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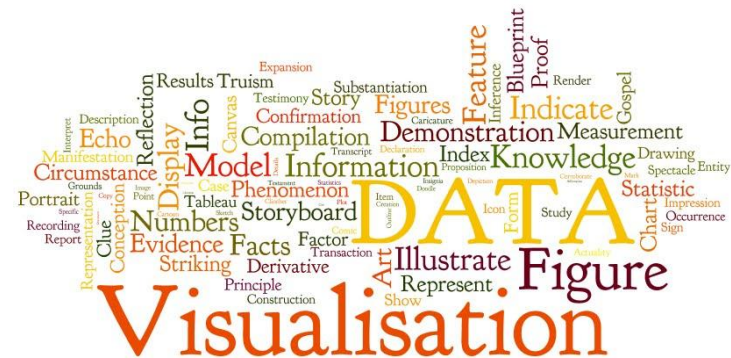Andrei - Ioan Cioara
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Palantir Technologies - Quick Overview

Data Analysis

Data Visualisation

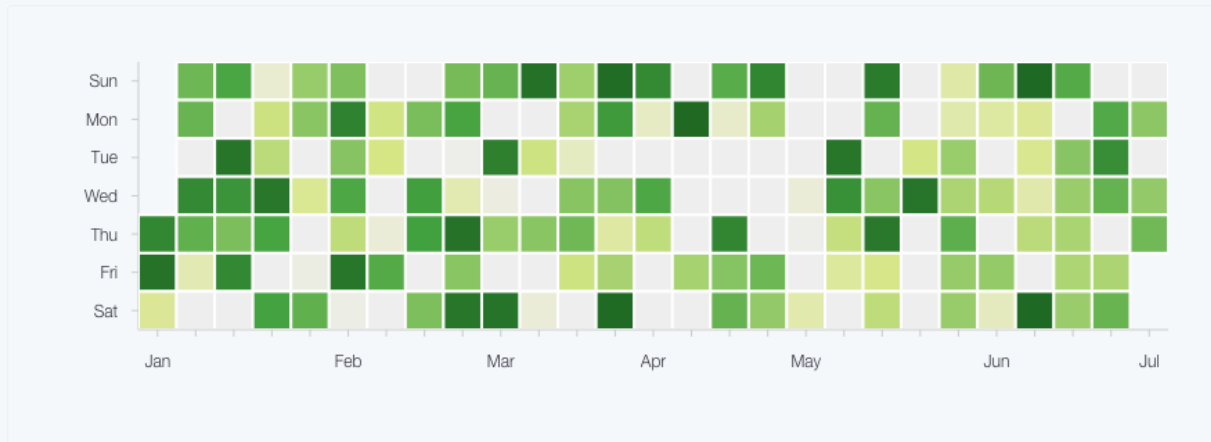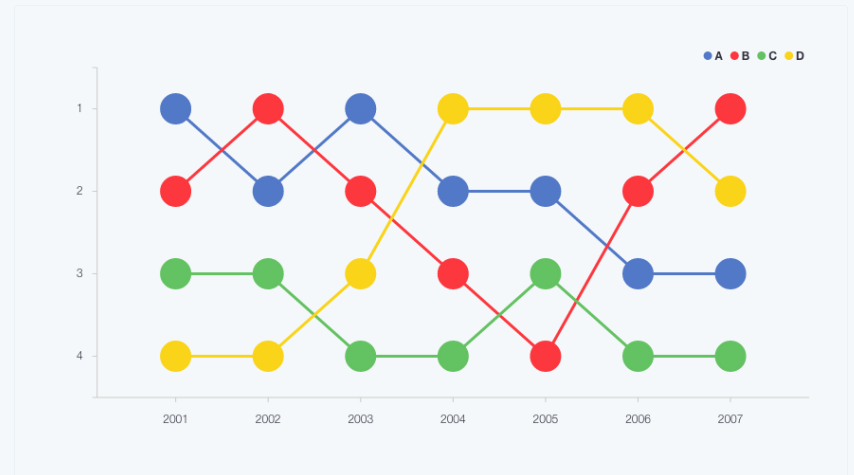*Tailored to the customer needs!*

Palantir Technologies - Expansion

Plottable.js

Flexible, interactive charts for the web.

PlottableJS - A charting library

PlottableJS - An Open Source Product

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Public contributions

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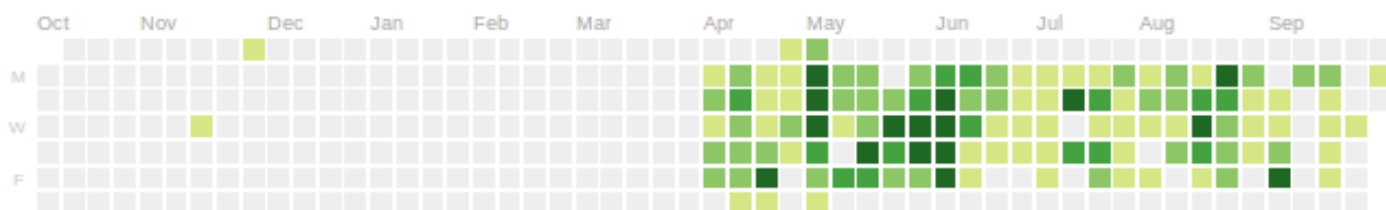
Summary of pull requests, issues opened, and commits. Learn how we count contributions.   Less ▢ ▢ ▢ ▢ More

Contributions in the last year	Longest streak	Current streak
1,677 total	**11 days**	**0 days**
Oct 6, 2014 – Oct 6, 2015	April 20 – April 30	Last contributed a day ago

PlottableJS - Team structure

Dev Lead : 1

Product Manager : 1

Developers : 3

Interns : 2

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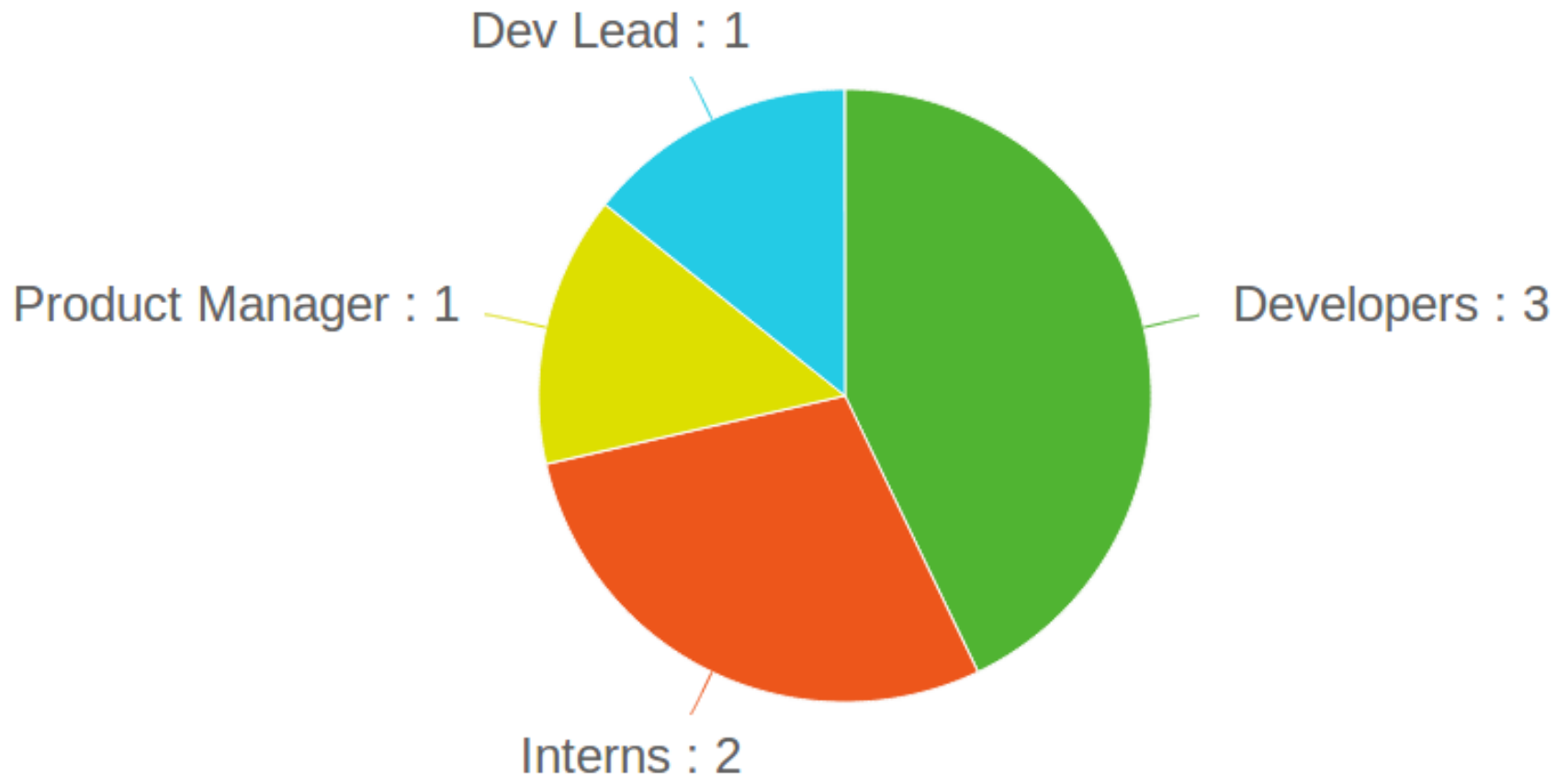
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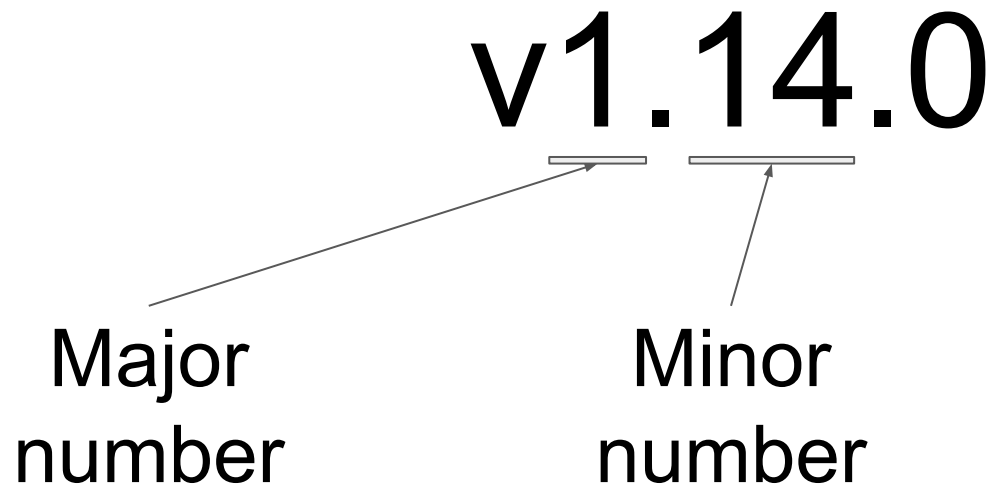
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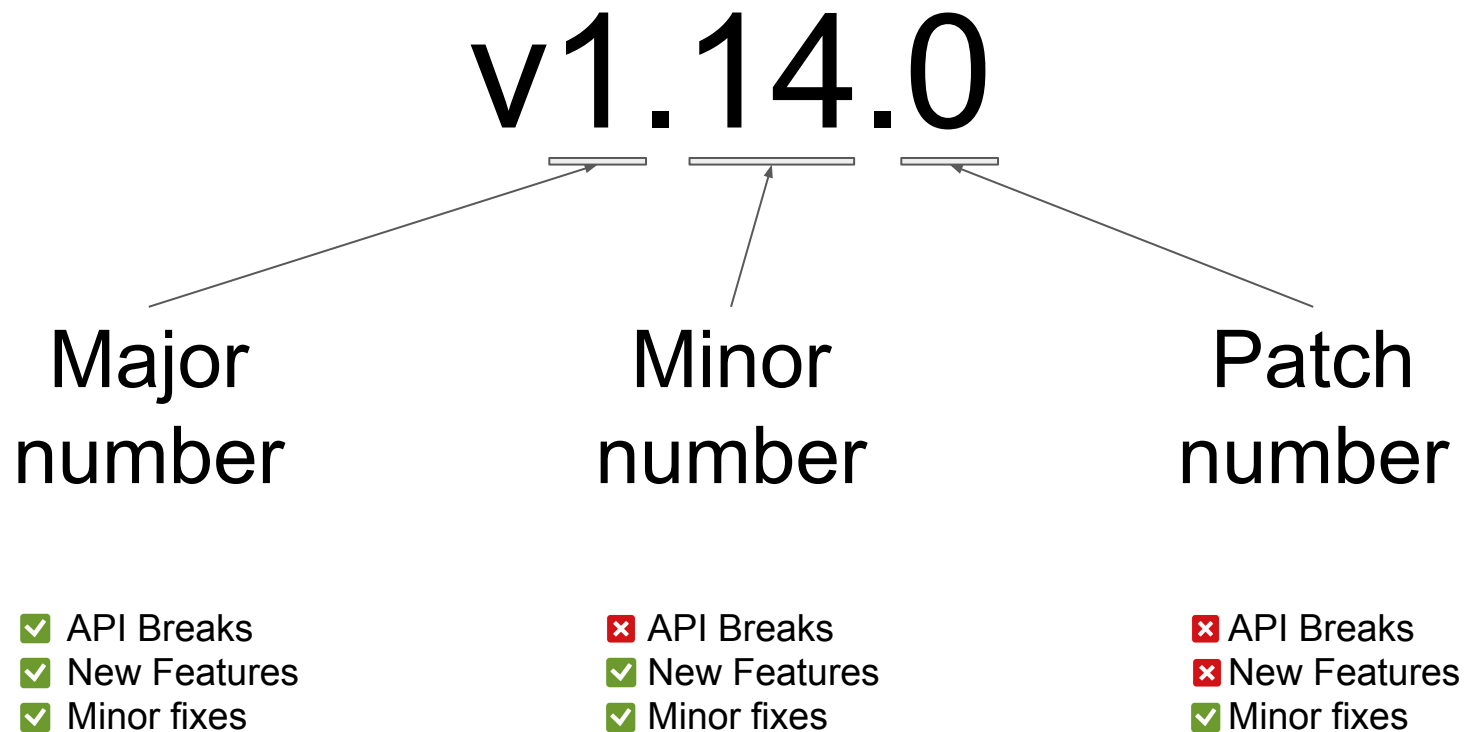
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PlottableJS - Version 1.0.0 release

- **Goal:** Release the first stable version

- **Idea:** Have an API architecture review

- **Problem:** The API was not cohesive nor sound

- **Outcomes:** After 6 weeks of refactoring, code looks pretty

- **Impact:** No API breaks for the past 14 releases
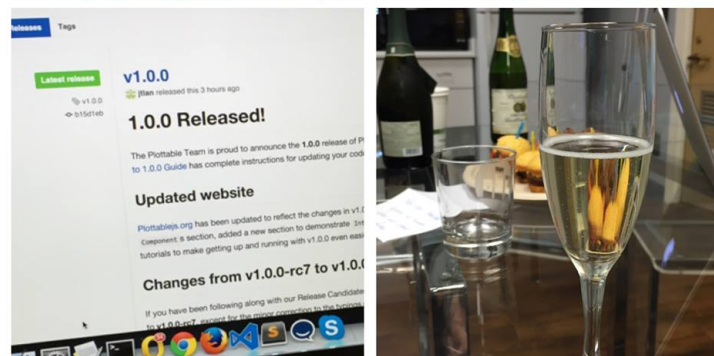
PlottableJS - Performance improvements

- **Goal:** Optimize bottlenecks

- **Idea:** Use the profiler

- **Problem:** Code written for readability, not performance

- **Outcomes:** Performance improvements of up to 400x

- **Impact:** Users are no longer constrained on their data

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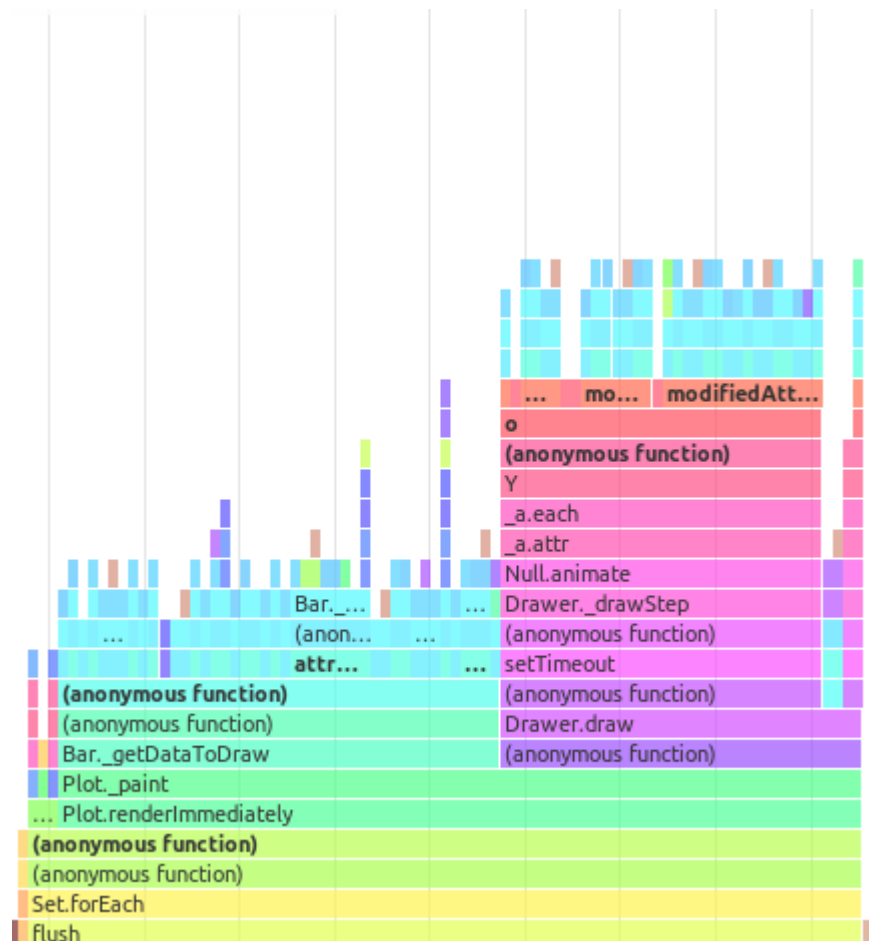
PlottableJS - Build pipeline

- **Goal:** Improve the build process

- **Idea:** Some of the configuration files for the build system (in particular Gruntfile) were 1.5 years old and probably outdated

- **Problem:** Incremental build (Typescript compilation) took 9 seconds. CI Build took up to 30 minutes

- **Outcomes:** Incremental build takes 3 seconds. CI build takes 2.5 minutes

- **Impact:** Faster dev iteration, faster Continuous integration, we could now afford to also support iPad for the CI tests

PlottableJS - Keeping the customer happy

danmane — Aug 11 02:28

Is it possible to configure the panzoom interaction so that the boundaries are auto computed based on the autorange values for the scale? E.g. I want to pan zoom on x scale, I never want it to go to 1.5x greater than the original range, and never want it to go less than 1% of the original range. Seems like a common use case.

also, i'm seeing a visual glitch with deferred rendering enabled where pan/zoom causes the plot to briefly

aicioara

@danmane Thank you, w
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code so I might be unawa
regarding this in 1.6.0 pal
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let me know if it still manit
"glitch" and how long is th

mato75 — Sep 16 16:08

is this possible?

aicioara — Sep 16 16:11

I am not sure if there is a first class way of doing that, but if you know how many entities you have and how many entities per column you want, you can deduce how many entities per row to specify (by dividing the 2 values)

and you can hack the ordering by using the comparator()

mato75 — Sep 16 16:13

can you give me a quick example if possible

I understand much more from examples, sorry

aicioara — Sep 16 16:15

let me see if I can hack something quick for you

The takeaways

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The obvious skillset addition
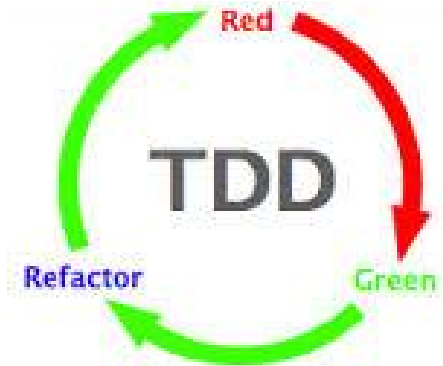
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Software Developer - Project needs to be consistently refactored

Questions?

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Don't be a superhero, keep pull requests in scope