

Visualizing Proportions

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Introduction

Proportion data is grouped by categories, subcategories, and the sample space.

This chapter discusses how to represent the individual categories, but still provides the bigger picture of how each choice relates to the other.

Interactive graphics.

Pie Charts

The whole pie is 100%.

Wedge Angle

Good for small number of categories.

Donut Chart

Same as the pie chart with a whole in the middle.

Arc Length

[donut.html](#)

Show the download of the html file and the use of [Protovis](#). Change the data and the labels.

Stacked Bar Graph

[stacked-bar.html](#)

Show the download of the html file and the use of [Protovis](#). Change the graph to read President Obama.

Hierarchy and Rectangles

[Treemap](#)

[Baobab](#)

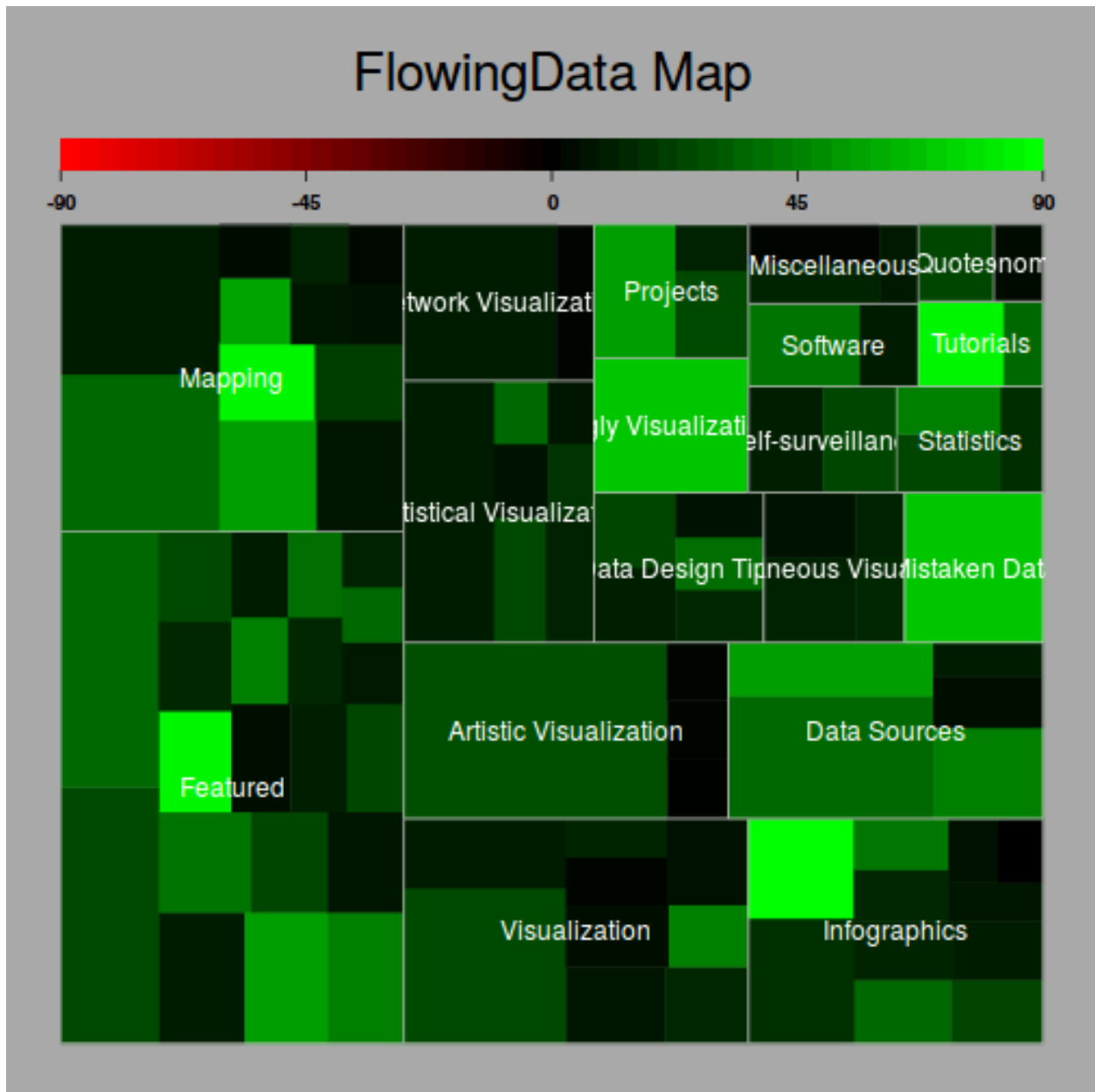
[Ringschart](#)

Treemap in R

```
library(portfolio)

posts <- read.csv("http://datasets.flowingdata.com/post-data.txt")

map.market(id=posts$id, area=posts$views, group=posts$category, color=posts$comments, main="FlowingData
```



Proportions over Time

Stacked Area Chart

Author uses [Flash](#) and [ActionScript](#)

Easy way, [Flare](#)

Now [Flash Builder](#)

Point-by-Point

One disadvantage to the stacked area graph is that it can be hard to see trends for each group because the placement of each point is affected by the points below it.

So sometime a better way is to plot proportions as a straight time series like in the previous chapter.

Slide With R Code

From the [Quick-R](#) website.

[Advanced Graphs](#)

[Mosaic](#)

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```
# Mosaic Plot Example
library(vcd)
mosaic(HairEyeColor, shade=TRUE, legend=TRUE)
```

