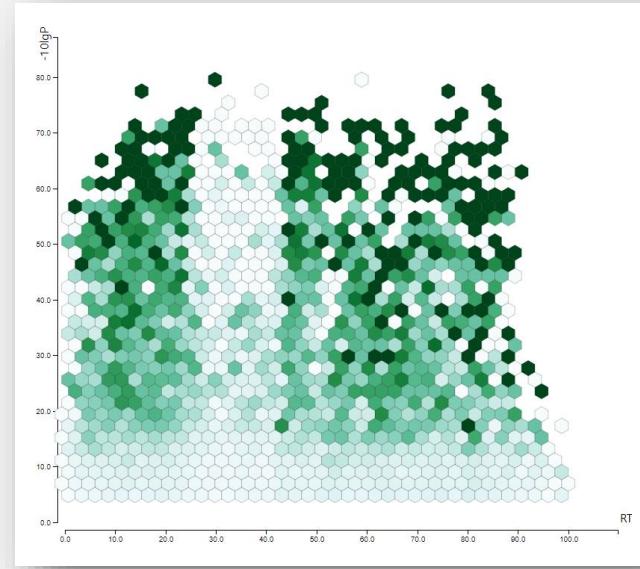
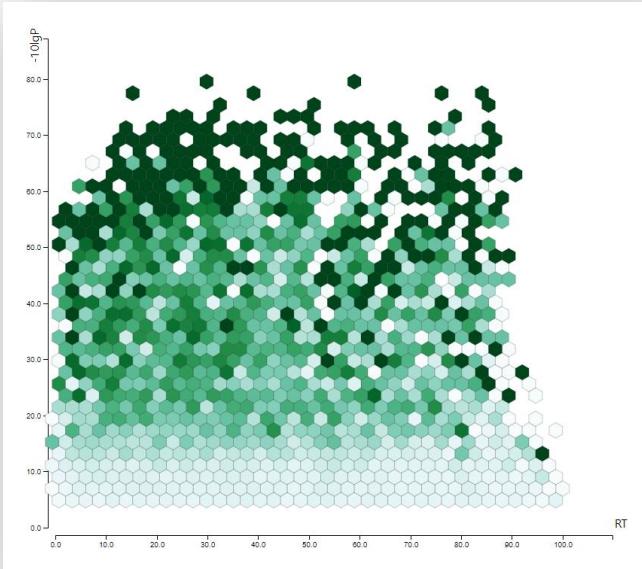
$\text{Mean}(x) = 54.26$

$\text{Mean}(y) = 47.83$

$\text{Std. Dev}(x) = 16.76$

$\text{Std. Dev}(y) = 26.93$

$\text{Correlation}(x,y) = -0.06$

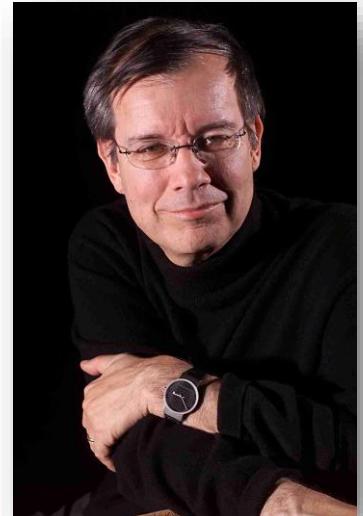


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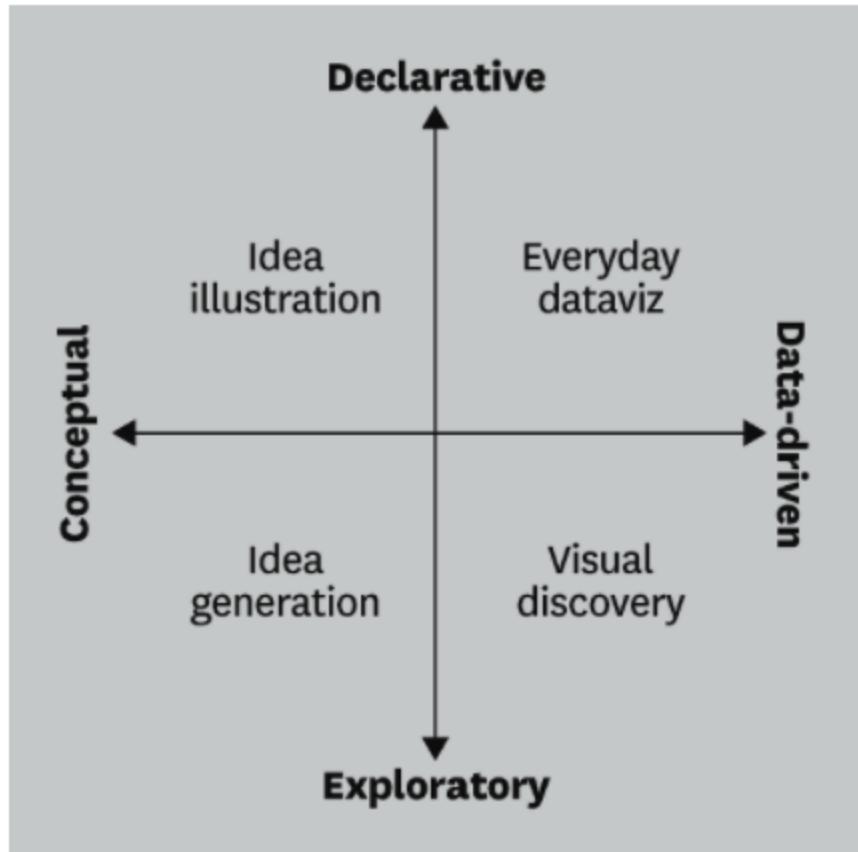


“The purpose of information visualization is to amplify cognitive performance, not just to create interesting pictures. Information visualizations should do for the mind what automobiles do for the feet.”

[Card 2008]



WHAT IS VISUALIZATION?



Is the information *conceptual* or *data-driven*?

ideas

stats

Am I *declaring* something or *exploring* something?

present

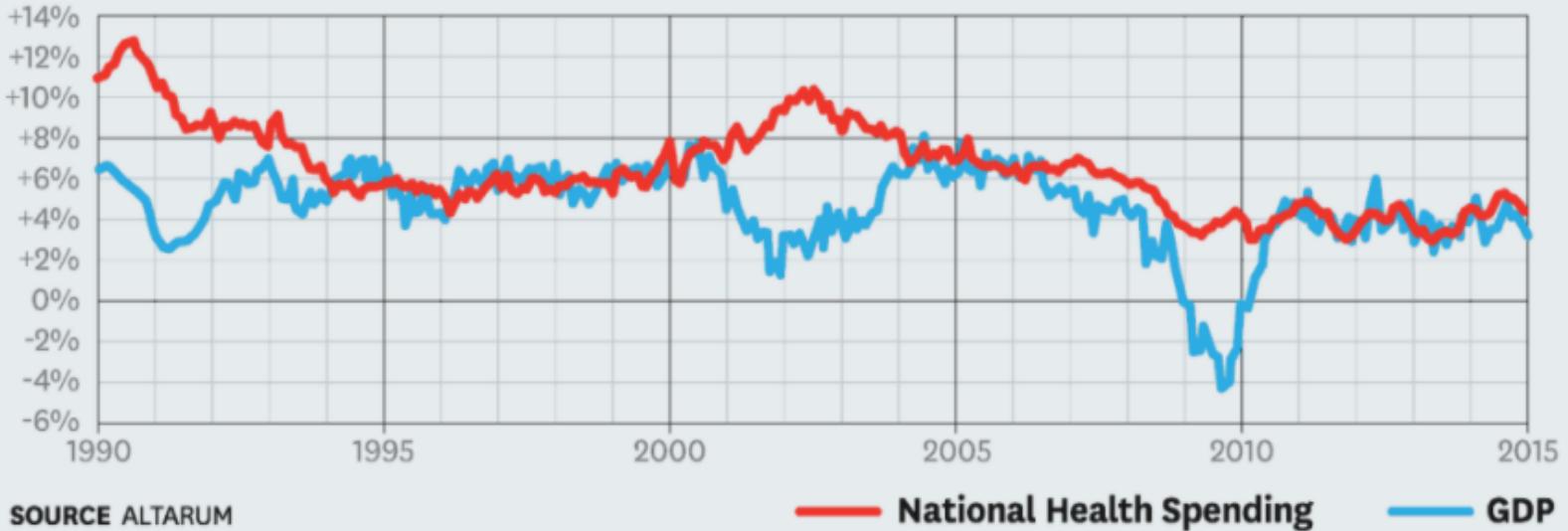
discover

[Berinato 2016]

DECLARATIVE, DATA-DRIVEN

Change in Health Spending and GDP

PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR



EVERYDAY DATAVIZ

INFO TYPE: Simple, low volume

TYPICAL SETTING: Formal, presentations

PRIMARY SKILLS: Design, storytelling

GOALS: Affirming, setting context

EXPLORATORY, DATA-DRIVEN



Example: SAS Predictive Analytics

VISUAL DISCOVERY

INFO TYPE: Big data, complex, dynamic

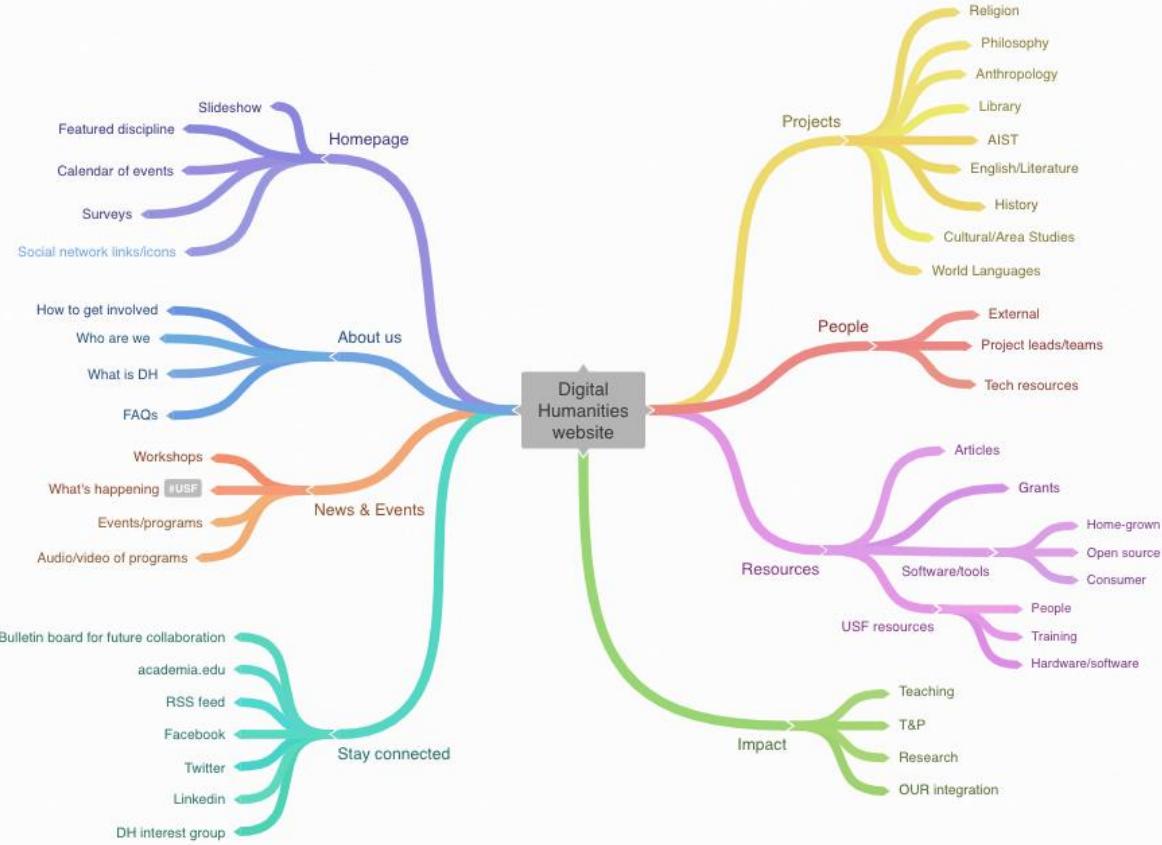
TYPICAL SETTING: Working sessions, testing, analysis

PRIMARY SKILLS: Business intelligence, programming, paired analysis

GOALS: Trend spotting, sense making, deep analysis



EXPLORATORY, CONCEPTUAL



Example: Mindmap

IDEA GENERATION

INFO TYPE: Complex, undefined

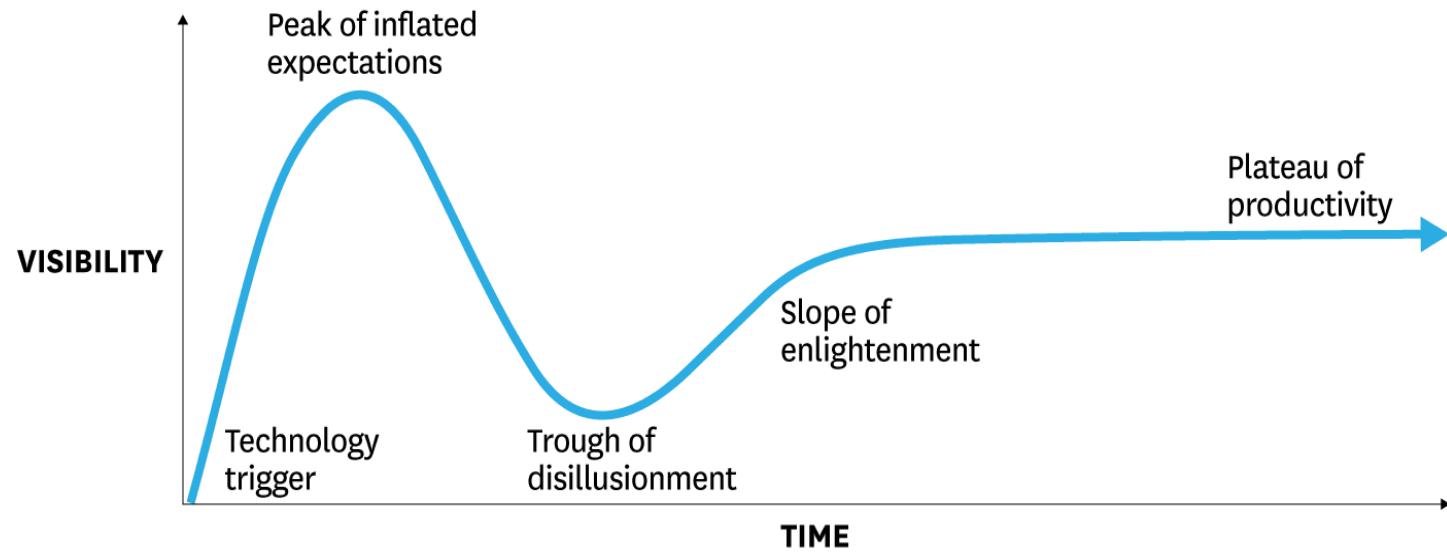
TYPICAL SETTING: Working session, brainstorming

PRIMARY SKILLS: Team-building, facilitation

GOALS: Problem solving, discovery, innovation

DECLARATIVE, CONCEPTUAL

Hype Cycle for Emerging Technologies



IDEA ILLUSTRATION

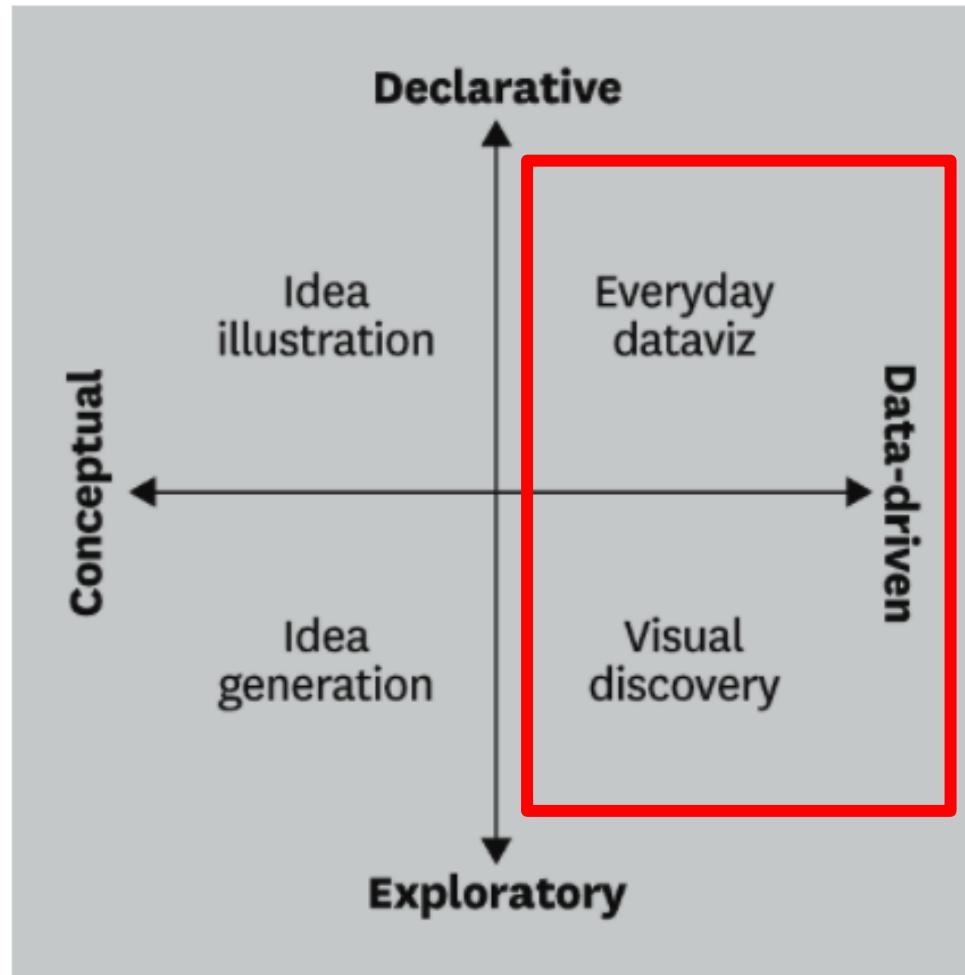
INFO TYPE: Process, framework

TYPICAL SETTING: Presentations, teaching

PRIMARY SKILLS: Design, editing

GOALS: Learning, simplifying, explaining

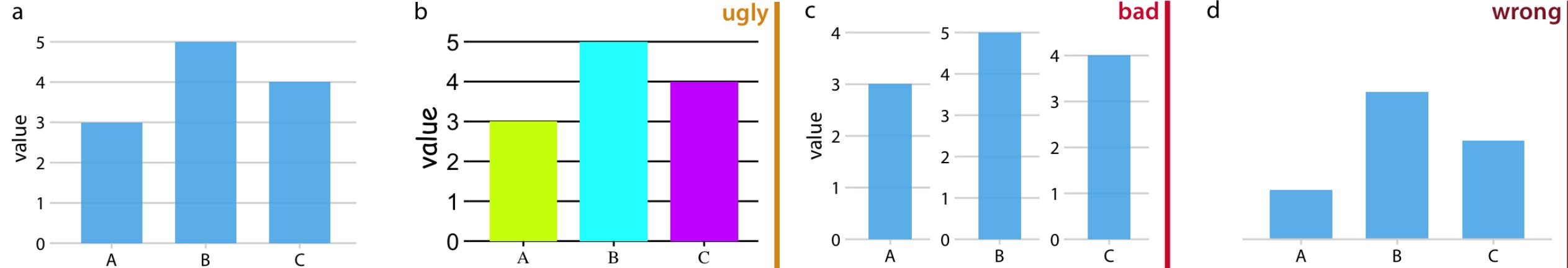
WHAT IS DATA VISUALIZATION?



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VISUALIZATIONS AS STUMBLING BLOCKS

WHAT MAKES A BAD VISUALIZATION?

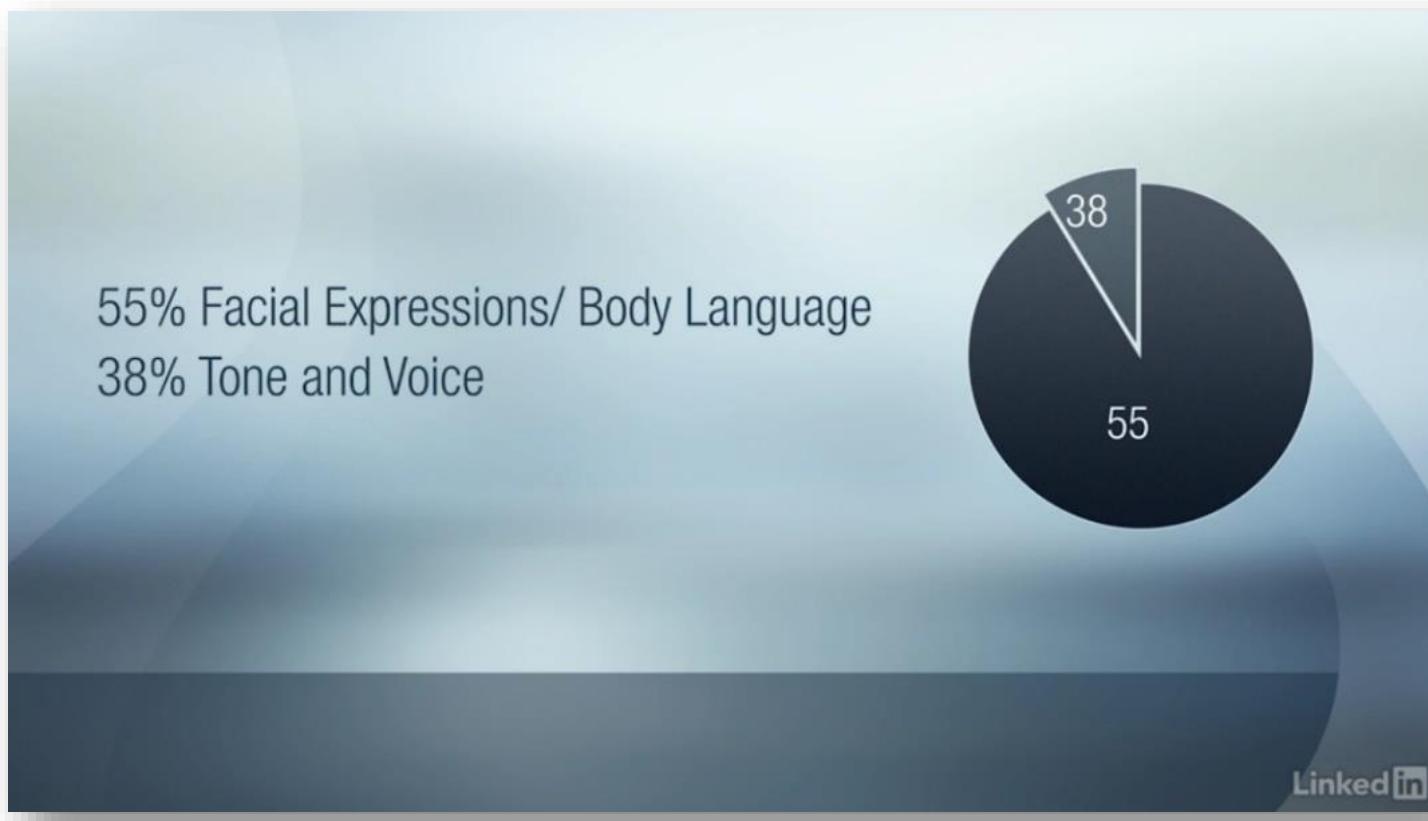


ugly—A figure that has aesthetic problems but otherwise is clear and informative.

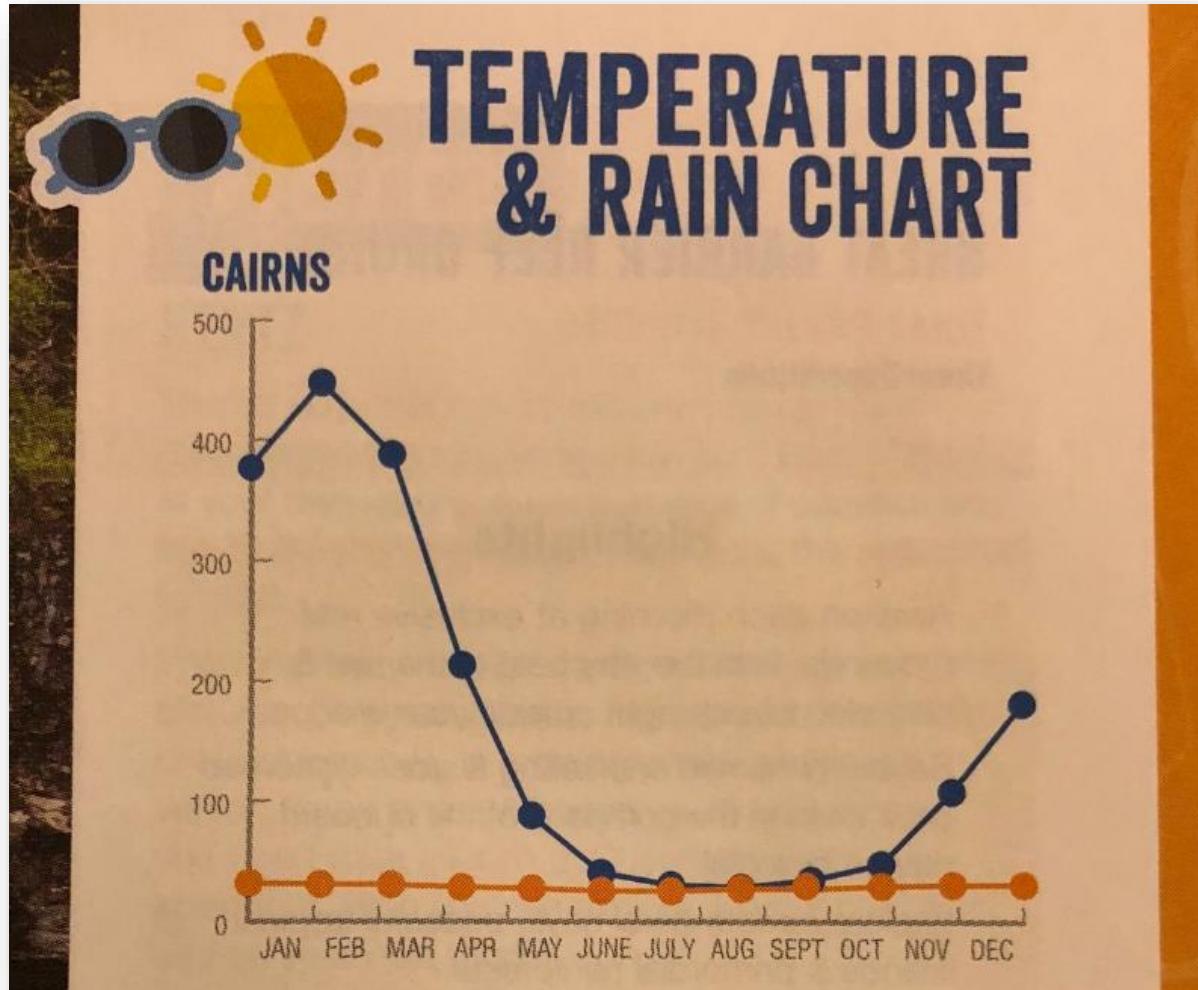
bad—A figure that has problems related to perception; it may be unclear, confusing, overly complicated, or deceiving.

wrong—A figure that has problems related to mathematics; it is objectively incorrect.

“WRONG VISUALIZATIONS”



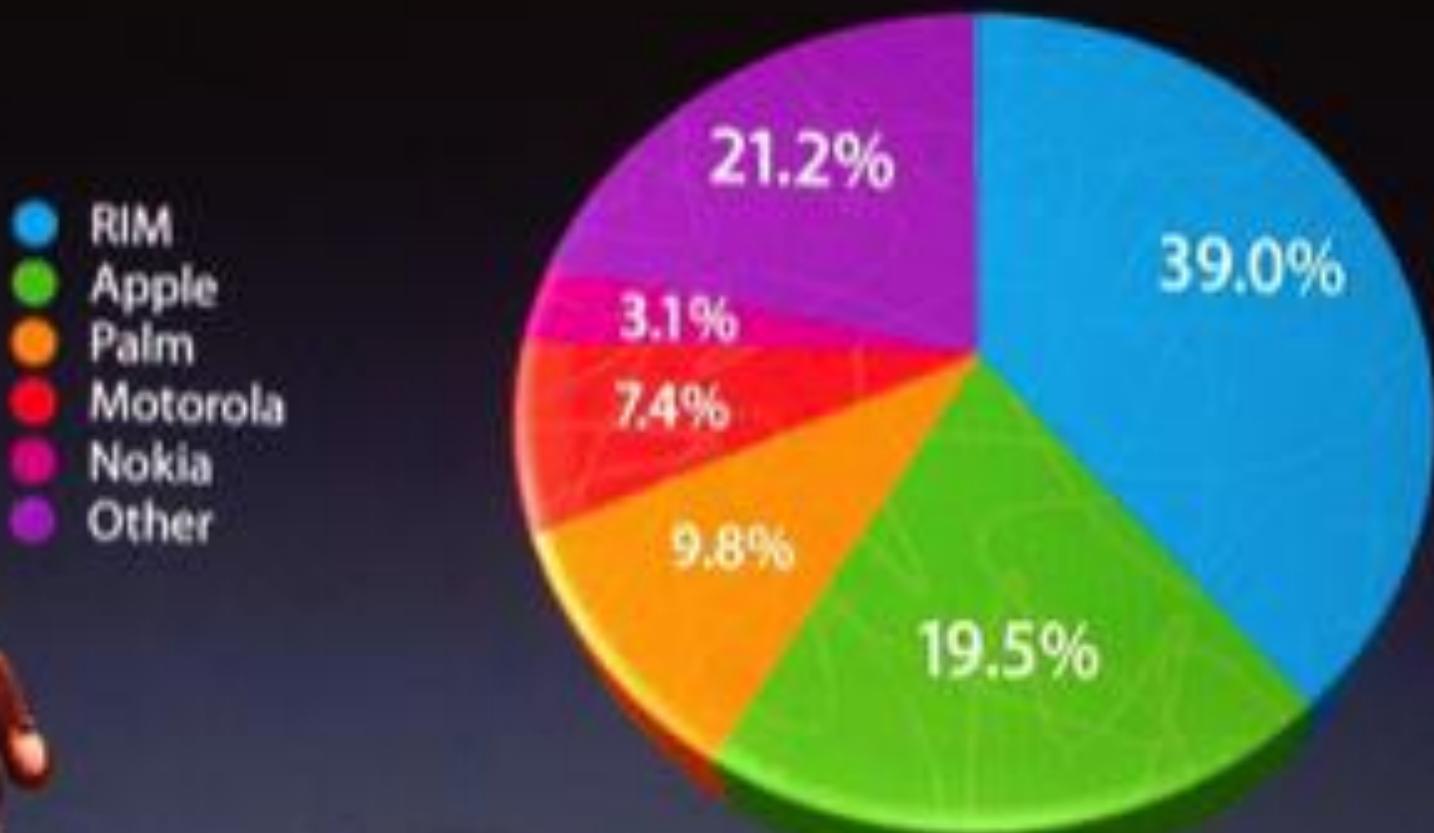
“BAD VISUALIZATIONS”



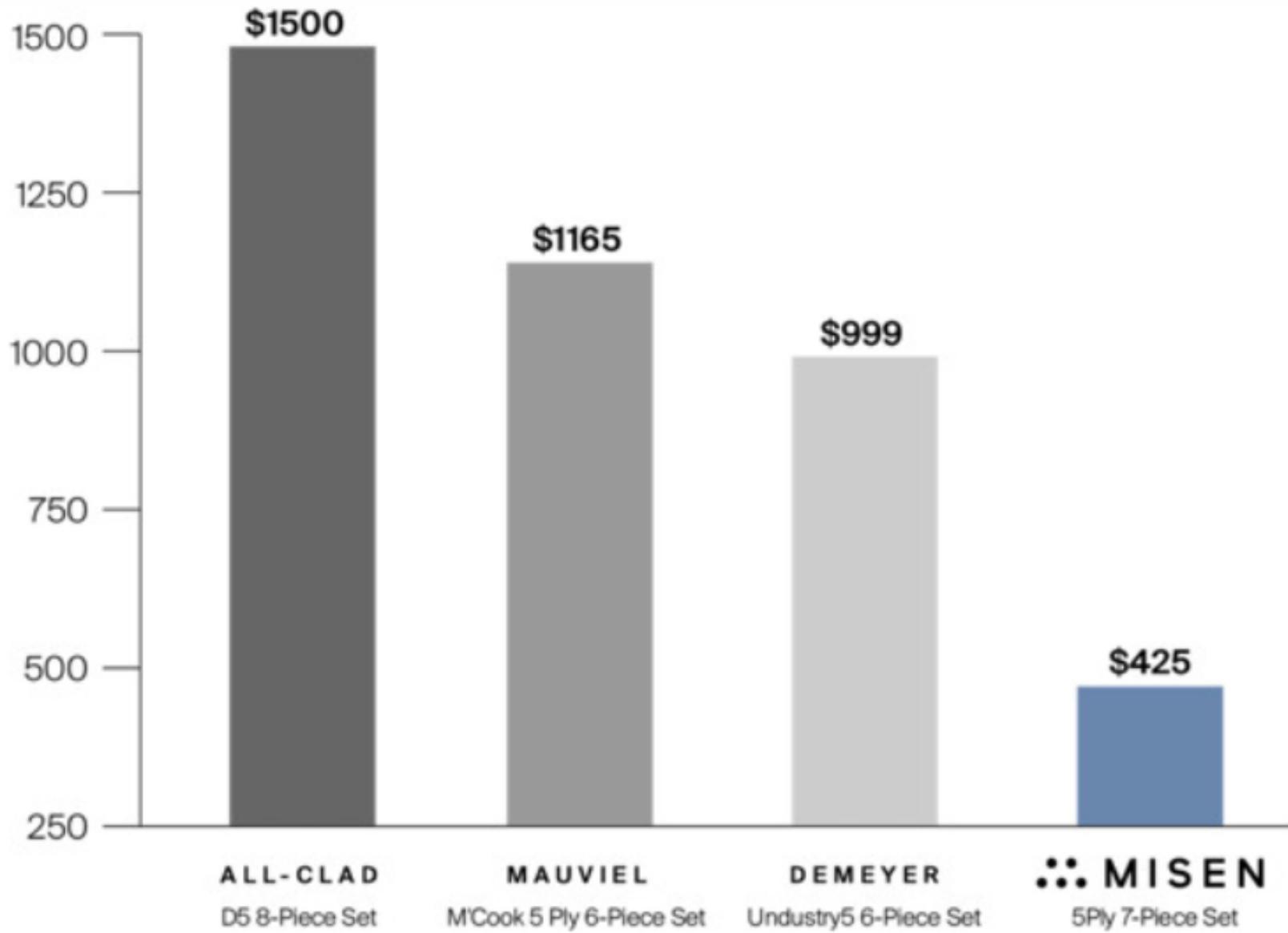
“UGLY VISUALIZATIONS”



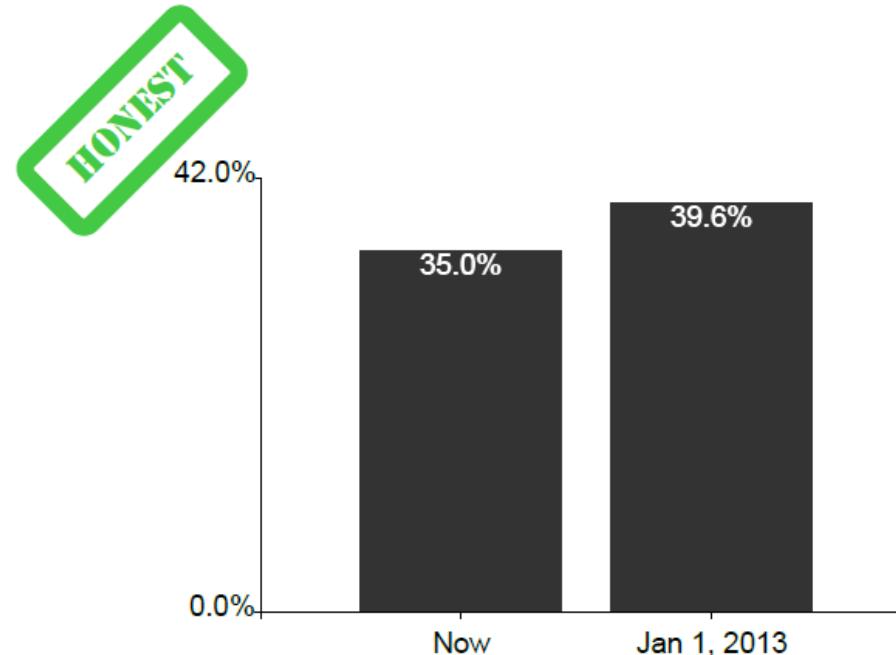
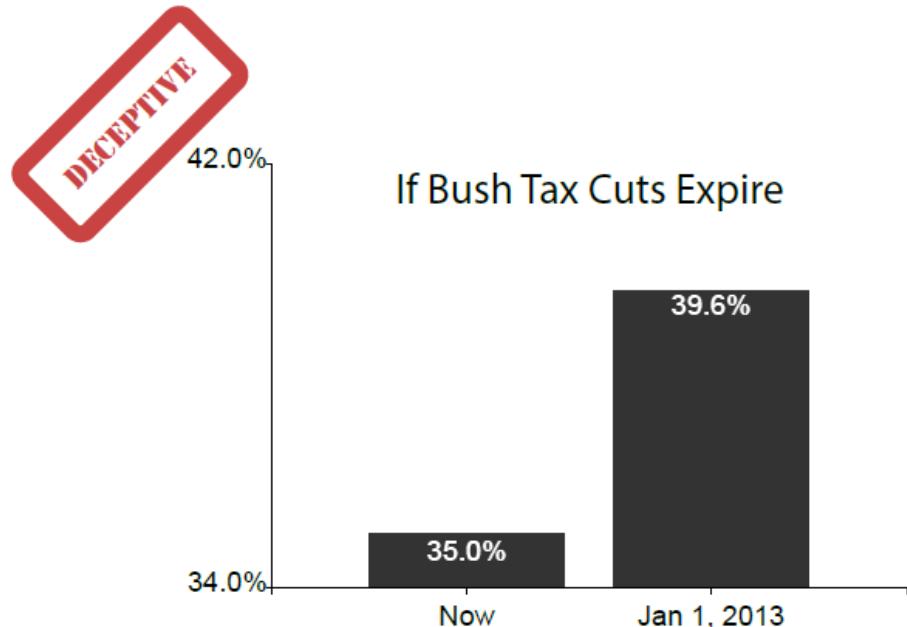
U.S. SmartPhone Marketshare



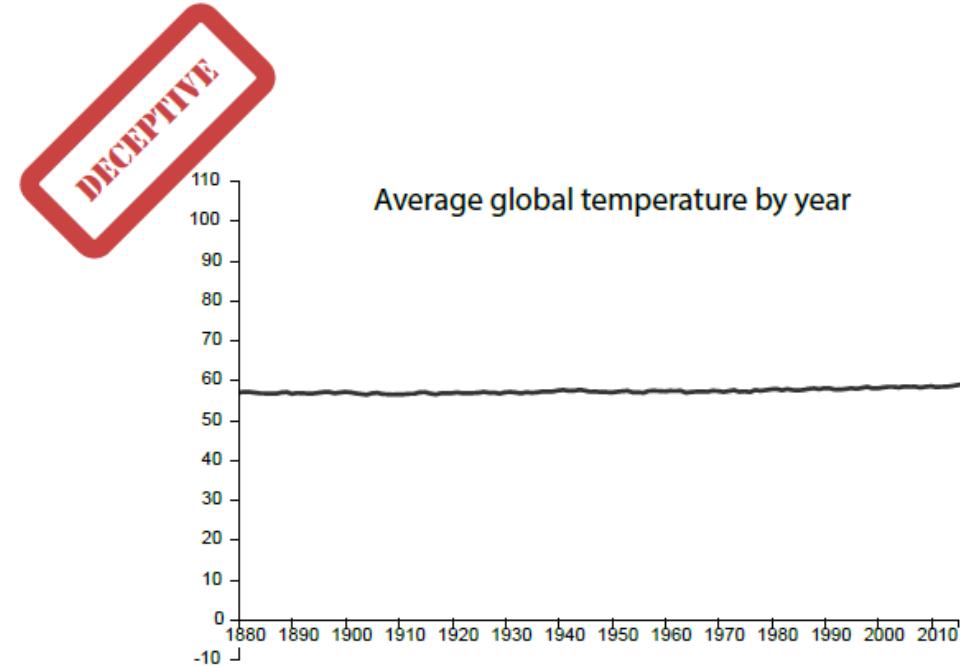
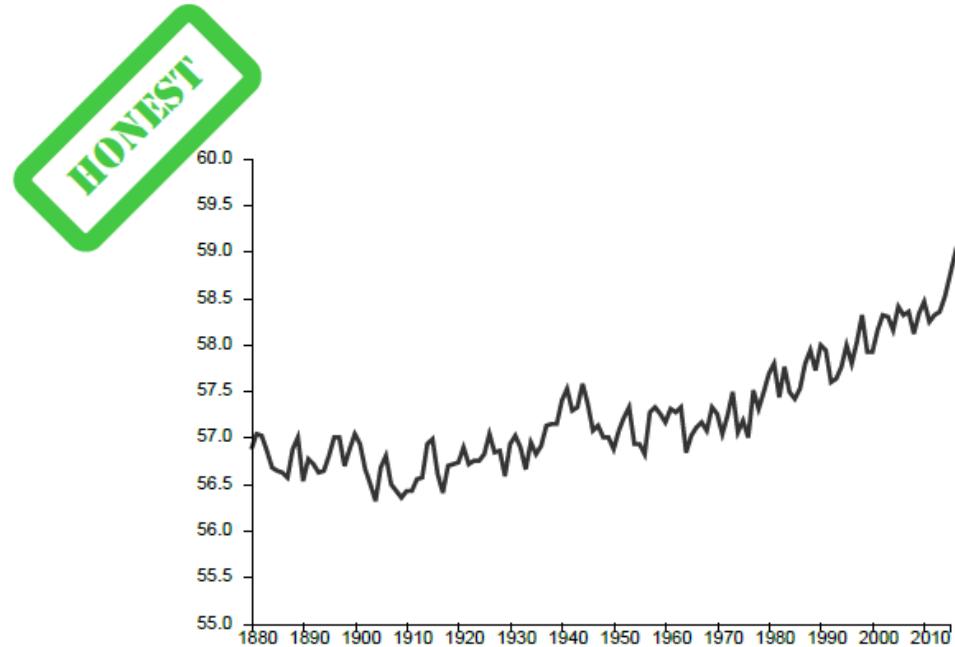
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THE BAR / COLUMN CHART



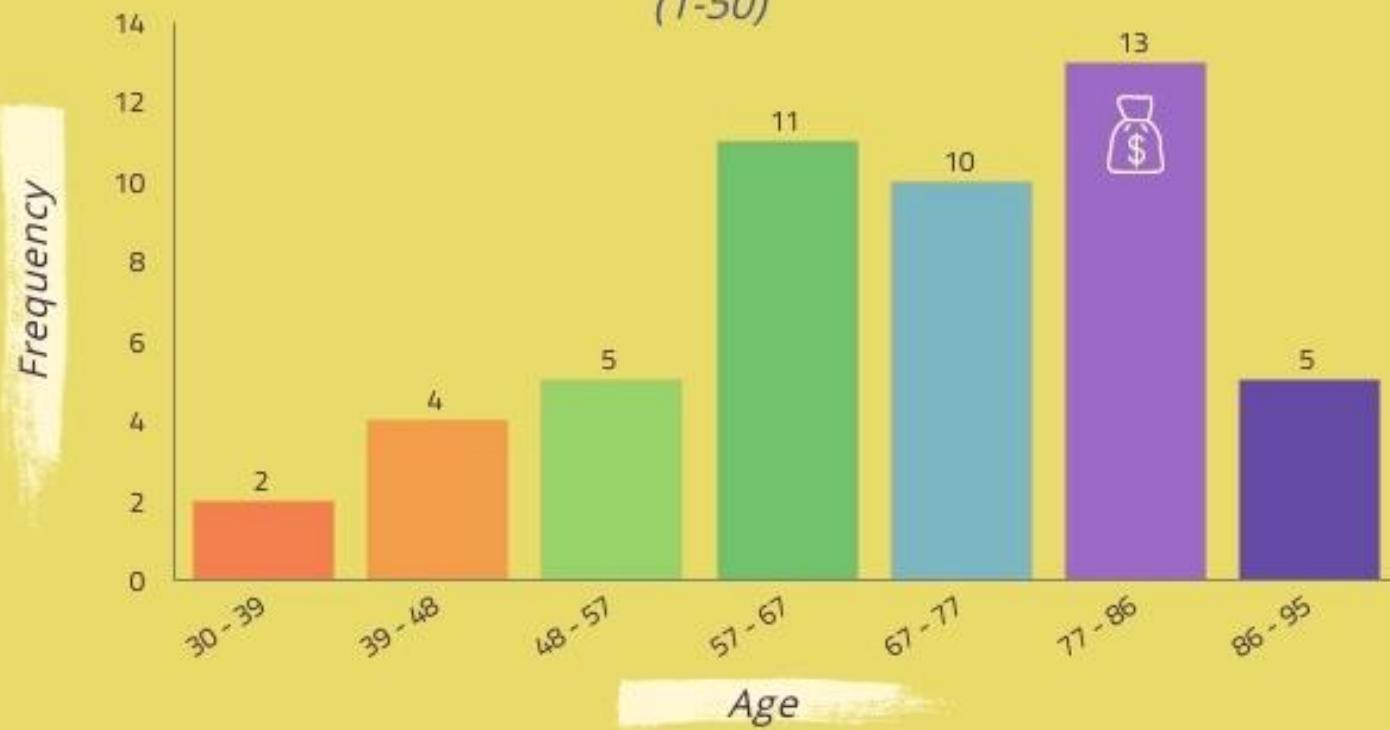
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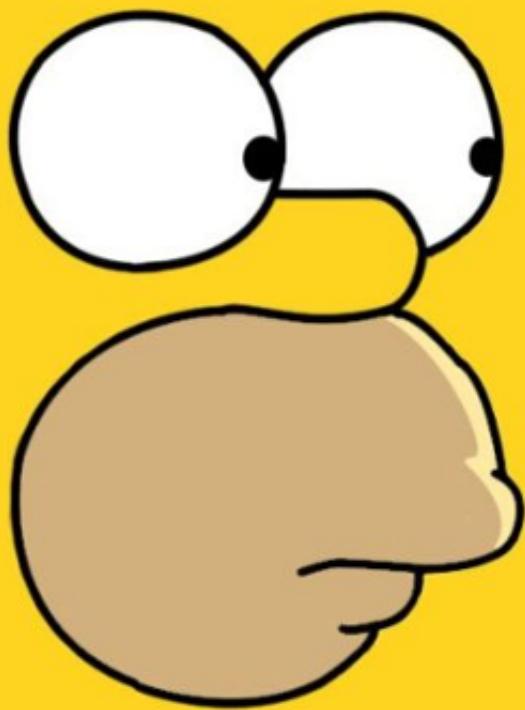
Age of 2019's

Richest People

(1-50)



The SIMPSONS



Rating Category

 Great	 Bad
 Good	 Garbage
 Regular	

Episode

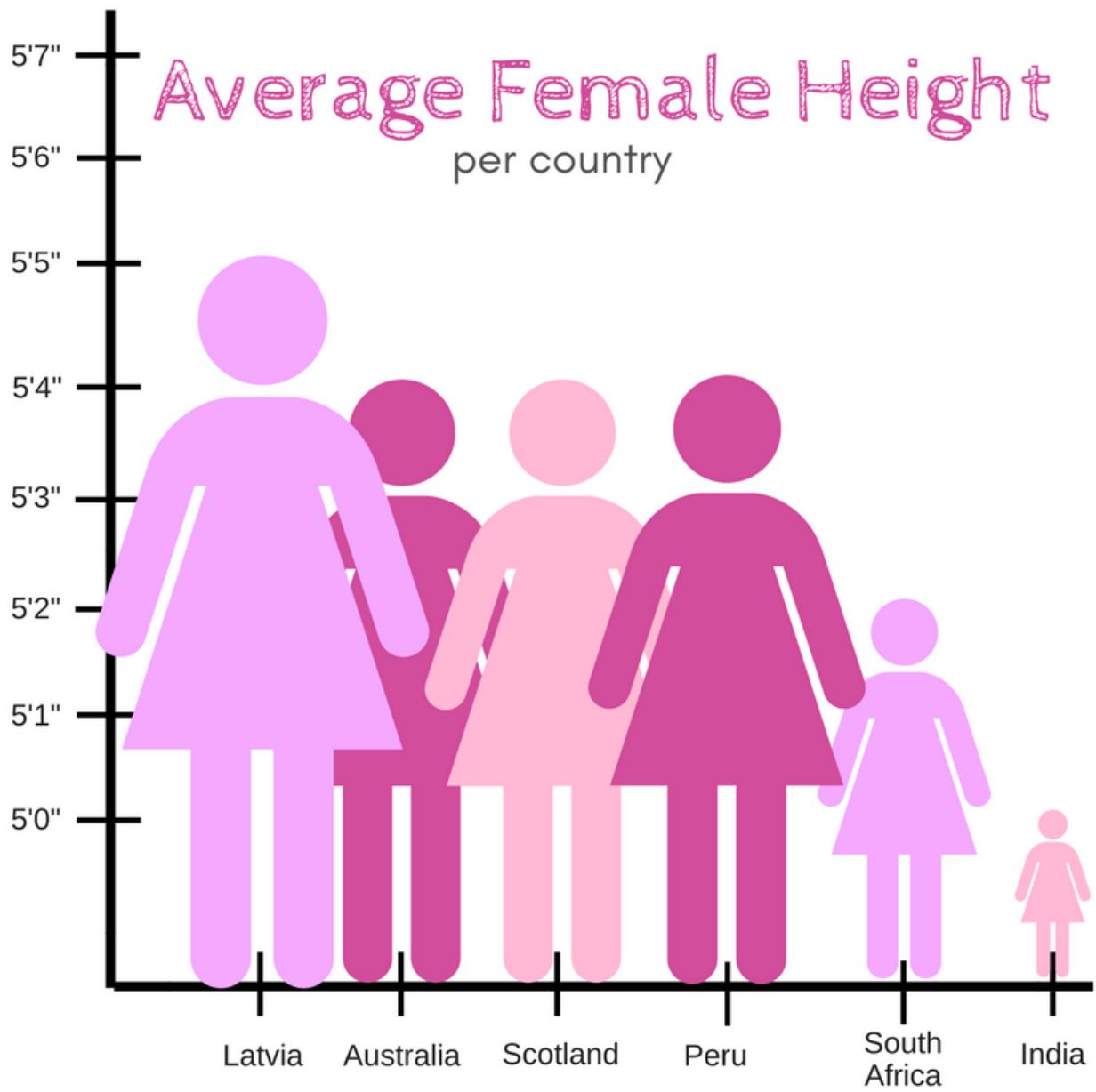
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Data: Internet Movie Database <https://www.imdb.com/interfaces/>

Idea: <https://www.espinof.com/animacion/guia-de-supervivencia-de-los-simpson-el-momento-definitivo-en-que-la-serie-co..>

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Misleading graph

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In statistics, a **misleading graph**, also known as a **distorted graph**, is a graph that misrepresents data, constituting a misuse of statistics and with the result that an incorrect conclusion may be derived from it.

Graphs may be misleading by being excessively complex or poorly constructed. Even when constructed to display the characteristics of their data accurately, graphs can be subject to different interpretations, or unintended kinds of data can seemingly and ultimately erroneously be derived.^[1]

Misleading graphs may be created intentionally to hinder the proper interpretation of data or accidentally due to unfamiliarity with **graphing software**, misinterpretation of data, or because data cannot be accurately conveyed. Misleading graphs are often used in **false advertising**. One of the first authors to write about misleading graphs was Darrell Huff, publisher of the 1954 book *How to Lie with Statistics*.

The field of **data visualization** describes ways to present information that avoids creating misleading graphs.

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1 Misleading graph methods
1.1 Excessive usage
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Data visualization

Major dimensions

Exploratory data analysis · Information design

· Interactive data visualization ·

Descriptive statistics · Inferential statistics ·

Statistical graphics · Plot · Data analysis ·

Infographic · Data science

Important figures

Tamara Munzner · Ben Shneiderman ·
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Simon Wardley · Hans Rosling ·
David McCandless · Alexander Osterwalder ·
Ed Hawkins · Hadley Wickham ·
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Information graphic types

Line chart · Bar chart · Histogram · Scatterplot
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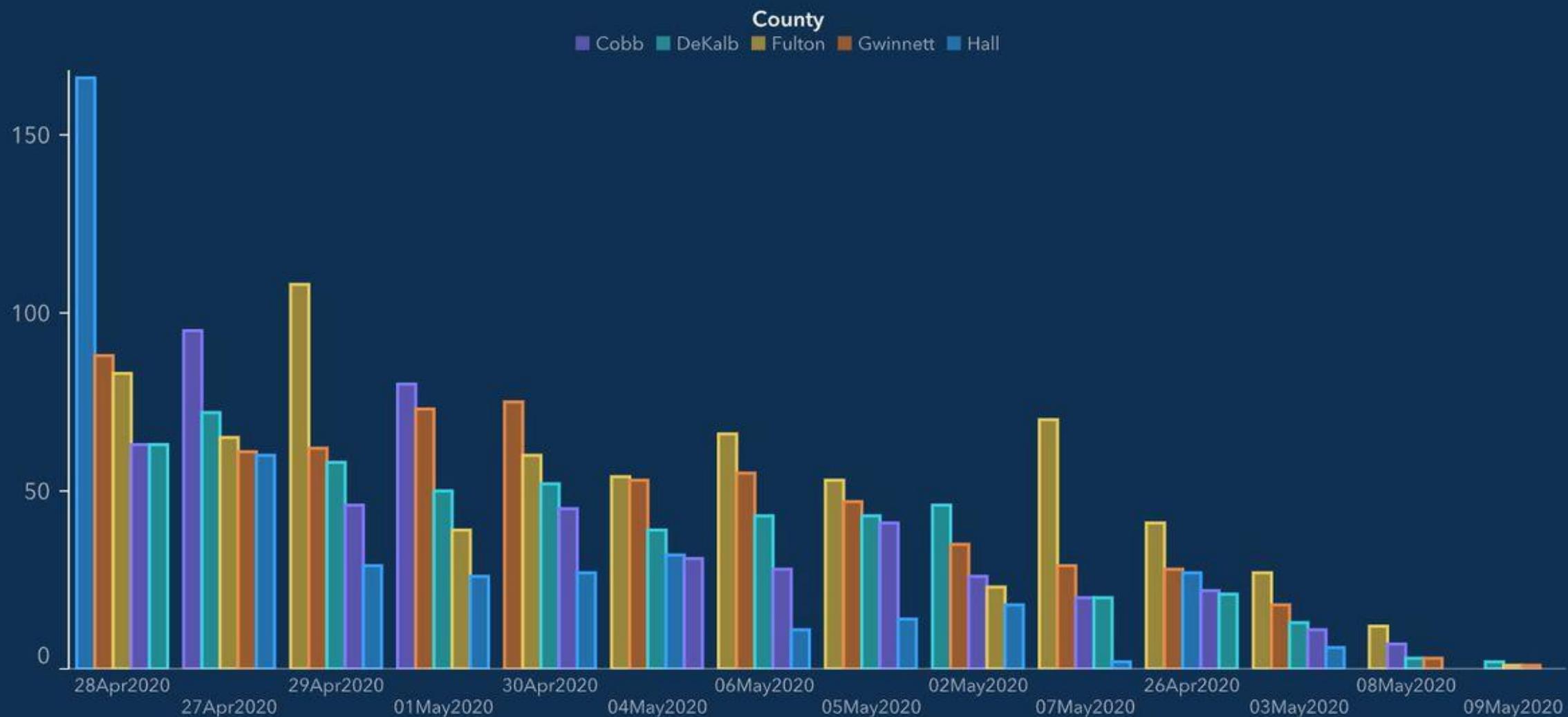
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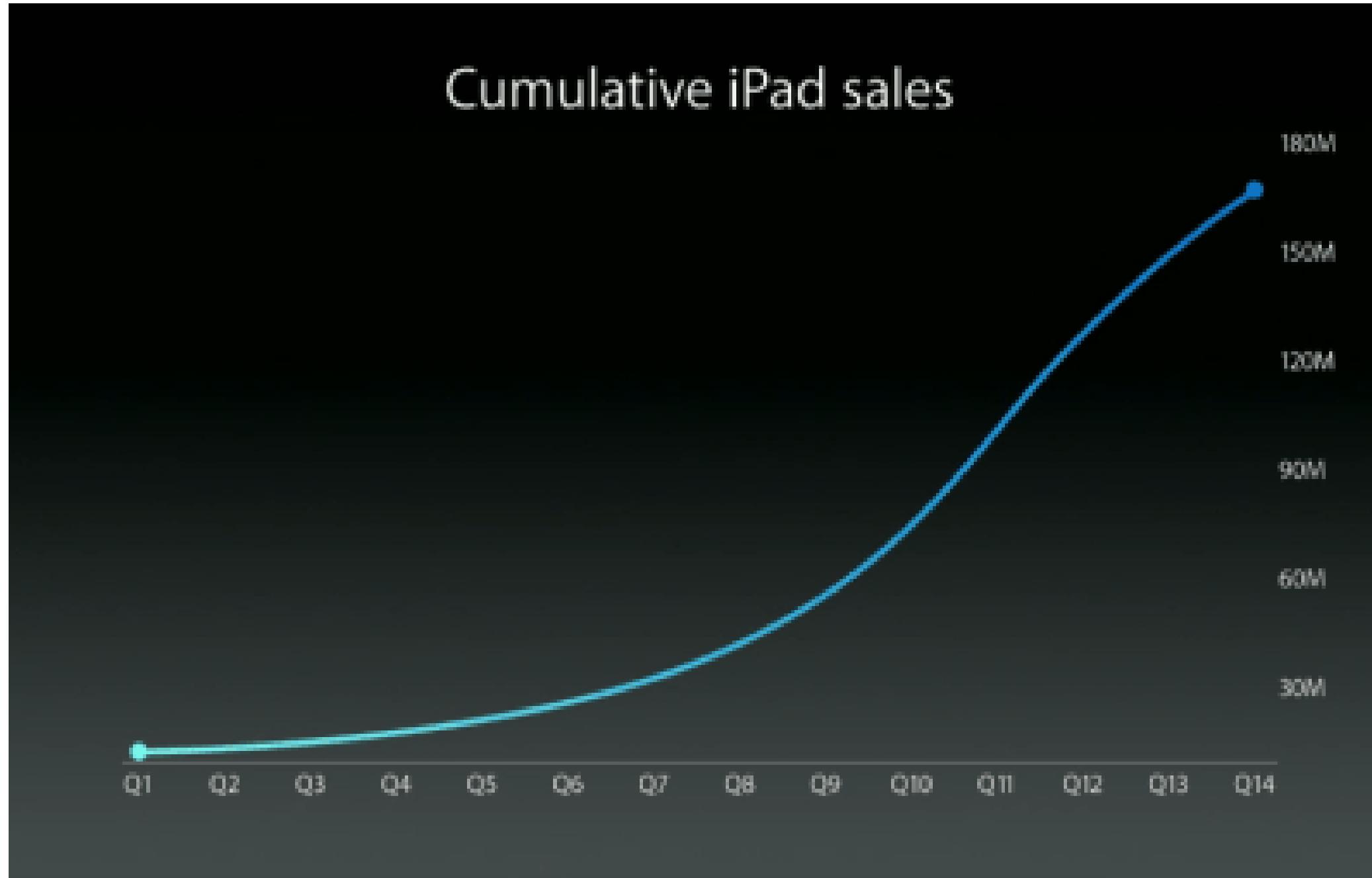
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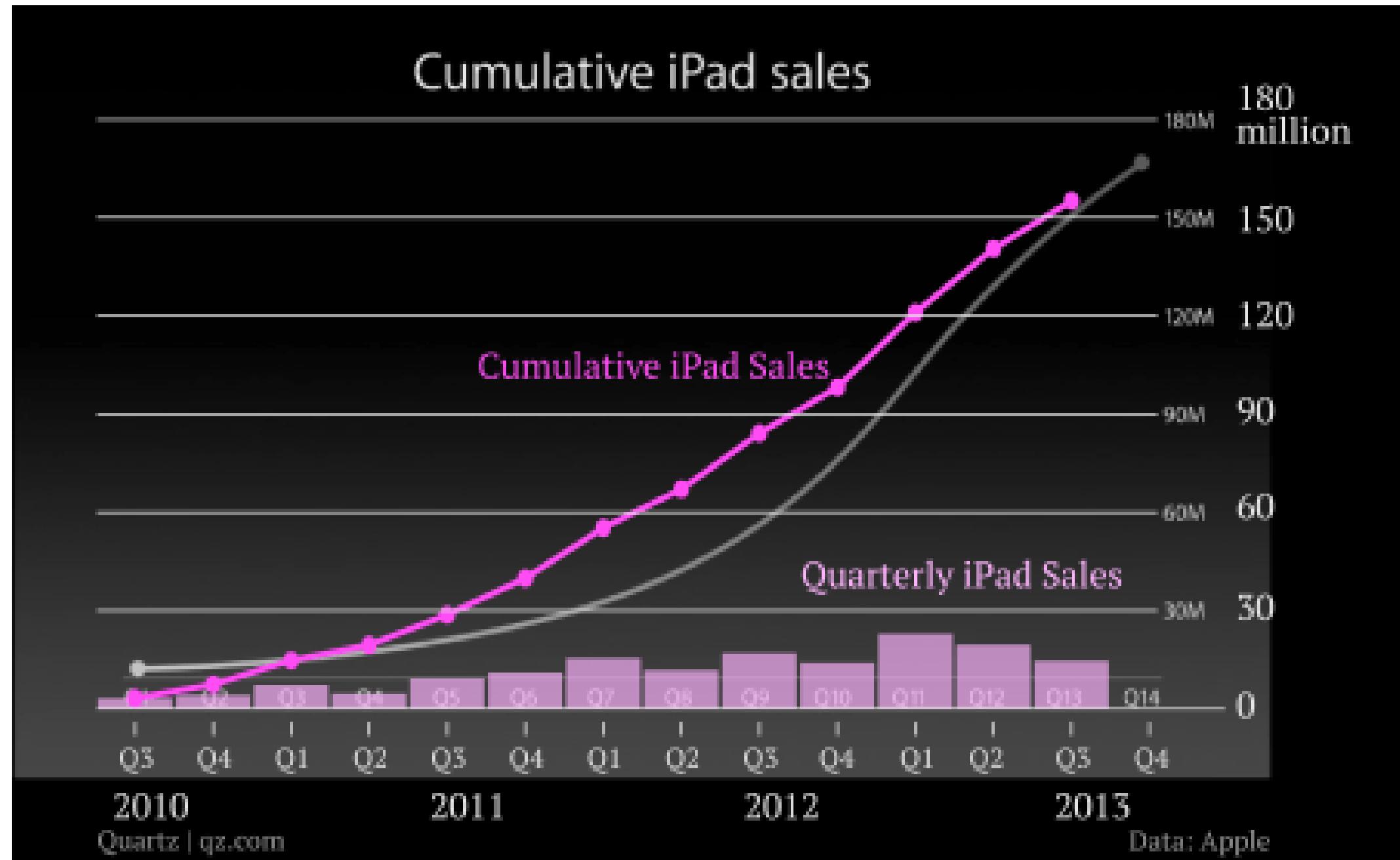
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Top 5 Counties with the Greatest Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

The chart below represents the most impacted counties over the past 15 days and the number of cases over time. The table below also represents the number of deaths and hospitalizations in each of those impacted counties.

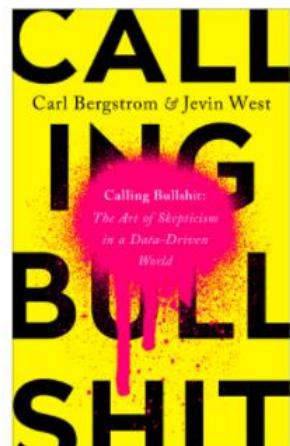




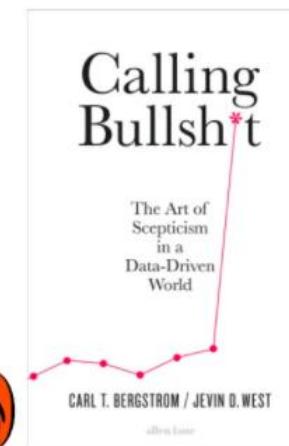


Calling Bullshit

Data Reasoning in a Digital World



Penguin
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Now available! *Calling Bullshit: The Art of Skepticism in a Data-Driven World*, by Carl Bergstrom and Jevin West. [Available here.](#)

The world is awash in bullshit. Politicians are unconstrained by facts. Science is conducted by press release. Higher education rewards bullshit over analytic thought. Startup culture elevates bullshit to high art. Advertisers wink conspiratorially and invite us to join them in seeing through all the bullshit –



PART 2: GUIDELINES

EXPRESSIVENESS: WHAT'S YOUR DATA?

Quantitative Data		Qualitative Data		
	Continuous Data	Discrete Data	Ordinal Data	Categorical Data
Interpolate	✓			
Difference	✓	✓		
Sort	✓	✓	✓	
Match	✓	✓	✓	✓

Adapted from [Stevens 1946] – DOI: 10.1126/science.103.2684.677

VISUALIZATION FUNDAMENTALS: MARKS

→ Points



→ Lines



→ Areas



VISUALIZATION FUNDAMENTALS: CHANNELS

④ Position

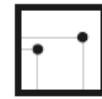
→ Horizontal



→ Vertical



→ Both



④ Color



④ Tilt



④ Shape



④ Size

→ Length



→ Area



→ Volume



VISUALIZATION FUNDAMENTALS: EXPRESSIVENESS

categorical data:



ordinal data:



discrete data:

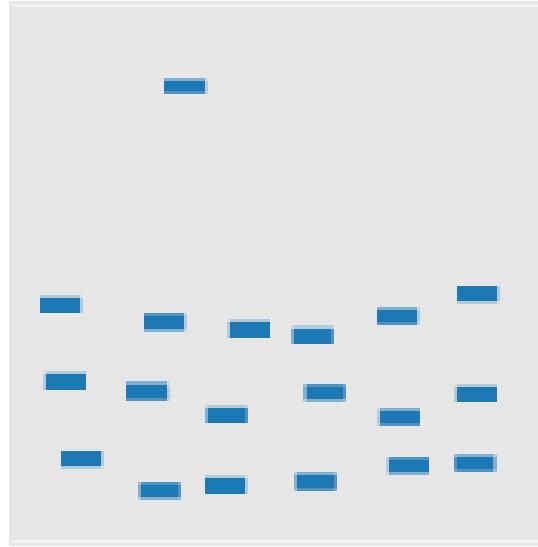


continuous data:

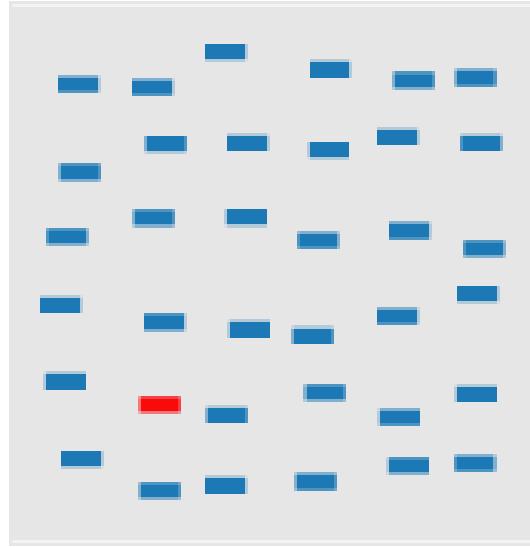


Rule #1: Map your data onto matching channels

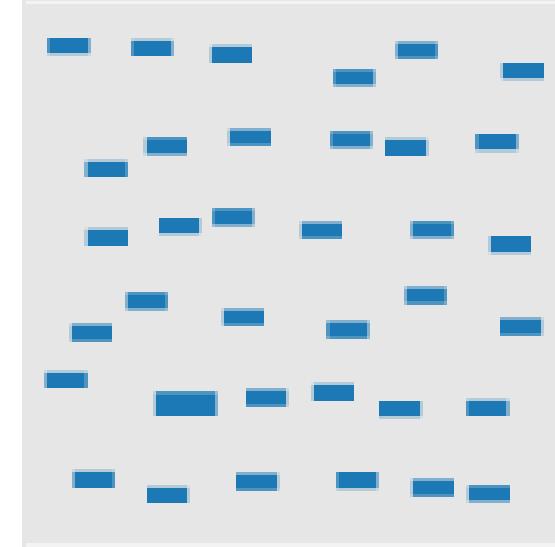
VISUALIZATION FUNDAMENTALS: PRECEDENCE



Position

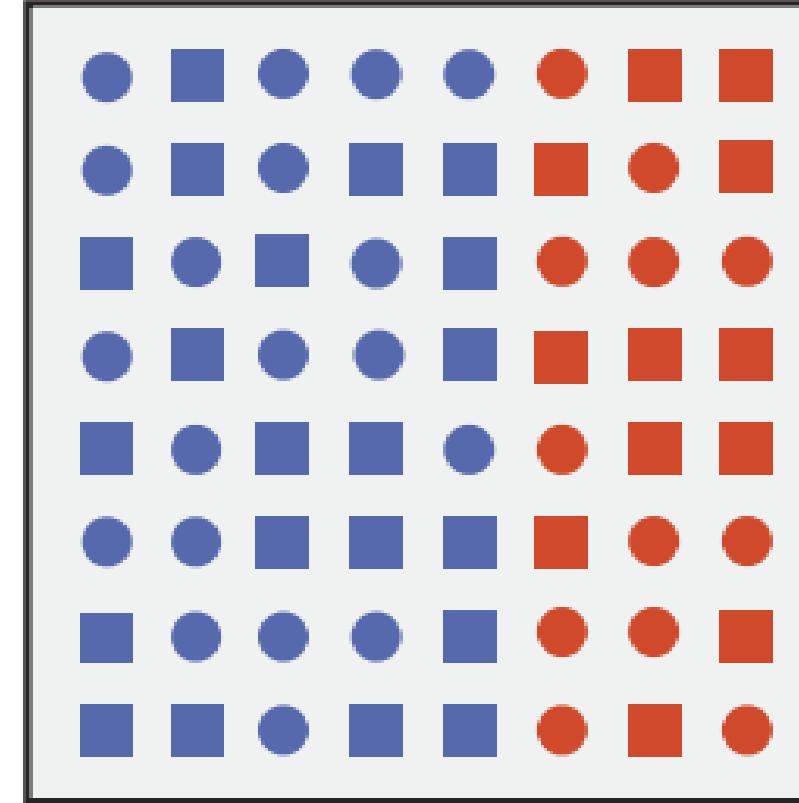
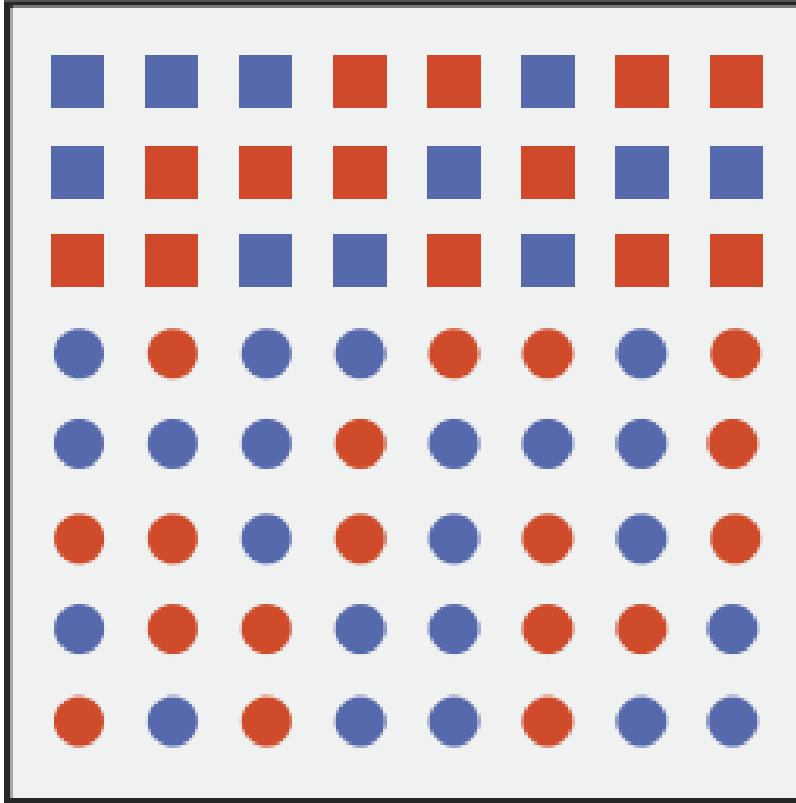


Color



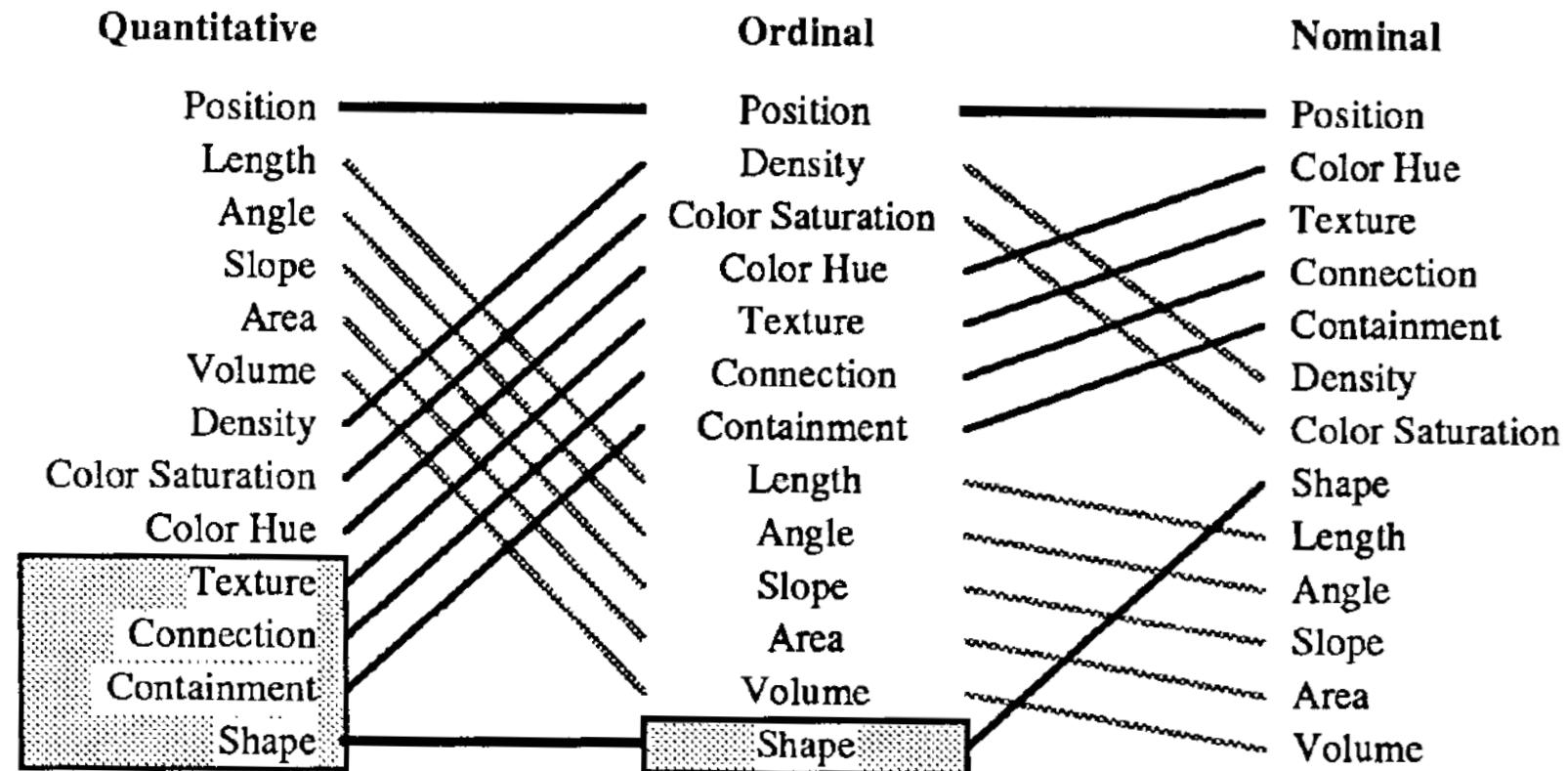
Size

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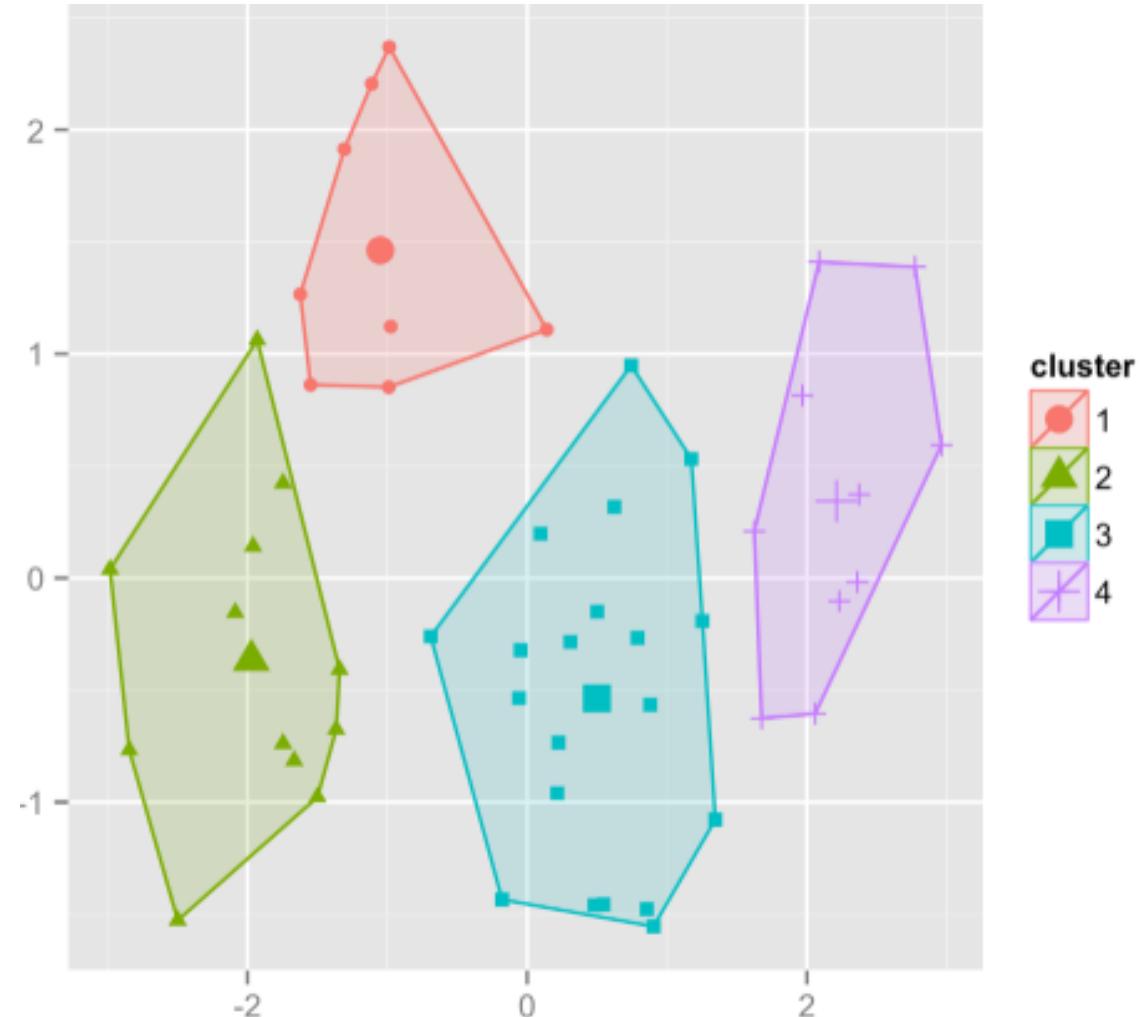
Hue-on-form hierarchy

MAPPING FUNDAMENTALS: PRECEDENCE



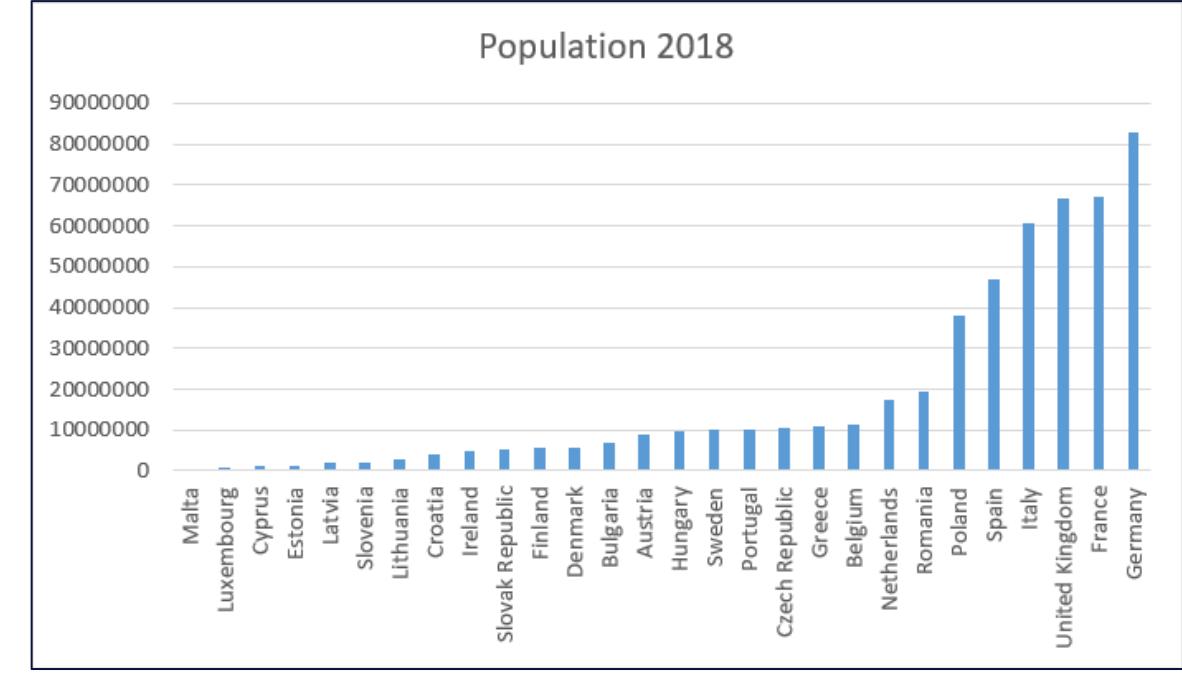
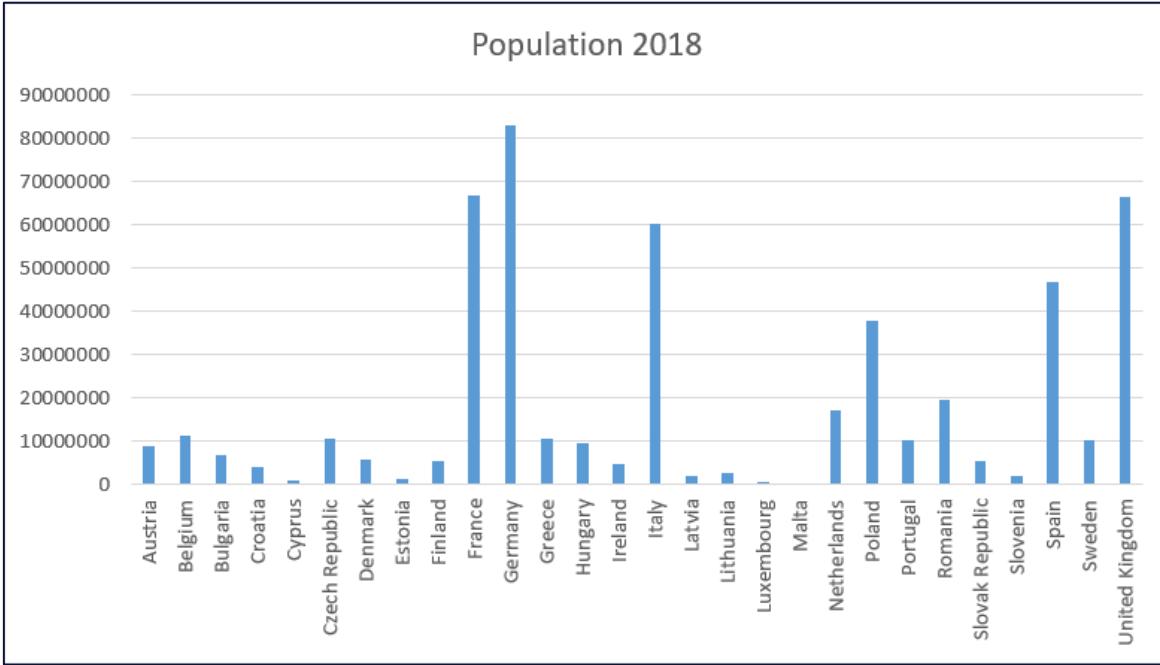
Rule #2: Map your data in order of importance to channels

DOUBLE ENCODING FOR EVEN MORE OOOOMPH!



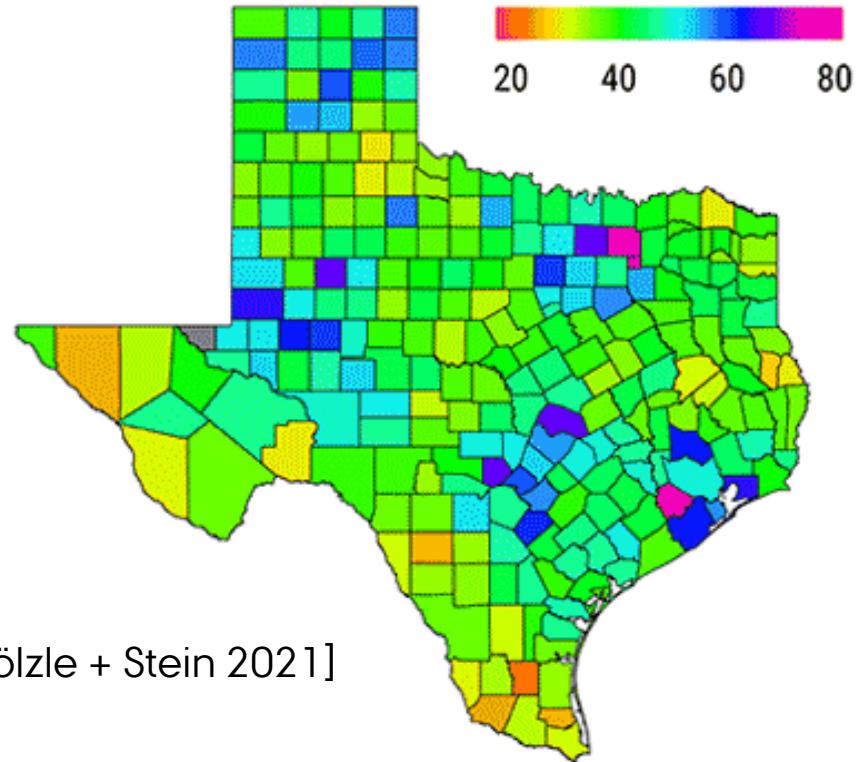
Rule #3: Encode the main message in multiple channels.

EFFECTIVENESS: WHAT IS THE TASK?

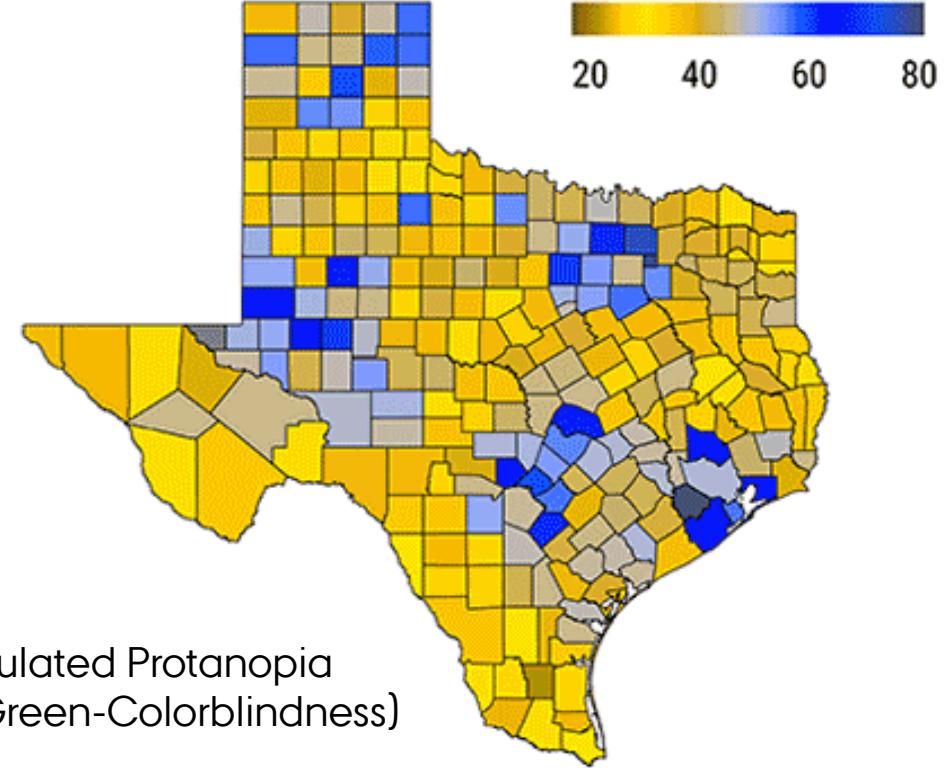


Rule #4: Adjust your chart to best support the reading task.

EFFECTIVENESS: WHO ARE YOUR READERS?

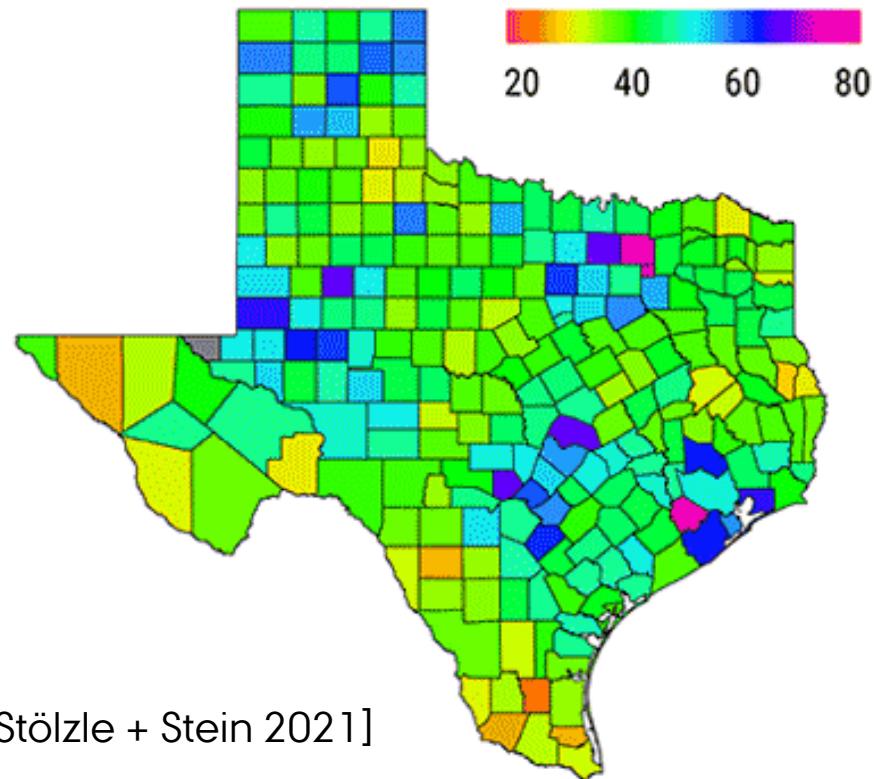


[Stölzle + Stein 2021]

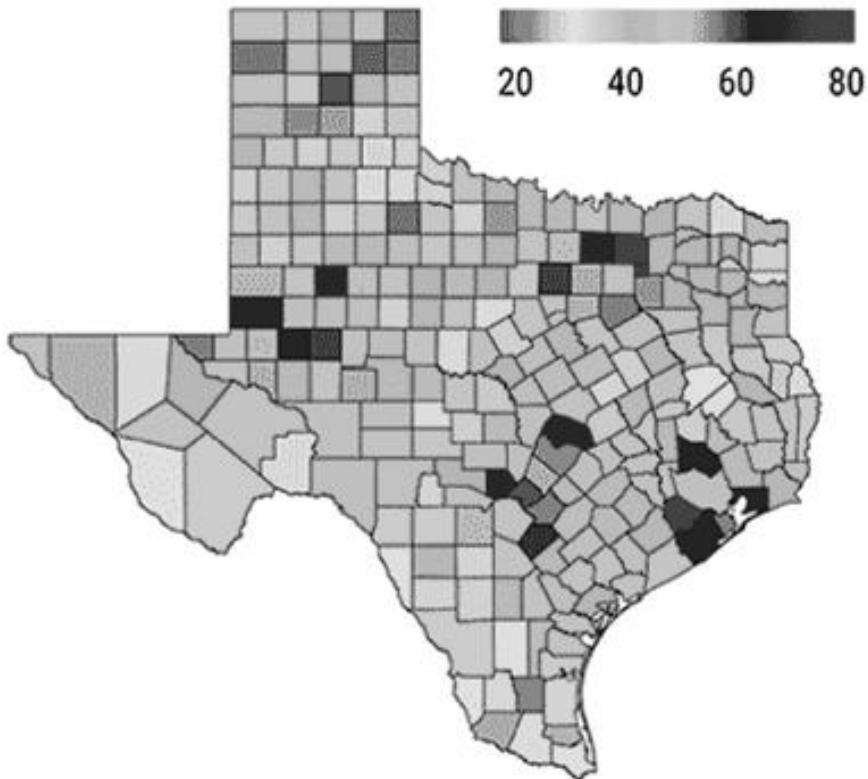


Simulated Protanopia
(Red-Green-Colorblindness)

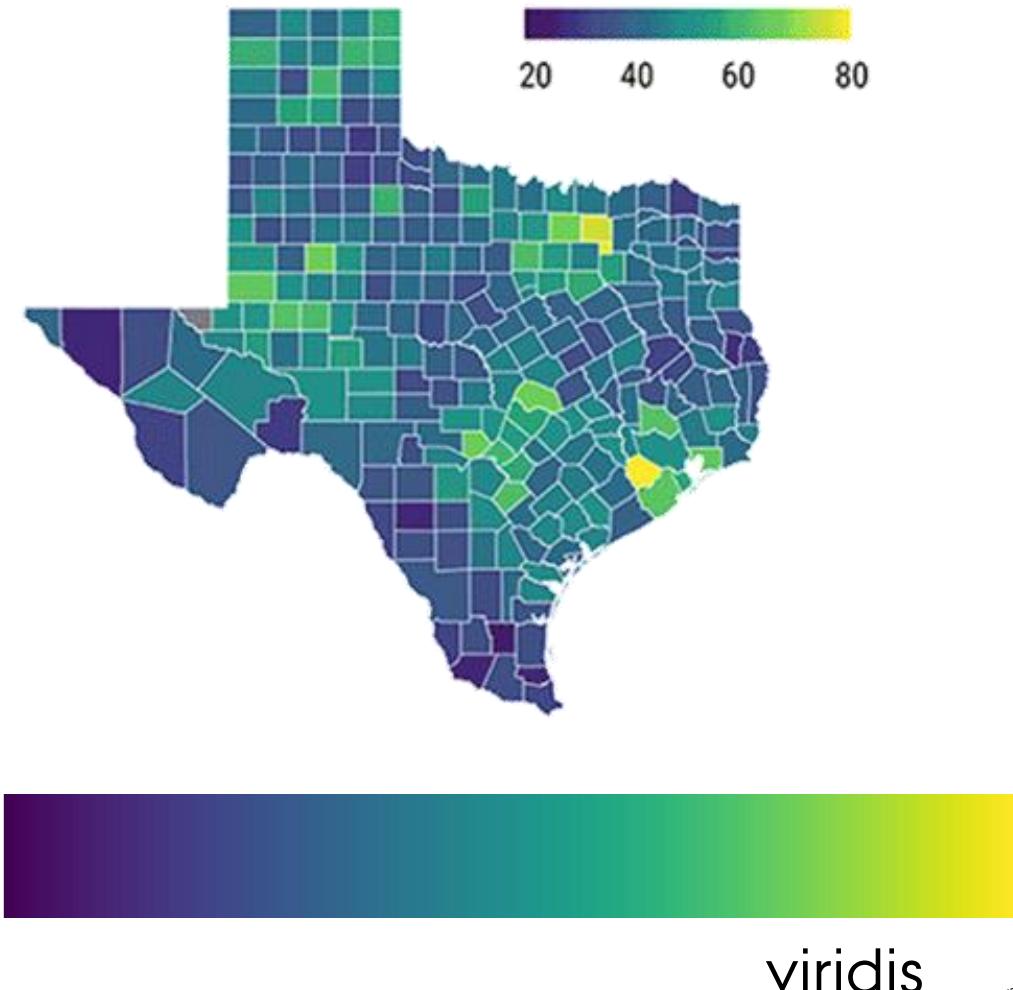
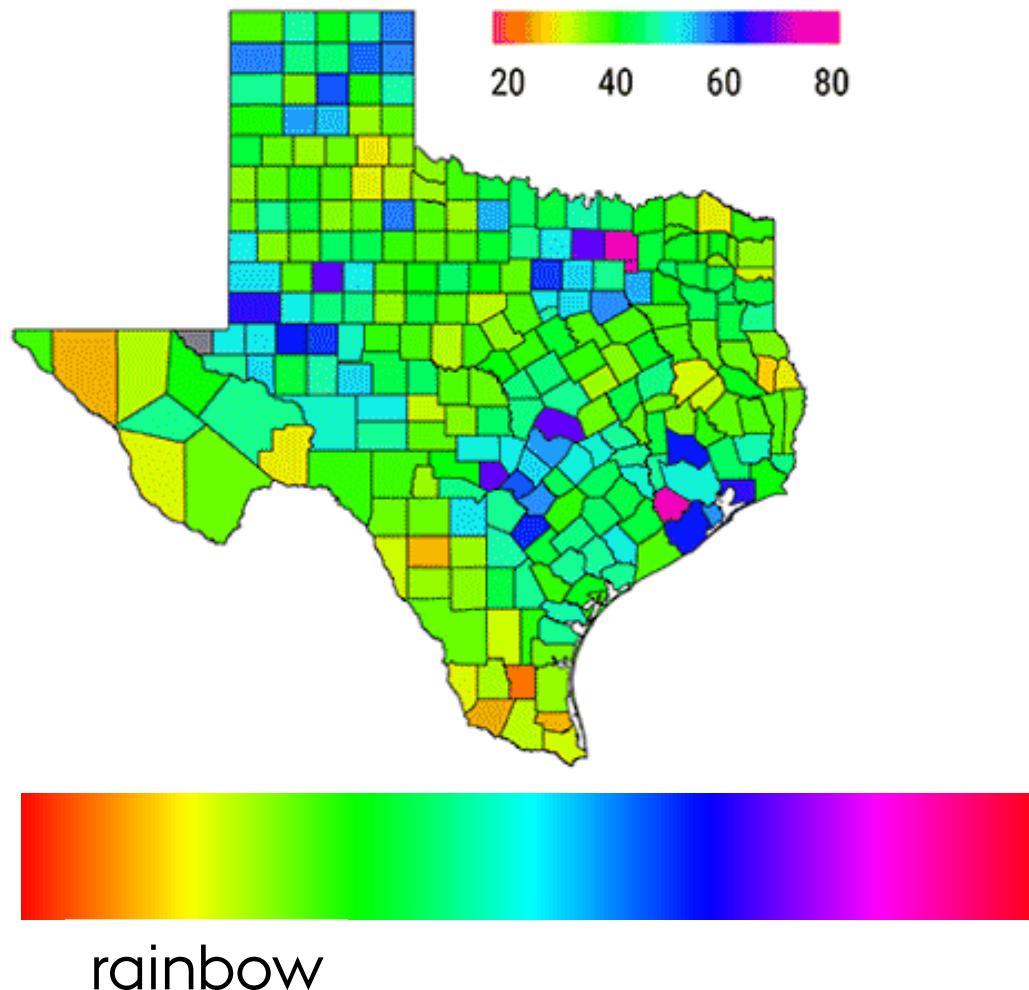
EFFECTIVENESS: WHAT CAN HAPPEN?



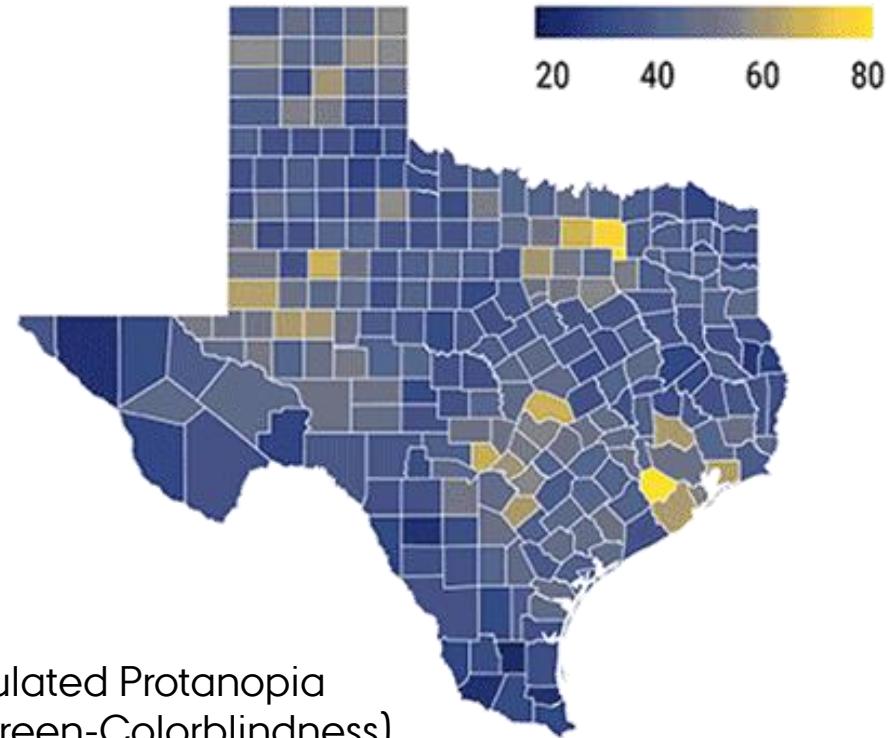
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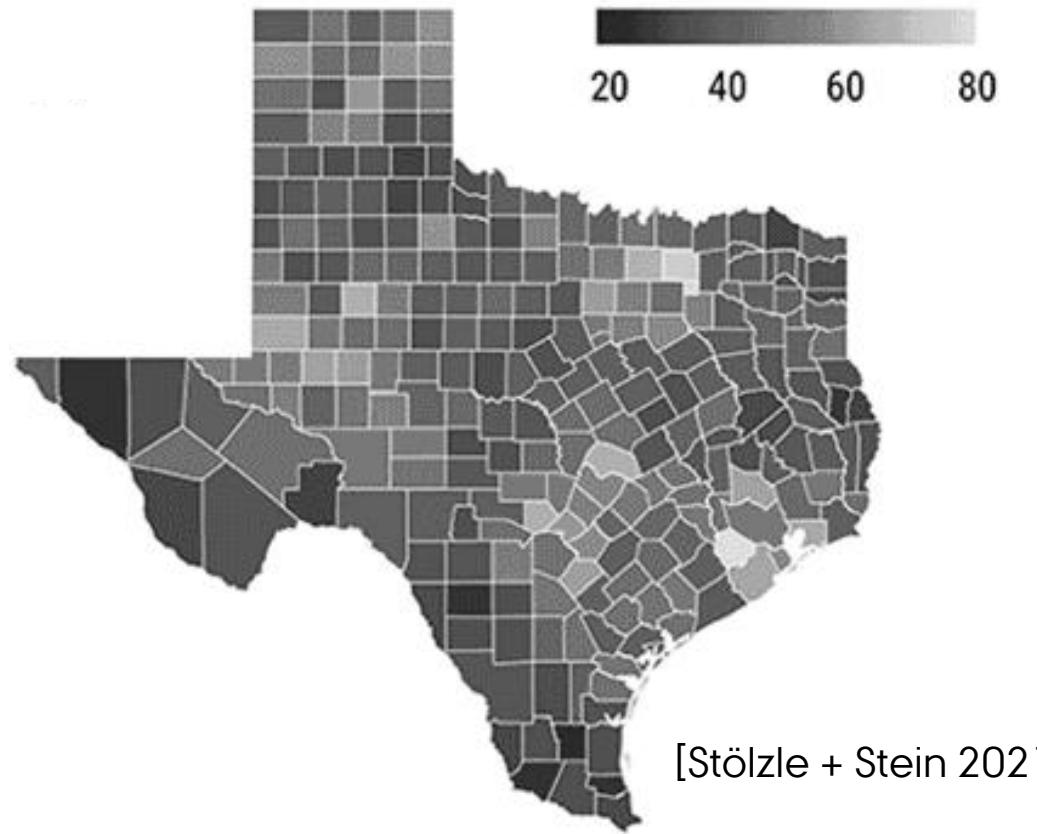
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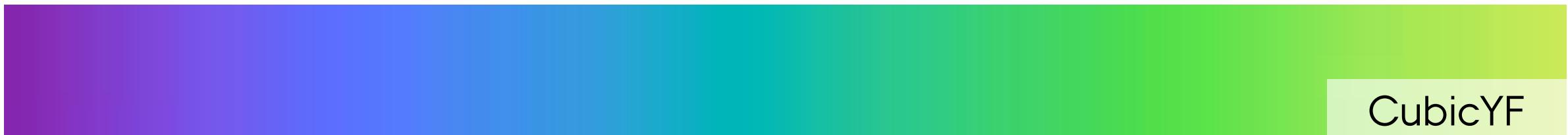
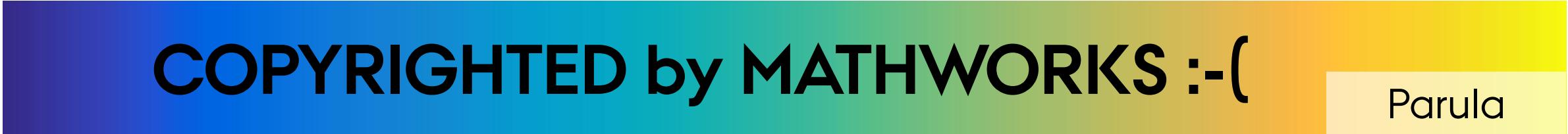
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[Stölzle + Stein 2021]

Rule #5: Adjust your chart to be inclusive & flexible.

RAINBOW ALTERNATIVES



Number of data classes: 3

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COLORBREWER 2.0

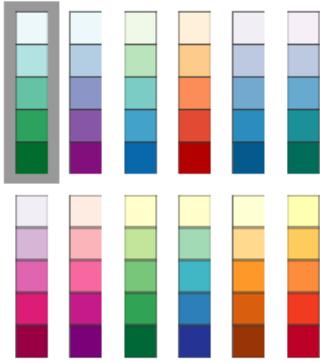
color advice for cartography

Nature of your data:

sequential diverging qualitative

Pick a color scheme:

Multi-hue:



Single hue:



Only show:

- colorblind safe
- print friendly
- photocopy safe

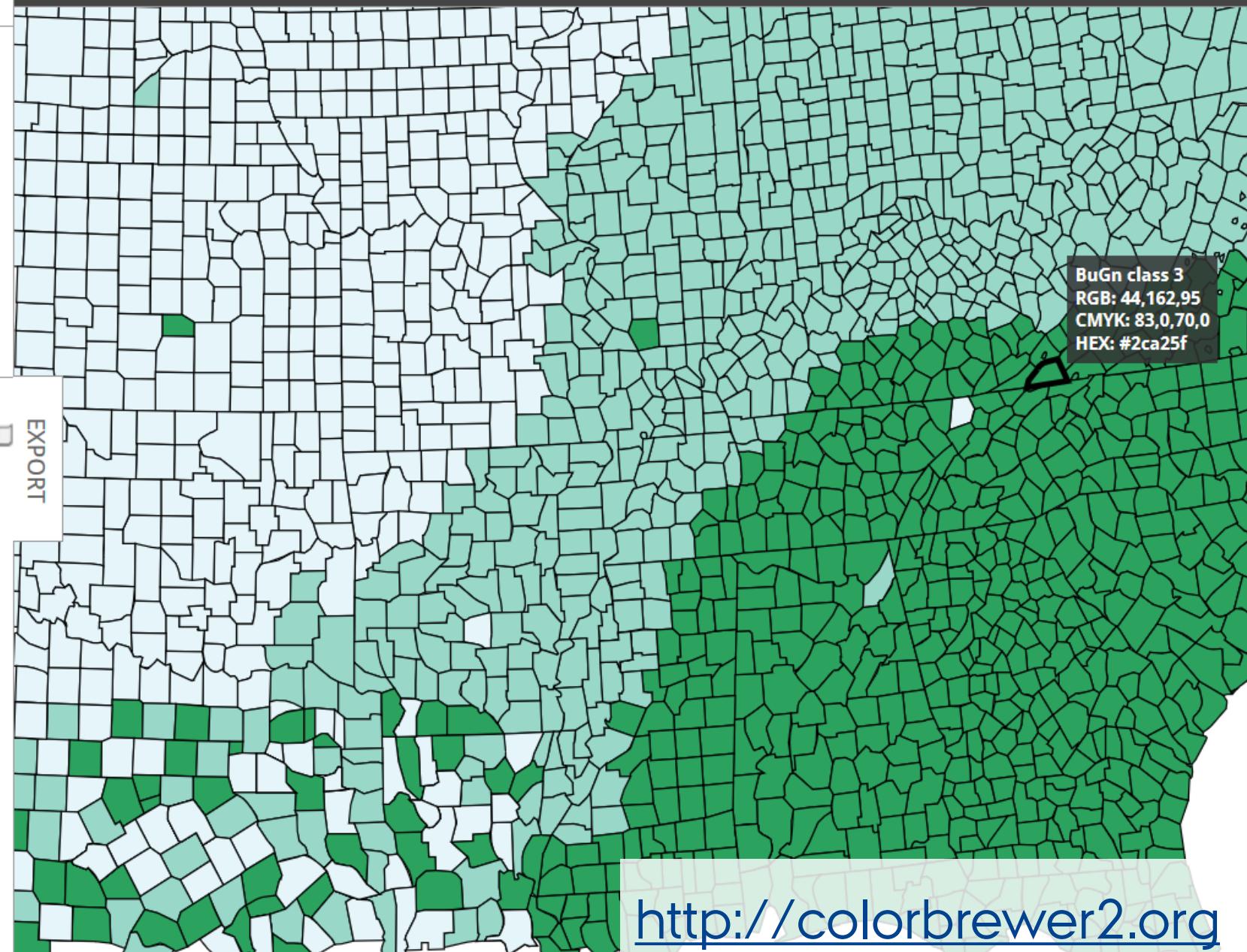
Context:

- roads
- cities
- borders

Background:

- solid color
- terrain

color transparency



<http://colorbrewer2.org>

Generate

Number of colors: 5

Score importance: Perceptual Distance

Name Difference

Pair Preference

Name Uniqueness

Select hue filters: 90°

Drag wheel, or add angle: # to # +

Select lightness range: 25 to 85

Add starting colors: #F00, rgb(0,0,0) +

Results: Color space Hex RGB Lab LCH Array format No quote Charts Clear all

["rgb(105,239,123)", "rgb(218,54,97)", "rgb(119,214,207)", "rgb(122,44,57)"]

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["rgb(88,181,225)", "rgb(33,77,78)", "rgb(202,219,165)", "rgb(92,47,142)"]

["rgb(141,228,211)", "rgb(44,92,57)", "rgb(197,213,240)", "rgb(118,7,150)"]

["rgb(120,185,143)", "rgb(9,96,19)", "rgb(75,214,253)", "rgb(45,116,122)"]

<http://vrl.cs.brown.edu/color>

Coblis – Color Blindness Simulator

If you are not suffering from a color vision deficiency it is very hard to imagine how it looks like to be colorblind. The **Color BLIndness Simulator** can close this gap for you. Just play around with it and get a feeling of how it is to have a color vision handicap.

As all the calculations are made on your local machine, no images are uploaded to the server. Therefore you can use images as big as you like, there are no restrictions. Be aware, there are some issues for the "Lens feature" on Edge and Internet Explorer. All others should support everything just fine.

So go ahead, choose an image through the upload functionality or just drag and drop your image in the center of our **Color BLIndness Simulator**. It is also possible to zoom and move your images around using your mouse – try it out, I hope you like it.

Drag and drop or paste your file in the area below or: No file chosen

Trichromatic view: Anomalous Trichromacy: Normal Red-Weak/Protanomaly Green-Weak/Deutanomaly Blue-Weak/Tritanomaly

Dichromatic view: Red-Blind/Protanopia Green-Blind/Deutanopia Blue-Blind/Tritanopia

Monochromatic view: Monochromacy/Achromatopsia Blue Cone Monochromacy

Use lens to compare with normal view: No Lens Normal Lens Inverse Lens

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New kind of color blindness test! Try [Color Blind Check](#) and test type and severity of your color vision deficiency. Easy and fun!



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<https://www.color-blindness.com/coblis-color-blindness-simulator/>

EFFICIENCY: THE CHART SHOULDN'T BE MORE COMPLEX THAN THE DATA!

RULE #6: DON'T USE 3D!



THE PERILS OF 3D

- **Occlusion**
- Perspective Distortion
- Non-anchored points
- Navigation / Orientation
(Lost in Space)
- Selection
- Technical Issue – e.g.,
Font Rendering

Adapted from Brath 2014:
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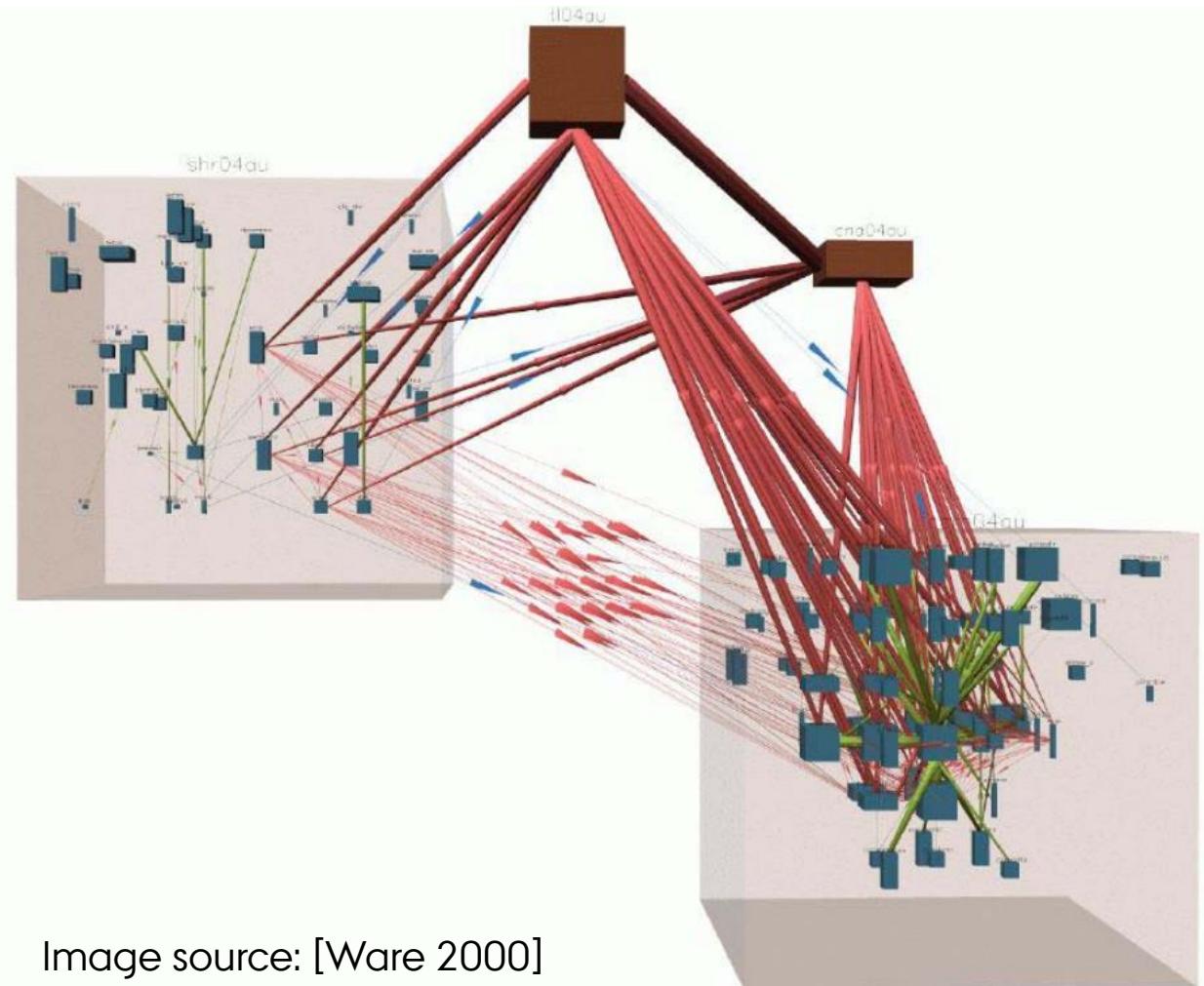


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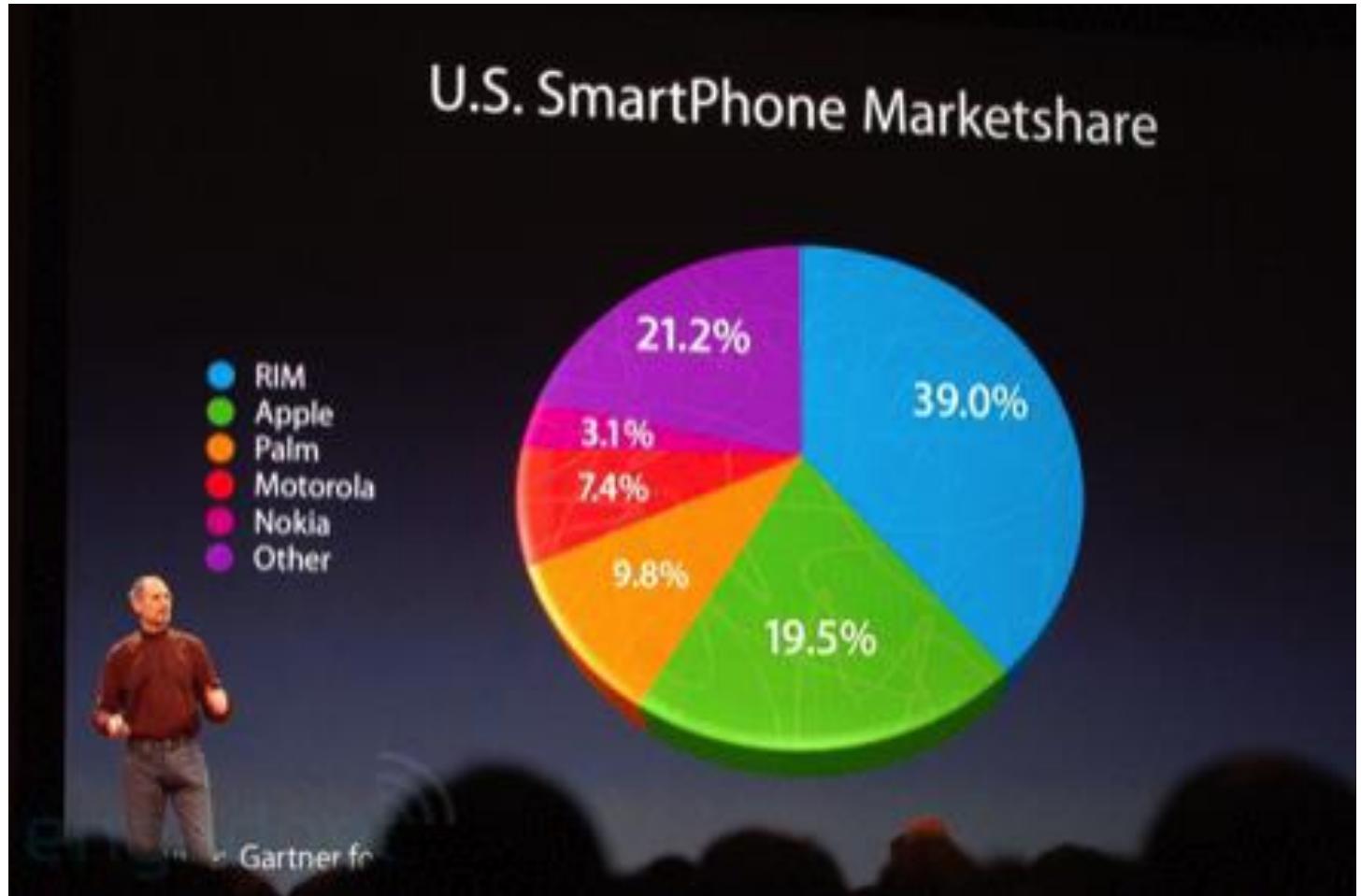


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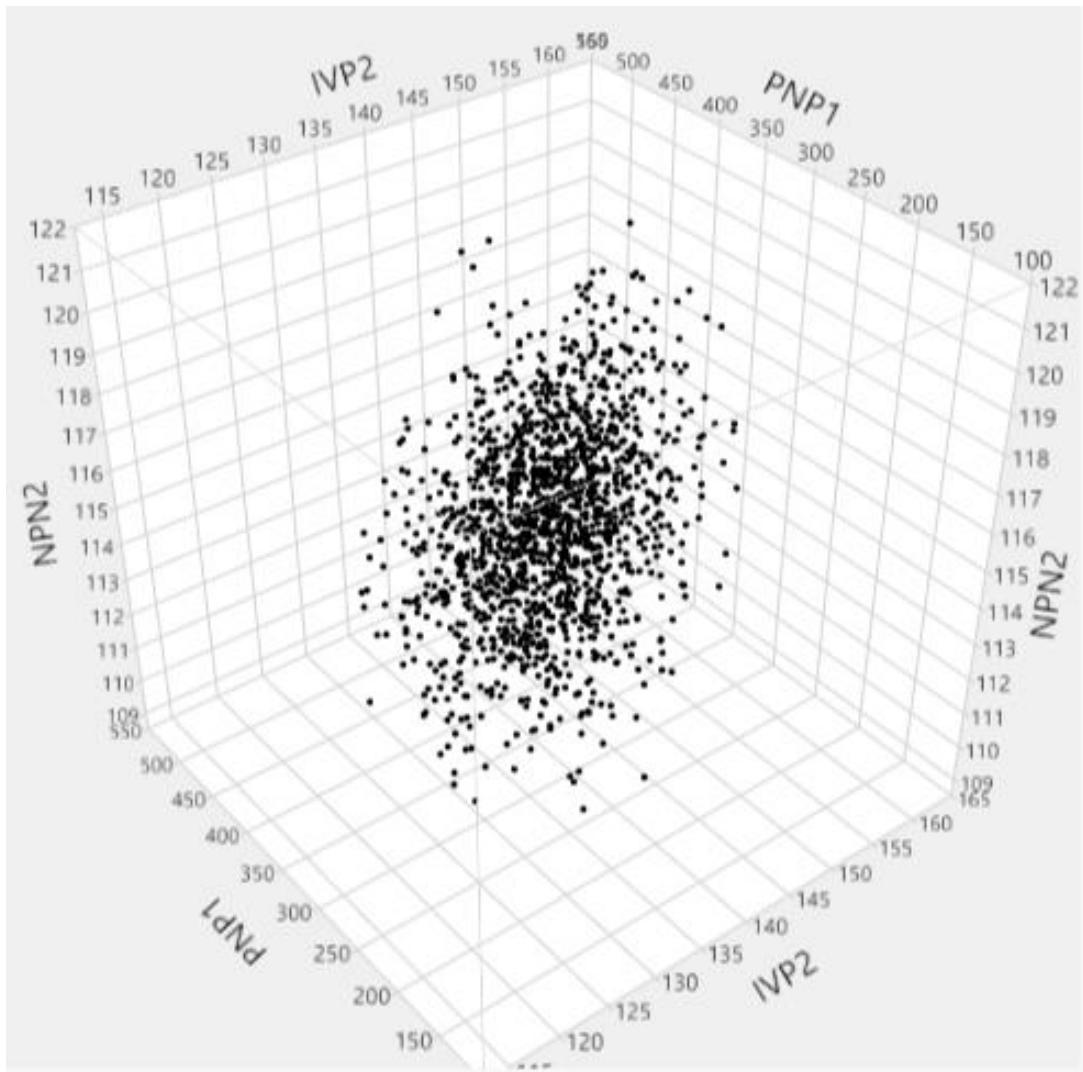


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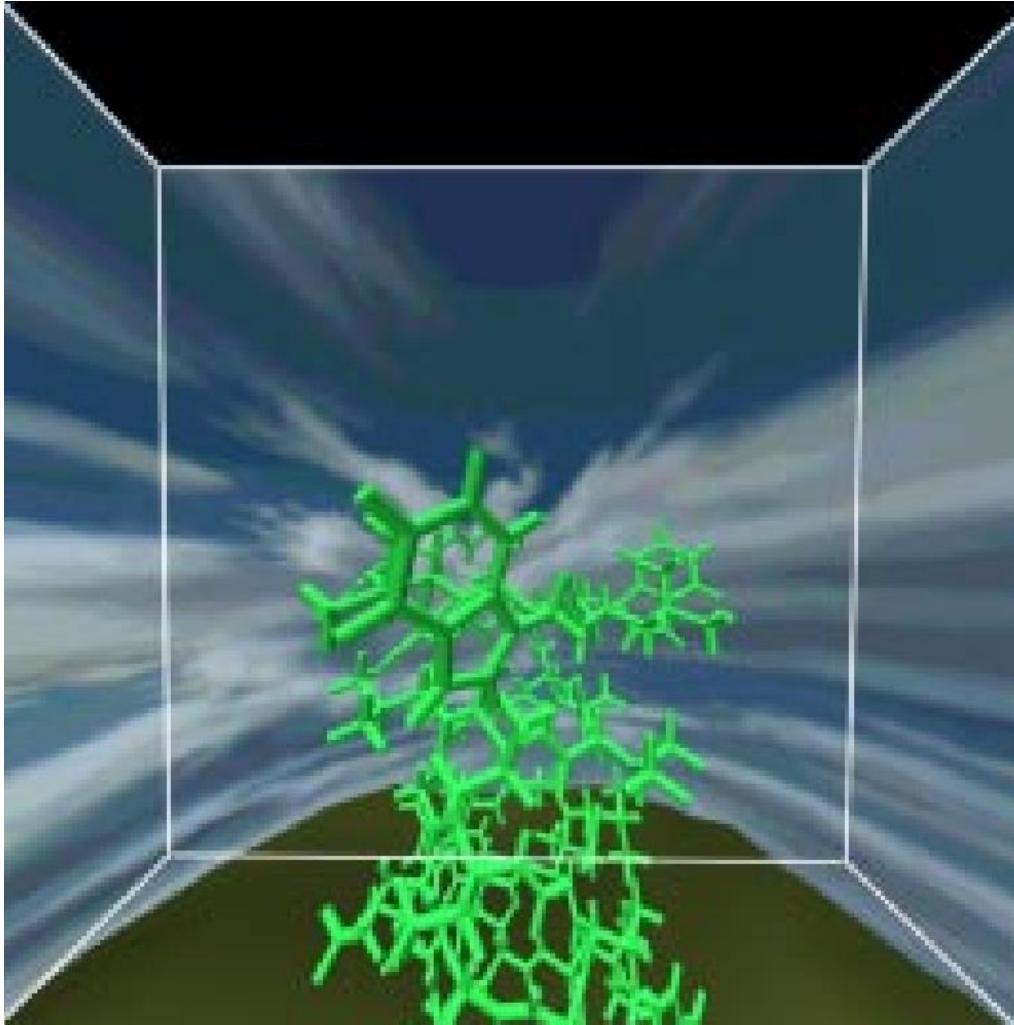
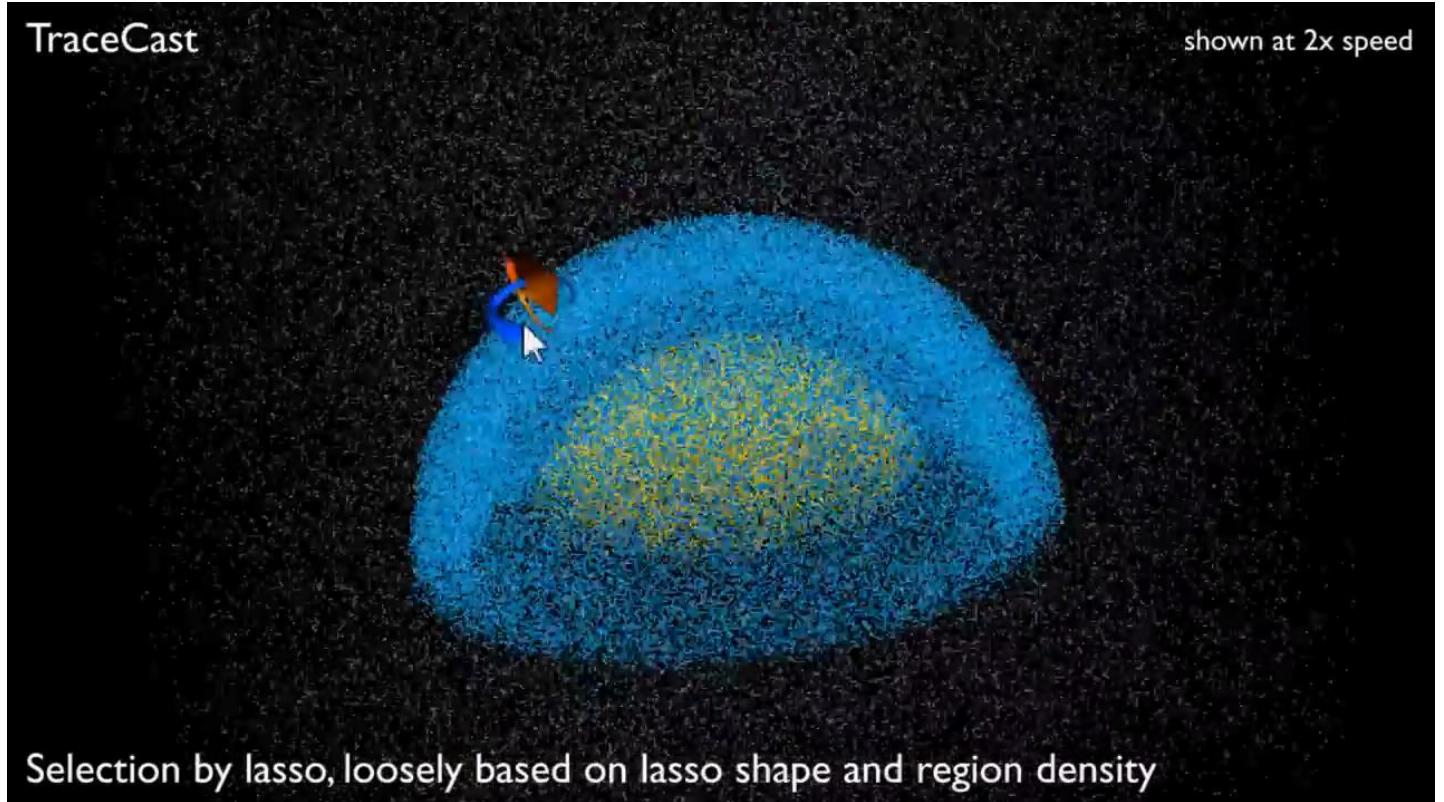


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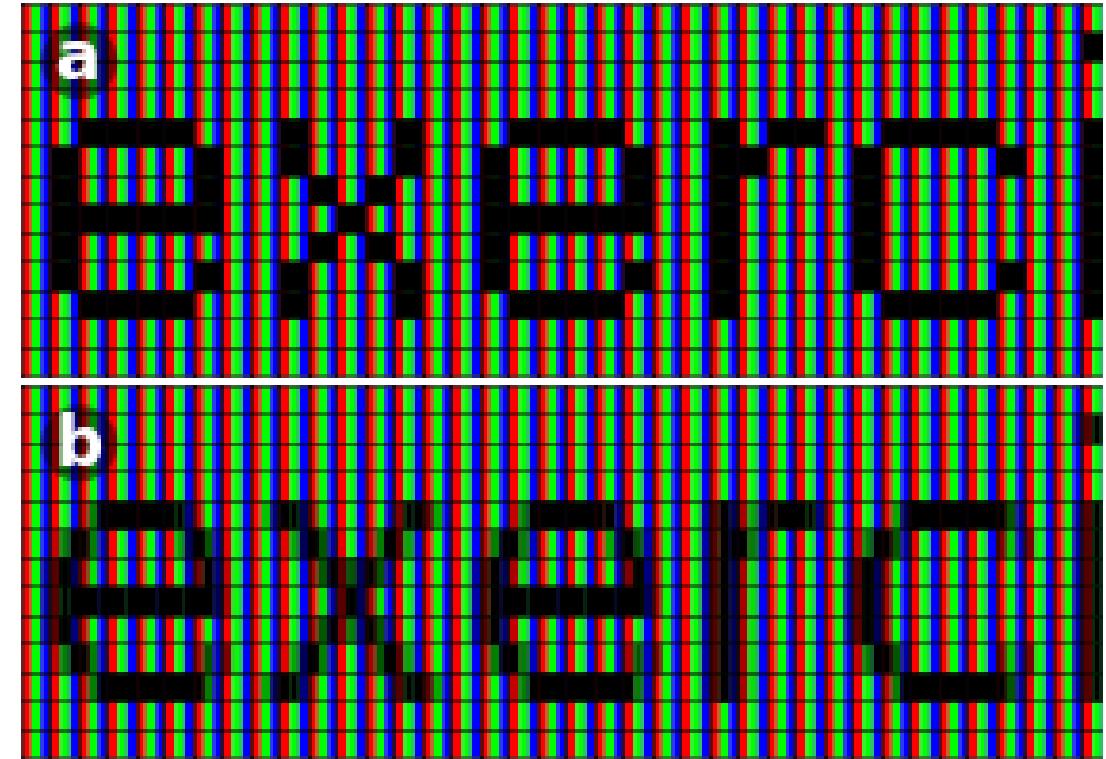
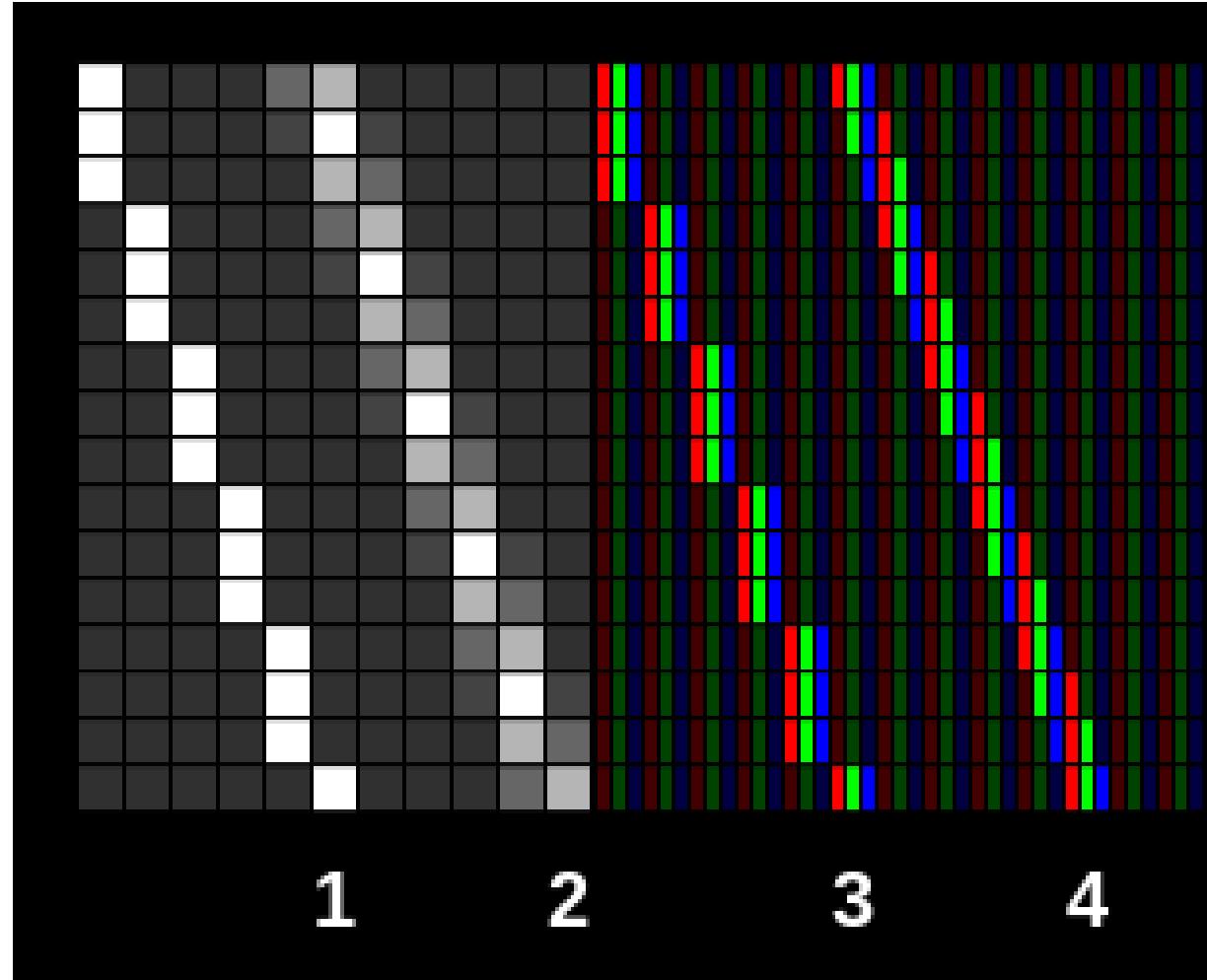
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One Partridge One Partridge
Two Turtle Doves Two Turtle Doves
Three French Hens Three French Hens
Four Calling Birds Four Calling Birds
Five Gold Rings Five Gold Rings

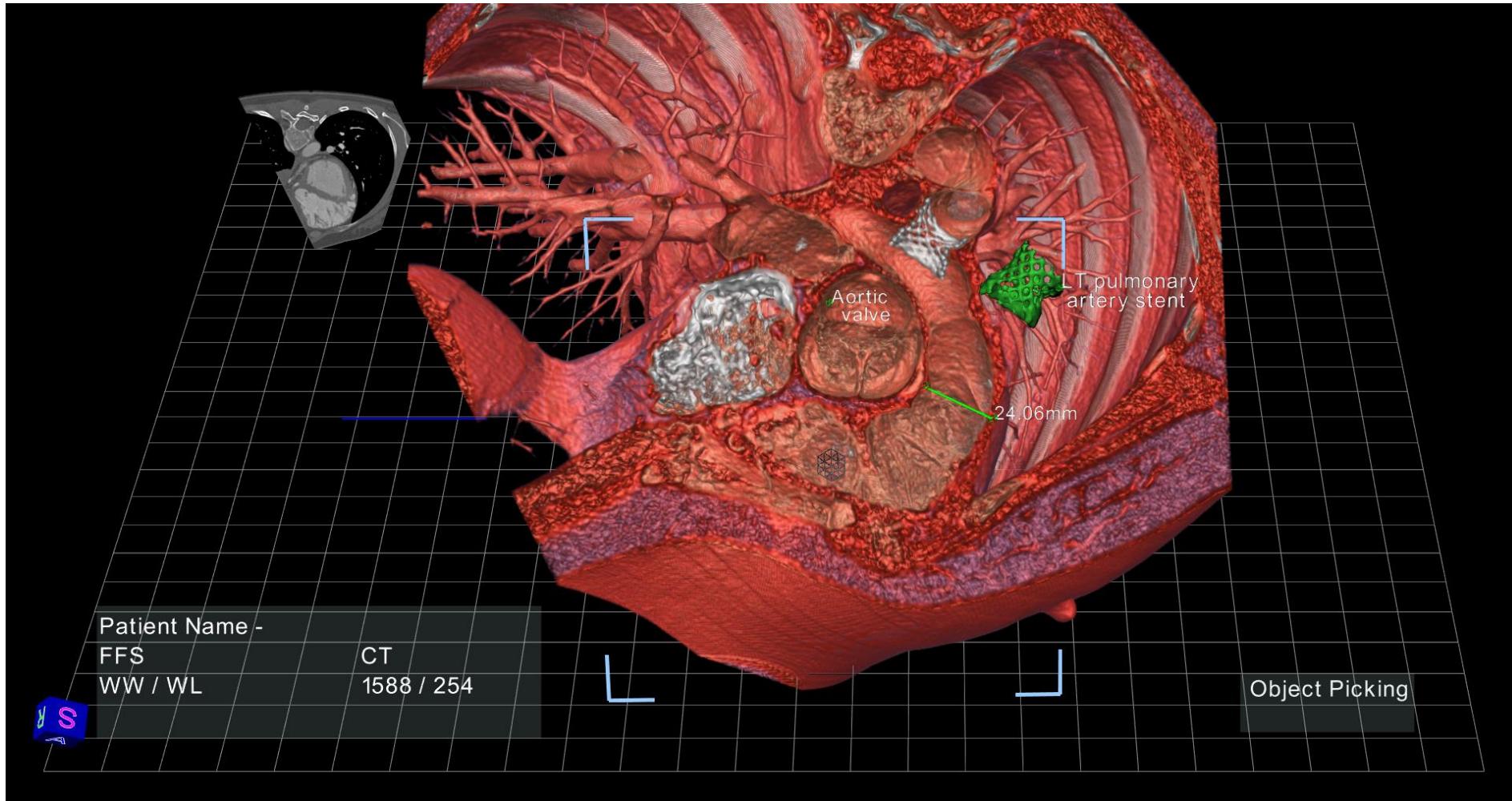
ClearType/FreeType vs. Anti-Aliasing

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INTERLUDE: SUBPIXEL RENDERING



ONLY USE 3D VIS FOR 3D DATA (VOLVIS)



USE 2.5D IF YOU MUST GO BEYOND 2D...

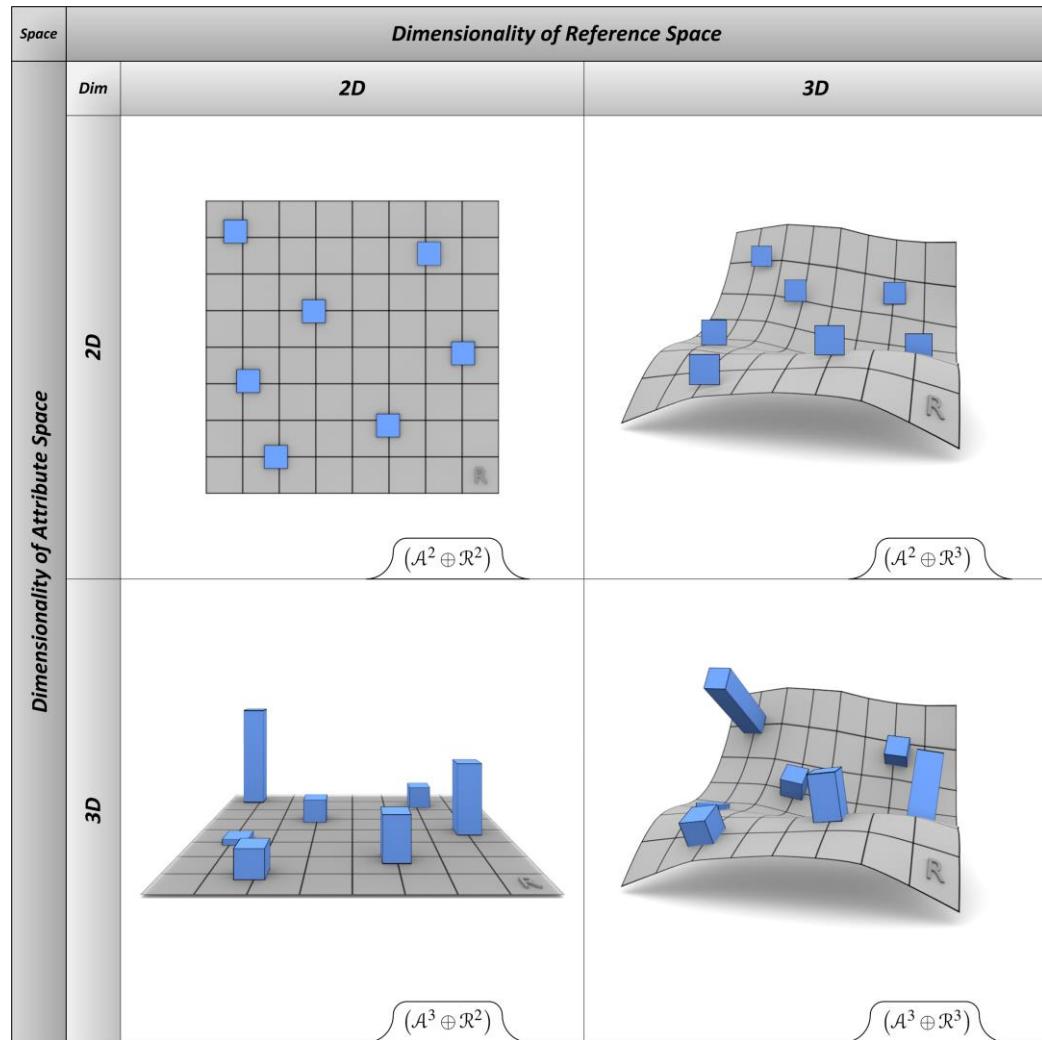


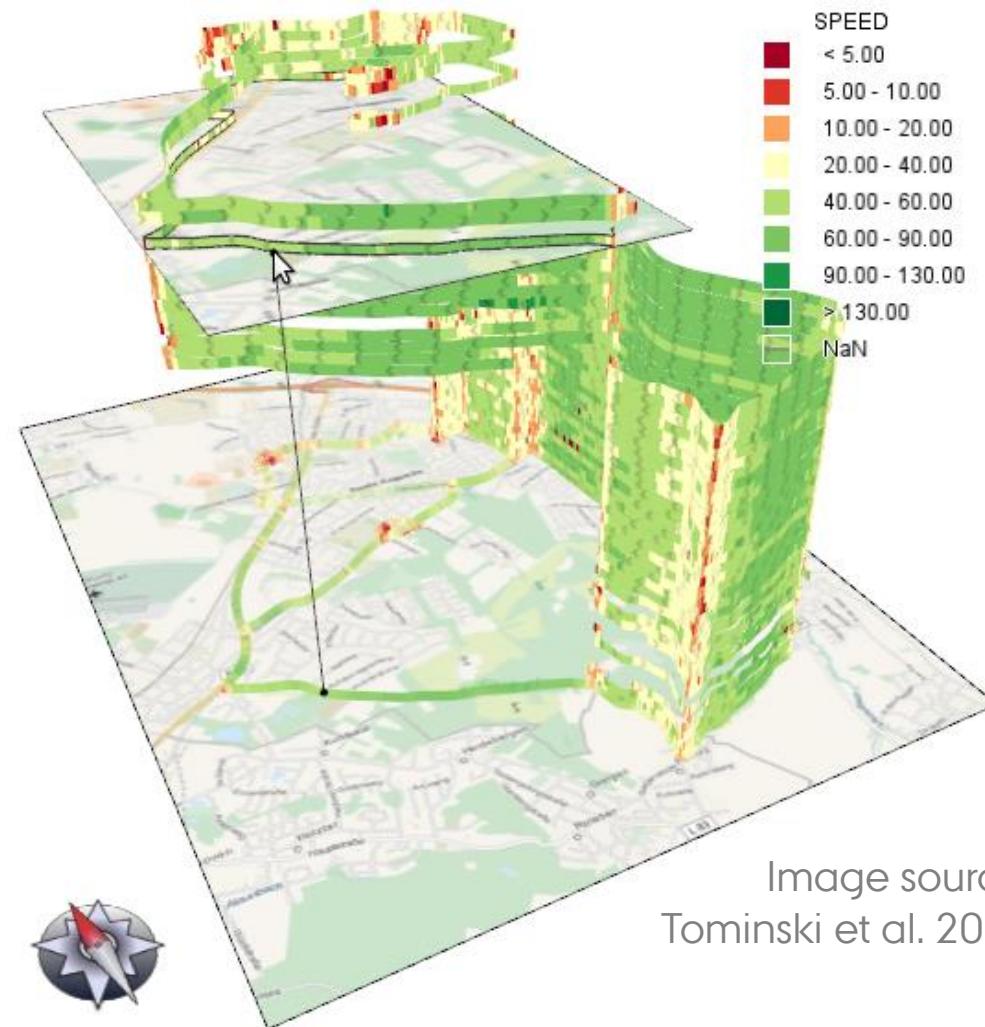
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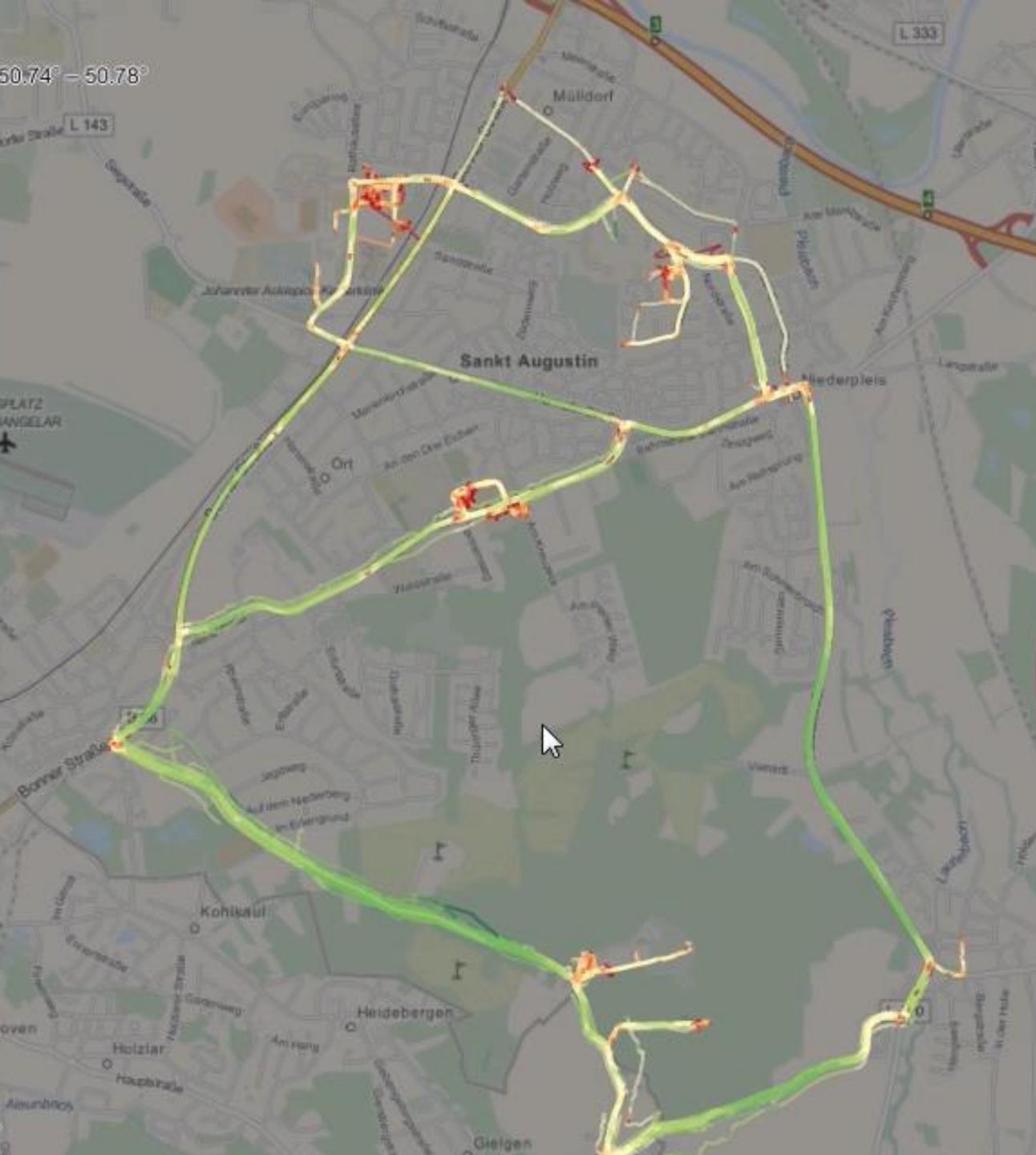


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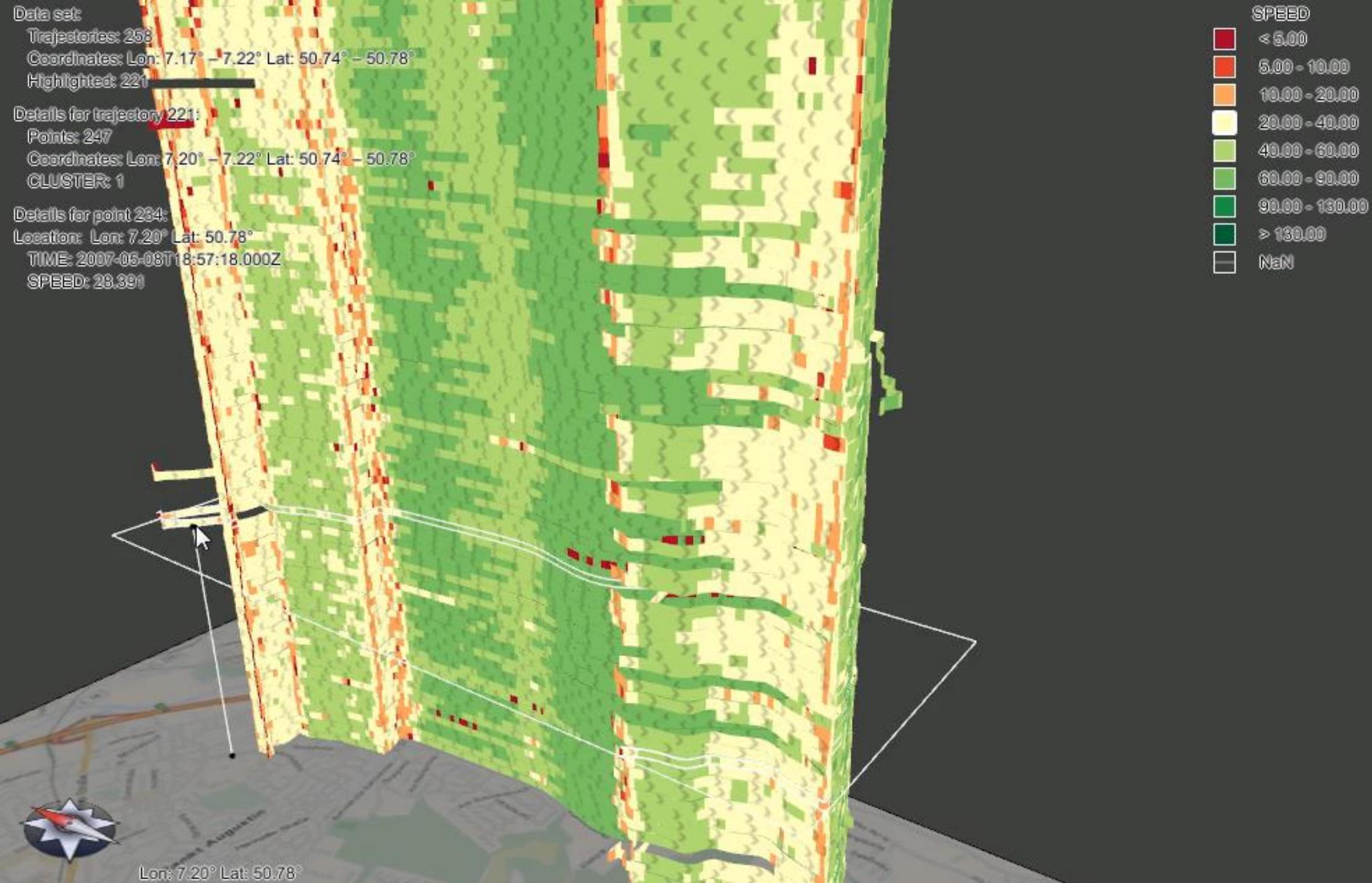
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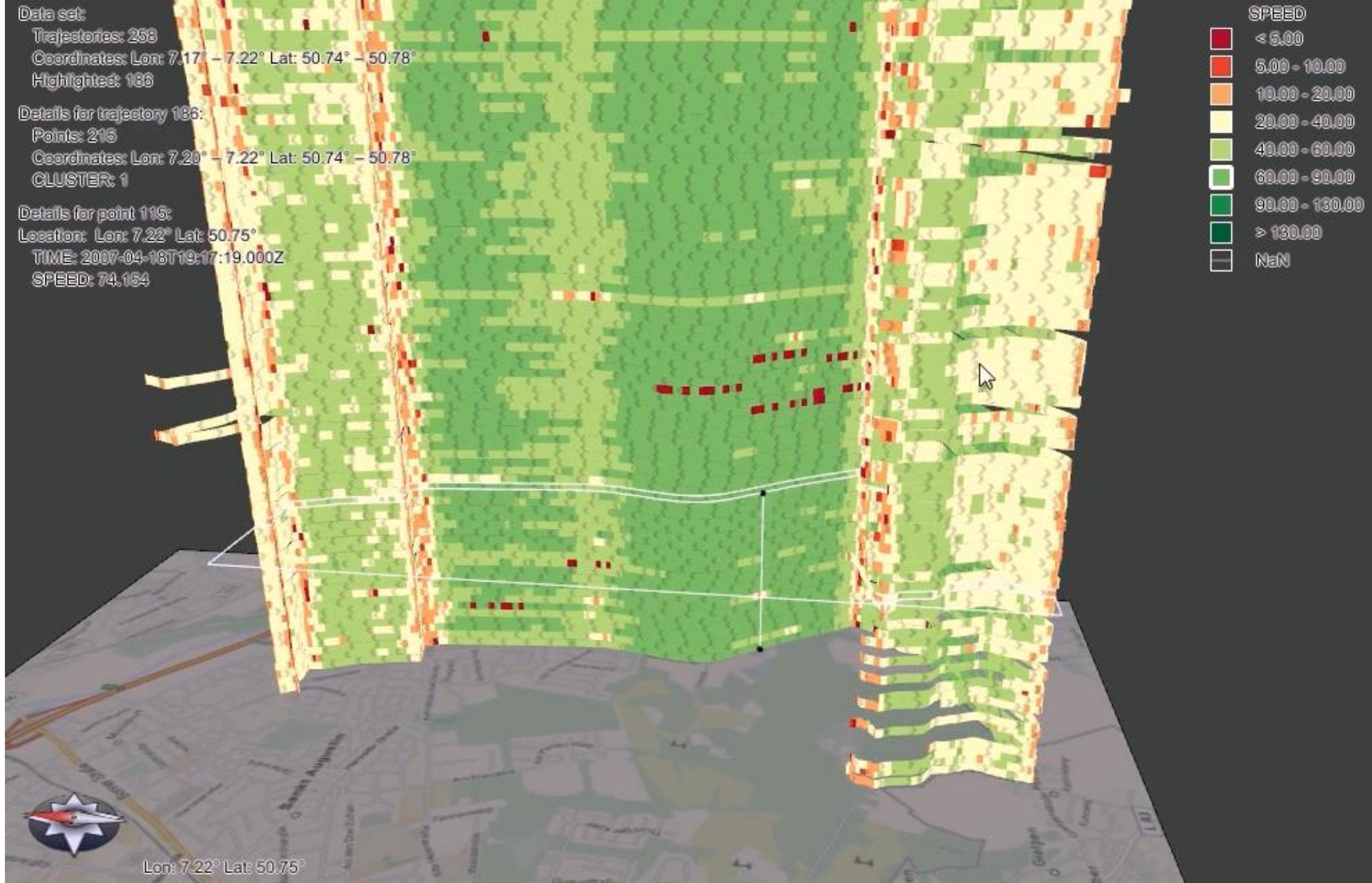
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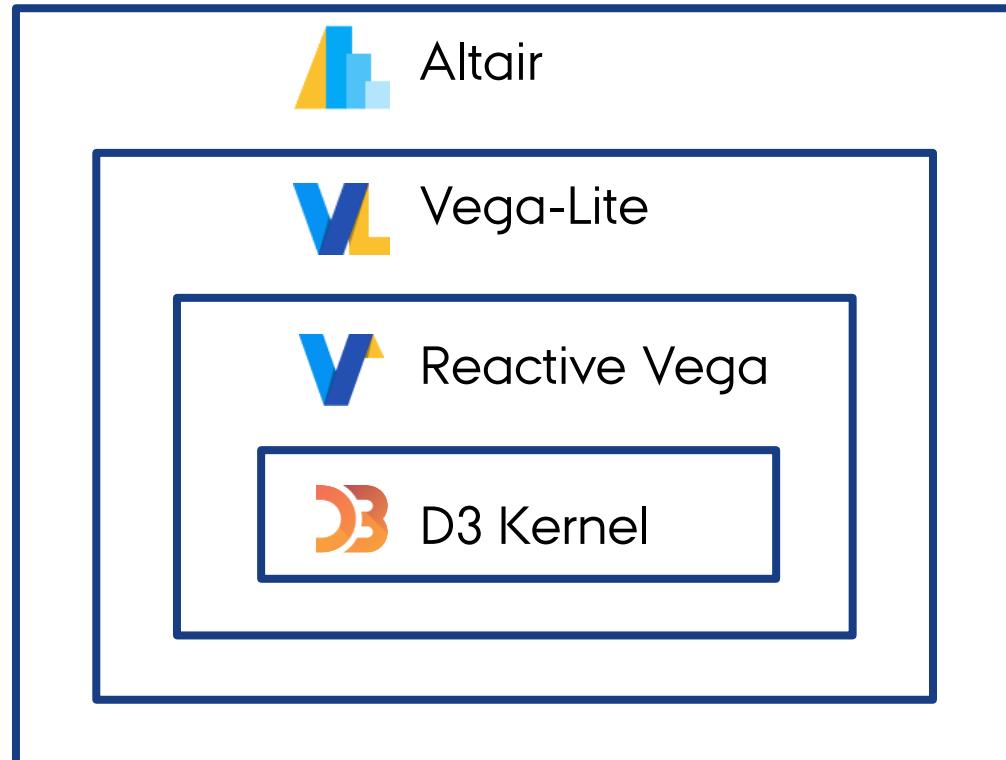
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PART 3: TOOLING

THE D3/VEGA STACK



Python wrapper for Vega-Lite → NumPy, Pandas

abstraction of Vega, less flexible,

still highly customizable, but declarative

ultimate degree of customization

VEGA-LITE

Declarative visualization grammar

Less code, less debugging!

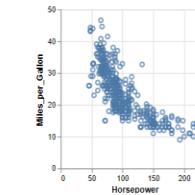
Interaction defined through grammar!

Many presets and defaults

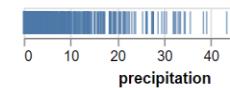


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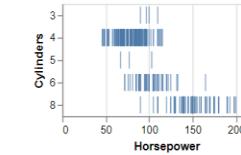
Scatter & Strip Plots



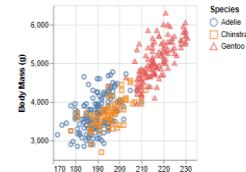
Scatterplot



1D Strip Plot

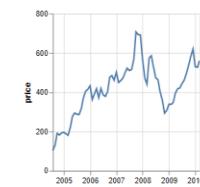


Strip Plot

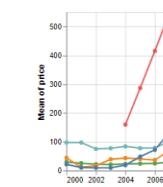


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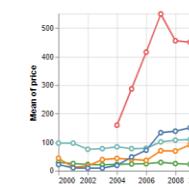
Line Charts



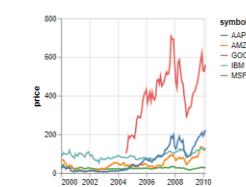
Line Chart



Line Chart with Point Markers



Line Chart with Stroked Point Markers



Multi Series Line Chart

Maps (Geographic Displays)



Choropleth of Unemployment Rate per County



One Dot per Zipcode in the U.S.



One Dot per Airport in the U.S. Overlaid on Geoshape



Rules (line segments)
Connecting SEA to every Airport
Reachable via Direct Flights

Vega-Lite Tutorial

Welcome to the tutorial on Vega-Lite - a declarative visualization grammar! It provides a concise JSON syntax for supporting quick creation of visualizations to support analysis. You can read more about Vega-Lite at vega.github.io/vega-lite. Here, you will find videos explaining the features of Vega-Lite, code walkthroughs for each feature and examples of visualizations.

- ▶ **Play video** - Opens a new tab playing the video
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- ⚙️ **View Code** - Opens the online Vega-Lite Editor with the JSON code

1. Introduction

1 Overview of Vega-Lite



Introducing Vega-Lite, a declarative visualization grammar that makes coding visualizations easier! This video compares imperative vs. declarative visualizations, motivate the use of Vega-Lite and the structure of the Vega stack.

References

[1. Vega-Lite Home Page](#)

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1.1 JSON and the online Vega Editor



Checking out the online editor and a brief overview of the Vega-Lite JSON schema

References

[1. JSON Introduction](#)

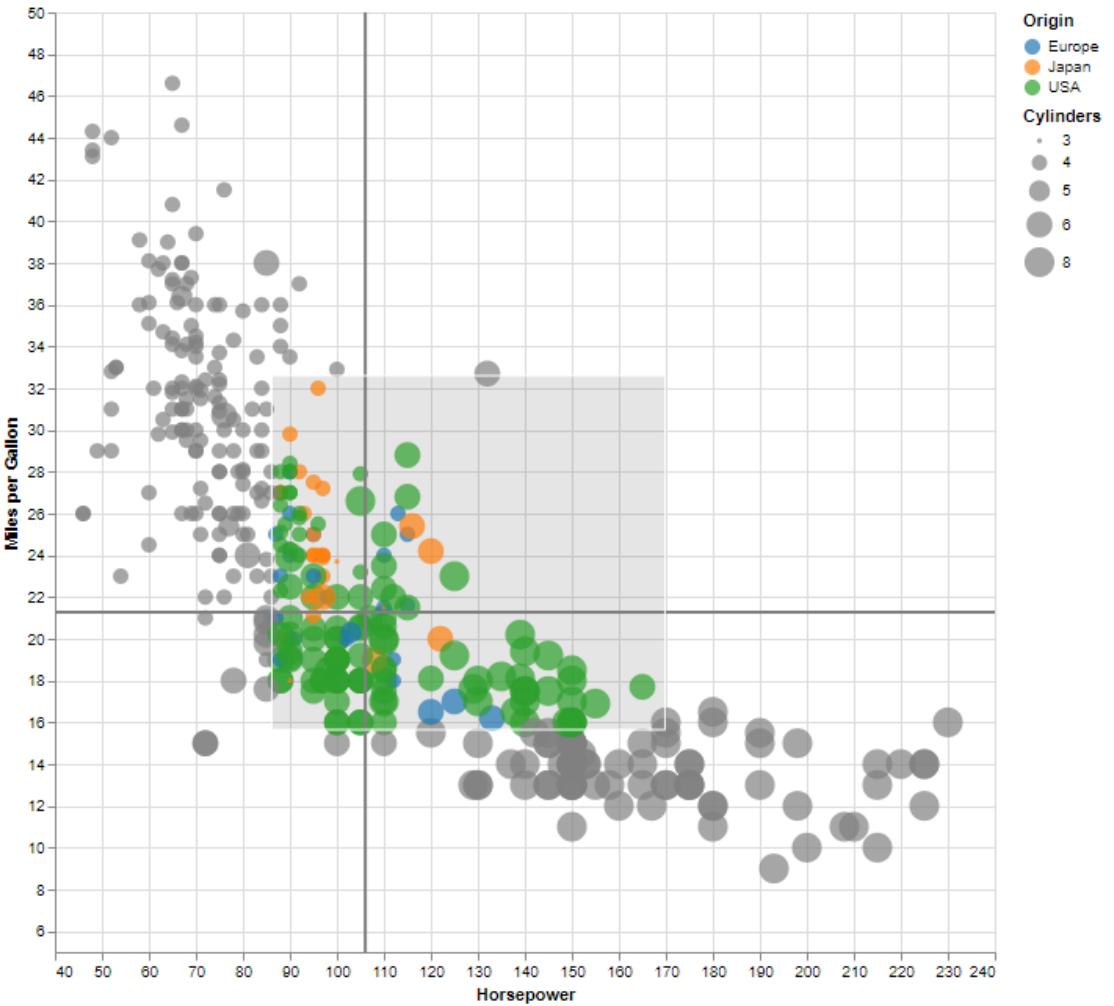
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<https://vis-au.github.io/vl/>

EXAMPLE

Go here: <https://vega.github.io/editor/>



Final example: <https://tinyurl.com/vegademo>

A SUPER-QUICK INTRODUCTION TO D3.JS

```
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3.v6.min.js"></script>
<body>
  <ul id = "list">
    <li></li>
    <li></li>
    <li></li>
    <li></li>
    <li></li>
  </ul>
<script>
  d3.select("#list").selectAll("li").data([10, 20, 30, 25, 15])
    .text(function(d) { return "Value is " + d; });
</script>
</body>
```



- Value is 10
- Value is 20
- Value is 30
- Value is 25
- Value is 15

```
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3.v6.min.js"></script>
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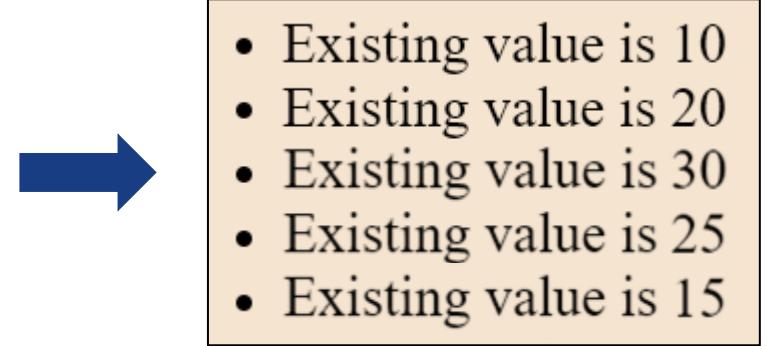


- Existing value is 10
- Existing value is 20
- New value is 30
- New value is 25
- New value is 15

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<script>
  d3.select("#list").selectAll("li").data([10, 20, 30, 25, 15])
    .text(function(d) { return "Existing value is " + d; })
    .enter().append("li").text(function(d) { return "New value is " + d; });
</script>
</body>
```

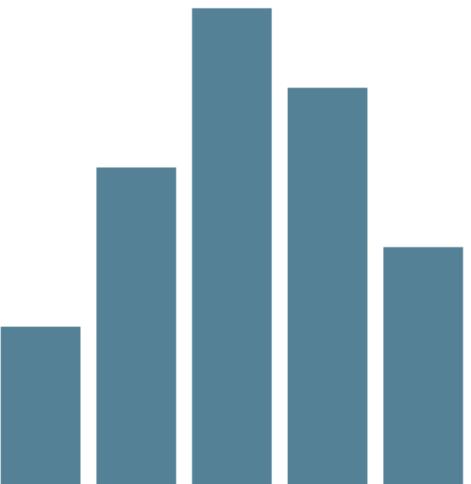
enter() returns all data items for which no document element exists

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      .text(function(d) { return "Existing value is " + d; })
      .enter().append("li").text(function(d) { return "New value is " + d; })
      .exit().remove();
  </script>
</body>
```



- Existing value is 10
- Existing value is 20
- Existing value is 30
- Existing value is 25
- Existing value is 15

exit() returns all document elements for which no data items exist



```
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3.v6.min.js"></script>
<body>
  <svg id="chart" width="500" height="300" />
  <script>
    data = [10, 20, 30, 25, 15];
    scaleFactor = 10, barWidth = 50, gapWidth = 10;
    graph = d3.select("#chart").selectAll("rect").data(data).enter()
      .append("rect")
      .attr("width", barWidth)
      .attr("height", function(d) { return scaleFactor * d; })
      .attr("x", function(d, i) { return i * (barWidth + gapWidth); })
      .attr("y", function(d) { return 300 - scaleFactor * d; })
      .attr("fill", "#548195");
  </script>
</body>
```

```
data = [[10, 20, 30, 25, 15],[15, 5, 25, 10, 30]];
current = 0;

... do everything as before ...
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```
function switcheroo() {
  if(current == 0) { current = 1; } else { current = 0; }

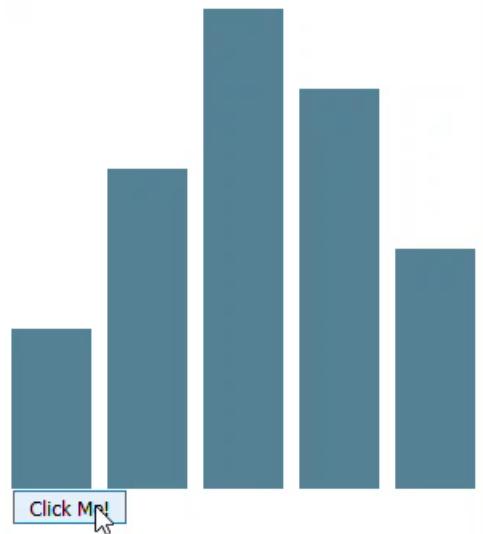
  graph = d3.select("#chart").selectAll("rect").data(data[current]);

  graph.transition().duration(500)
    .attr("height", function(d) { return scaleFactor * d; })
    .attr("y", function(d) { return 300 - scaleFactor * d; });

}

... further down in the HTML code ...

<button type="button" onclick='switcheroo();'>Click Me!</button>
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PART 4: VISUAL ANALYTICS

A close-up portrait of Jim Thomas, an older man with white hair and glasses, wearing a blue shirt. He is looking slightly to his left with a serious expression.

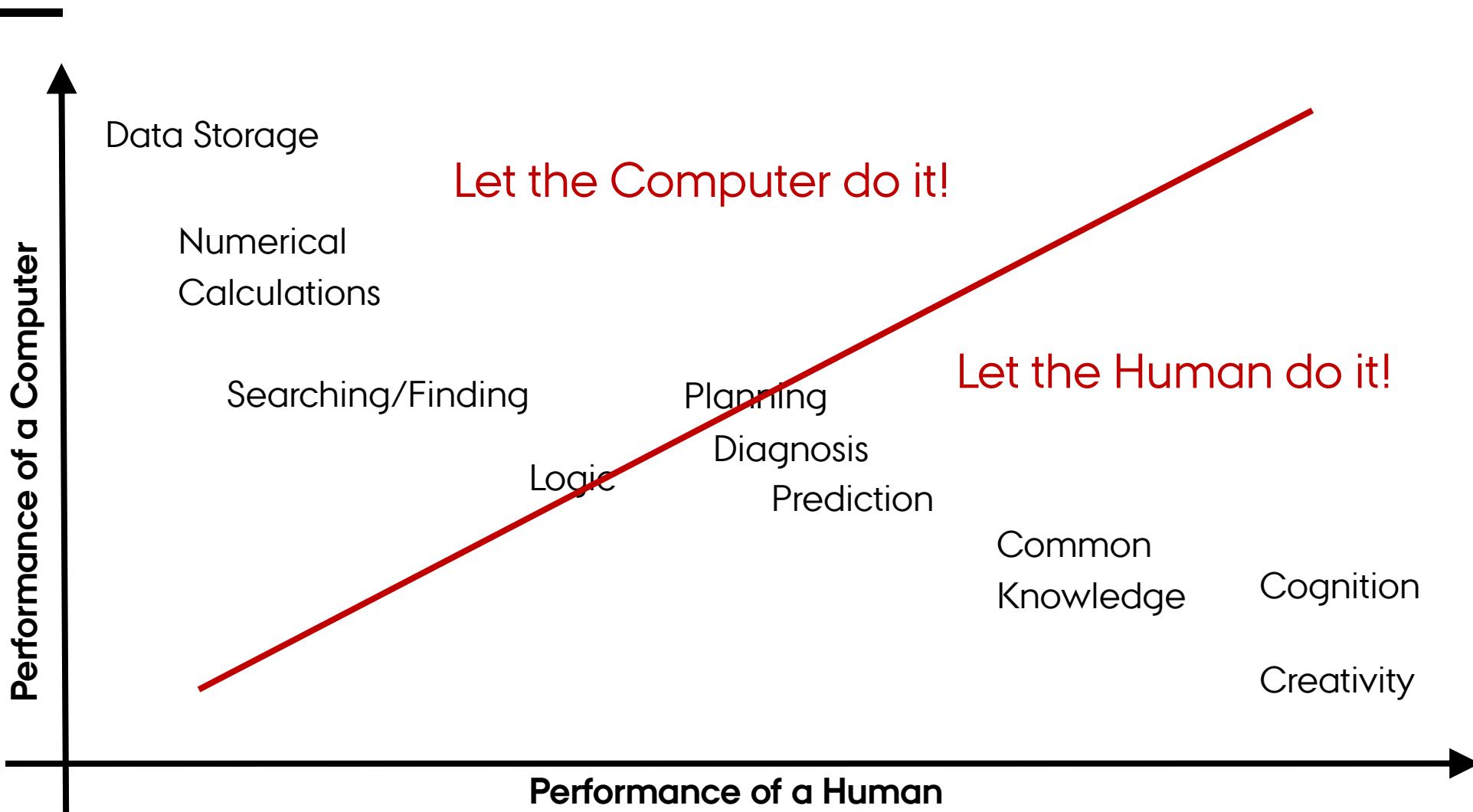
Jim Thomas, NVAC Director
Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

WHAT IS VISUAL ANALYTICS?

“Visual analytics combines the strengths of both worlds: On the one hand they take advantage of intelligent algorithms and vast computational power of modern computers and on the other hand they integrate human background knowledge and intuition to find a good solution.”

Keim et al. 2009

WHY VA? – KEIM'S ABILITY MATRIX



adapted from Daniel Keim, Uni. Konstanz

Exploratory Analysis of Time-series with ChronoLenses

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dynamic graphics project



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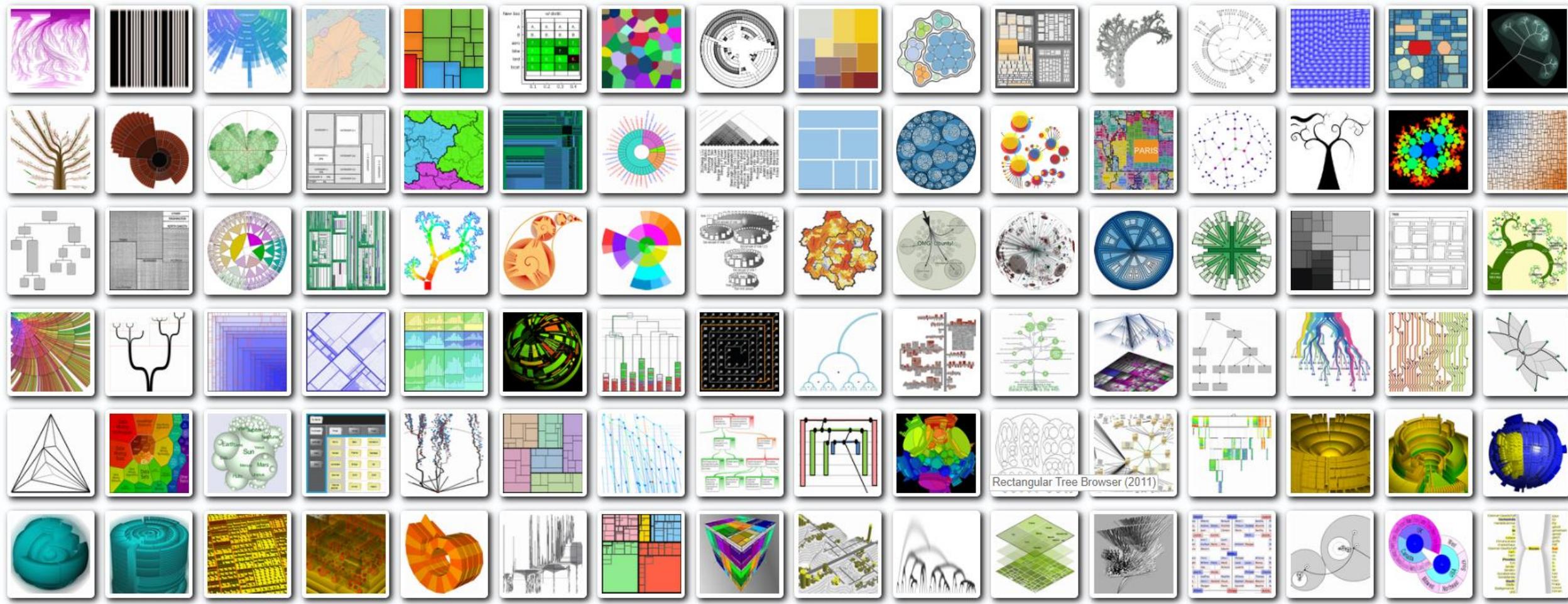


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Techniques Shown

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Visualization Techniques for Hierarchical Data - <http://treevis.net>

Text Visualization Browser

A Visual Survey of Text Visualization Techniques

Provided by ISOVIS group

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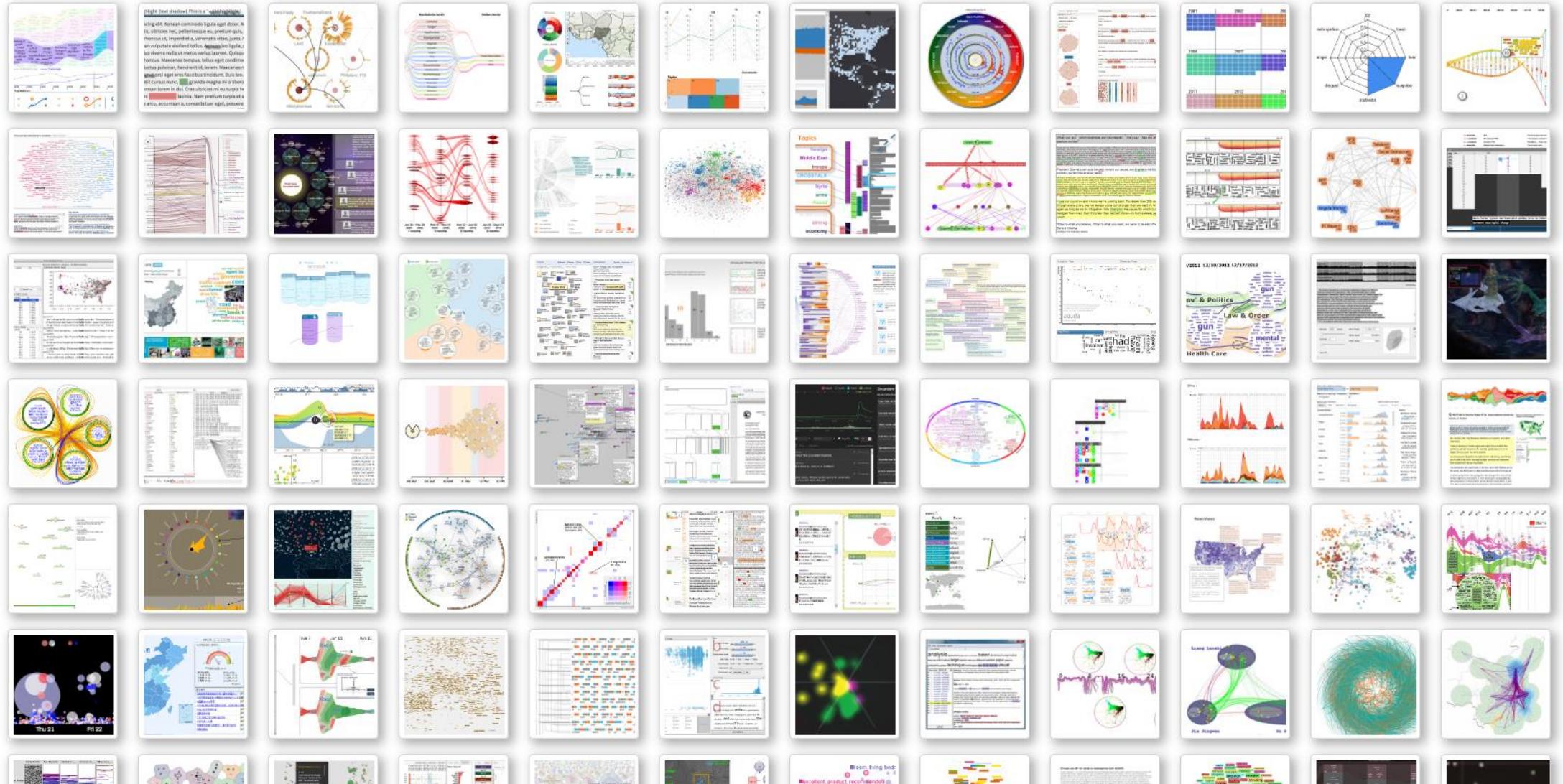
Analytic Tasks



Visualization Tasks



Data



Visualization Techniques for Textual Data - <http://textvis.lnu.se>

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Journals / Conferences All

Authors: All

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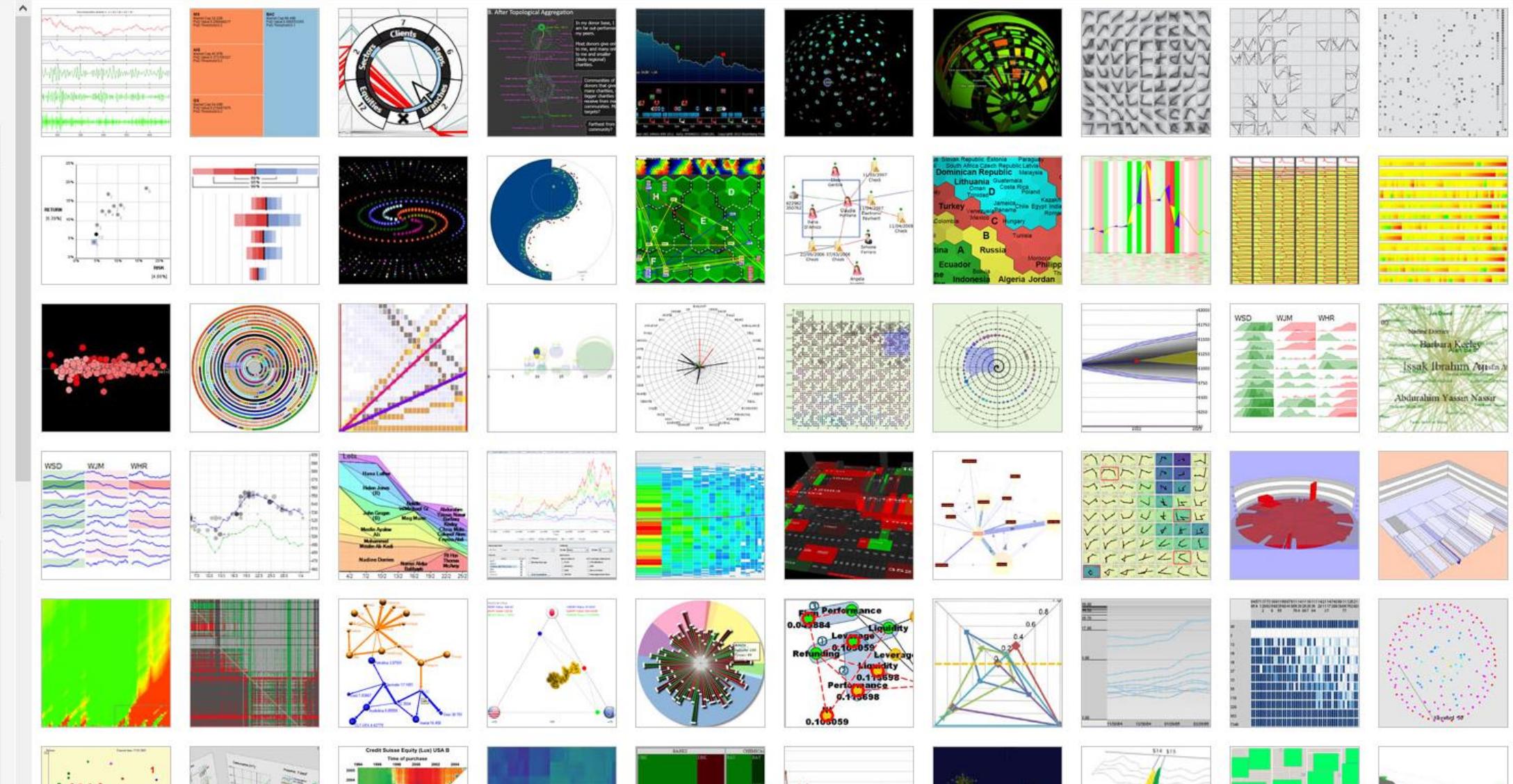
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Independant variable types: All

Dependant variables: All



Visualization Techniques for Financial Data - <http://financevis.net>

Visualization and Visual Analysis of Multifaceted Scientific Data

A Visual Survey by Johannes Kehrer and Helwig Hauser

Data facet



Technique



Main goal

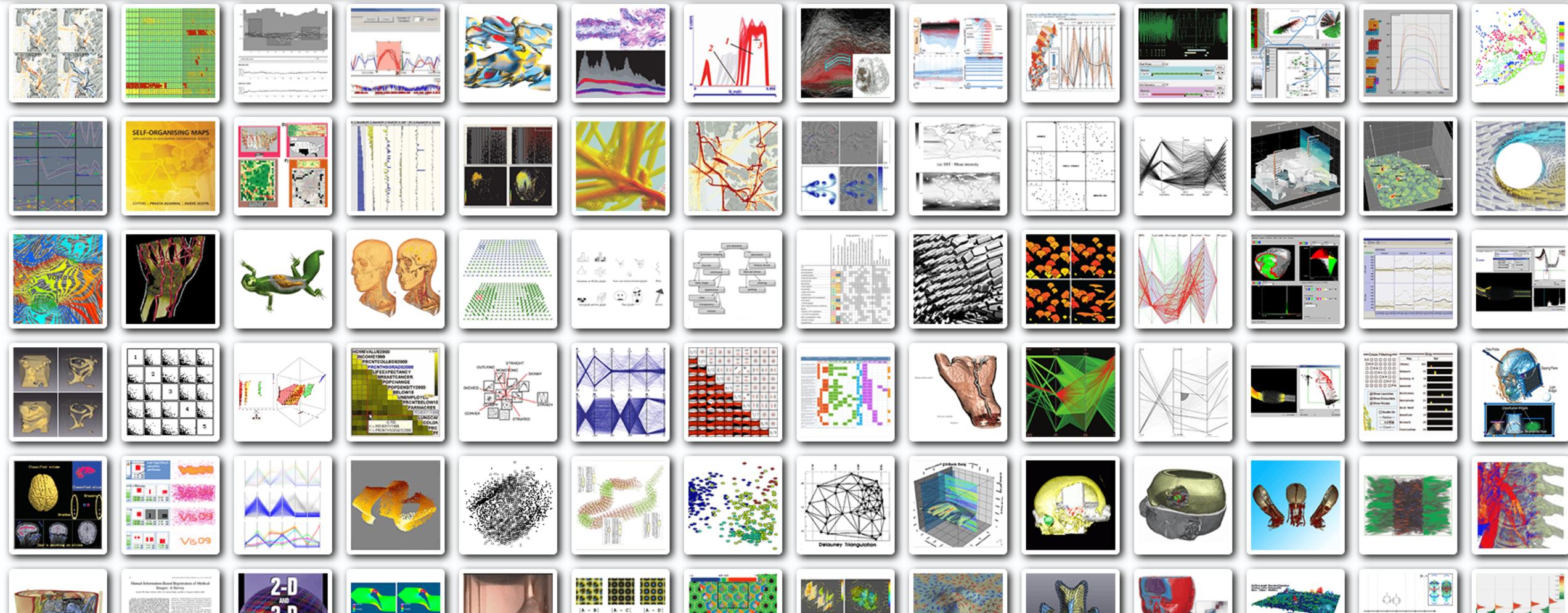


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Visualization Techniques for Multifaceted Scientific Data – <http://multivis.net>

The TimeViz Browser

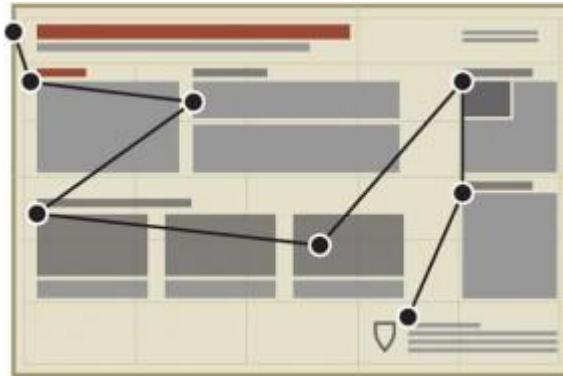
A Visual Survey of Visualization Techniques for Time-Oriented Data

by Christian Tominski and Wolfgang Aigner

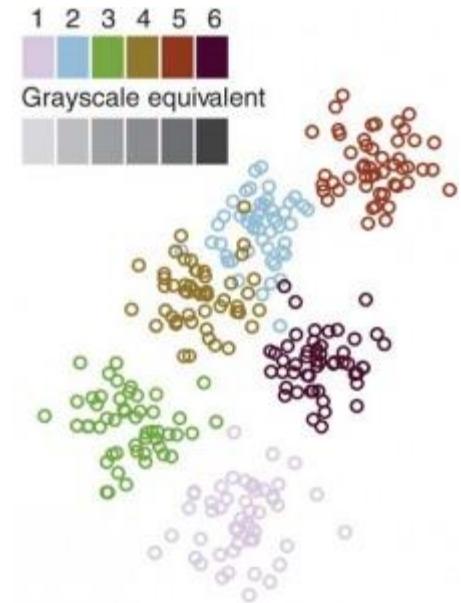


Visualization Techniques for Time Oriented Data - <http://timeviz.net> -> Browser

NATURE METHODS: “POINTS OF VIEW”

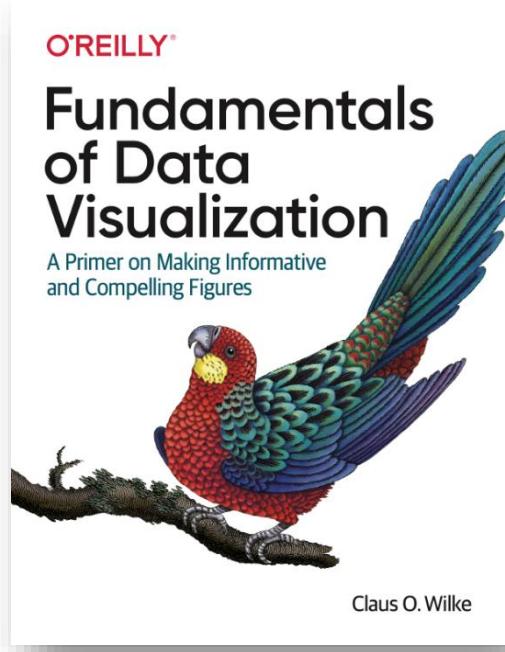


- Visual Design & Style
- Layout
- Negative Space
- Typography
- Labels & Callouts
- Color Coding
- Axes, Ticks, Grids
- Arrows
- Plot Types

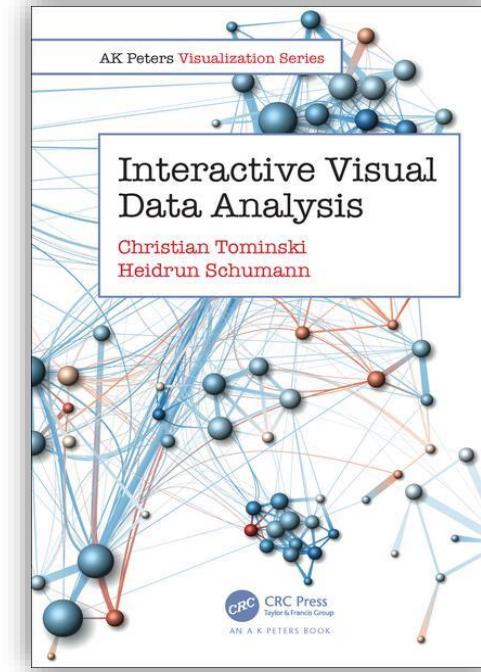


<http://blogs.nature.com/methagora/2013/07/data-visualization-points-of-view.html>

THE BOOKS I USE IN MY COURSES



Claus O. Wilke:
Fundamentals of
Data Visualization



Christian Tominski,
Heidrun Schumann:
Interactive Visual Data Analysis

Data Visualisation Workshop
DDSA, DDEA and DCA course

Data Visualisation Workshop

Are you working with a lot of data and want to make data-driven decisions? Would you like to help people see and interact with your research data more easily? Would you like to more clearly visualise patterns and relationships? Then join us for a two-day course in data visualisation from theoretical concepts to implementation!

This course is offered jointly by the Danish Data Science Academy, the [Danish Cardiovascular Academy](#) and the [Danish Diabetes and Endocrine Academy](#).

Detailed description

Learn how to translate research data into visual representations making it easier for you and other scientists to understand and learn from the data. Learn how to generate visualisations to help you find patterns, trends and outliers in your data sets.

The Data Visualisation workshop is designed for early career researchers who wish to enhance their ability to communicate research findings effectively through visualisations. This two-day intensive course will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of theoretical concepts and practical techniques to transform complex data into insightful visual representations.

In this two-day course you will:

- Learn visualisation principles and foundations
- Discuss and analyse your own visualisations
- Work on a domain-specific task using a data set provided
- Engage in guided group work on a visualisation design using the Five Design-Sheets Methodology
- Implement and present your work

During the two days, you'll also have the opportunity to engage in hands-on exercises, group discussions and peer feedback, get to know the other course participants and network with them and the speakers through dinner and social activities.

Dates: 15 – 16 November, 2023

Venue: Milling Hotel Park, Viaduktvej 28, 5500 Middelfart, Denmark

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Information Visualization

Description of qualifications

Objectives of the course:

At the end of this course, participants will have gained knowledge of data visualization as:

- › A method of tightly interlinked graphic design, interaction design, and algorithm design (visualization design).
- › A computational process that transforms input data into graphic representations (visualization pipeline).
- › A tool for user-driven data analysis from preparation, via exploration and confirmation, to presentation (visual analytics).

Learning outcomes and competences:

At the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- › Name, define, use, and relate general models and concepts in data visualization.
- › Name, use, and explain concrete visualization techniques including their possibilities and limitations.
- › Derive a visualization problem in terms of data, task, and technical context.
- › Design, implement, and evaluate interactive visualization tech-

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Instructor Hans-Jörg Schulz
<http://hjschulz.net>

Course coordinator [Hans-Jörg Schulz](#), hjschulz@cs.au.dk

Academic prerequisites Basic knowledge in computer programming is required.

Forms of instruction Lecture, Classroom instruction

Comments on form of instruction Teaching dates for 2024: TBA
Lectures: 3 hrs/day
Classroom instruction: 2 hrs/day
Project supervision: 1 hr/day

Exam details

**WRITTEN + TAKE-HOME
ASSIGNMENT**

WRITTEN

Exam time: 2 hour(s)

Aid: None

ECTS 10

Period Spring semester 2024

Level Master

Academic term Summer

Hours - weeks - periods 6

Language of instruction English

Course type Summer University

Primary programme Master's Degree Programme in Computer Science

Related educations

Department Department of Computer Science

PhD Position available!

ArtiPlex: Multiplex Analytics for Computer-supported Visual Artifact Detection in EEG Data

Hans-Jörg Schulz (PI)

Department of Computer Science
Aarhus University, DK

Kaare Mikkelsen (Co-PI)

Department of Electrical and
Computer Engineering
Aarhus University, DK

Visualization and Visual Analytics are used when automated analyses and computational processes by themselves fail – for example, when plausibility checks or judgment calls need to be made. In these cases, visualizations communicate data and computational results to human analysts who then, with their common sense and domain knowledge, use the visualization to reason and interact with the data. A data analysis challenge that requires a human expert in the loop is anomaly detection. That is because it is hard to formalize what an anomaly is and where the threshold between anomalous data and normal, albeit potentially noisy data lies. Anomalies are also highly context-dependent and what may be considered an anomaly in one scenario may be perfectly normal in another.



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