

# A Tour Through The **Visualization Zoo**

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# Topics

1. Introduction
2. Time Series Data Visualization
3. Statistical Distributions
4. Maps
5. Hierarchies
6. Networks
7. Conclusion

# Introduction

- What is Data Visualization and why is it important ?
- The challenge is to create effective and engaging visualizations that are appropriate to the data.



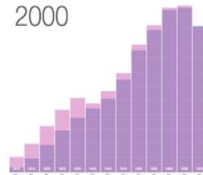
# Introduction (cont.)

- For creating an effective visualization one must determine which questions to ask, identify the appropriate data, and select effective visual encodings to map data values.
- By now, you might be wondering what is Visualization Zoo?

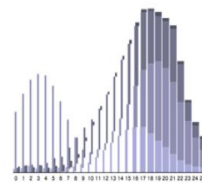
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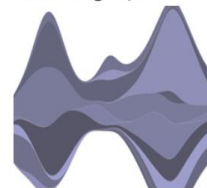
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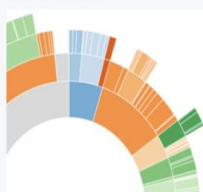
Stacked Bars



Streamgraph



Sunburst



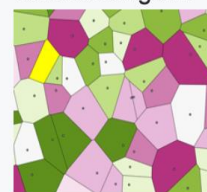
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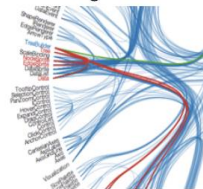
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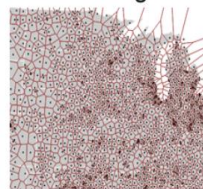
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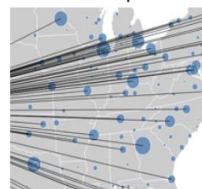
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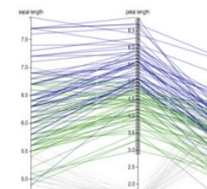
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Bubble Map

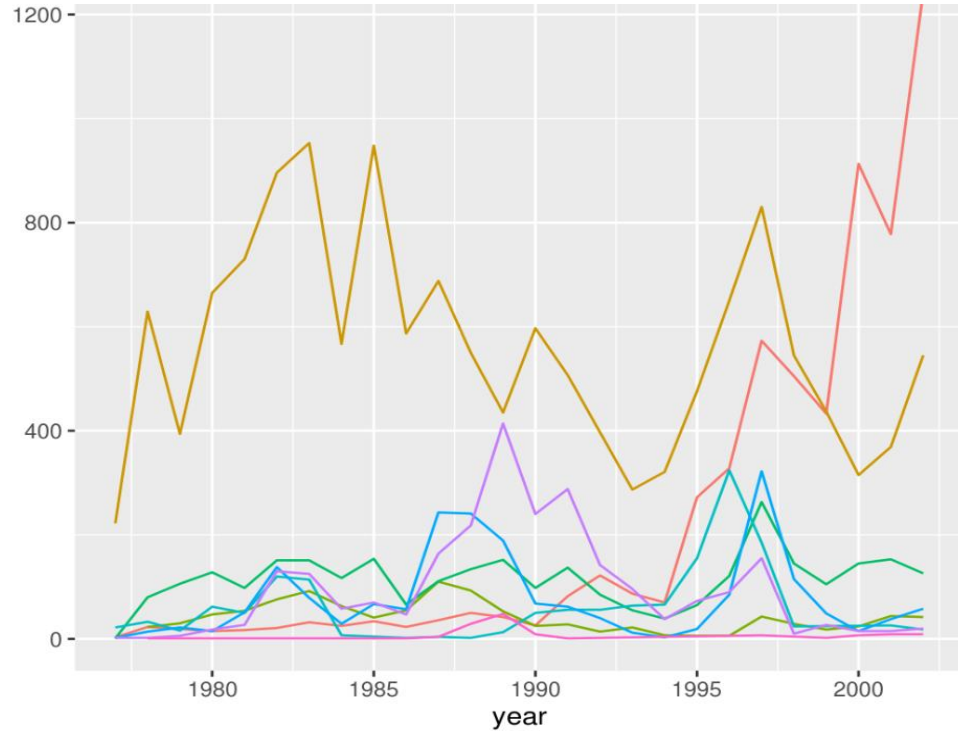


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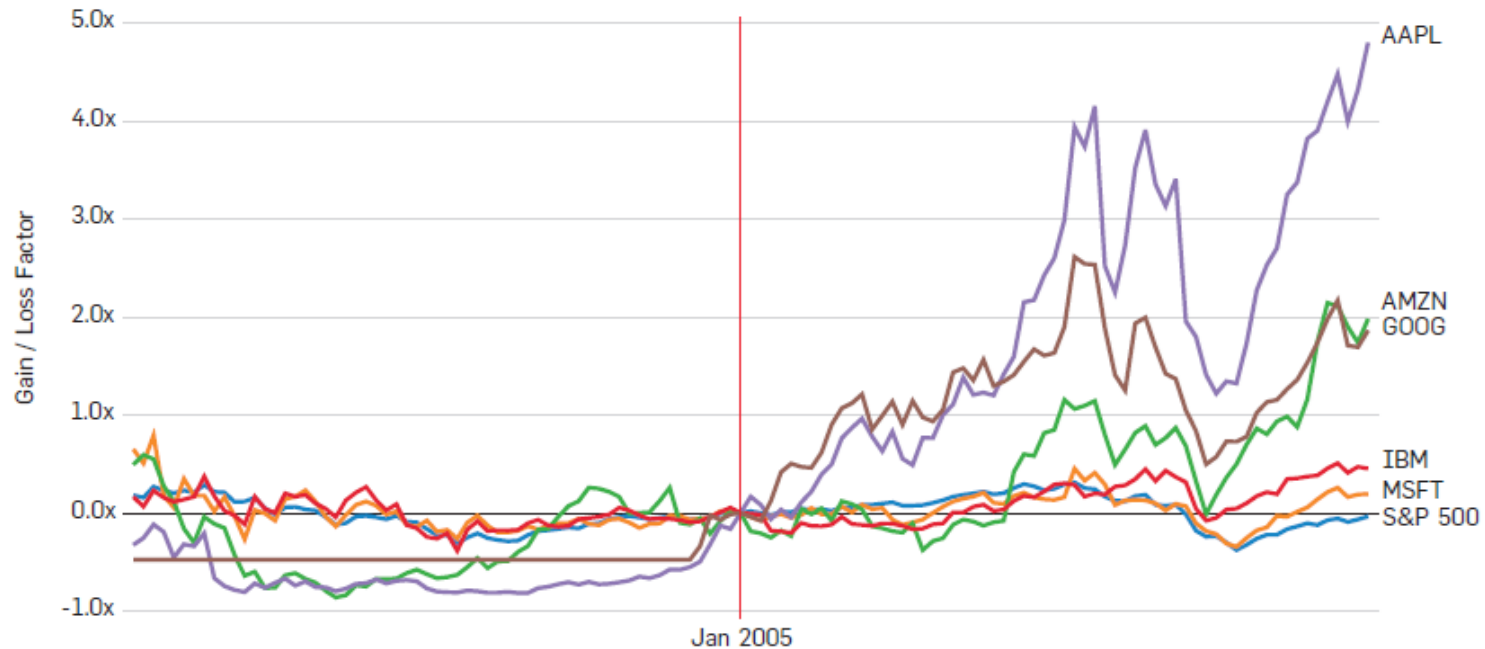


# Time-Series Data Visualization

1. Index Charts
2. Stacked Graphs
3. Small Multiples
4. Horizon Graphs

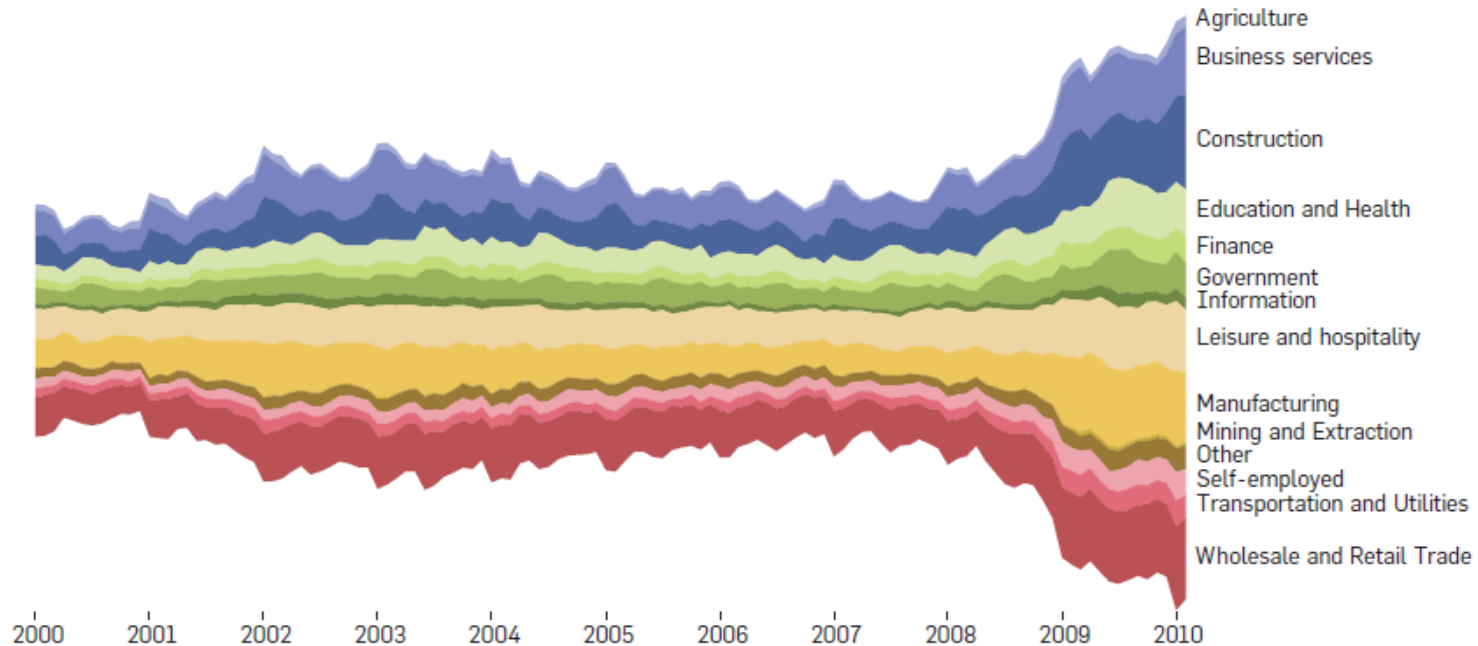


# 1. Index Charts



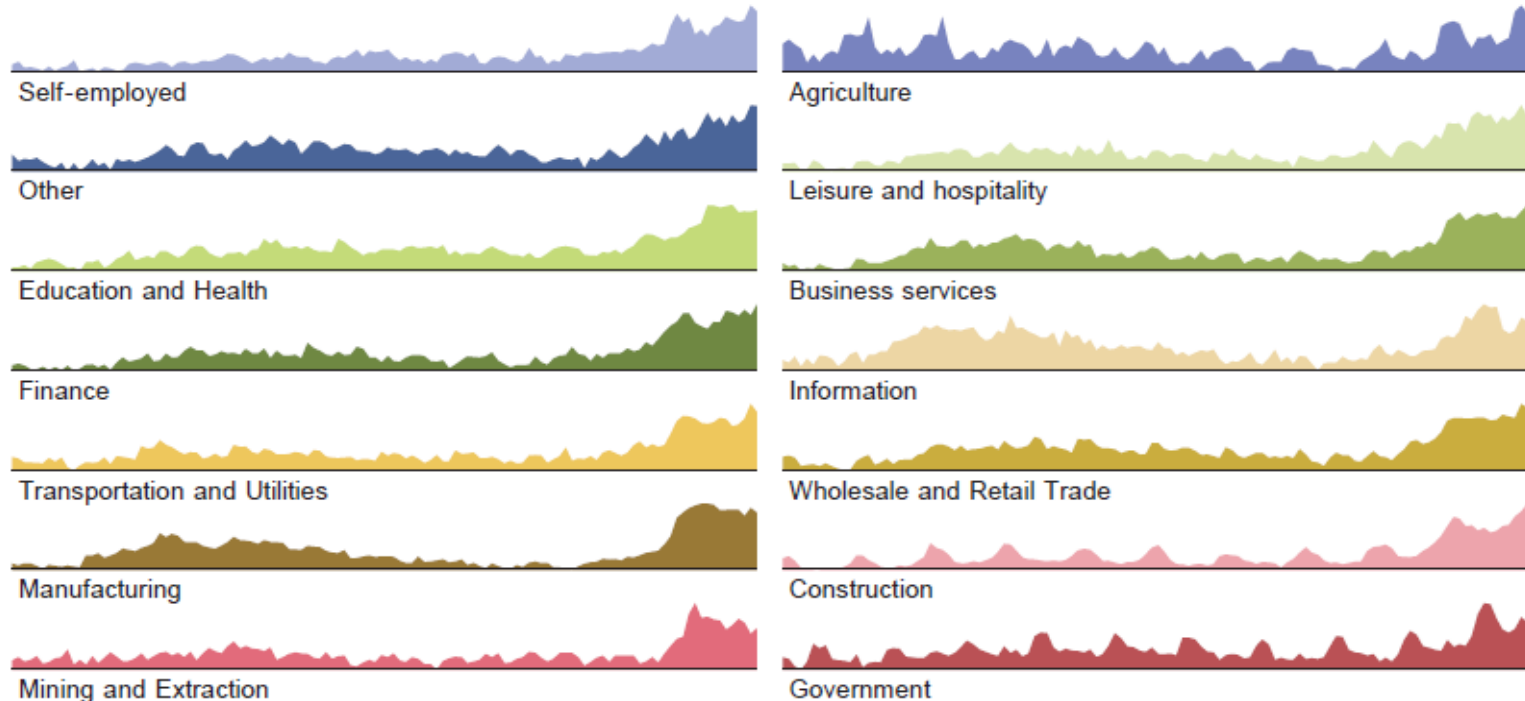
Source: Yahoo! Finance; <http://hci.stanford.edu/jheer/files/zoo/ex/time/index-chart.html>

## 2. Stacked Graphs



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### 3.Small Multiples

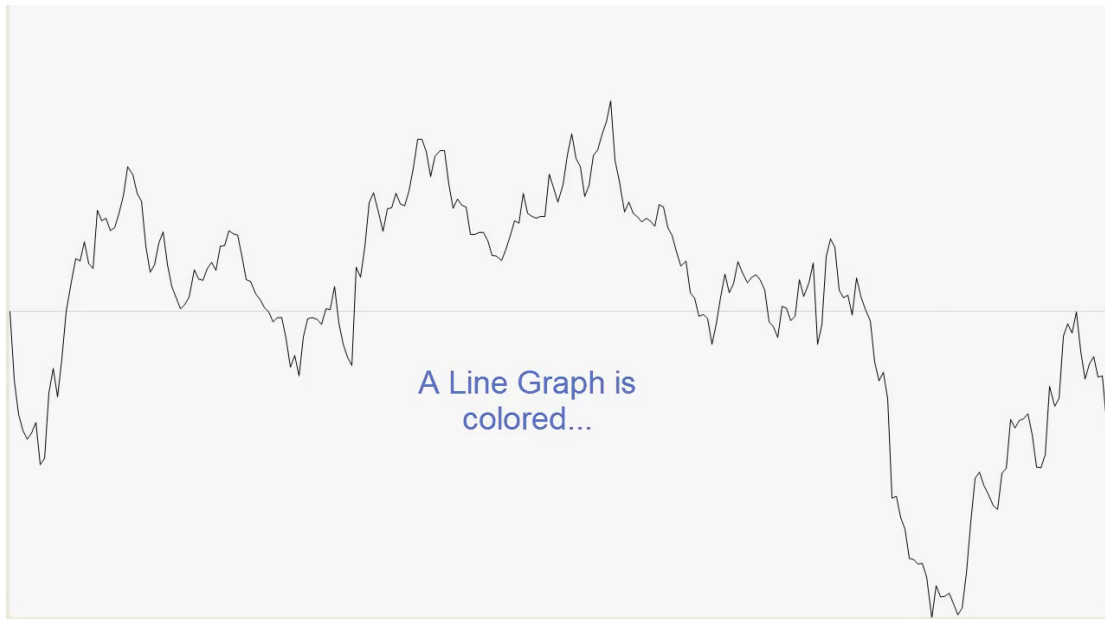


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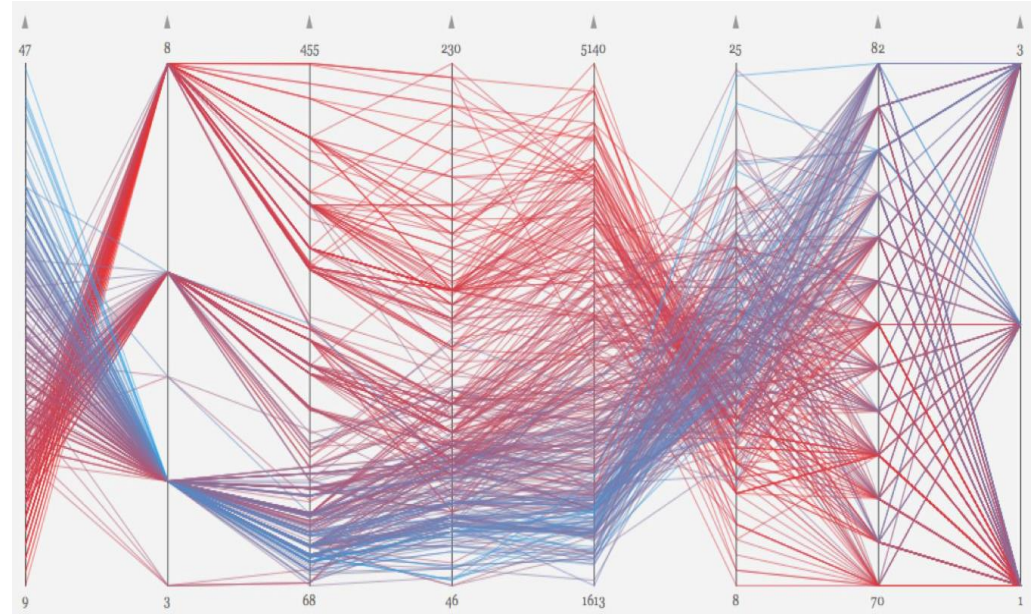
## 4. Horizon Graphs

- The horizon graph is a technique for increasing the data density of a time-series view while preserving resolution.



# Statistical Distributions Visualization

1. Stem-and-Leaf Plots
2. Q-Q Plots
3. SPLOM (Scatter Plot Matrix)
4. Parallel Coordinates



# 1. Stem-and-Leaf Plots

- A stem-and-leaf plot is a device for presenting quantitative data in a graphical format, similar to a histogram.
- The main advantage of this plot over histogram is that it can be easily built and is convenient to use in determining median or mode of a data set quickly.
- Sorting is performed before the plotting the numbers.

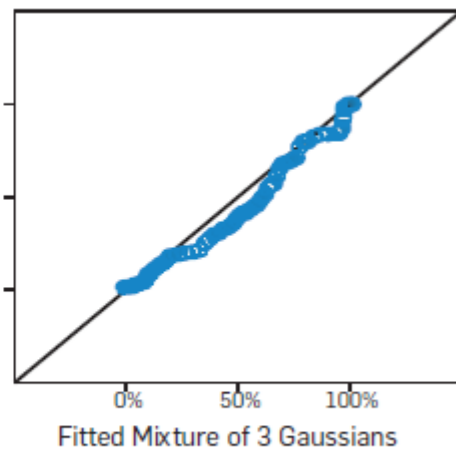
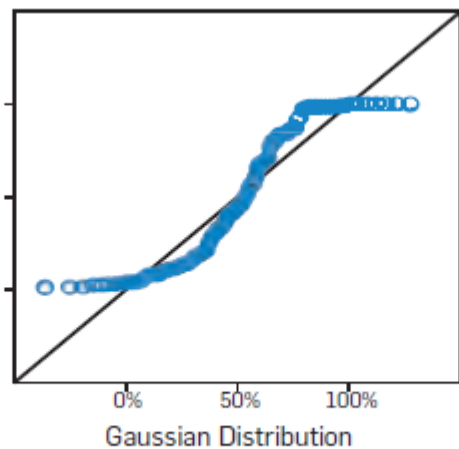
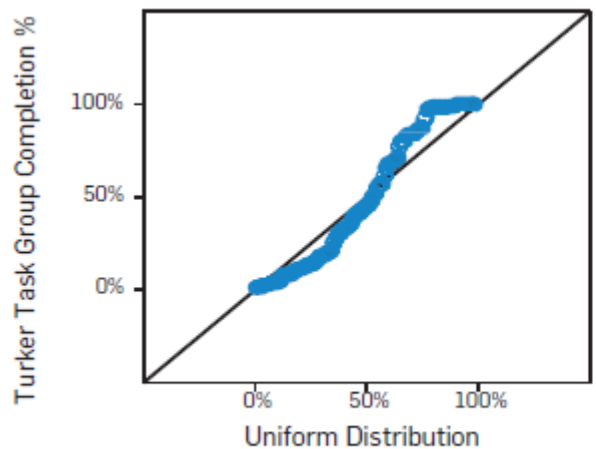
**2.3, 2.5, 2.5, 2.7, 2.8 3.2, 3.6, 3.6, 4.5, 5.0**

And here is the stem-and-leaf plot:

Stem	Leaf
2	3 5 5 7 8
3	2 6 6
4	5
5	0

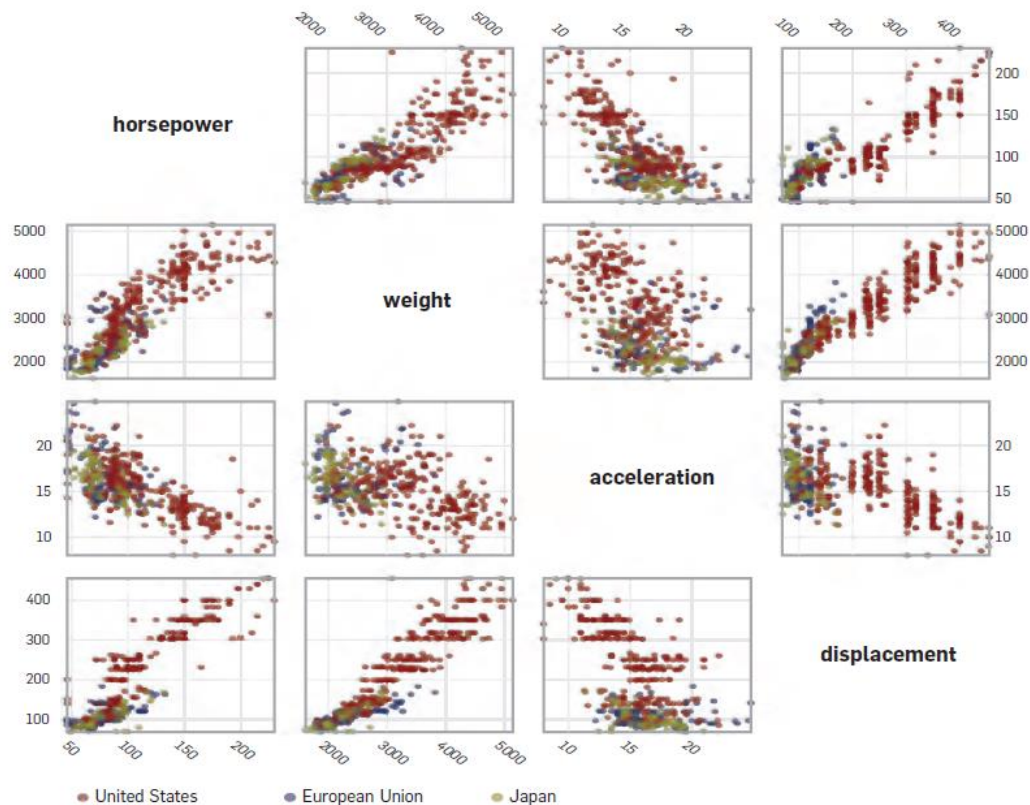
Stem "2" Leaf "3" means **2.3**

## 2. Q-Q Plots



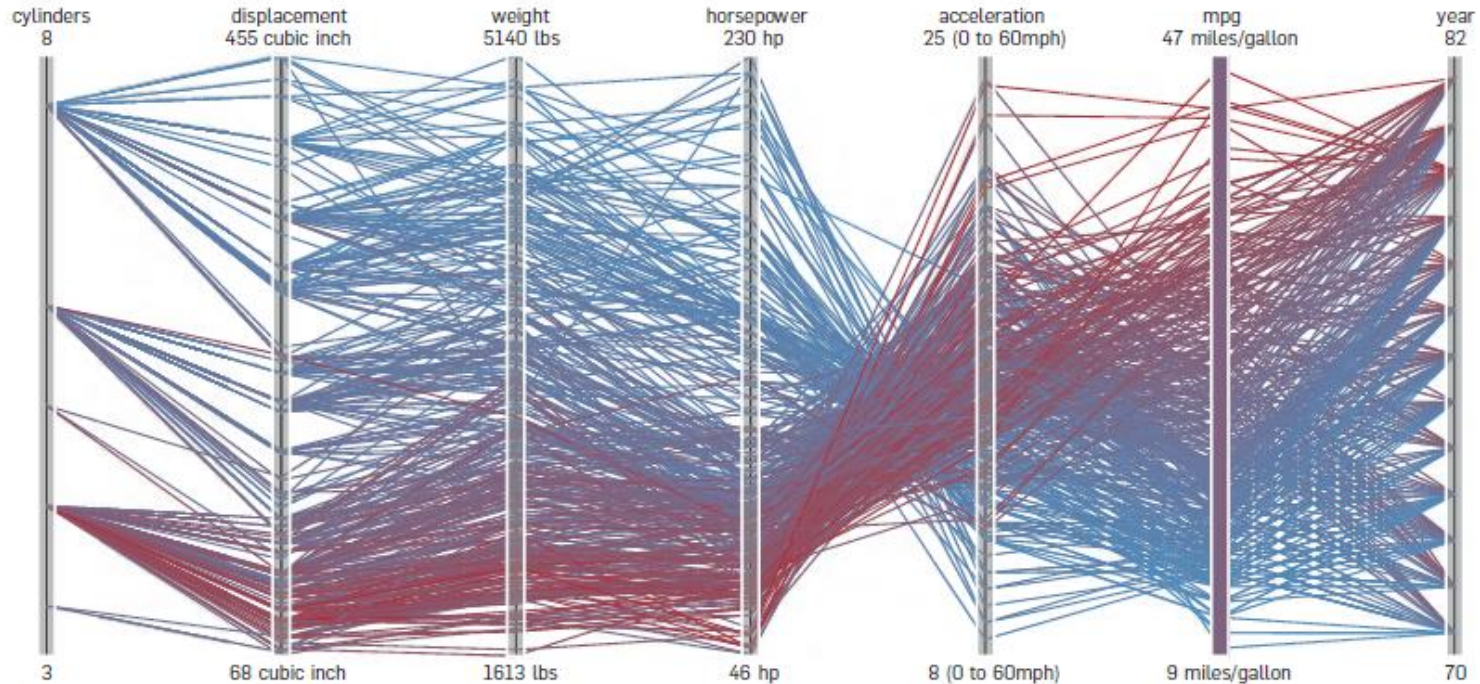
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### 3. SPLOM

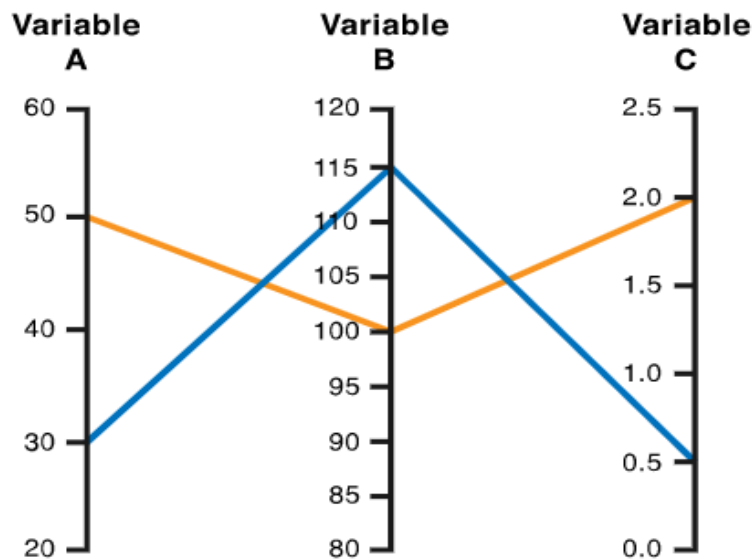


Source: GGobi; <http://hci.stanford.edu/jheer/files/zoo/ex/stats/splom.html>

## 4. Parallel Coordinates



Source: GGobi; <http://hci.stanford.edu/jheer/files/zoo/ex/stats/parallel.html>



Data			
	Variable A	Variable B	Variable C
Item 1	50	100	2.0
Item 2	30	115	0.5

# Maps Visualization

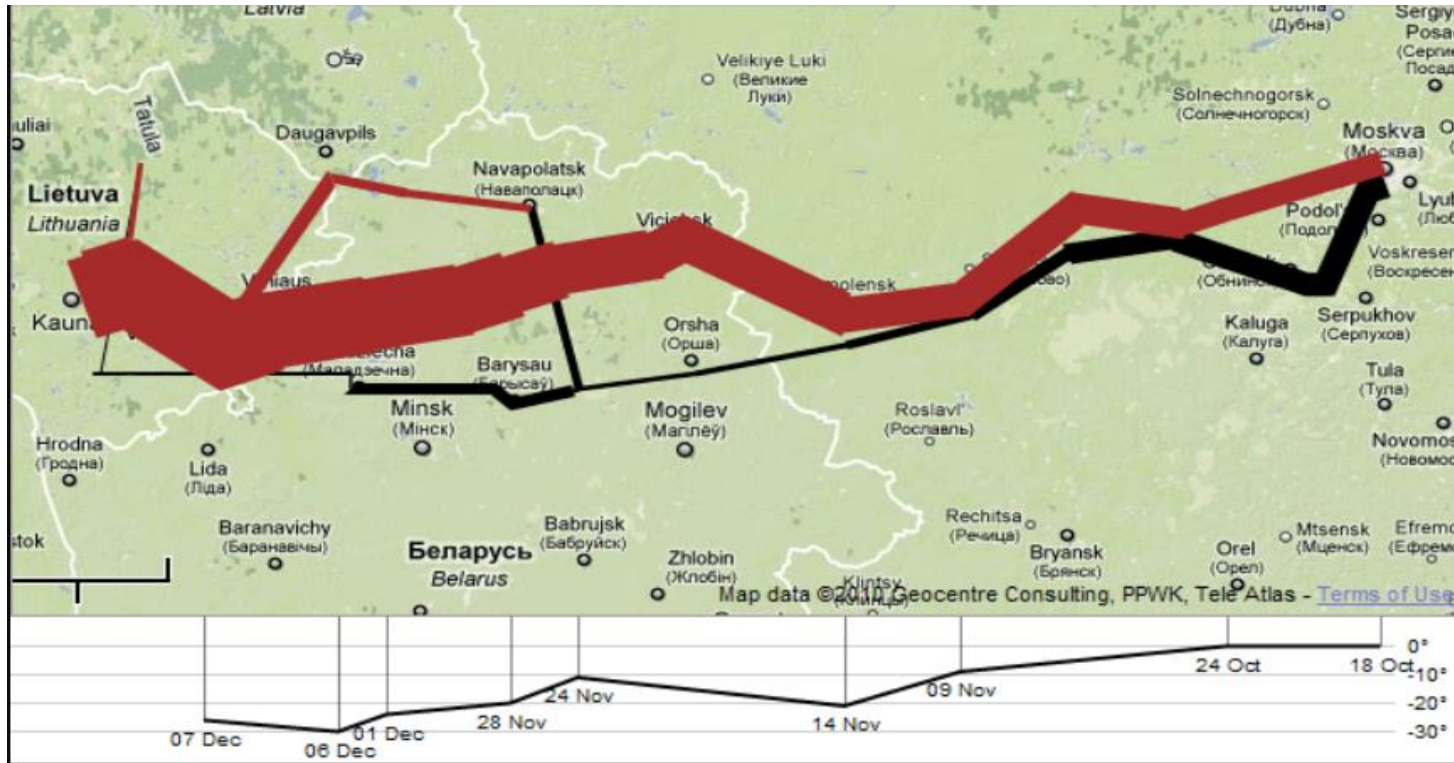
**Cart-graphic projection:** A mathematical function which maps the 3D geometry of earth to a 2D image.

These visualization uses distort or abstract geographic features to highlight the data.



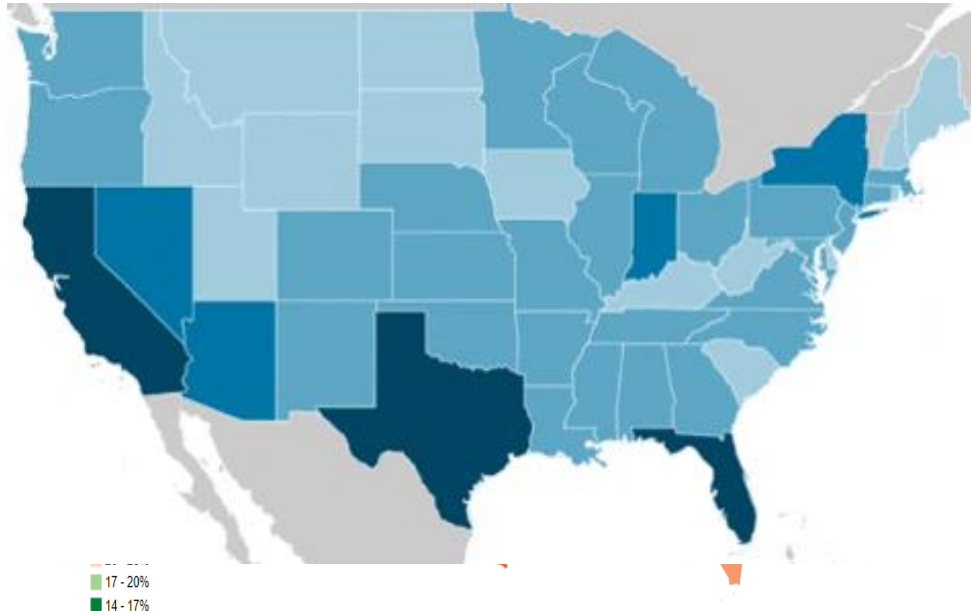
# 1. Flow Maps

- Flow maps are a combination of **maps** and **flowchart** which indicates the movement of objects from one location to another.
- Lines are used to symbolize the flow. width represents differences in the quantity of the flow.
- Flow lines encode a large amount of multivariate information.
  - Path points
  - Direction
  - Line thickness
  - Color - Present dimension of information to the viewer



**Figure:** Flow map of Napoleon's March on Moscow, based on the work of **Charles Minard**  
Initially - the Grand Army size was 422,000 as it progressed through Russia.

## 2. Choropleth Maps



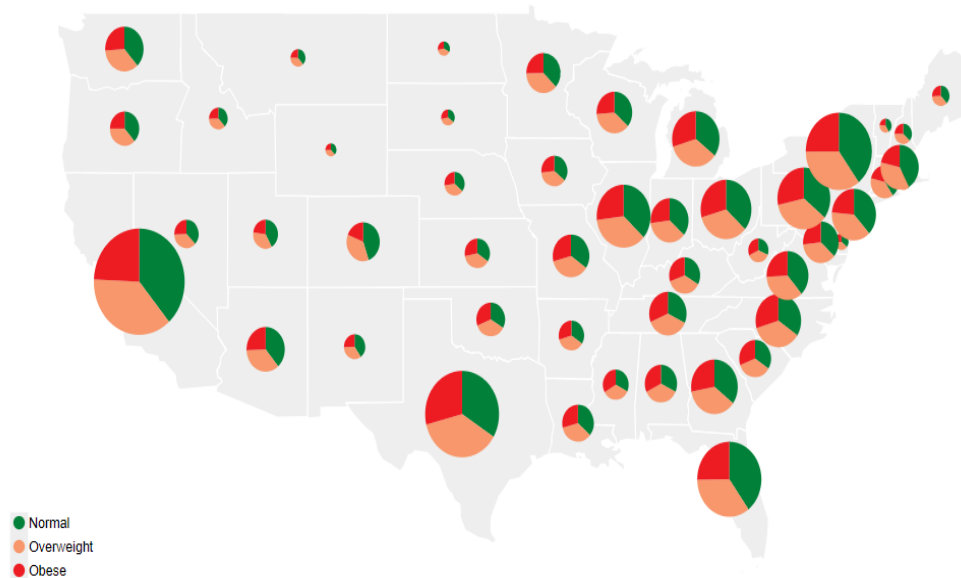
**Figure:** the condition of obesity in each state in the U.S.

- They represent an **aggregate summary** of a geographic characteristic within each area.
- It uses a **color encoding** approach to represent data of the geographic area.

### Problems:

- Raw data is used over normalized data for density map
- Perception of shaded value can be affected by underlying area of the geographic region

### 3. Graduated Symbol Maps

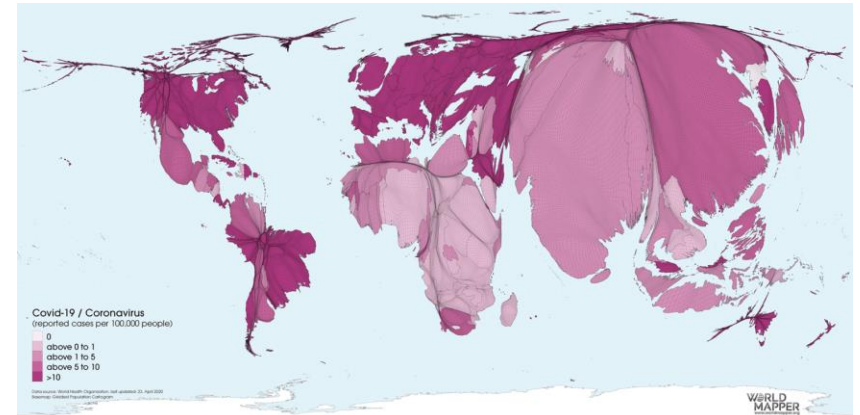
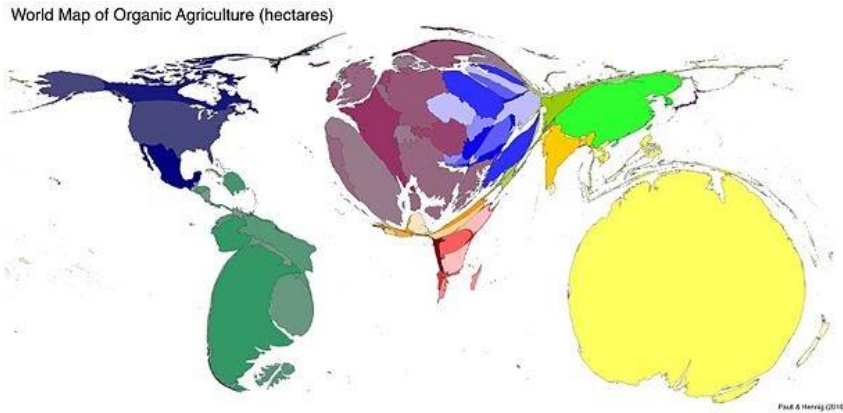


- An alternative to the choropleth map.
- Places symbols over an underlying map.
- More dimensions to be visualized i.e. symbol's size, shape and color
- Pie charts

**Figure:** State's population - Total circle size, Proportion of people with specific BMI rating - Each slice

## 4. Cartograms

- Area directly encodes a data variable
- The geometry or space of the map is **distorted** in order to convey the information

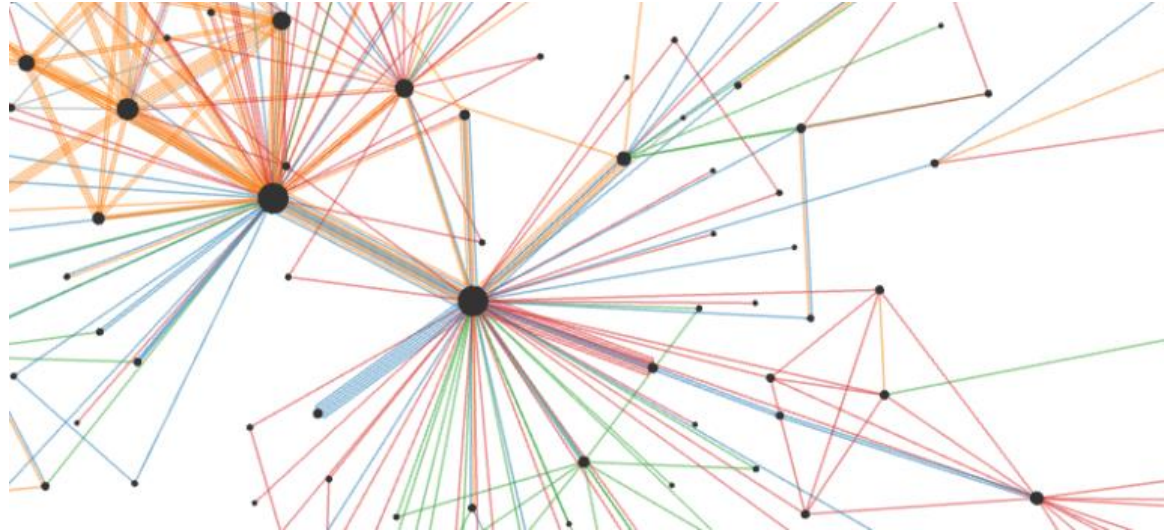


# Hierarchies Visualization

- Data which is a flat collection of numbers, can be organized into natural hierarchies
- Data that can be represented:
  - Organizational Chart
  - Classifications
  - File structure
  - Decision Tree (Logical inference)

# 1. Node-link diagrams

- Orthogonal layout
  - Indented Layout
  - Dendrogram
  - Icicle
- Traditional Layout
  - 2D
  - 3D : Cone Trees
  - Radial layout
- Radial diagram
  - Sunburst diagram
  - Hyperbolic trees



# Node-link diagrams: Traditional approach

- Allocate Space proportional to no. of Children at different Levels.
- Leaf nodes are not at same level
- **Reingold-Tilford algorithm:** Make smarter use of space maximize density space, maximize density and symmetry

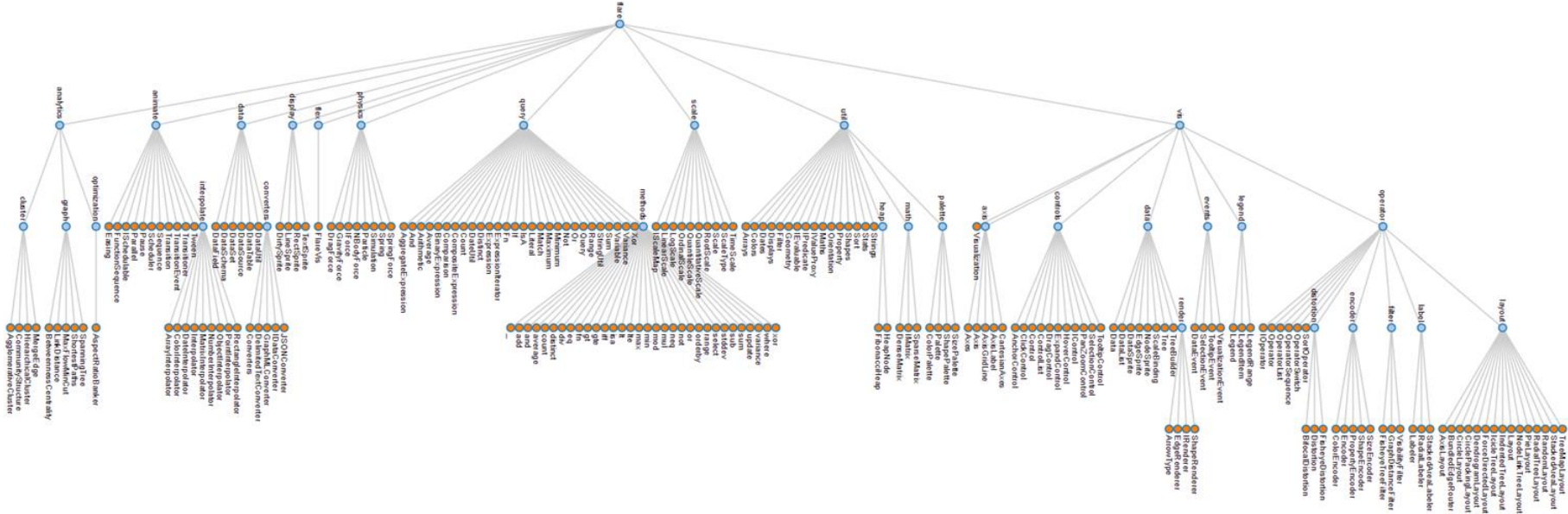


Figure: Package hierarchy of software. [Reference](#)





# Node-link diagrams: Indented tree layout

Operating system to represent the directories

## Features:

- Easy to implement
- Allows multivariate data(size, last modified)
- Good for Searching, Bad for Structure

## Problems:

- Requires excessive vertical space

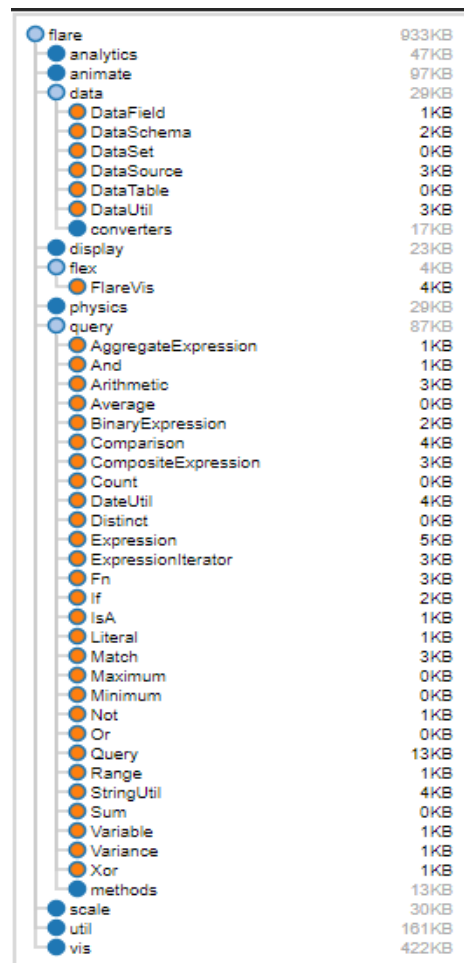


Figure: Directory of classes and packages(Reference)

# Hierarchies Visualization:Adjacency Diagrams – icicle layout

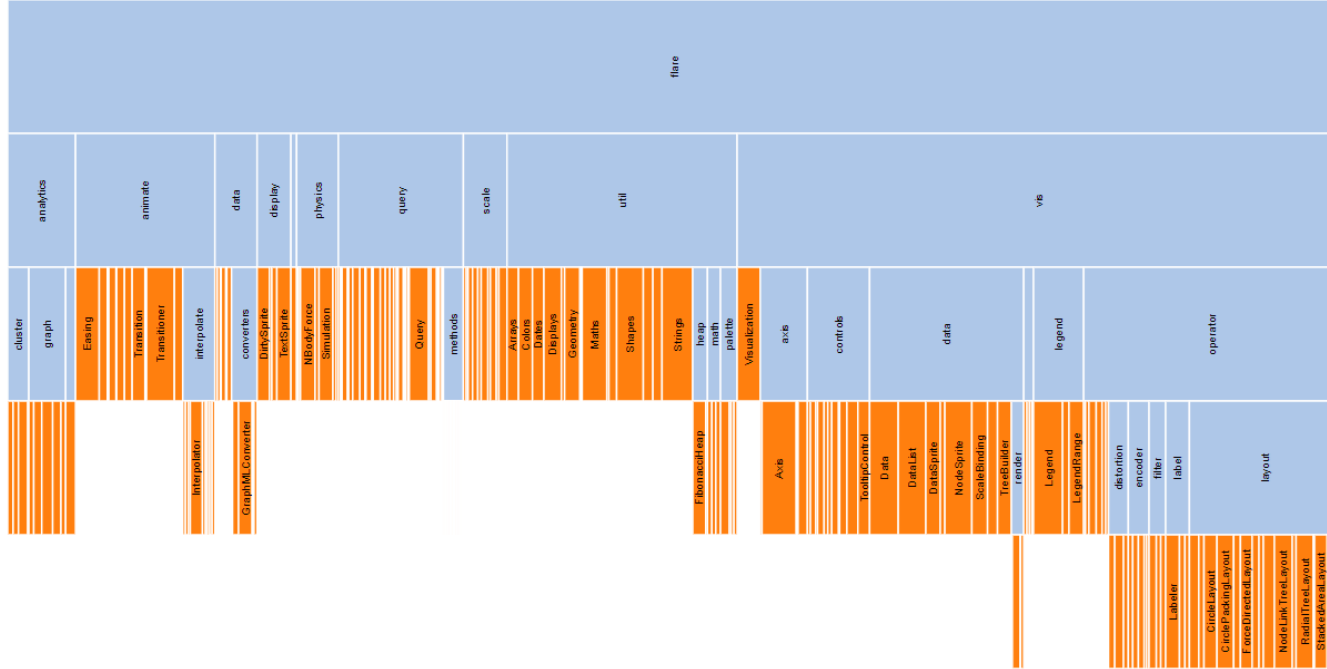


Figure: Icicle tree layout of the Flare package hierarchy[1] [Reference](#)

# Hierarchies Visualization: Adjacency Diagrams – Sunburst layout

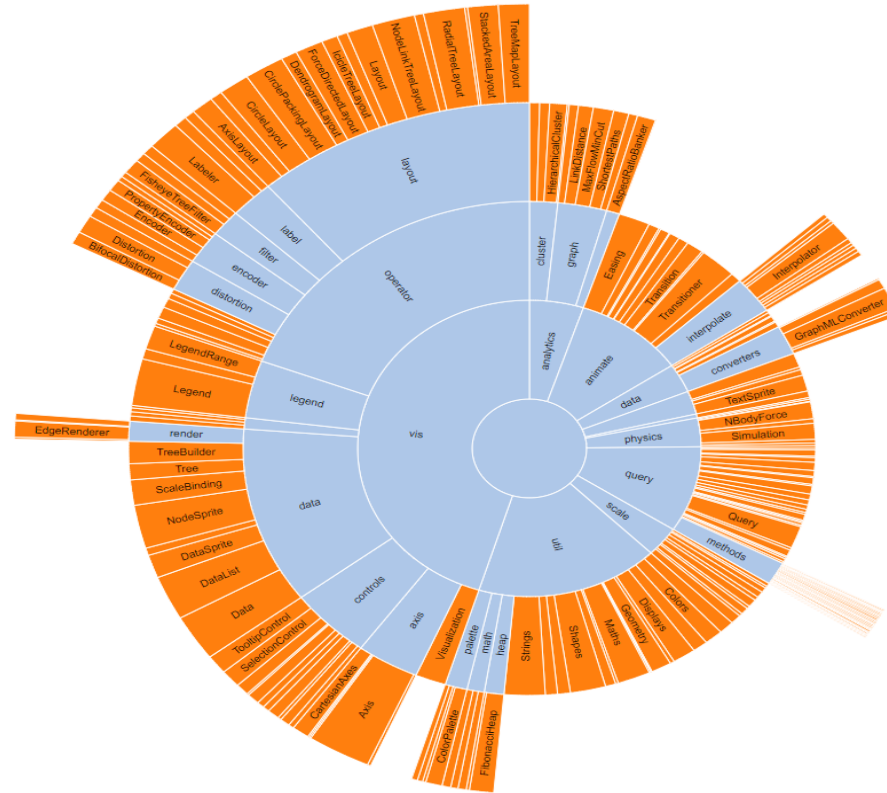


Figure: Sunburst tree layout of the Flare package hierarchy[1]. [Reference](#)

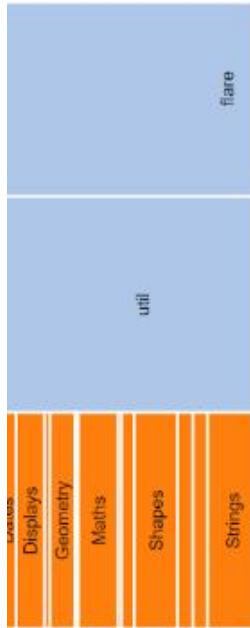


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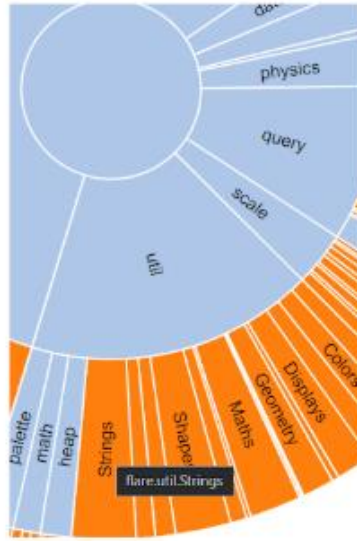


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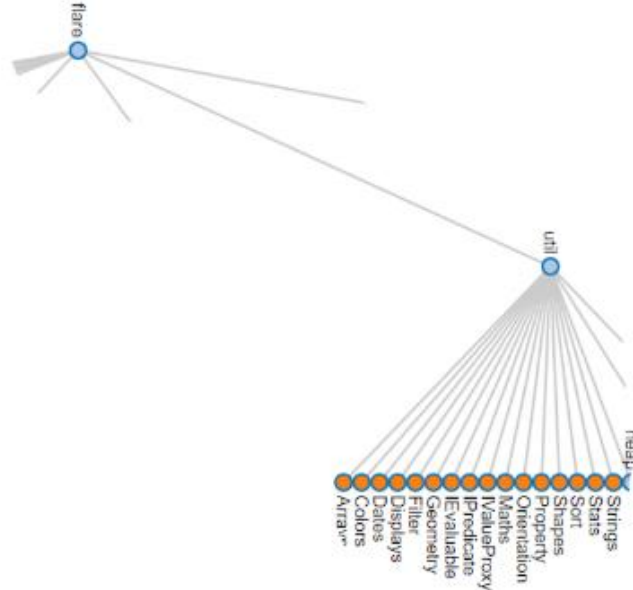


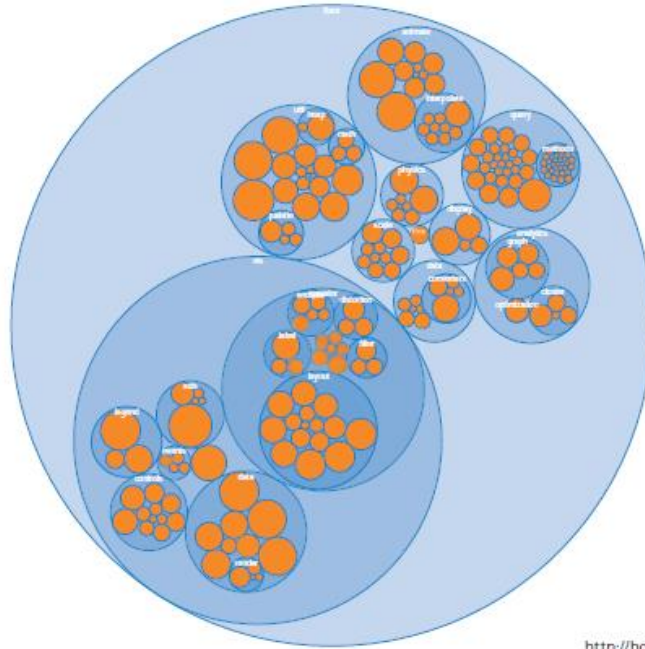
Figure c

**Figure:** (a)Adjacency Diagrams- Icicle layout, (b)Adjacency Diagrams- Sunburst layout (c) Node Link diagram





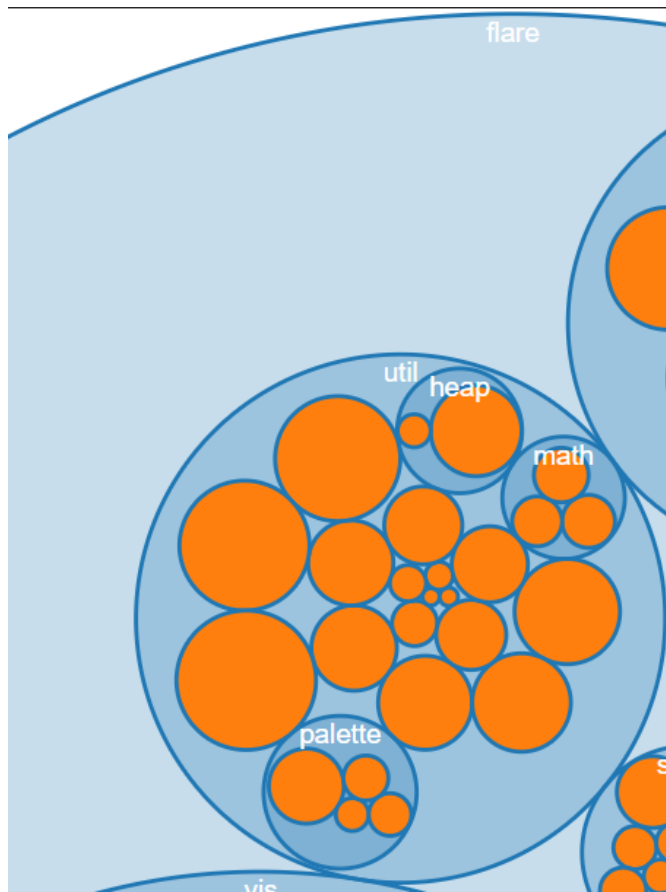
# Hierarchies Visualization: Enclosure Diagrams-circle packing layout



<http://hci.stanford.edu/jheer/files/zoo/ex/hierarchies/pack.html>  
Source: The Flare Toolkit <http://flare.prefuse.org>

**Figure:** Nested circles layout of the Flare package hierarchy

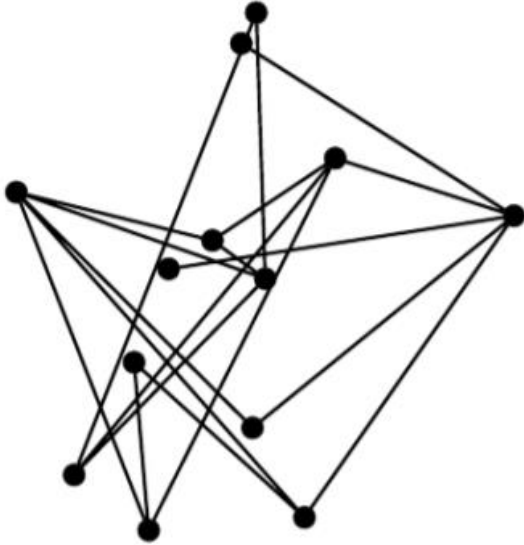




# Networks Visualization

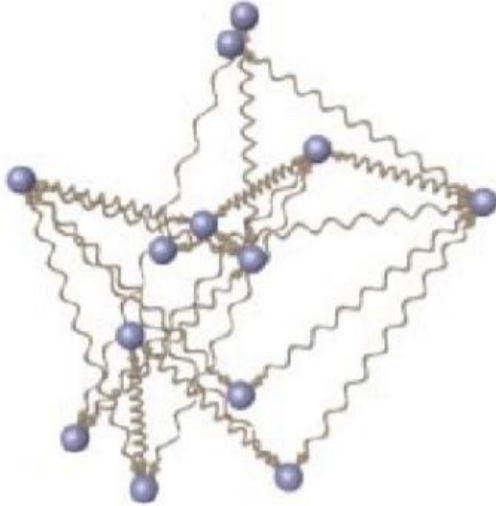
1. Force-directed Layouts
2. Arc Diagrams
3. Matrix Views

# Force-directed Layouts :Physical Model



**Figure:** Undirected graph

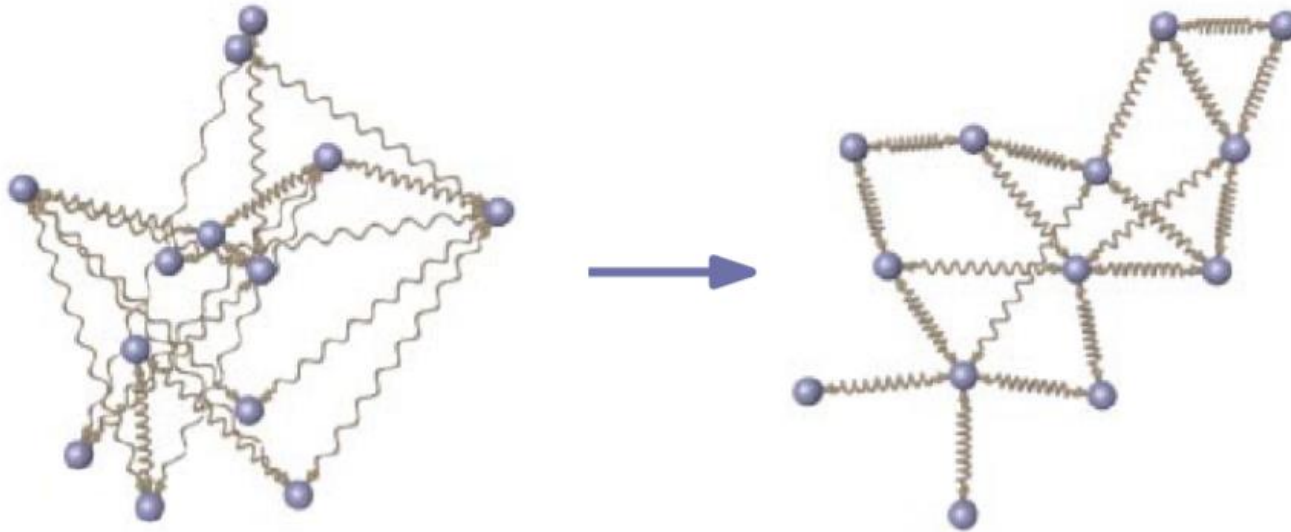
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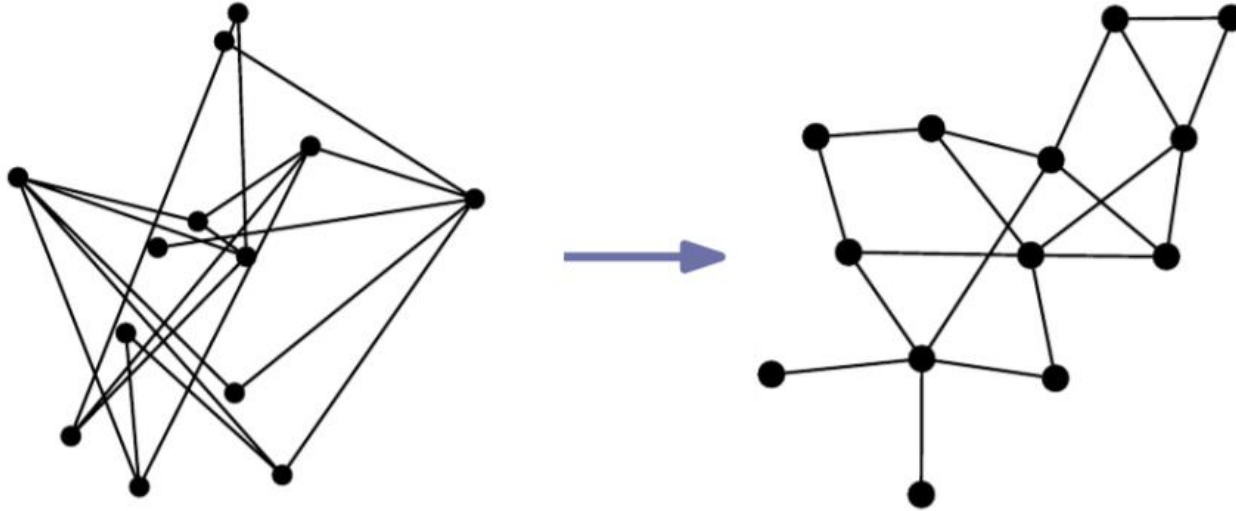
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“To embed a graph we replace the vertices by steel rings and replace each edge with a spring to form a mechanical system . . . The vertices are placed in some initial layout and let go so that the spring forces on the rings move the system to a minimal energy state.”

# Force-directed Layouts :Physical Model



**Figure:** Force-directed layouts

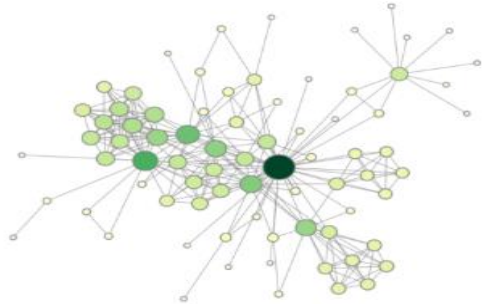
# Networks Visualization: Force-directed Layouts



(a) Plain structure.



(b) Encoding **degree** via color.

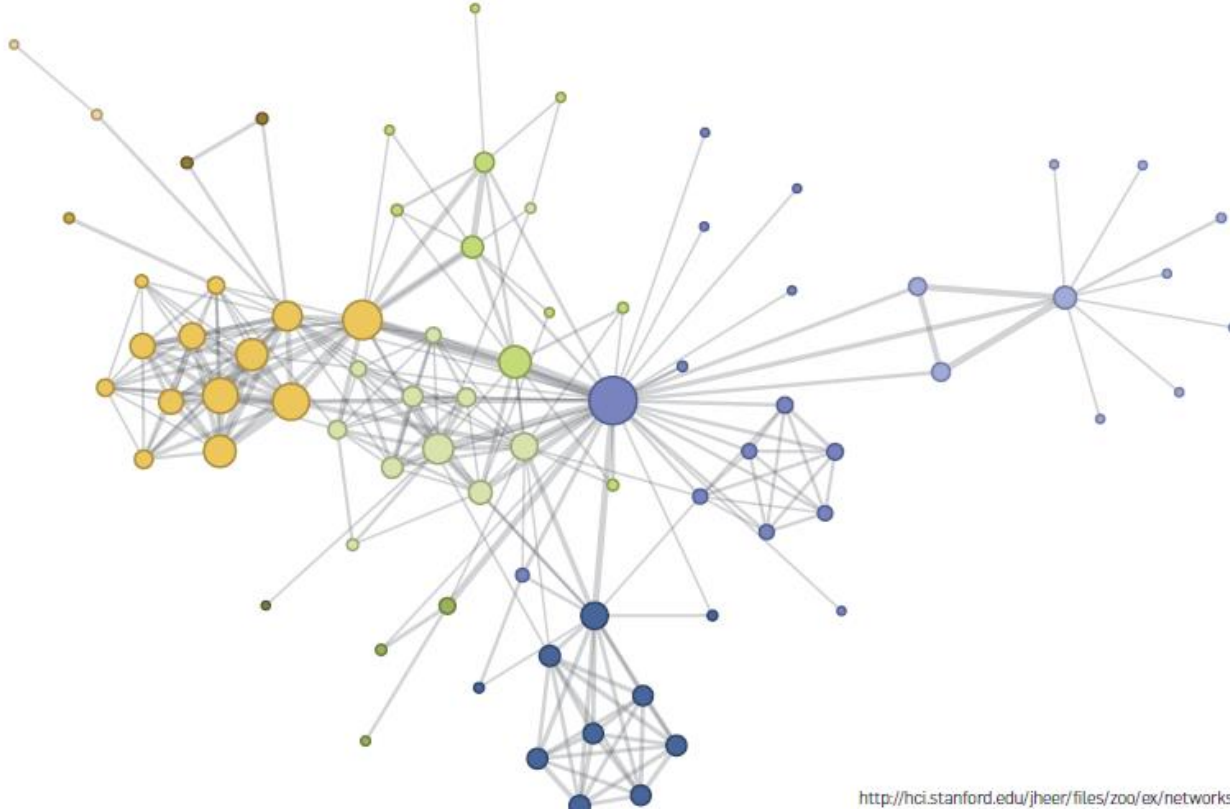


(c) Encoding **degree** via color and size.



(d) Encoding **weight** via line width.

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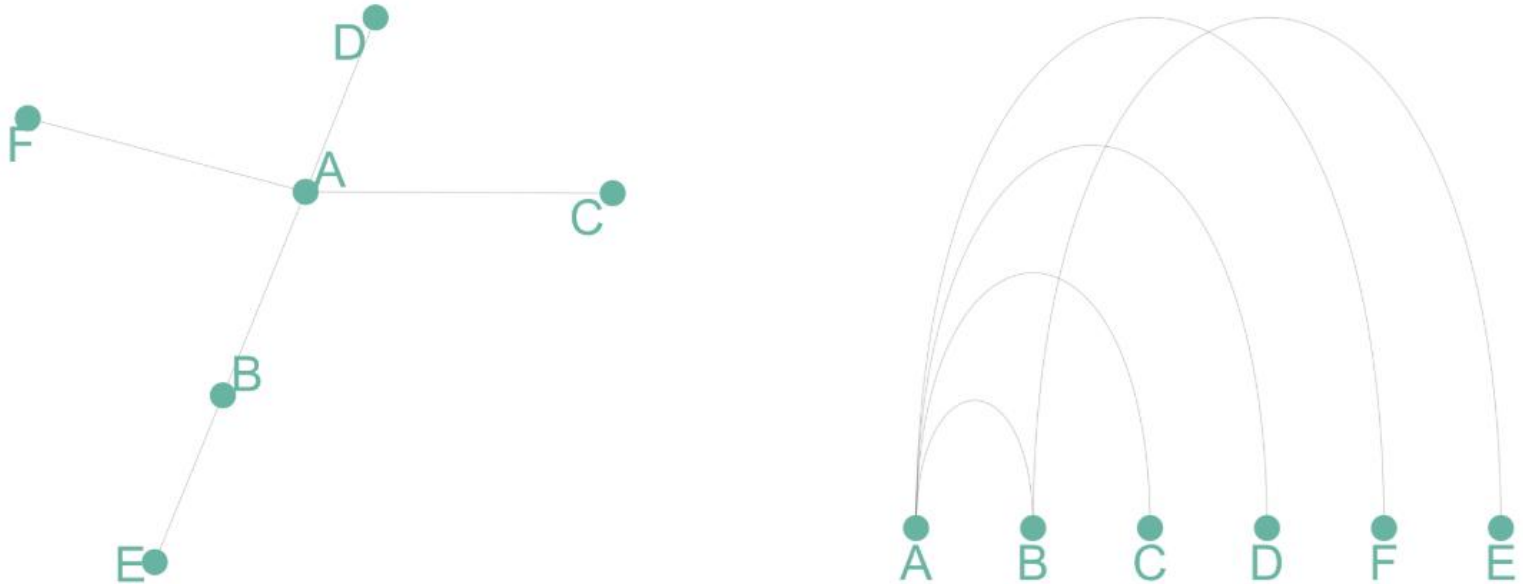


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**Figure:** Force-directed layout of Les Misérables character co-occurrences[1].



# Networks Visualization: Arc Diagrams



**Figure:** Five links between 6 nodes are represented using a **2d network diagram** (left) and an **arc diagram** (right)

# Arc Diagrams

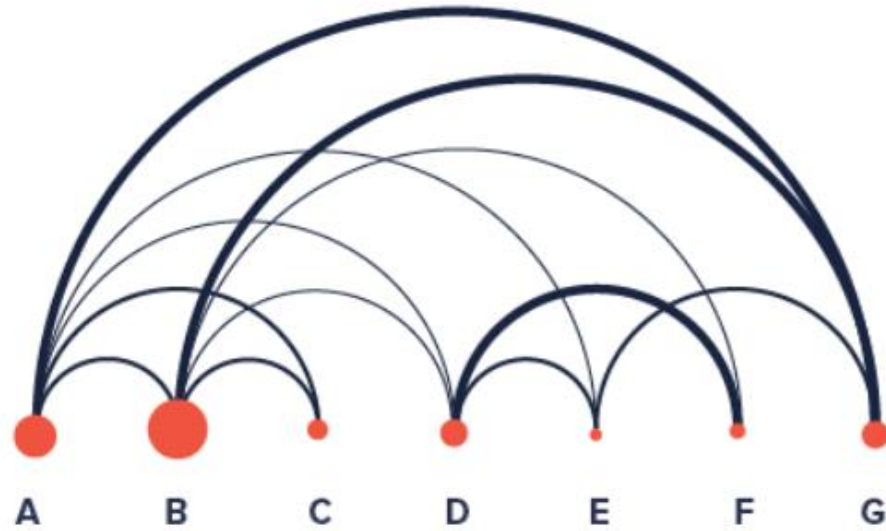


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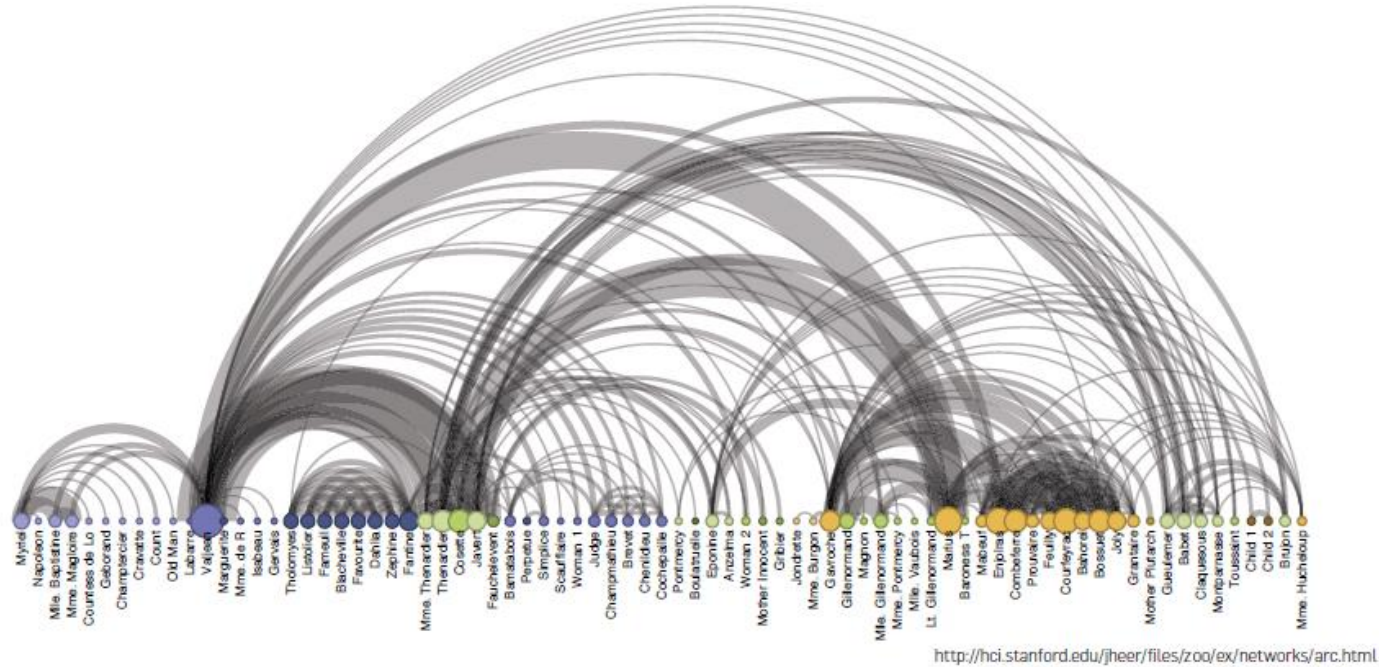


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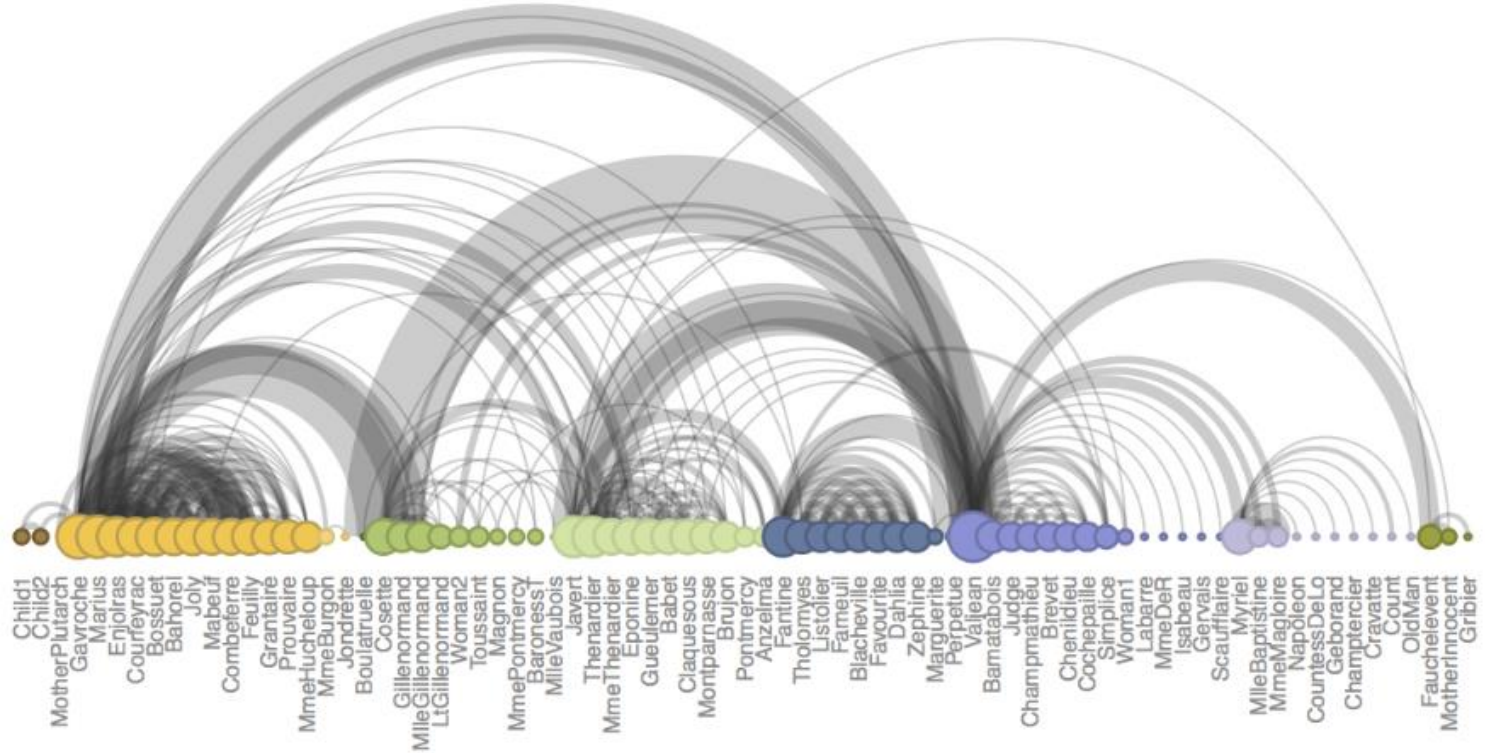
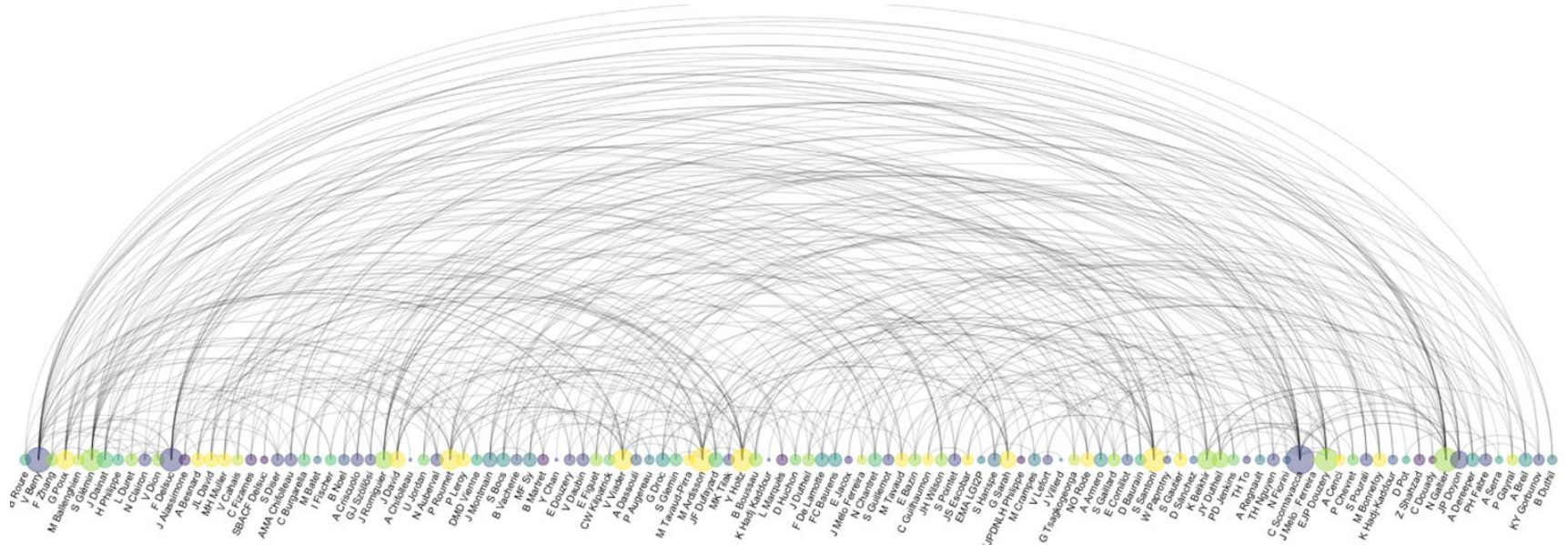


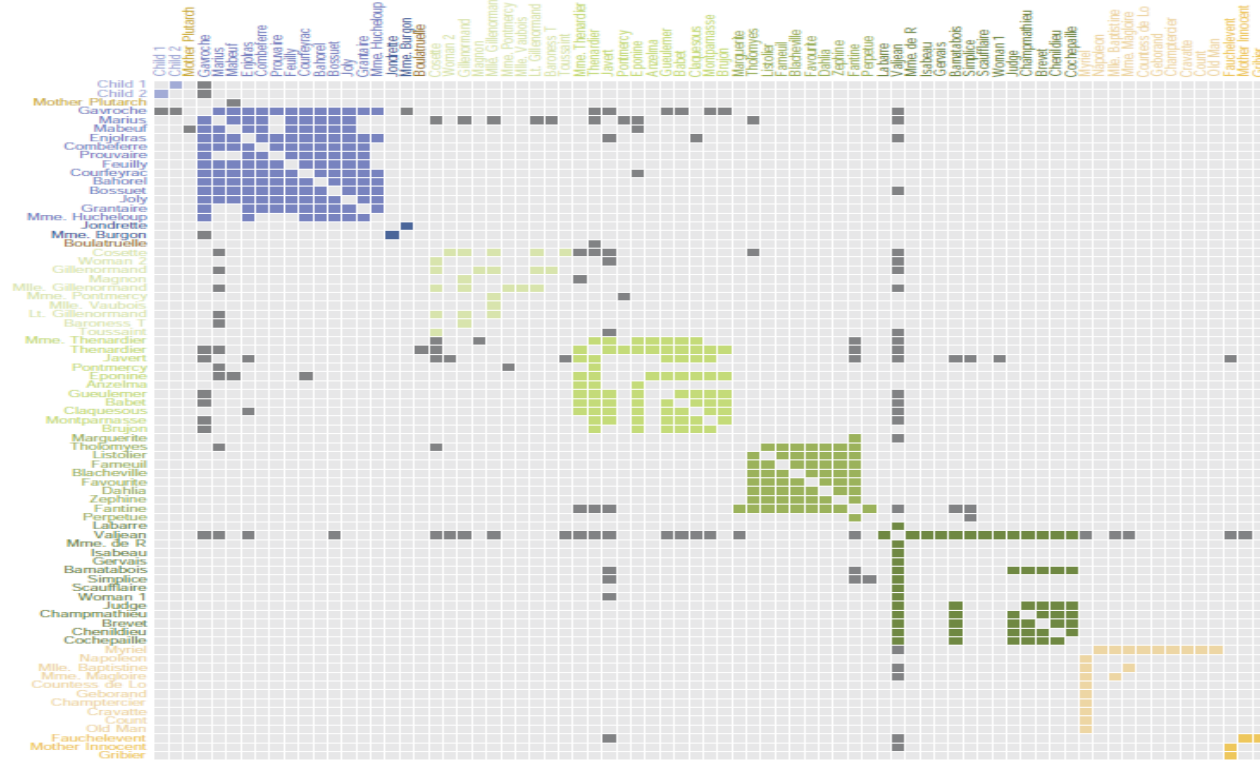
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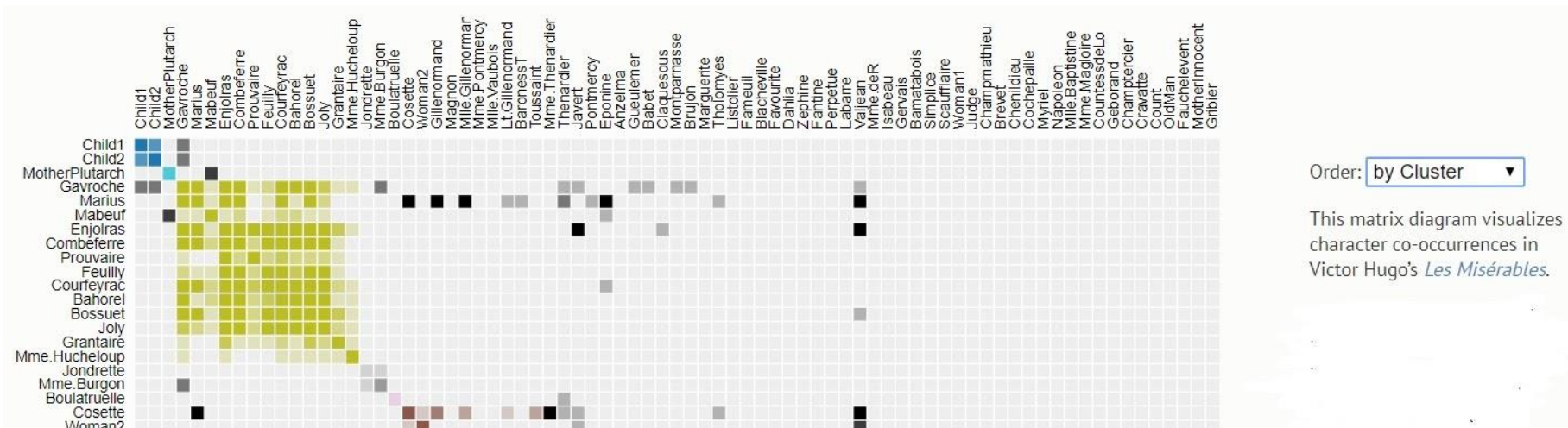
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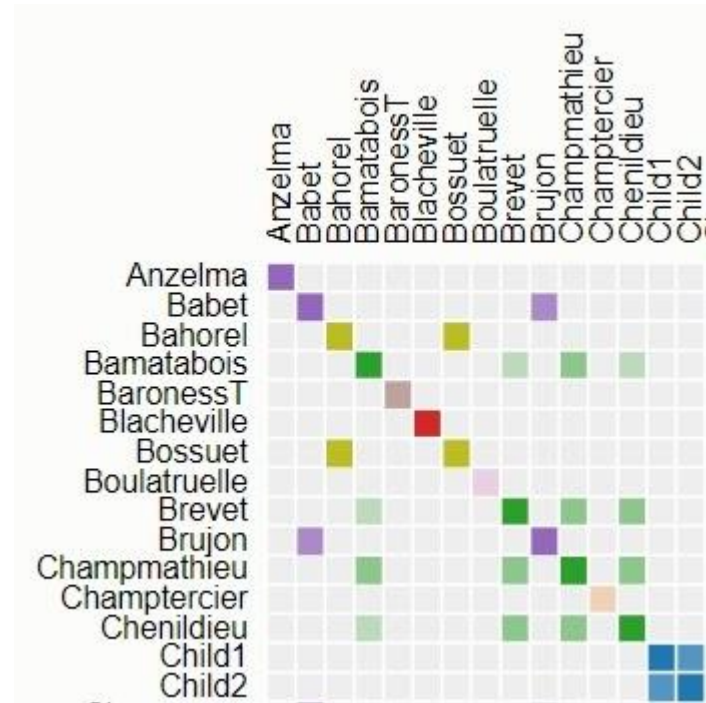
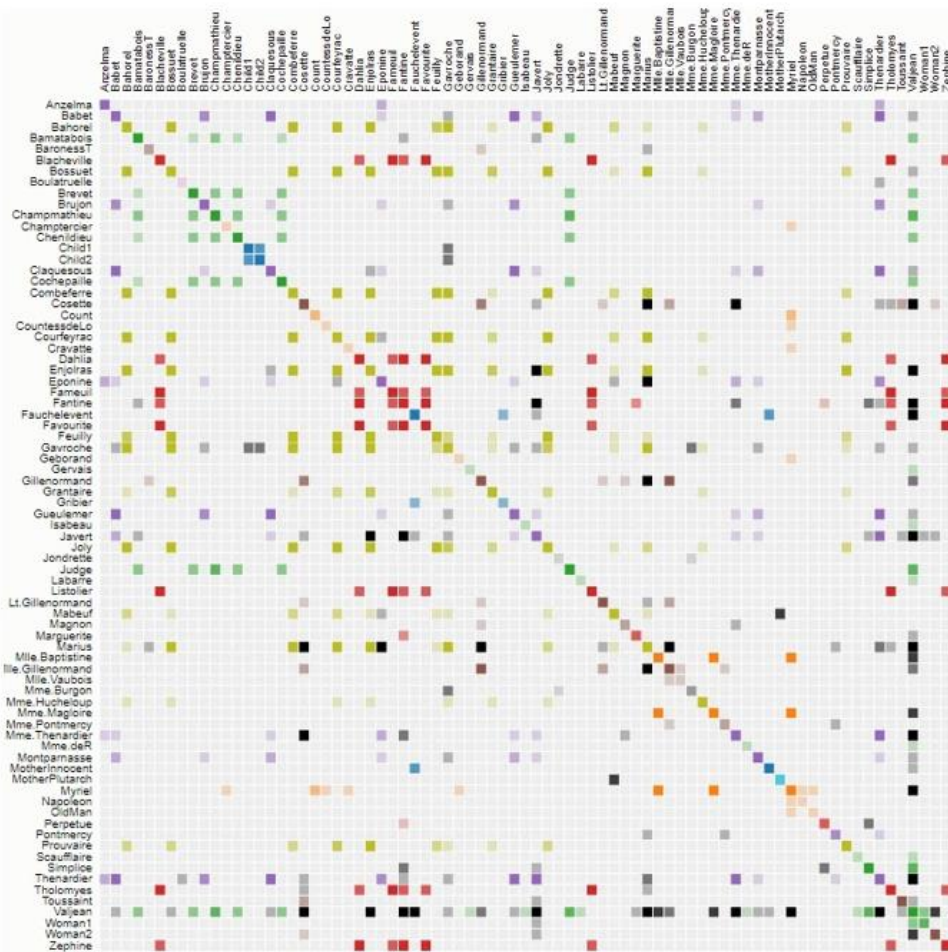
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Figure: Matrix view of Les Misérables character co-occurrences[1].



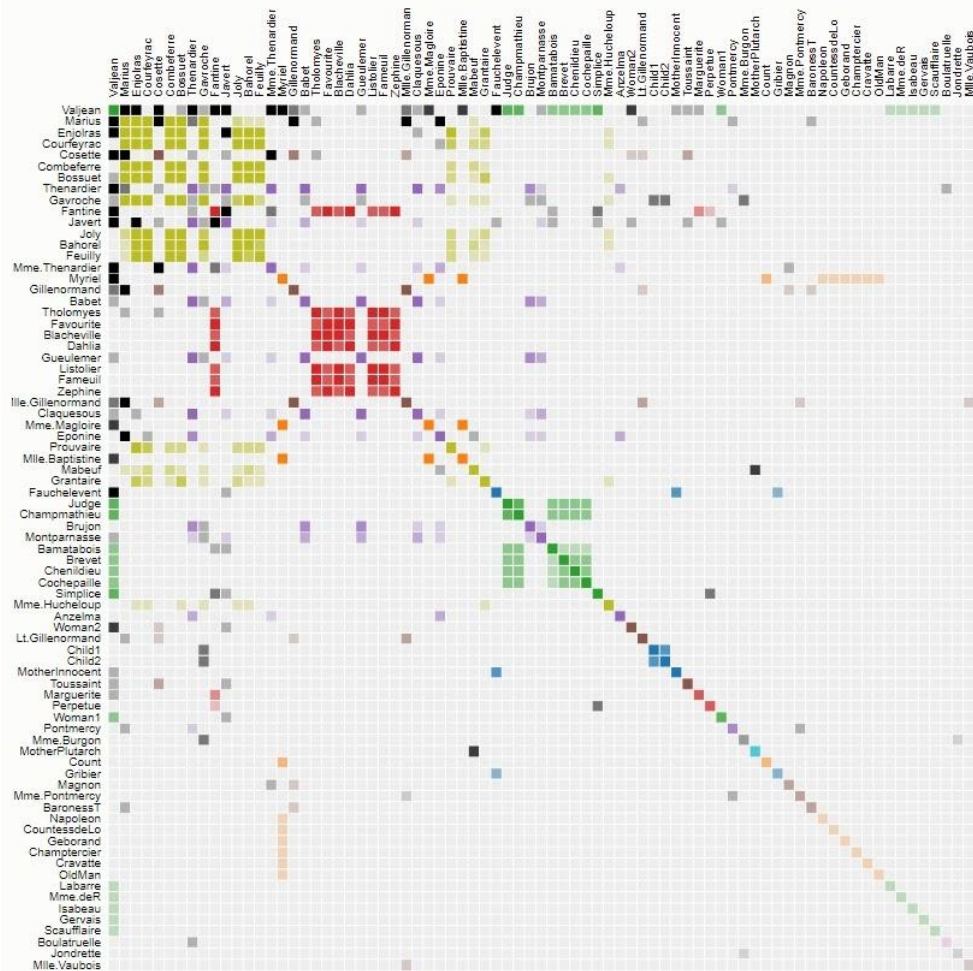


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Order:

This matrix diagram visualizes character co-occurrences in Victor Hugo's *Les Misérables*.



**Figure:** Matrix view of Les Misérables character co-occurrences[1].

# Conclusion and personal critics

- All visualizations share a common “DNA ” - a set of mappings between data properties and visual attributes such as position, size, shape, and color - and customized species of visualization might always be constructed by varying these encodings.

## Critics:

- Overall a well written paper with a good summarization of some of the visualization techniques.
- Paper provides a interactive webpage to all the visualization(But some of the URL is not working).
- Uses the same dataset to explain the visualization of the same category so hence comparison is possible.
- Paper sufferers from the limitations of any survey paper.

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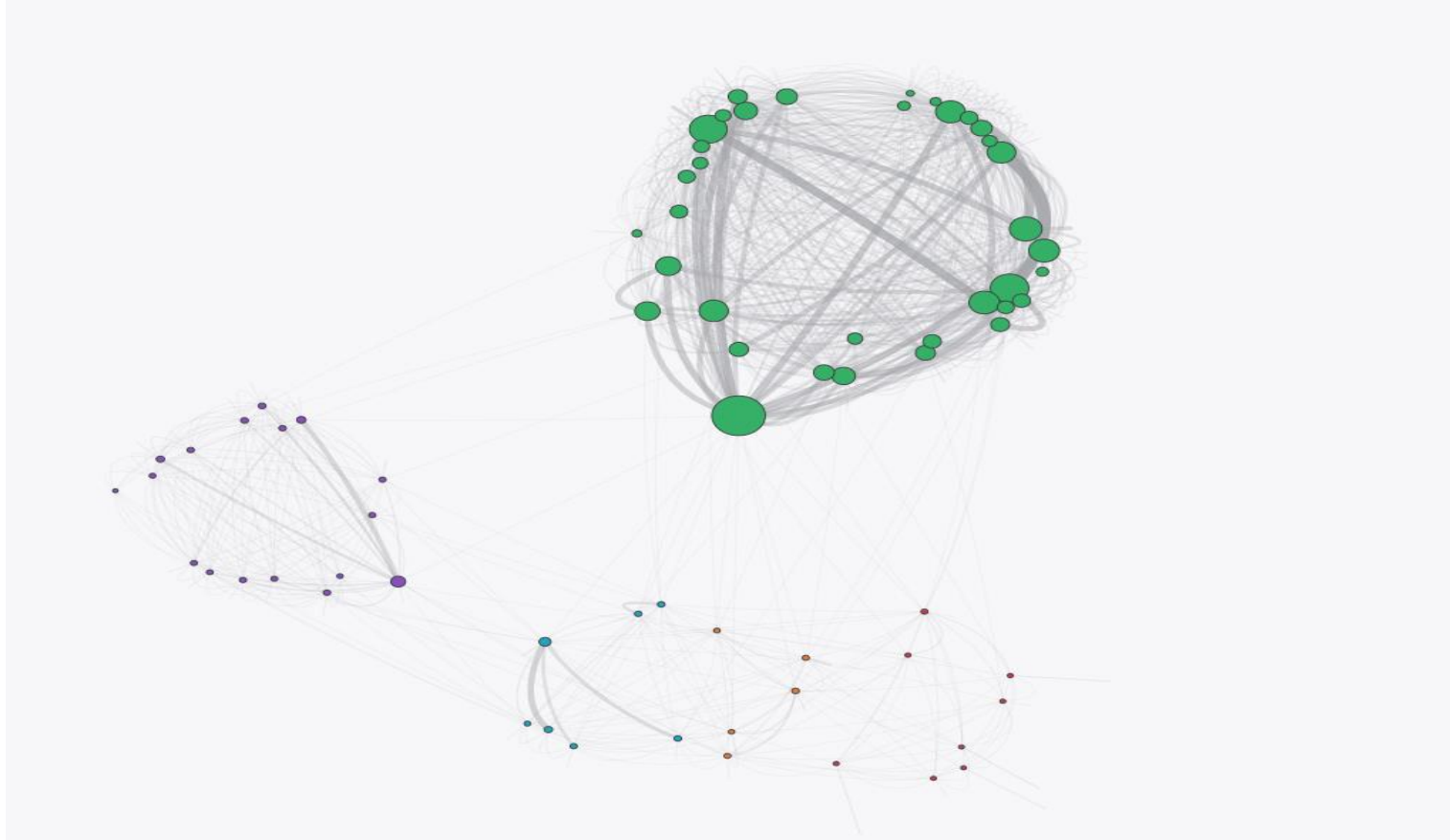
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# **Thank You!**

## **Any Questions?**



## More examples: Force directed graph



# Notation

$$\ell = \ell(e)$$

ideal spring length for edge  $e$

$$p_v = (x_v, y_v)$$

position of node  $v$

$$\|p_u - p_v\|$$

Euclidean distance between  $u$  and  $v$

$$\overrightarrow{p_u p_v}$$

unit vector pointing from  $u$  to  $v$

# Spring-Embedder (Eades, 1984)

## Model:

- repulsive force between two non-adjacent nodes  $u$  and  $v$

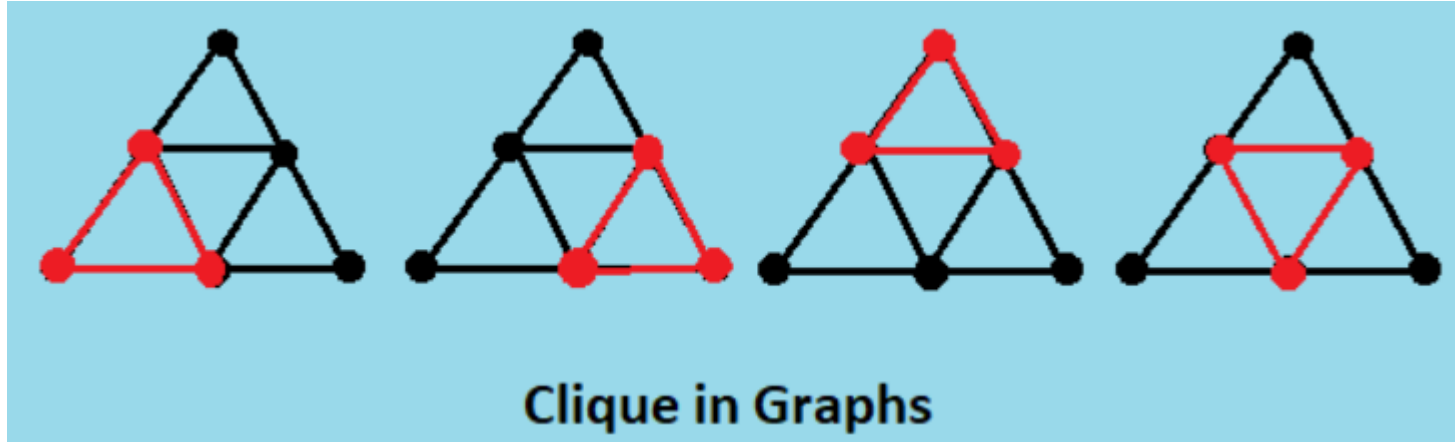
$$f_{\text{rep}}(p_u, p_v) = \frac{c_{\text{rep}}}{\|p_v - p_u\|^2} \cdot \overrightarrow{p_u p_v}$$

- attractive force between adjacent vertices  $u$  and  $v$

$$f_{\text{spring}}(p_u, p_v) = c_{\text{spring}} \cdot \log \frac{\|p_u - p_v\|}{\ell} \cdot \overrightarrow{p_v p_u}$$

- resulting displacement vector for node  $v$

$$F_v = \sum_{u: \{u, v\} \notin E} f_{\text{rep}}(p_u, p_v) + \sum_{u: \{u, v\} \in E} f_{\text{spring}}(p_u, p_v)$$





# Bridges

