# **MIDDGUARD**

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### **ABSTRACT**

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# INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Visual Analytics

1. Why this is a useful tool in the context of visual analytics.

#### **BACKGROUND**

# 2.1 State of the Art

- 1. Tools currently exist and inspired MiddGuard.
  - (a) Improvise
  - (b) Eagle Eyes

# 2.2 Previous MiddGuard Work

- 1. Front-end cache work from Fall 2015
- 2. MiddGuard Version 1 (Summer 2014)
  - (a) Reusable components
  - (b) Award/VAST 2015 challenge

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

# 3.1 Concepts

- 1. Dataflow programming
- 2. Visual programming
- 3. Collaborative/real-time
- 4. Extensibility
  - (a) Front-end views
  - (b) Back-end analytic nodes
- 5. Reusable nodes (agnostic of input/output data)
- 6. Technology choices

# 3.2 Technology

- 1. Node.js
- 2. Relational database (instead of NoSQL)
- 3. Socket.io
- 4. ORM
- 5. Backbone.js

### **RESULTS**

- 1. Test/example case (tweet analysis)
- 2. Ease of use for developer
- 3. APIs exposed on front-end and back-end

#### **DISCUSSION**

- 1. Use in real investigation (VAST Challenge 2016)
- 2. Room for improvement
  - (a) Better caching on front-end to help developers optimize DOM/memory usage
  - (b) Have to see if there is any else I don't have time to implement

### CONCLUSION

- 1. Revisit points from previous sections
- 2. Why MiddGuard is an important visual analtics tool
- 3. Open source prospects

### APPENDIX A

### **CHAPTER 1 OF APPENDIX**

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### **BIBLIOGRAPHY**