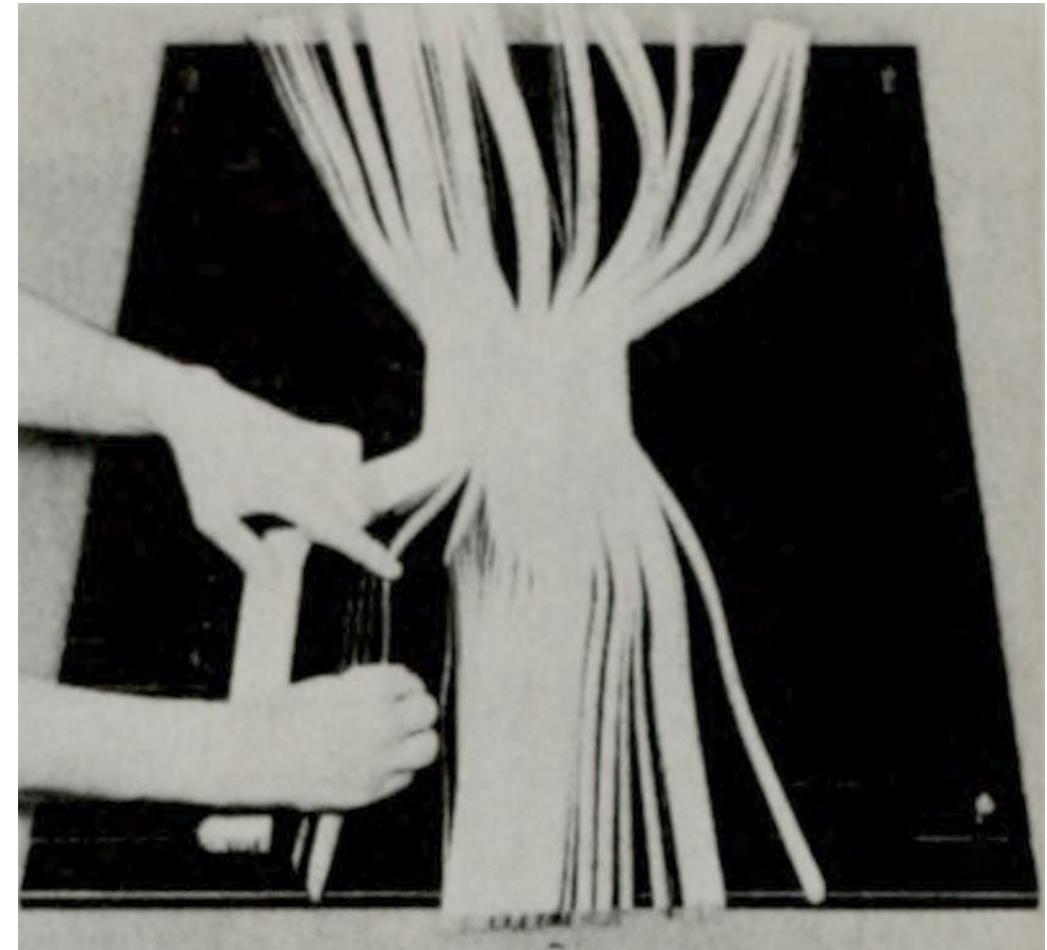
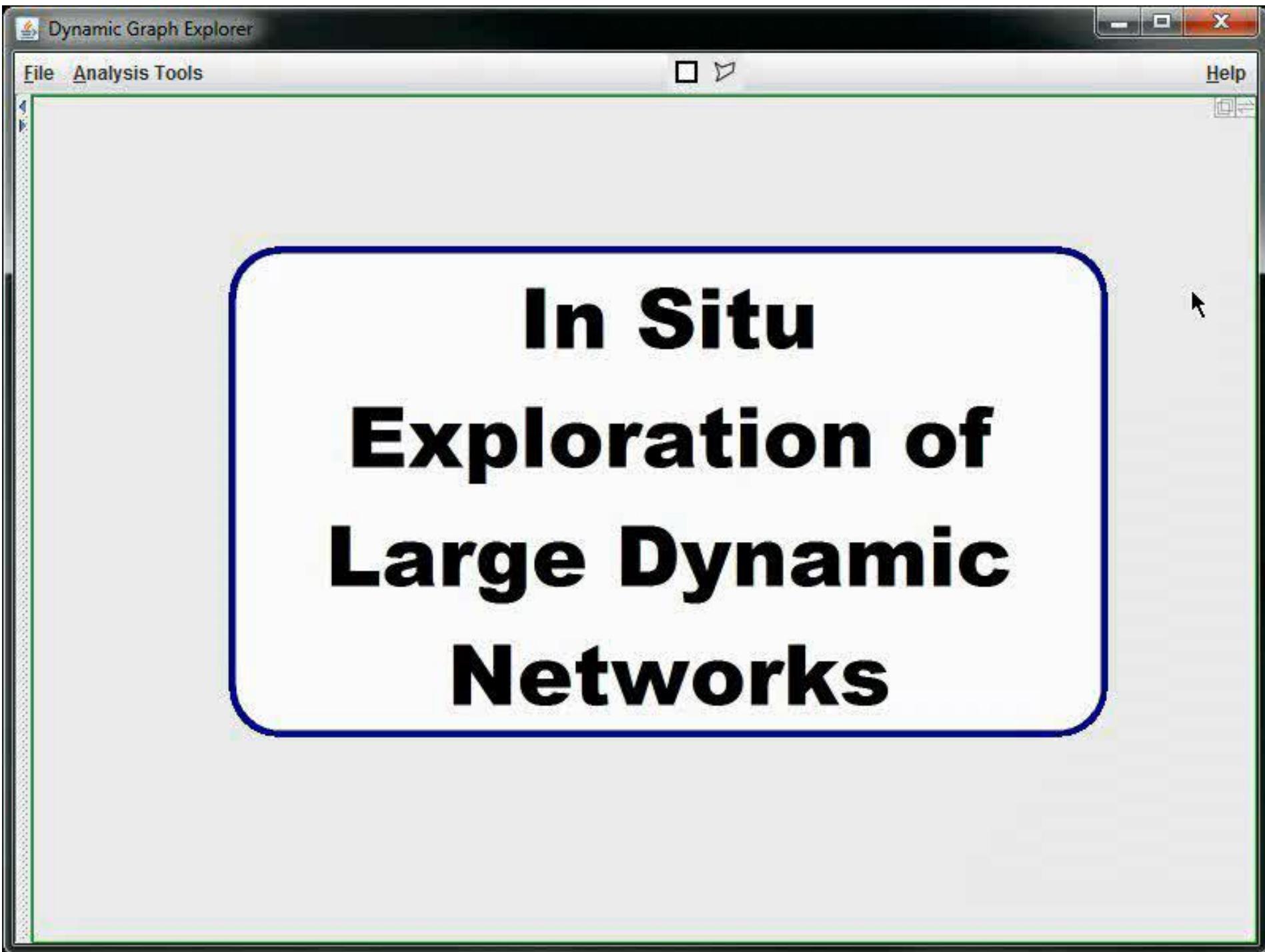


VISUALIZING THE INTERNET OF THINGS

Hans-Jörg Schulz

PHYSICAL DATA VISUALIZATIONS





DATA VISUALIZATION

1. What makes a good visualization? – The Visualization Problem

1.1 Expressiveness: Show the data!

1.2 Effectiveness: Support the task!

1.3 Appropriateness: Suit the context!

2. How does a visualization work? – The Visualization Pipeline

2.1 Data Preparation: Analysis and Filtering

2.2 Data Representation: Mapping and Postprocessing

2.3 Data Display: Rendering and Interaction

3. How can we actually build visualizations? – JavaScript Visualization Frameworks

3.1 Imperative flavor: Raphaël.js

3.2 Functional flavor: D3.js

3.3 Declarative flavor: Vega.js / Vega-lite.js & Lyra

WHEN TO VISUALIZE DATA?

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:

$$y = 3.0 + 0.5x$$

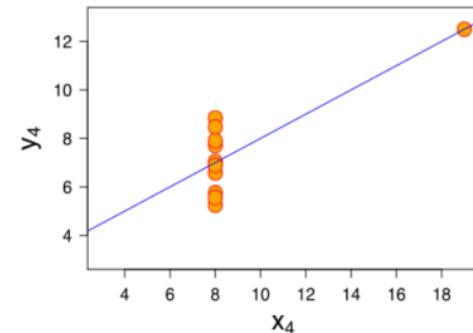
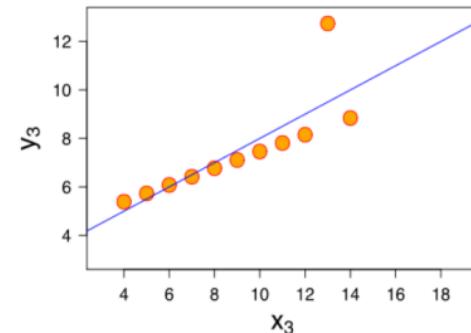
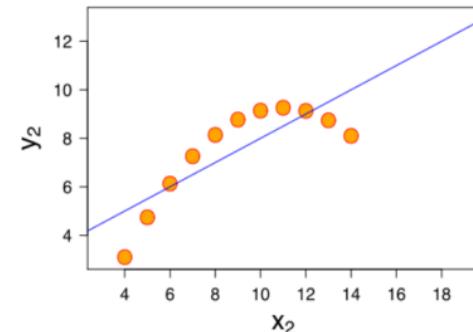
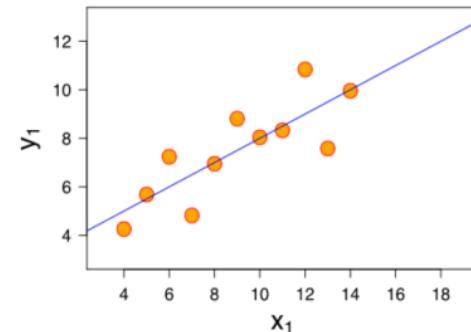
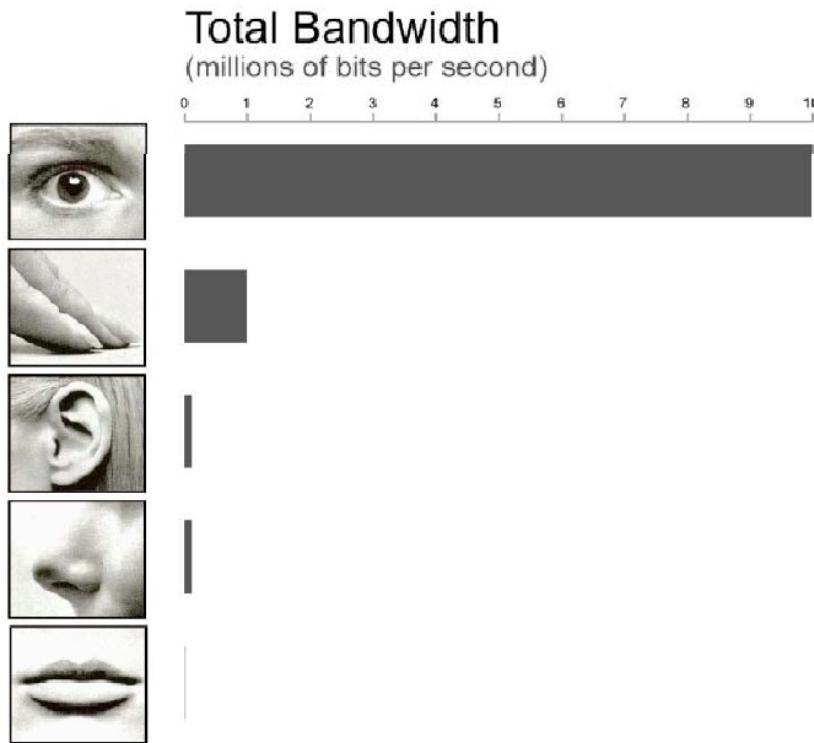


Image Source: Wikipedia

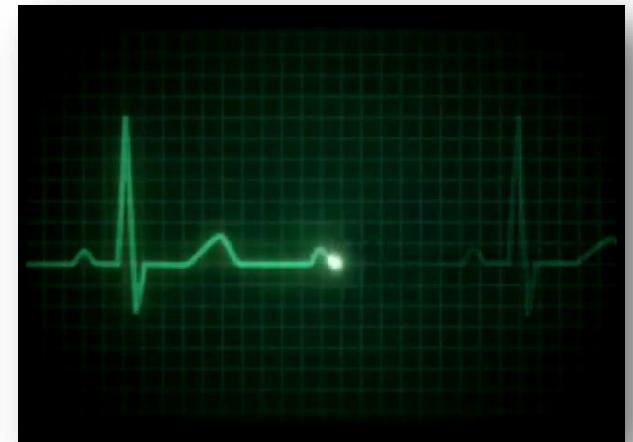
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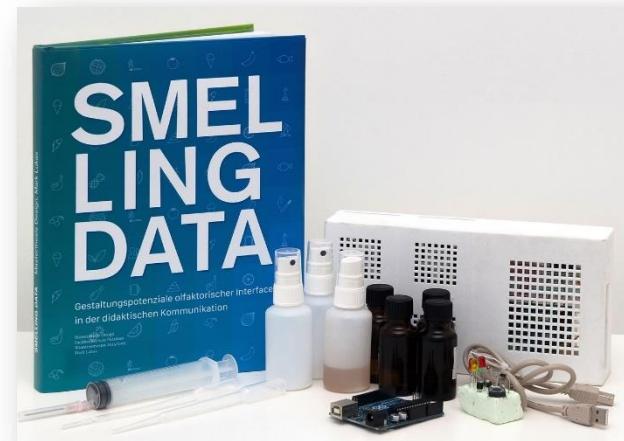
picture source: [Few 2006]



Haptic Displays – [Leithinger 2010]



Data Sonification



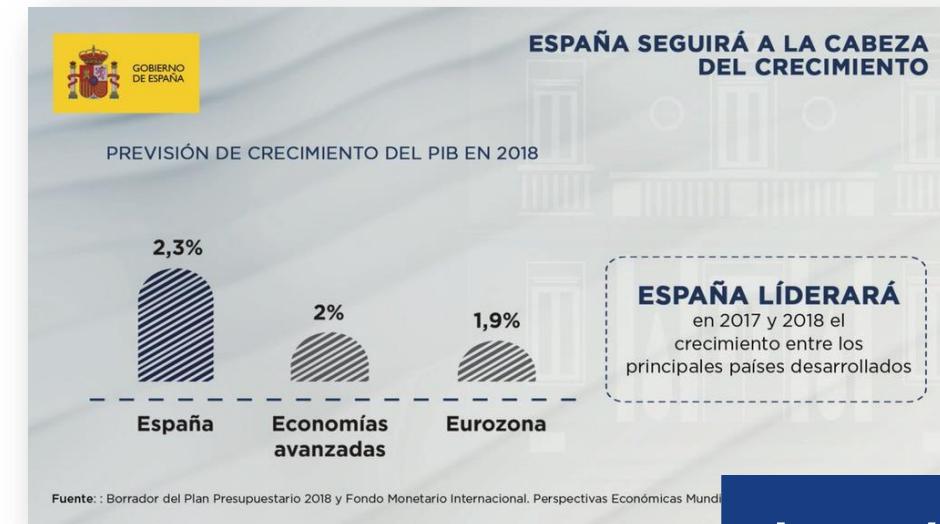
Olfactory Interfaces – [Lukas 2015]



Edible Diagrams/Data Dishes
– [Himmelsbach 2015]

1. WHAT MAKES A GOOD VISUALIZATION?

Expressiveness: Show the data characteristics AND only the data characteristics!



Fuente: Borrador del Plan Presupuestario 2018 y Fondo Monetario Internacional. Perspectivas Económicas Mundiales.

Data \longleftrightarrow Graphics
matches

<http://viz.wtf>



DATA TYPES

	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

TEMPORAL DATA

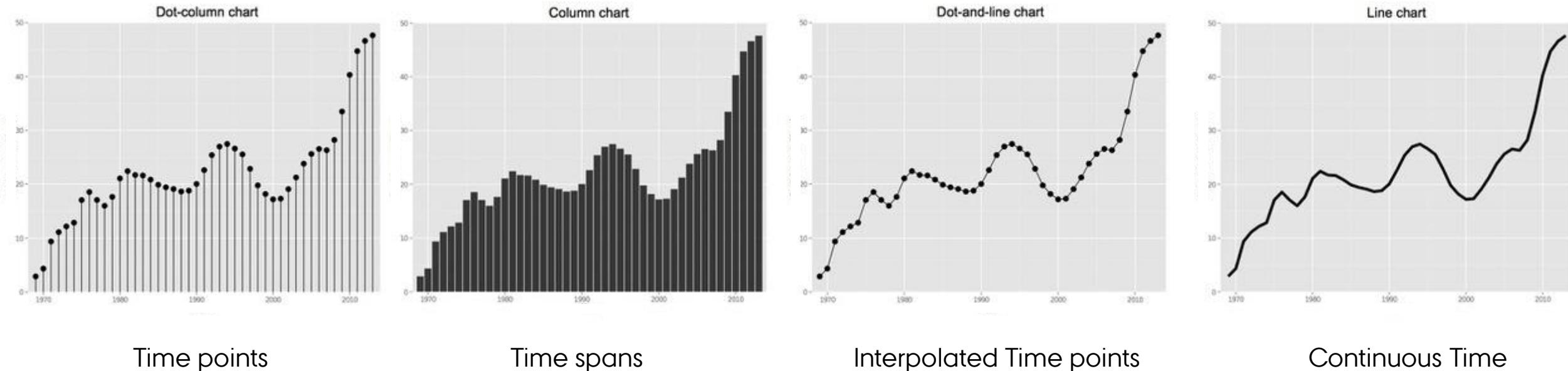
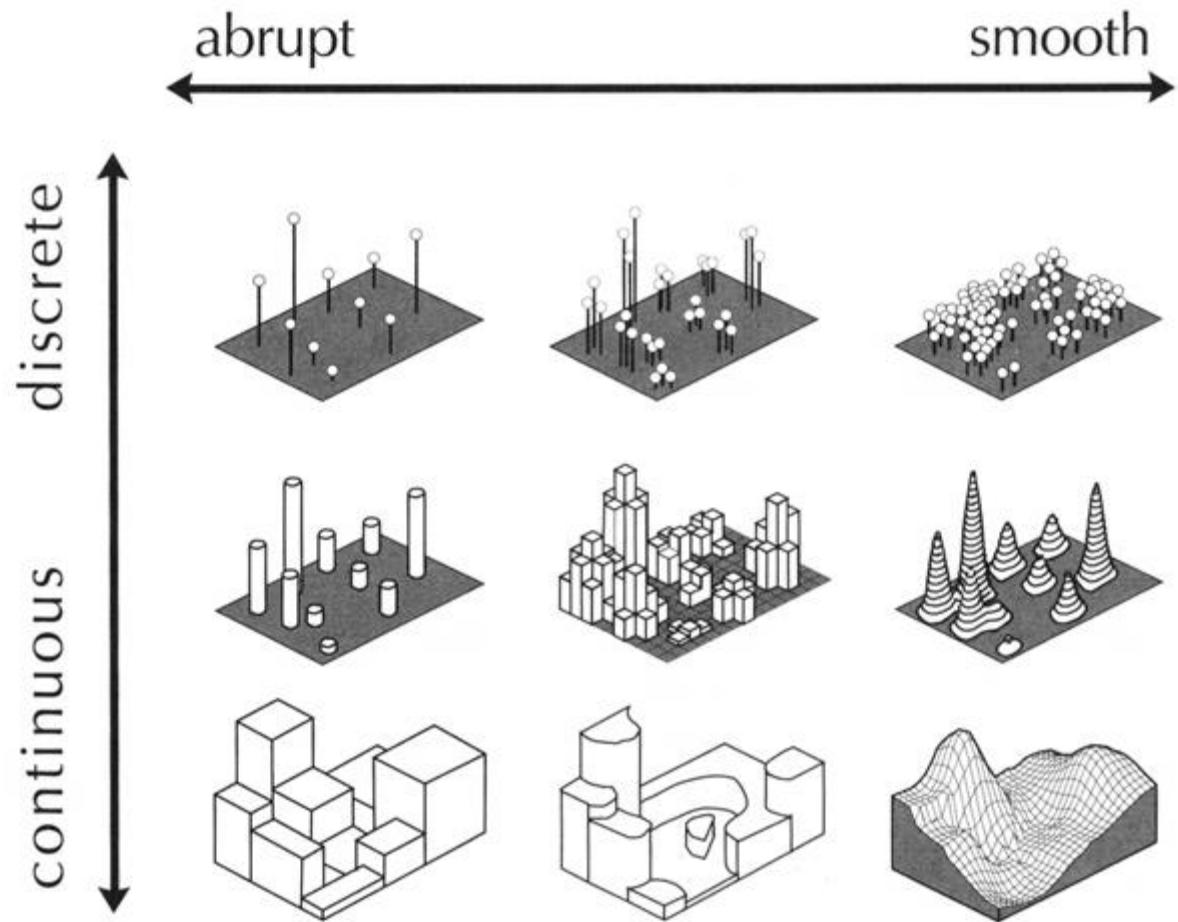
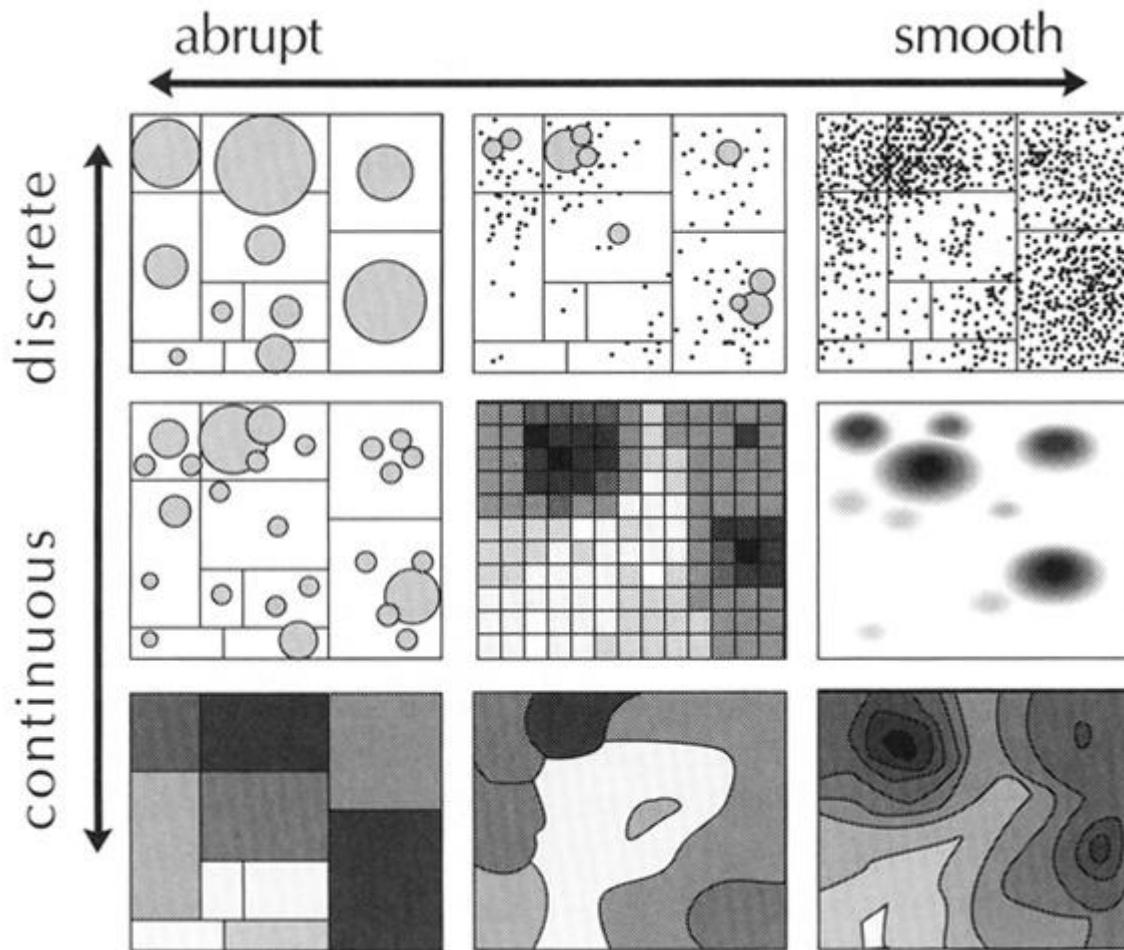


Image source Peter Aldhous

SPATIAL DATA

Image source [MacEachren 1992]

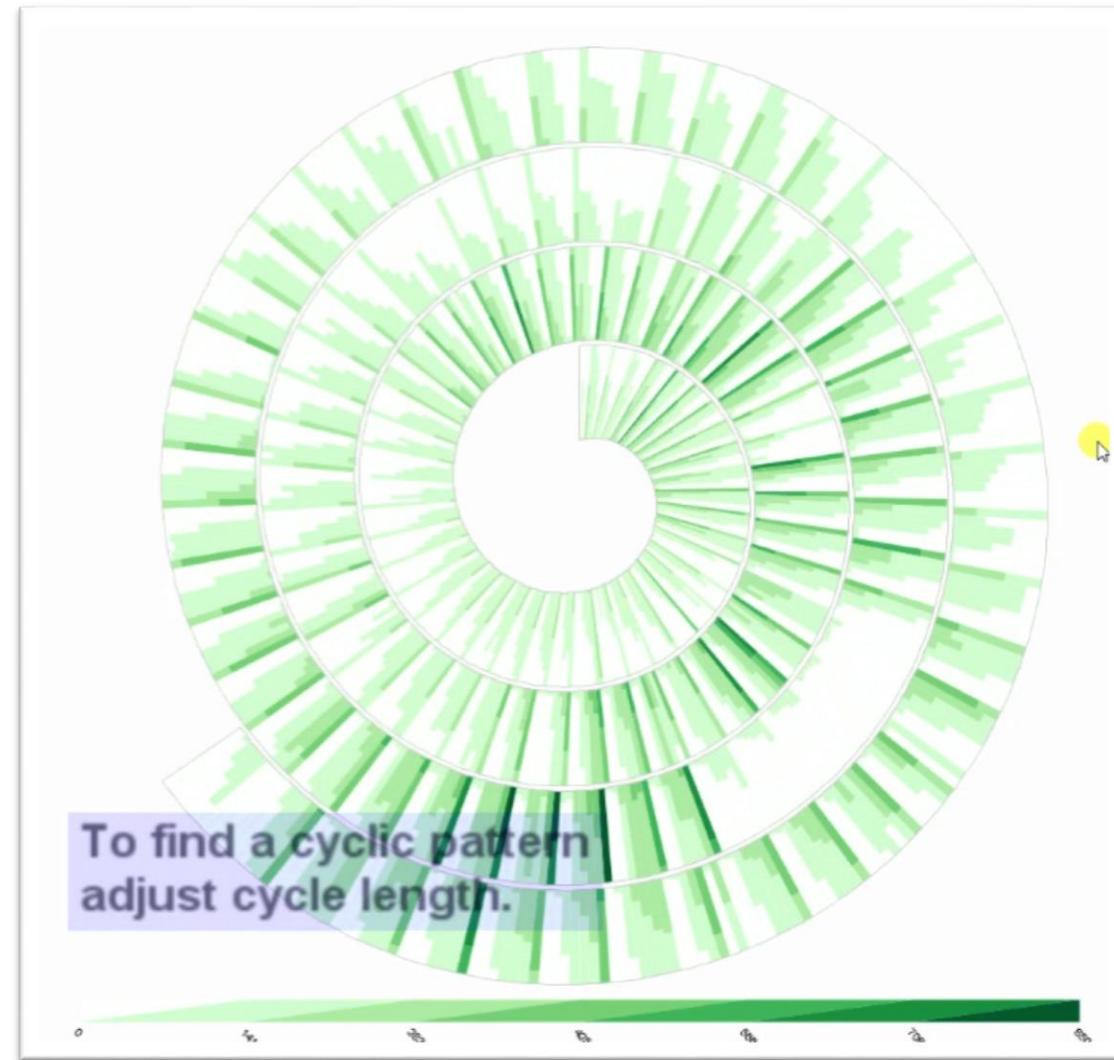


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Effectiveness: Choose a display that supports the intended visual task!

[Tominski & Schumann 2008]
Enhanced Interactive Spiral Display



1. WHAT MAKES A GOOD VISUALIZATION?

Common Abstract Visualization Tasks

Abstract Add Annotate Arrange Assign Associate Blend Bookmark
Browse Brush Calculate Categorize Change Characterize Clarify Classify
Clone Cluster Compare Compute Configure Connect Coordinate
Correlate Create Delete Delineate Derive Describe Determine Discover
Discuss Distinguish Edit Elaborate Encode Enjoy Establish Examine
Explore Extract Filter Find Generate Guide History Infer
Inspect Learn Locate Lookup Manipulate Measure Merge Modify
Navigate Operate Organize Orient Overview Parse Present Query
Rank Recognize Reconfigure Record Redo Relate Relocate Remove
Restore Retrieve Reveal Revisit Scan Search Select Share Sort Specify
Split Summarize Transform Translate Undo Validate Visualize Zoom

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Visualization Problem

VISUALIZATION PROBLEM -> SOLUTION

<http://treevis.net>

How to cite this site?
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treevis.net - A Visual Bibliography of Tree Visualization 2.0 by Hans-Jörg Schulz

v.06-SEP-2018

Dimensionality Representation Alignment Fulltext Search Techniques Shown

All All All 306

The website displays a collection of 225 tree visualization examples arranged in a 15x15 grid. Each thumbnail represents a different technique or application of tree visualization, ranging from simple hierarchical structures to complex multi-dimensional data representations. The techniques shown include radial trees, sunburst charts, treemaps, dendograms, network graphs, and various 3D and 2D visualizations.

VISUALIZATION PROBLEM -> SOLUTION

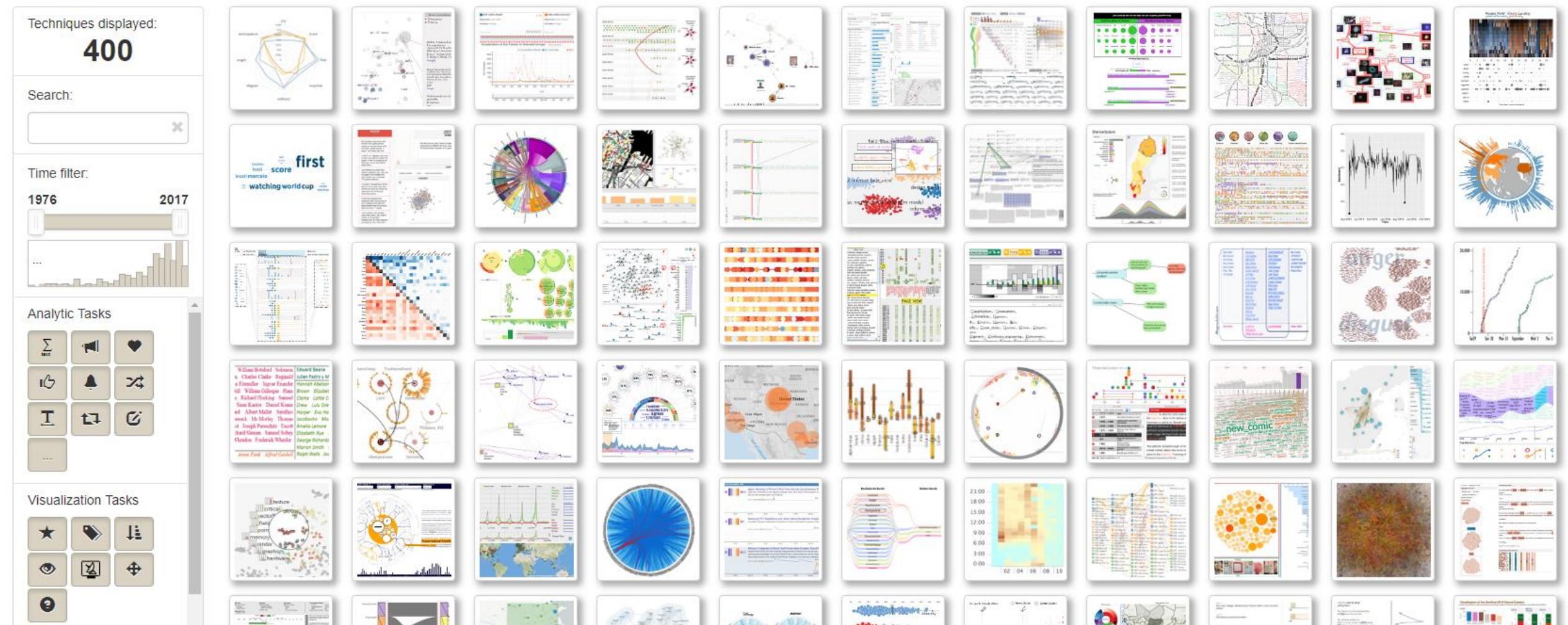
<http://textvis.lnu.se>

Text Visualization Browser

A Visual Survey of Text Visualization Techniques (IEEE PacificVis 2015 short paper)

Provided by ISOVIS group

About Summary Add entry



VISUALIZATION PROBLEM -> SOLUTION

<http://timeviz.net>

The TimeViz Browser

A Visual Survey of Visualization Techniques for Time-Oriented Data
by Christian Tominski and Wolfgang Aigner

of Techniques: 115

Search:

How to use filters:

- Want:** Show me!
- Indifferent:** I don't care.
- Hide:** I'm not interested!

Data

Frame of Reference

Abstract
 Spatial

Number of Variables

Univariate
 Multivariate

Time

Arrangement

Linear
 Cyclic

Time Primitives

Instant
 Interval

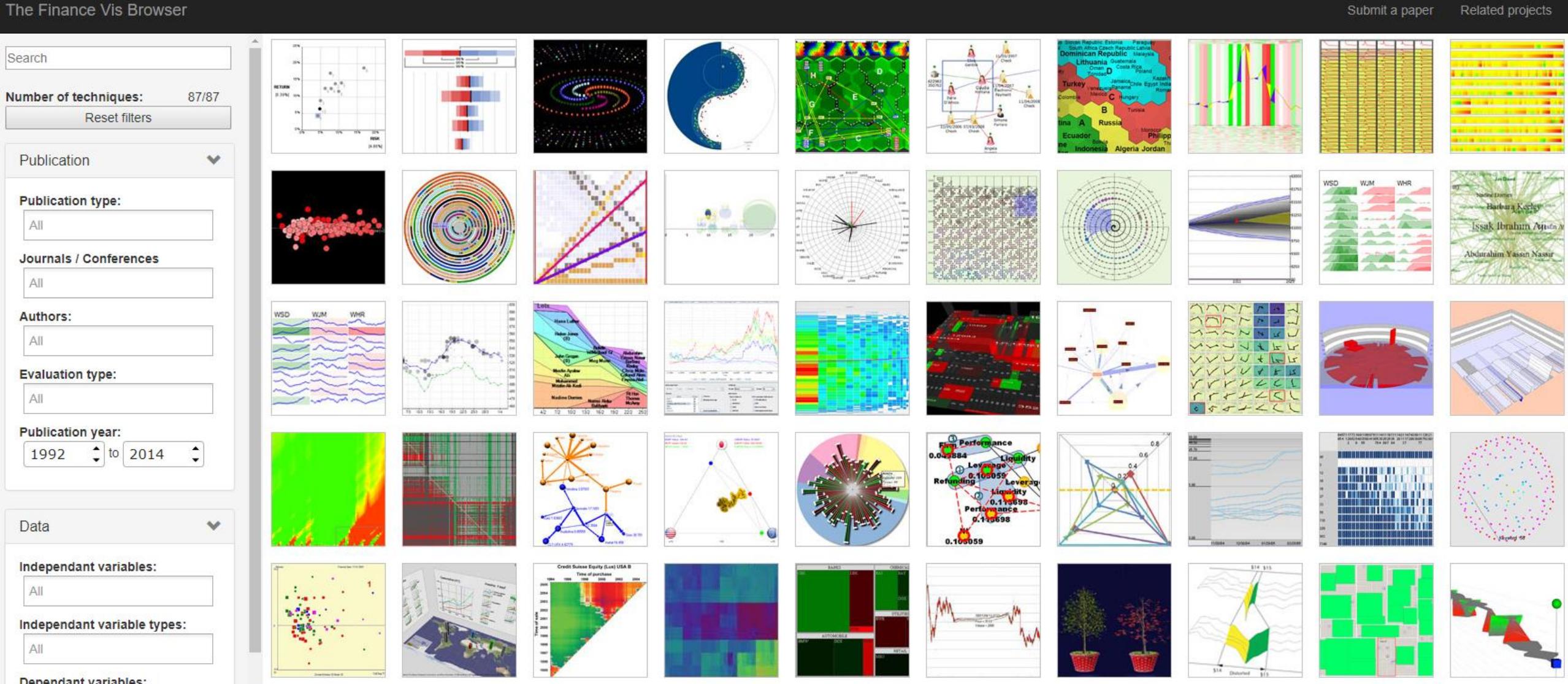
Visualization

Mapping
 Static
 Dynamic

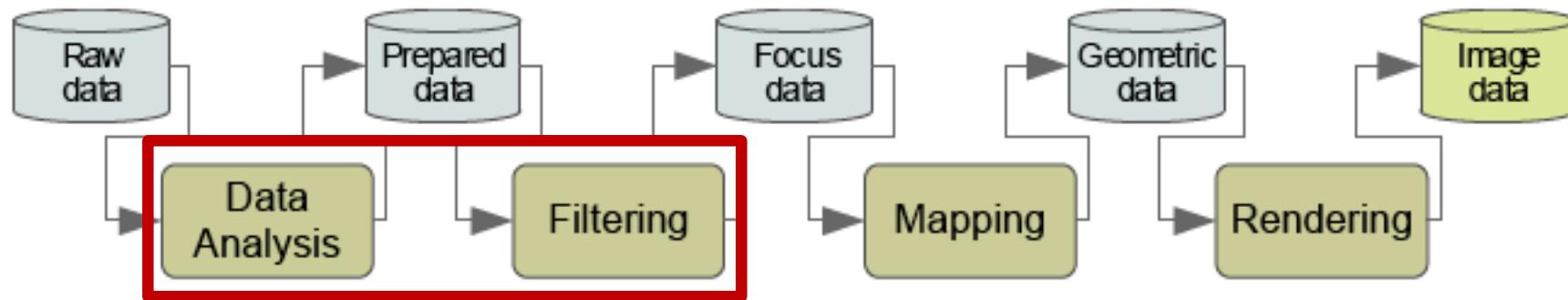


VISUALIZATION PROBLEM -> SOLUTION

<http://financevis.net>



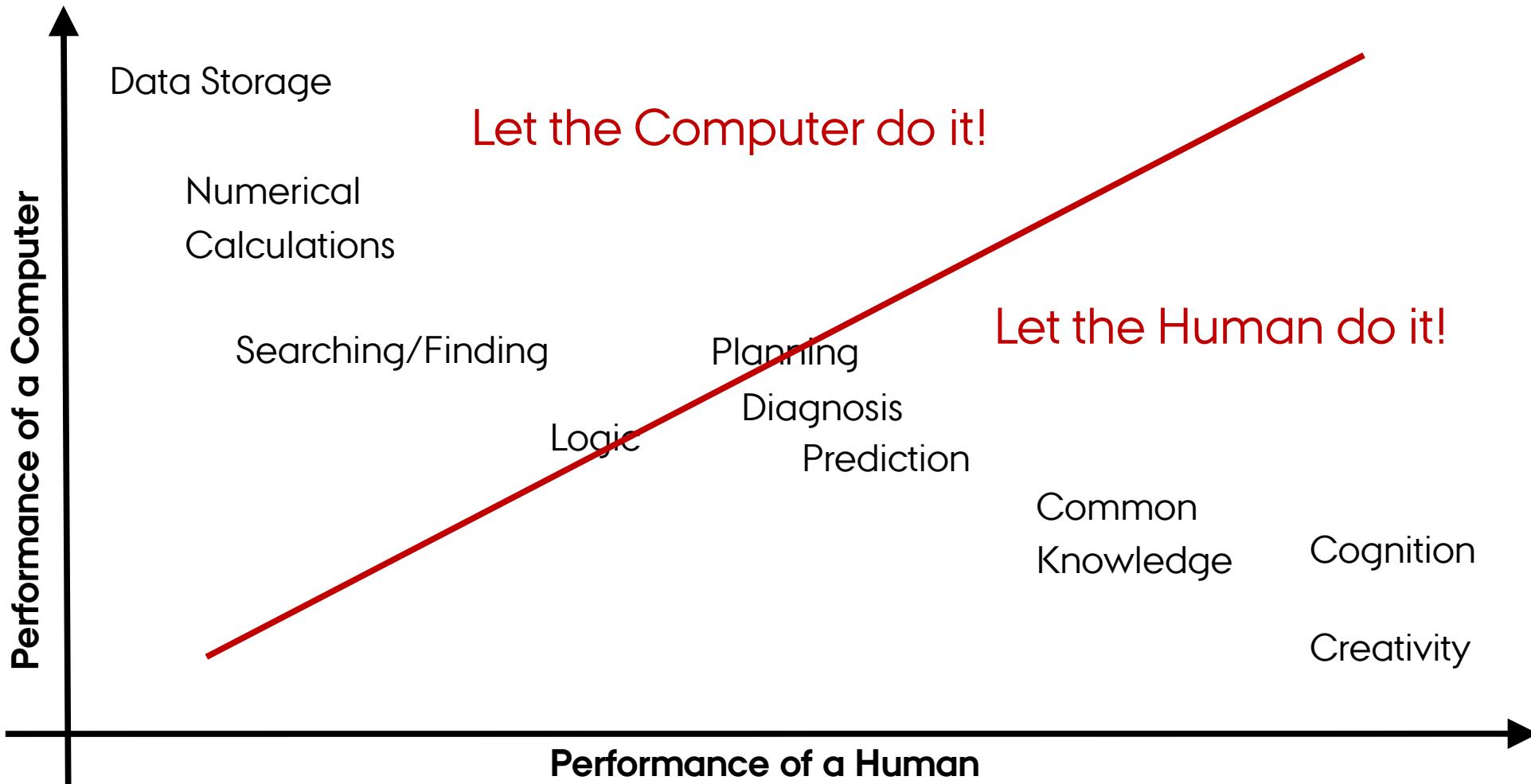
2. HOW DOES A VISUALIZATION WORK?



- 1. Data Analysis:** data are prepared for visualization (e.g., by interpolating missing values, or correcting erroneous measurements)
- 2. Filtering:** selection of data portions to be visualized
- 3. Mapping:** focus data are mapped to geometric primitives (e.g., points, lines) and their attributes (e.g., color, position, size)
- 4. Rendering:** geometric data are transformed to image data

Adapted from <http://www.infovis-wiki.net>

2.1 DATA PREPARATION



adapted from Daniel Keim, Uni. Konstanz

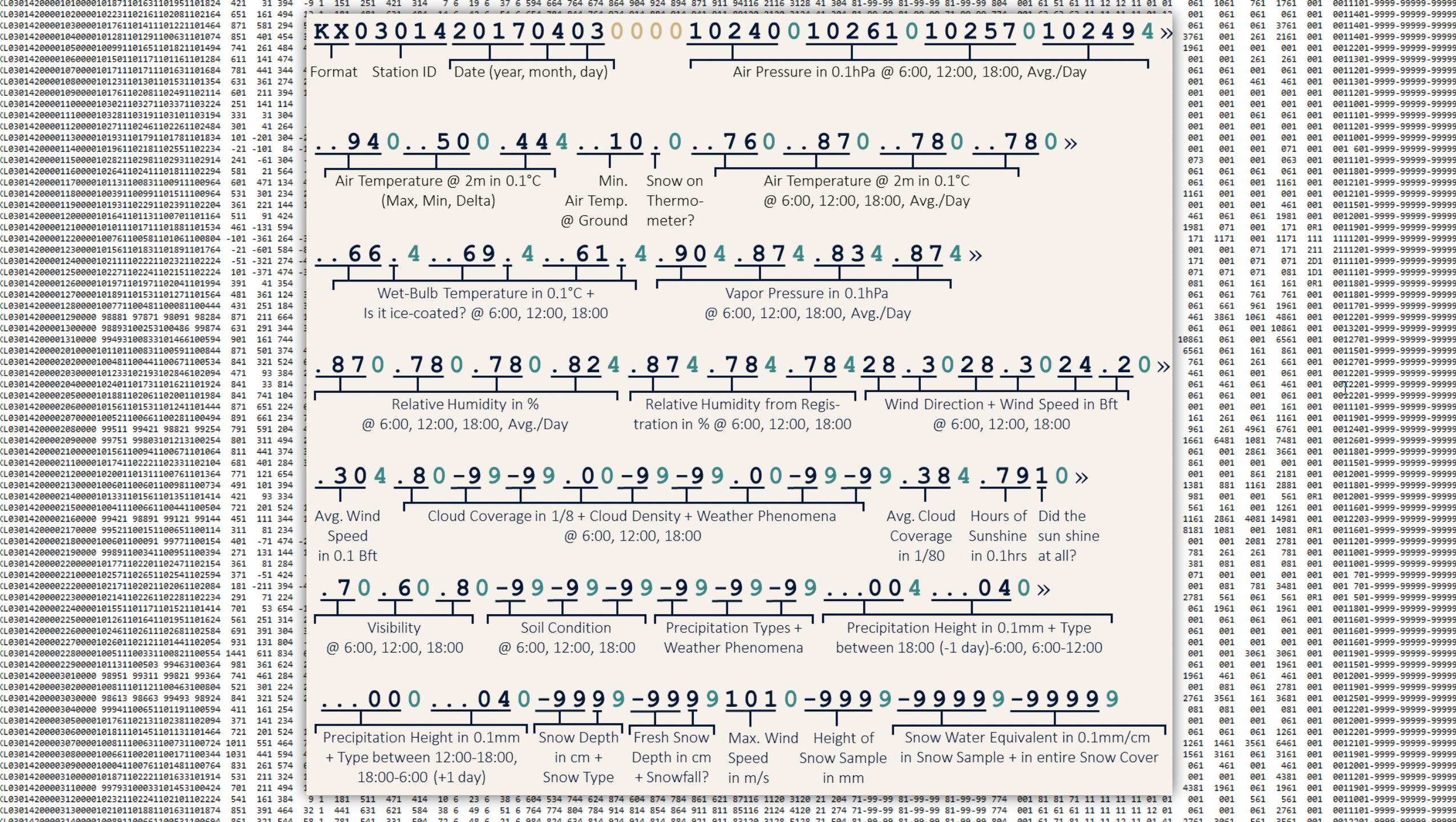
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DATA IMPUTATION

Missing Data Multiple Imputation Suite

Packages Upload Data Specification Visualization Imputation Results Report About

 R packages **VIM**, **mice**, **Amelia**, **missForest**, **Hmisc** and **mi** are incorporated in MISSUITE. Please see details of these packages on this page.

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Information on package VIM

Description:

Package: VIM
Version: 4.5.0
Date: 2016-06-29
Title: Visualization and Imputation of Missing Values
Author: Matthias Templ, Andreas Alfons, Alexander Kowarik, Bernd Prantner
Maintainer: Matthias Templ <matthias.templ@gmail.com>
Depends: R (>= 3.1.0), colorspace, grid, data.table(>= 1.9.4)
Imports: car, grDevices, robustbase, stats, sp, vcd, MASS, nnet, e1071, methods, Rcpp, utils, graphics, laeken
Description: New tools for the visualization of missing and/or imputed values are introduced, which can be used for exploring the data and the structure of the missing and/or imputed values. Depending on this structure of the missing values, the corresponding methods may help to identify the mechanism

<https://olssol.shinyapps.io/missuite/>

DATA DEDUPLICATION

<http://openrefine.org>

The screenshot shows the OpenRefine interface with a deduplicated dataset of 5679 rows. The interface includes a facet/filter sidebar on the left and a main data grid on the right. The facets show deduplicated data for 'LAST MODIFIED DATE' (a histogram), 'Author' (122 choices), and 'Subsection' (198 choices). The main grid displays columns for row number, page URL, document type, version count, page title, and author. The data consists of various web pages from the Mass General website, such as search results, home pages, and internal links.

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2.	http://www.massgeneral.org/_t.aspx	MGH_HomePages/hp_3illustration	1	Home	jy915
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2.1 DATA PREPARATION

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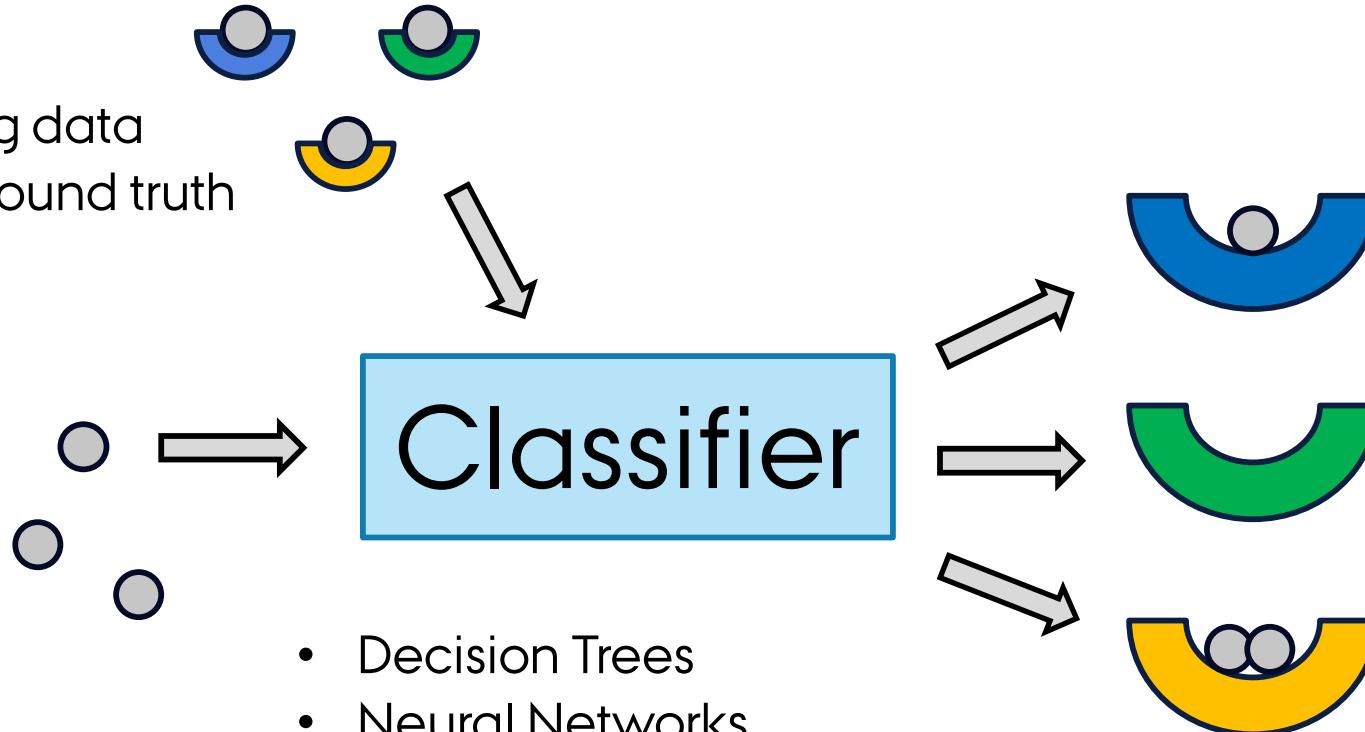
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CLASSIFICATION – SUPERVISED LEARNING

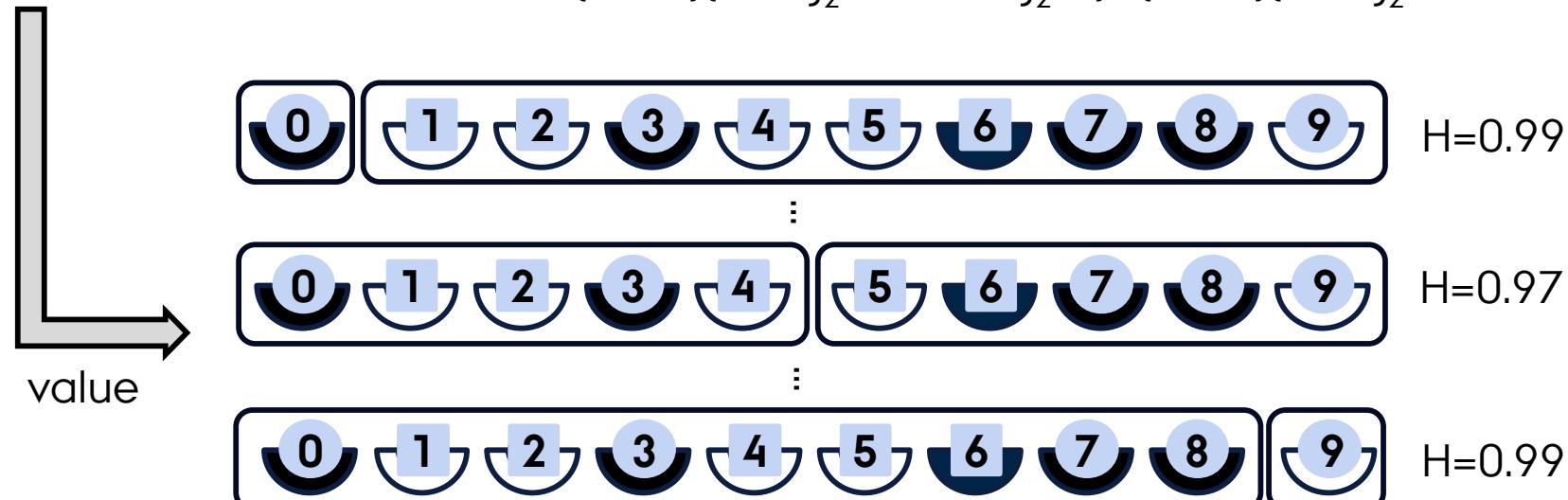
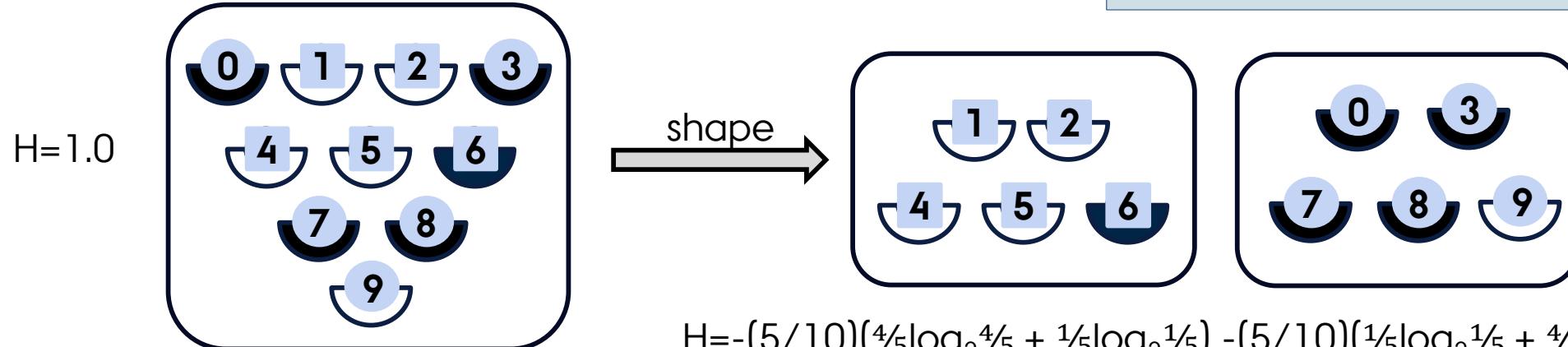
Set of training data
w/ known ground truth



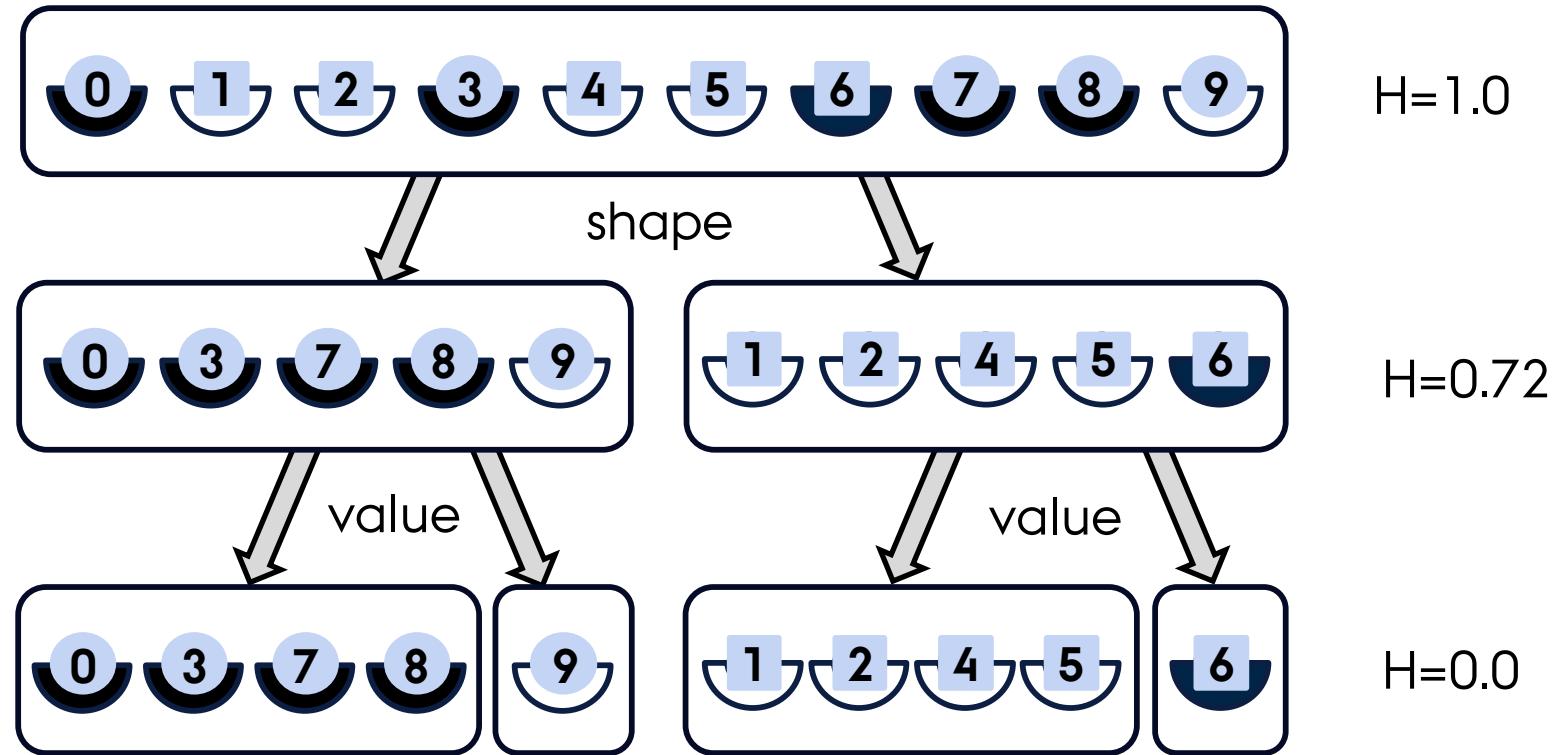
- Decision Trees
- Neural Networks
- Support Vector Machines
- Kernel Density Estimation
- ...

DECISION TREE EXAMPLE

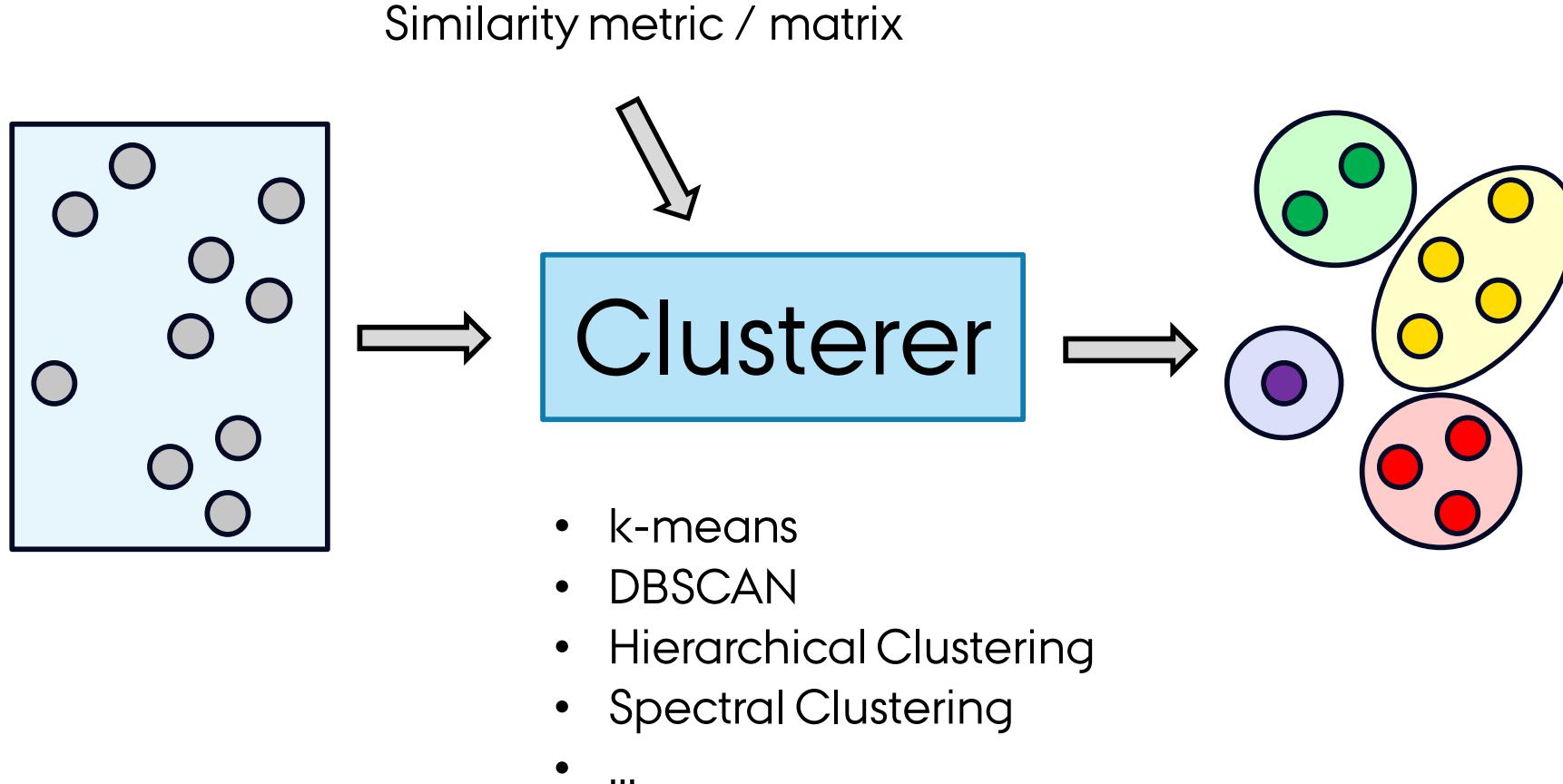
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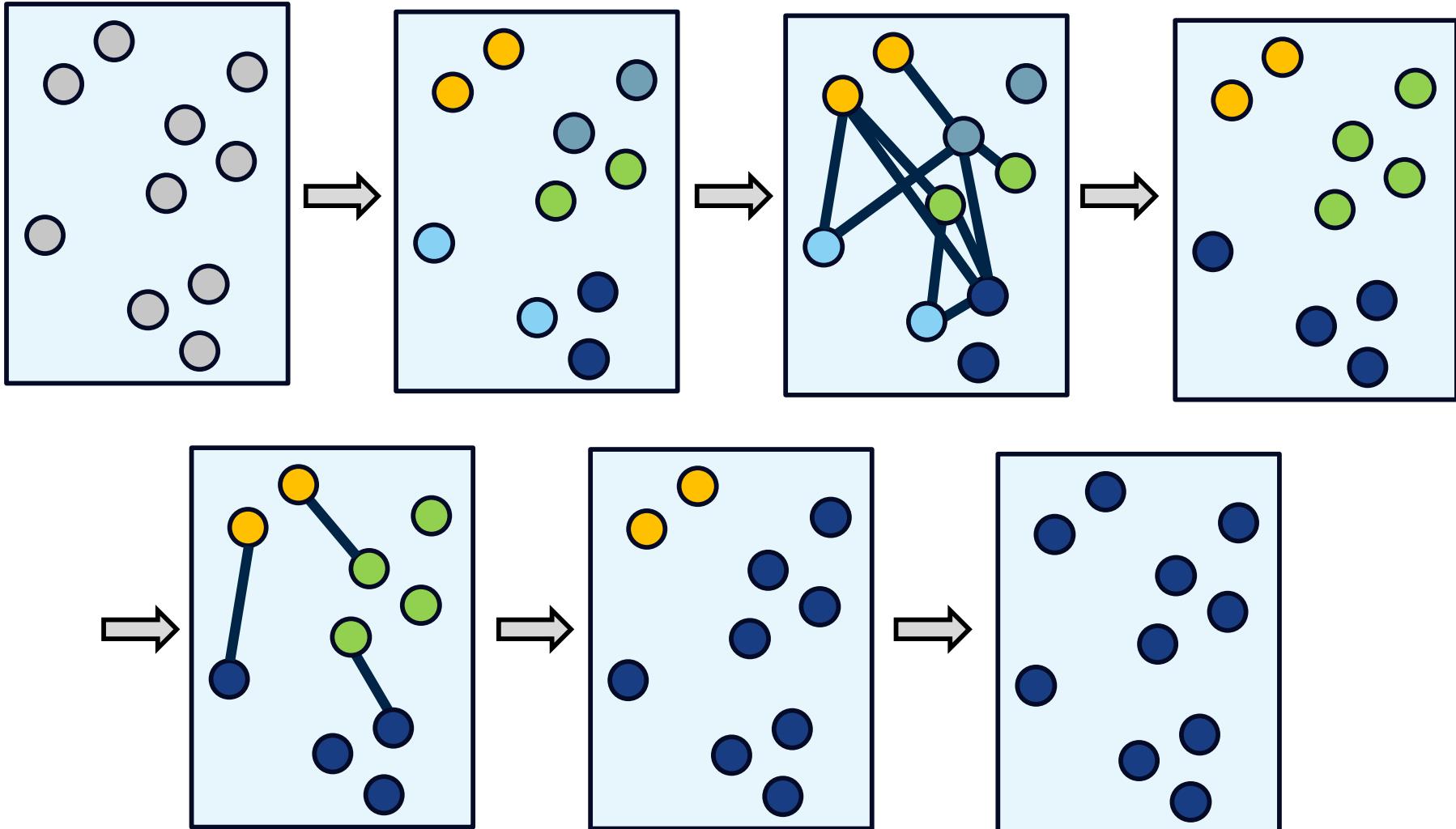
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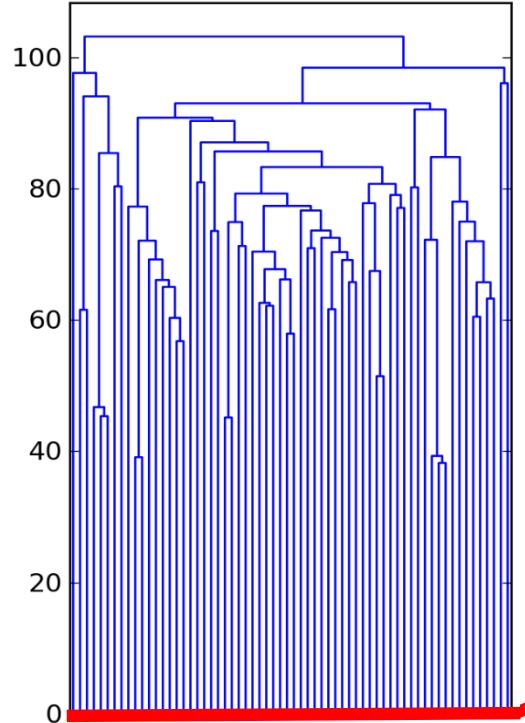
CLUSTERING – UNSUPERVISED LEARNING



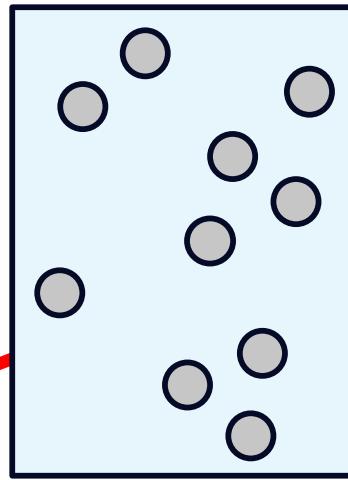
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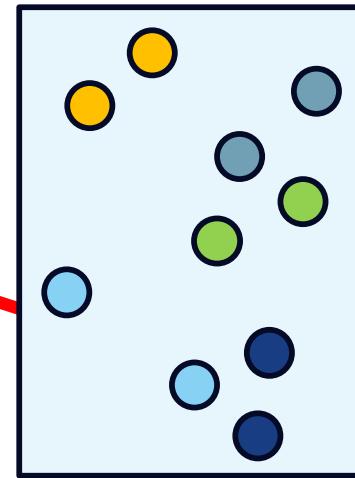
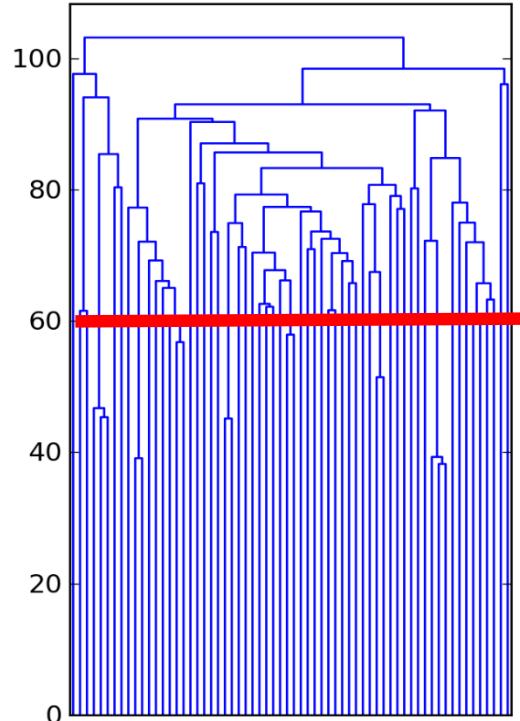
INTERACTIVE THRESHOLDING



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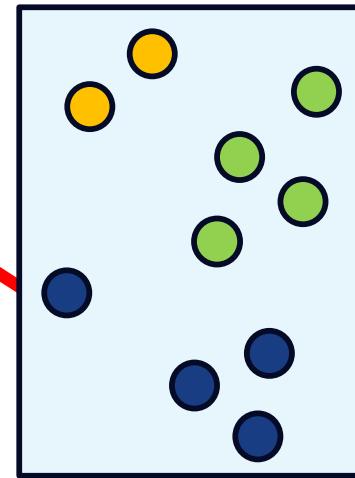
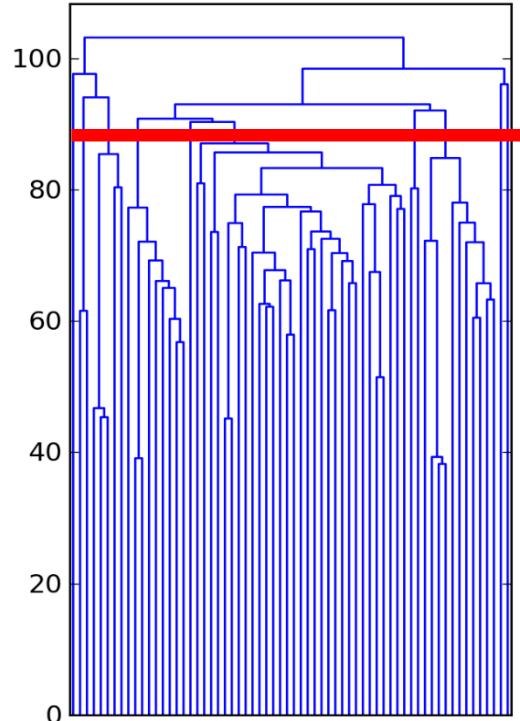


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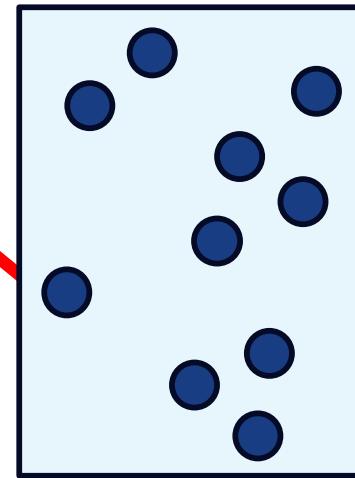
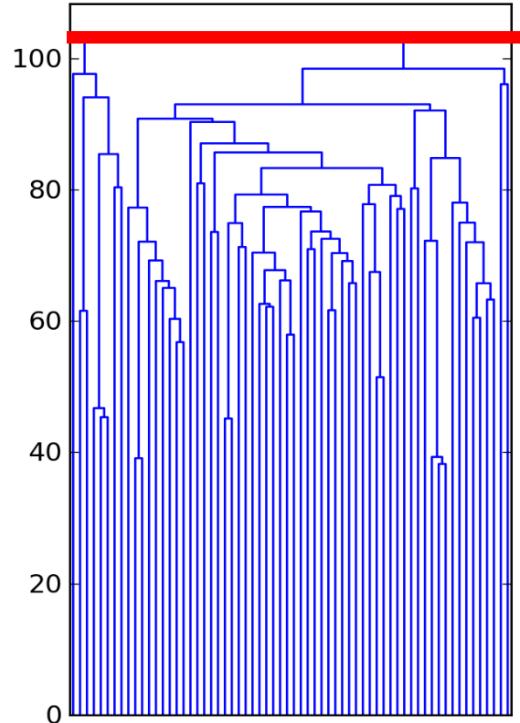
Dendrogram

INTERACTIVE THRESHOLDING



Dendrogram

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Dendrogram

Abstracting by using explicit clustering

Source: v.Ham & Wijk 2004



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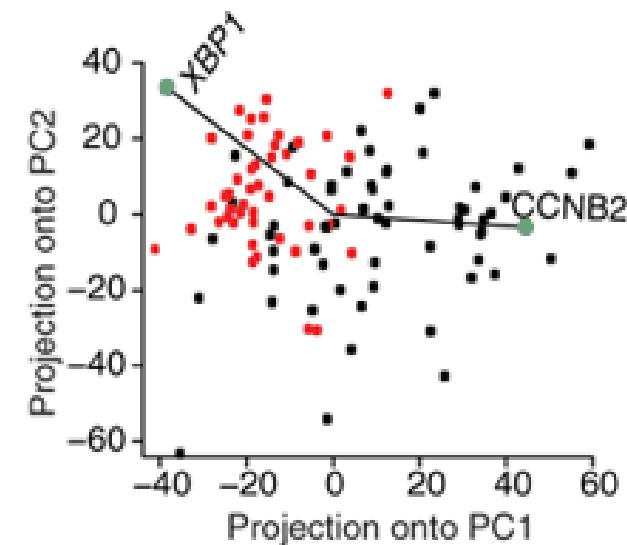
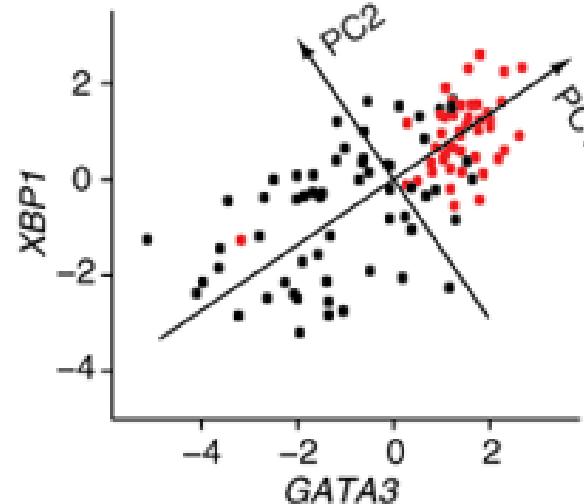
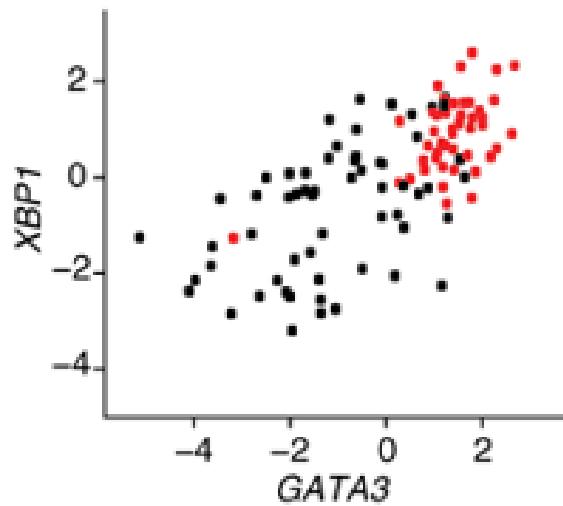


- Graph Visualization -

Source: Spindler et al. 2010

DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

Projecting HighD space onto LowD space through coordinate transformation along the directions of largest data spread

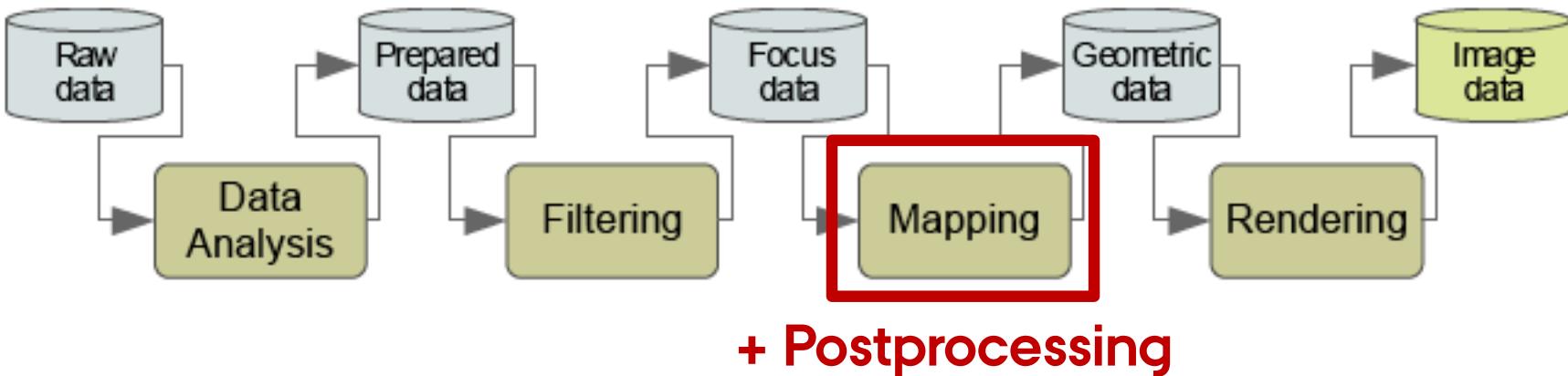


Common approaches:

- Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- Multidimensional Scaling (MDS)

Disadvantage! Projection can be hard to read, as axes are meaningless...

2.1 DATA PREPARATION



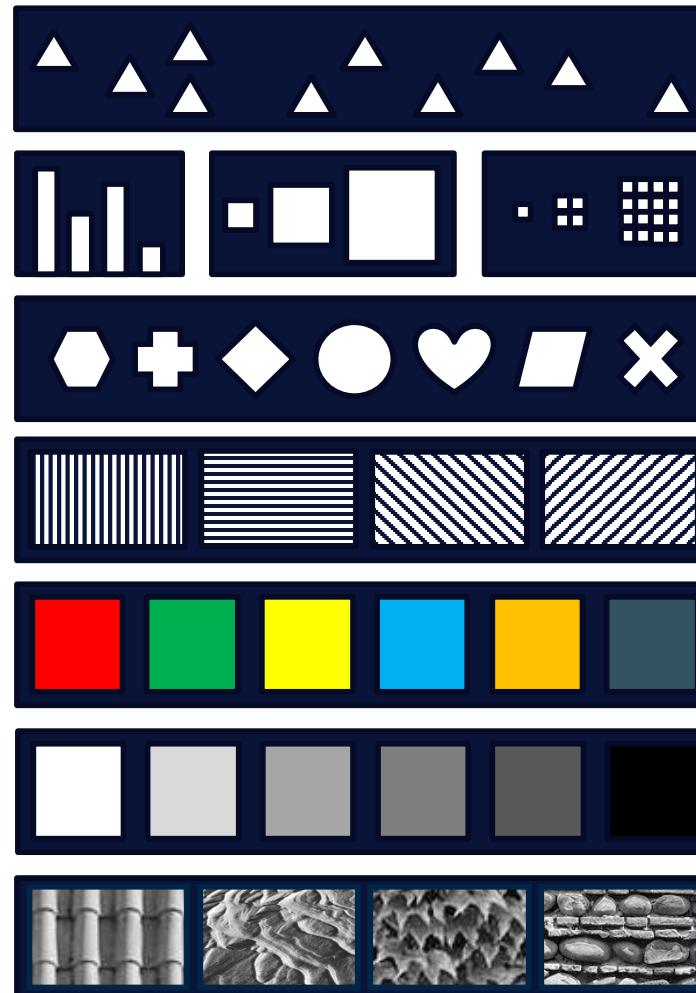
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VISUAL VARIABLES

(adapted from S.Carpendale)

- **Position:** change in location
- **Size:** change in length, area, repetition
- **Shape:** change to the outer form
- **Orientation:** change in alignment
- **Color Hue:** change in hue at a given value
- **Color Saturation:** change from light to dark
- **Texture:** change in pattern



EXPRESSIVE DATA MAPPING

categorical data:



ordinal data:



discrete data:



continuous data:



EFFECTIVE DATA MAPPING

Categorical

Discrete / Continuous

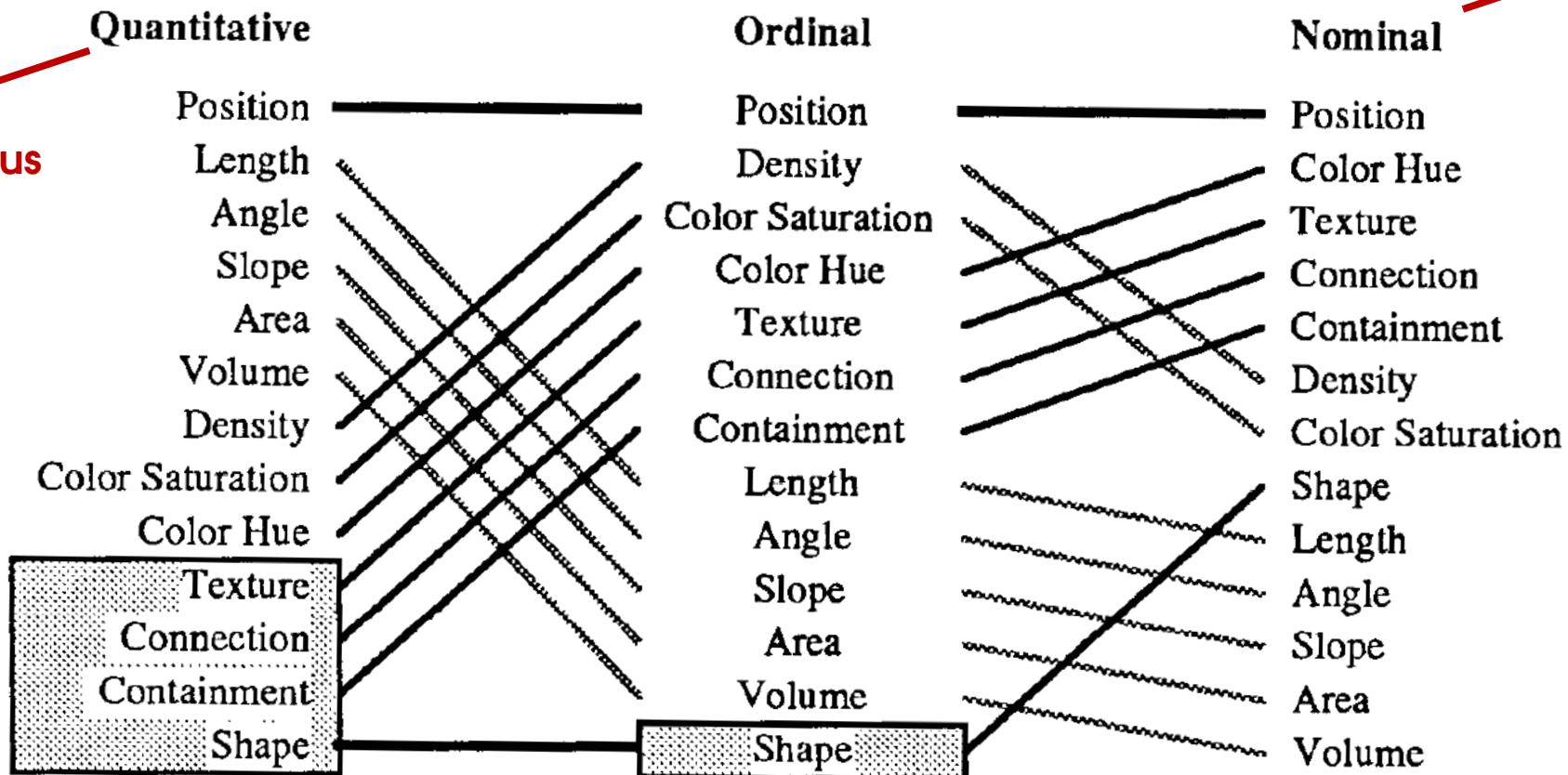


Fig. 15. Ranking of perceptual tasks. The tasks shown in the gray boxes are not relevant to these types of data.



CAREFUL WITH THE COLORS!

Not all color scales are created ~~equal~~ equidistant!

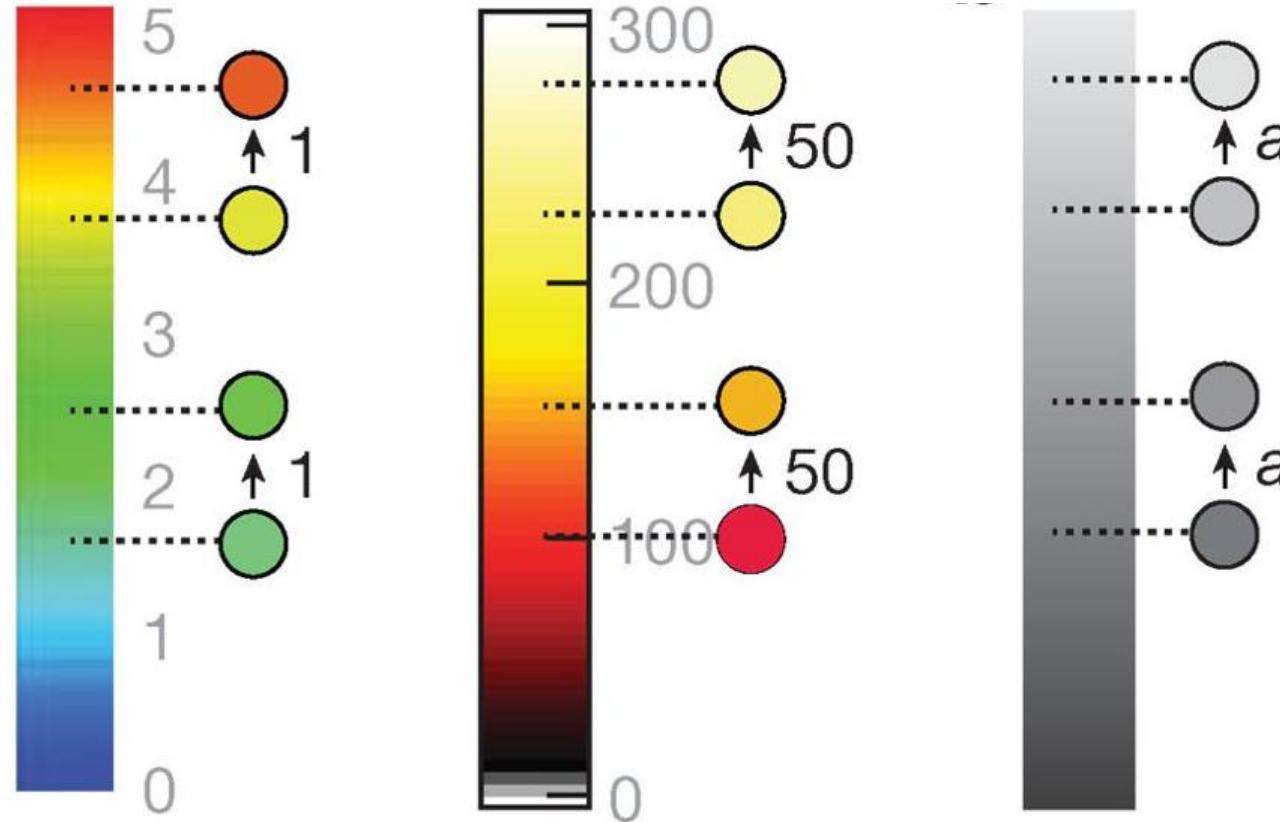


Image source: Nature Methods – Points of View Column, B.Wong 2011

Number of data classes: 3

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COLORBREWER 2.0

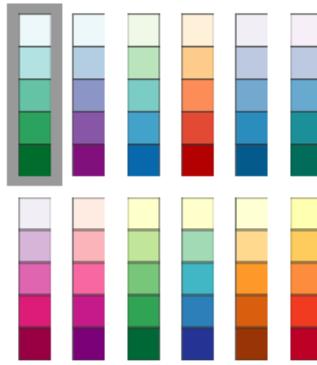
color advice for cartography

Nature of your data:

sequential diverging qualitative

Pick a color scheme:

Multi-hue:



Single hue:



Only show:

- colorblind safe
- print friendly
- photocopy safe

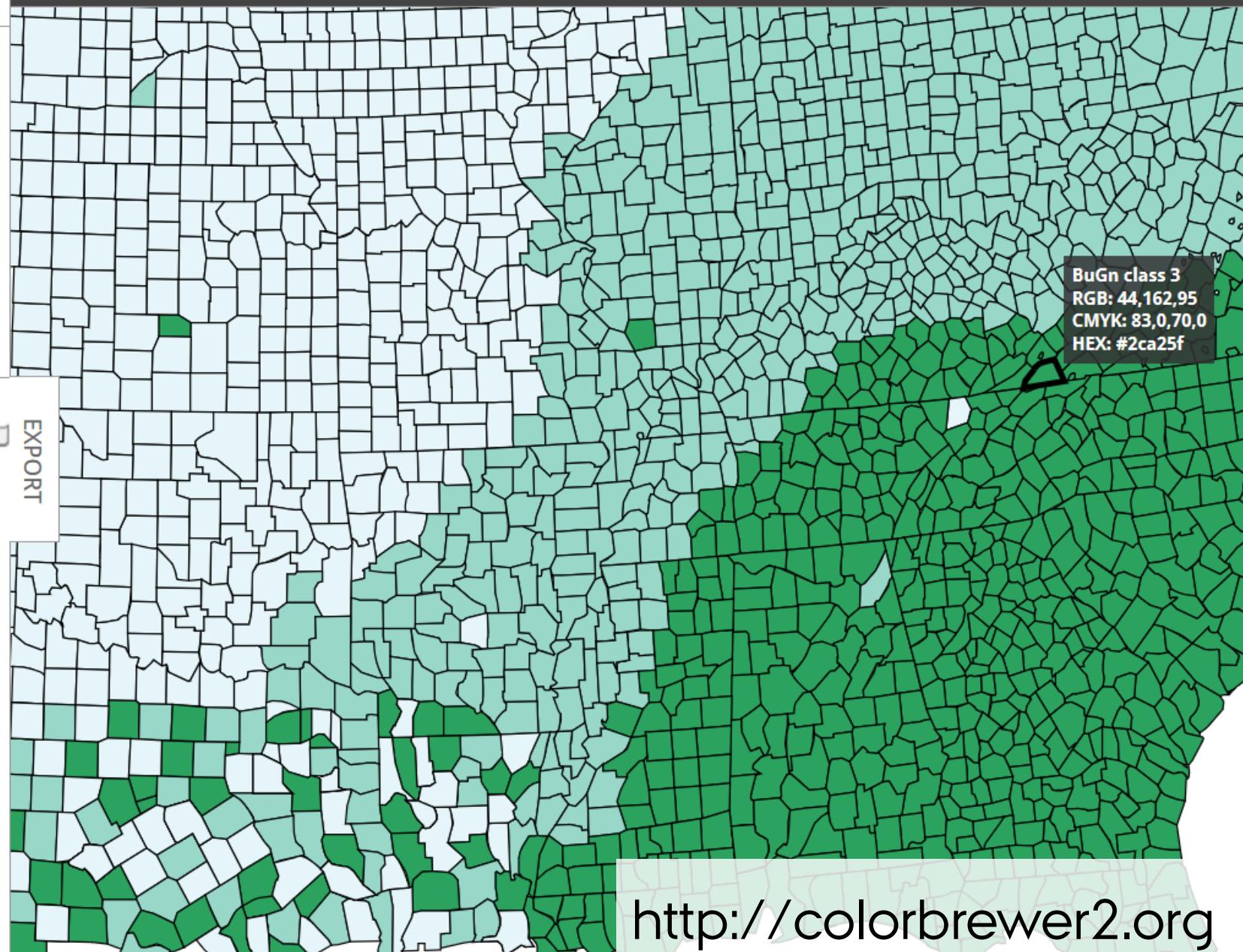
Context:

- roads
- cities
- borders

Background:

- solid color
- terrain

color transparency



MAKING YOUR OWN COLOR SCALES

Use chroma.js!

`chroma.brewer.OrRd`

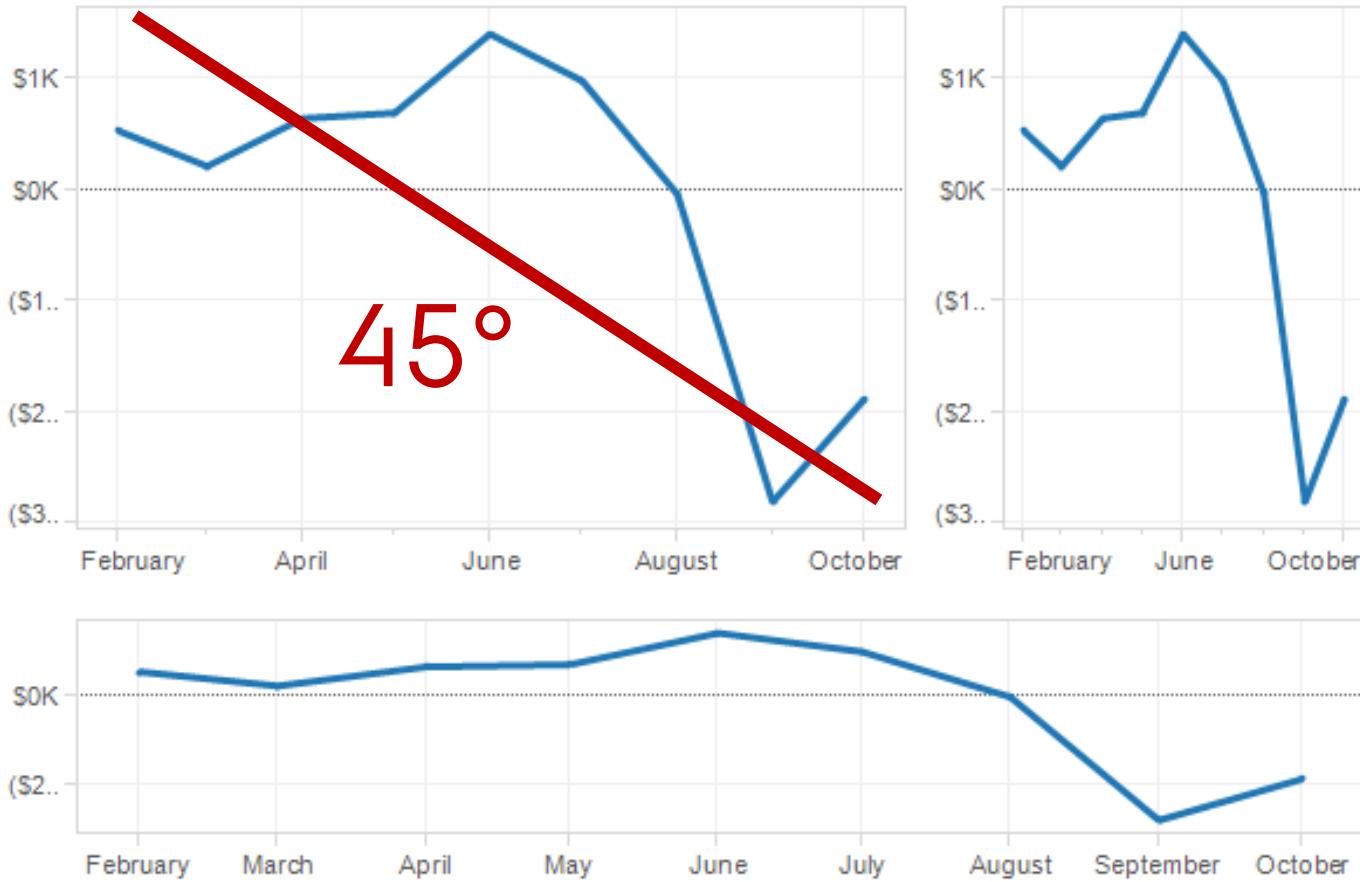


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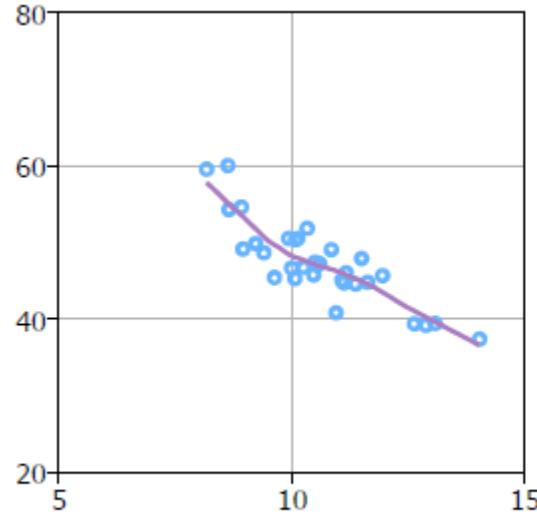


POSTPROCESSING: ASPECT RATIO

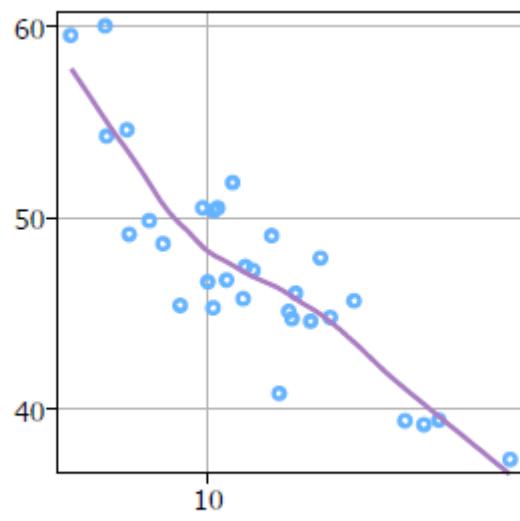
[Cleveland et al. 1988]



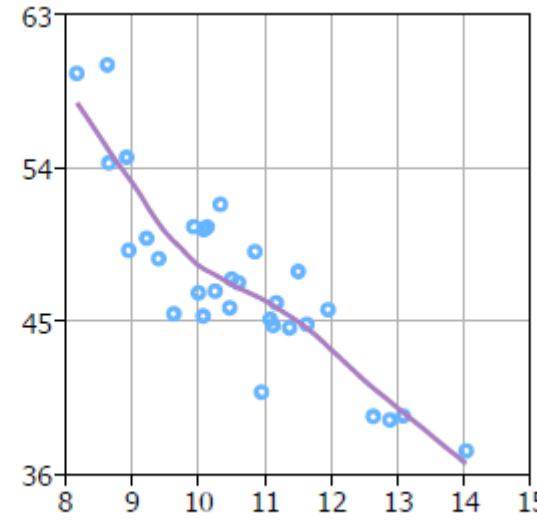
POSTPROCESSING: AXES, GRID, TICK MARKS



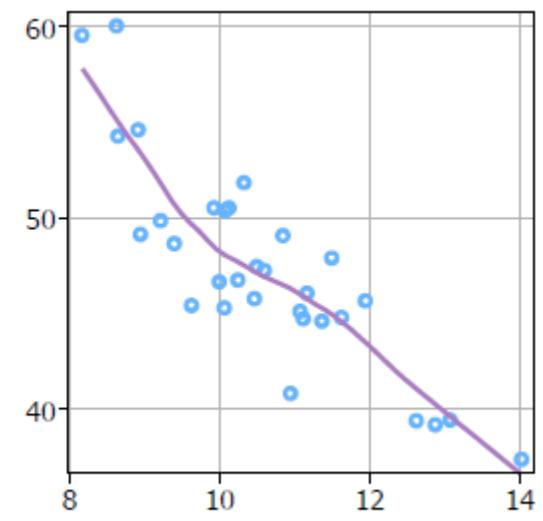
(a) Heckbert



(b) R's pretty



(c) Wilkinson



(d) Extended

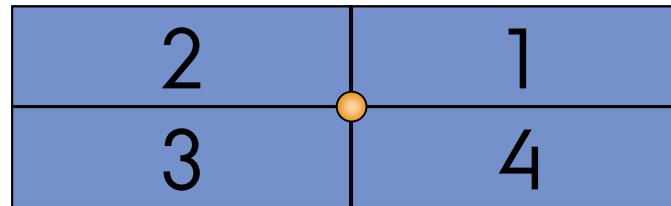
Image source: Talbot et al. 2010

POSTPROCESSING: LABELING

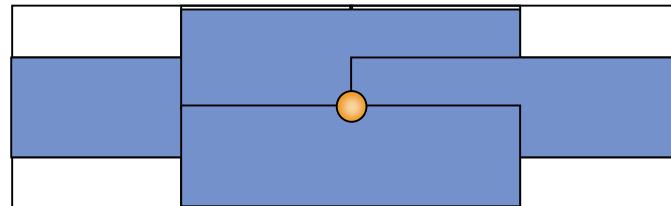
adapted from [Luboschik et al. 2008]
DOI: 10.1109/TVCG.2008.152

STAGE 1: Attempt to place a plain label

1. The 4-Position Model



2. The 8-Position Model



3. The Slider Model



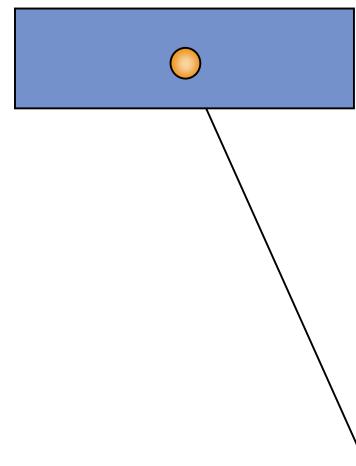
POSTPROCESSING: LABELING

STAGE 2: Attempt to place an excentric label

adapted from [Luboschik et al. 2008]
DOI: 10.1109/TVCG.2008.152

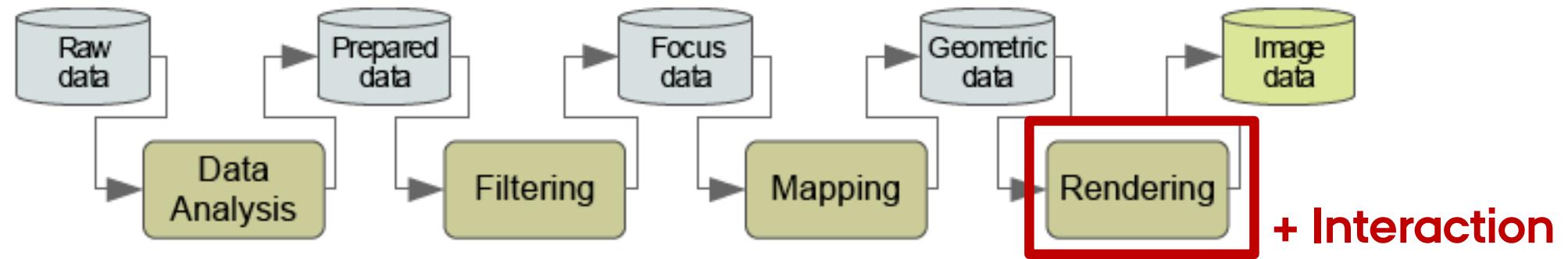
Move the label along a
spiral path until a suitable
position is found.

How to do the collision
detection efficiently?
Particles → Video

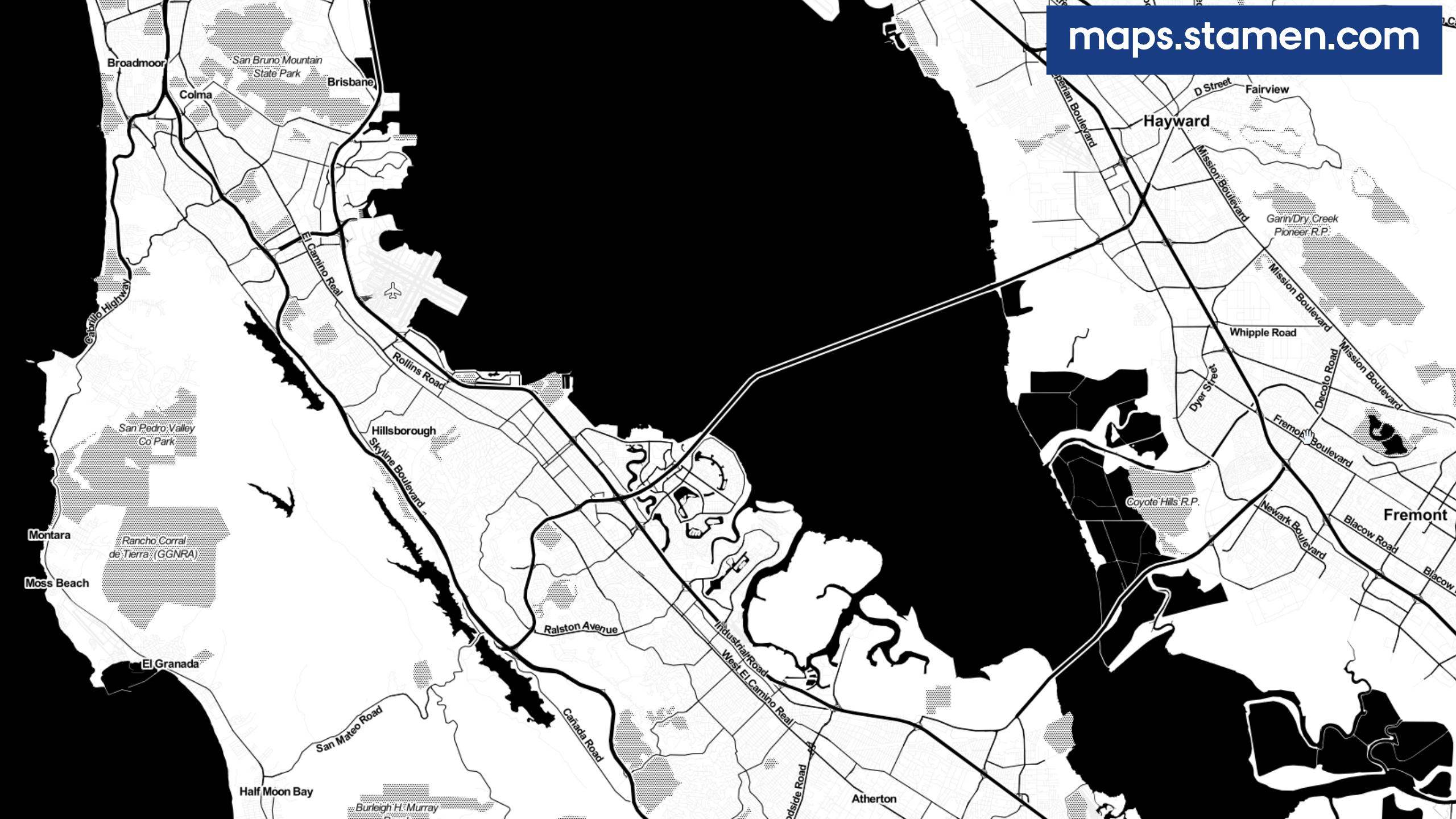


Particle-based conflict detection.

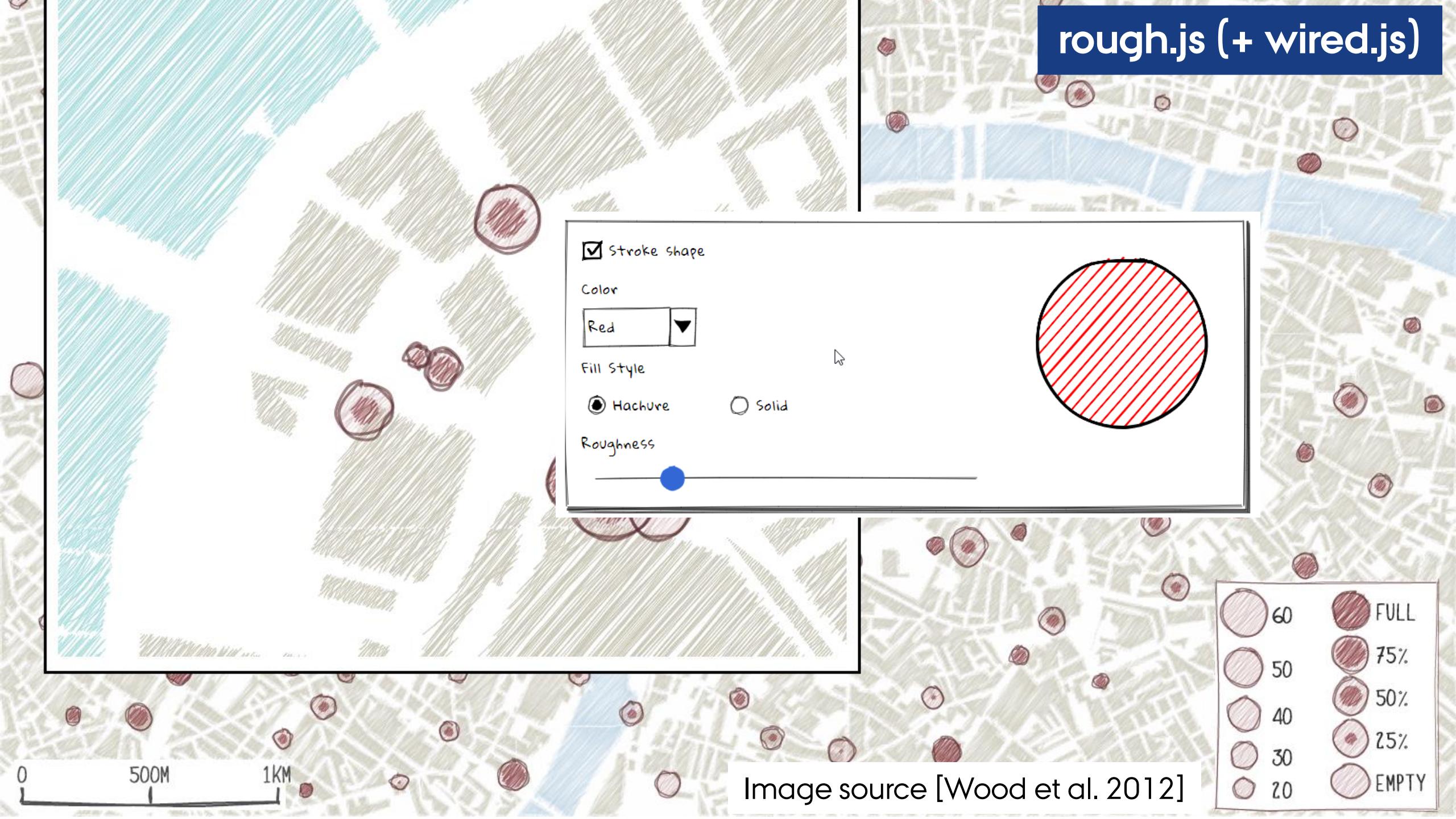
FROM GEOMETRY TO THE IMAGE

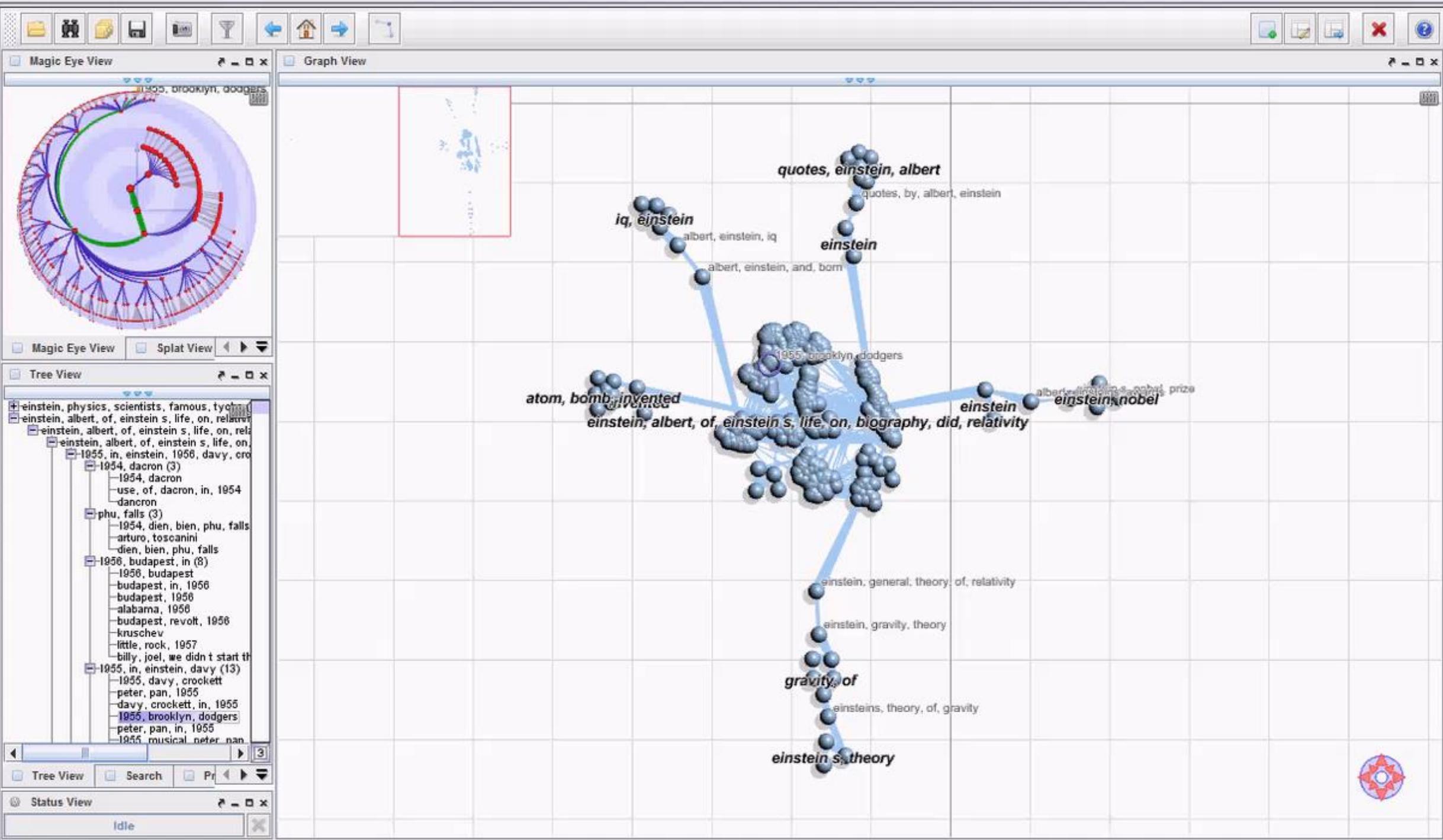






rough.js (+ wired.js)





THE PRACTICAL PART...

Tools introduced so far:

- <http://openrefine.org>
- <https://olssol.shinyapps.io/missuite/>
- <http://treevis.net>
- <http://textvis.lnu.se>
- <http://timeviz.net>
- <http://financevis.net>
- <http://colorbrewer2.org>
- <https://gka.github.io/chroma.js/>
- <http://maps.stamen.com>
- <https://roughjs.com> + <https://wiredjs.com>

But... we still need tools to create the actual visualization!

- <https://dmitrybaranovskiy.github.io/raphael/>
- <https://www.vincentbroute.fr/mapael/>
- <https://fperucic.github.io/treant-js/>
- <https://d3js.org>
- <https://vega.github.io>
- <http://idl.cs.washington.edu/projects/lyra/>
- <https://vega.github.io/voyager2/>

IMPERATIVE FLAVOR: RAPHAËL.JS

To create a graphics like this:

```
<svg width="500" height="300">  
  <circle cx="250" cy="150" r="50" stroke="#000" stroke-width="1" fill="#FFF" />  
</svg>
```

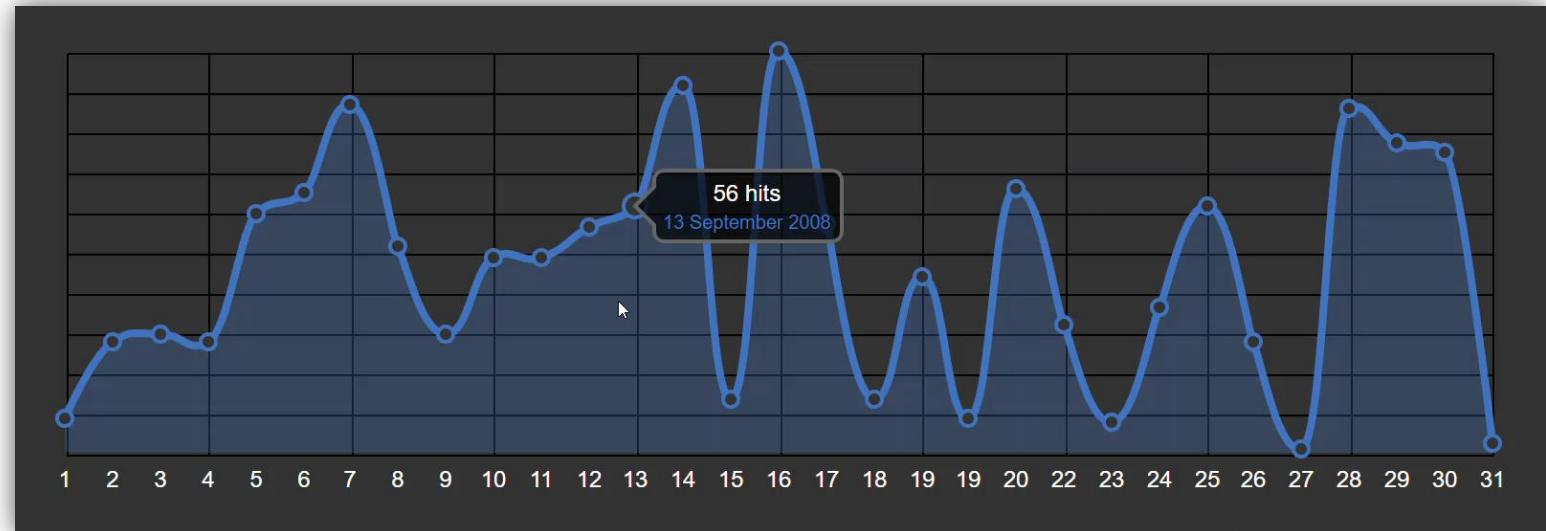
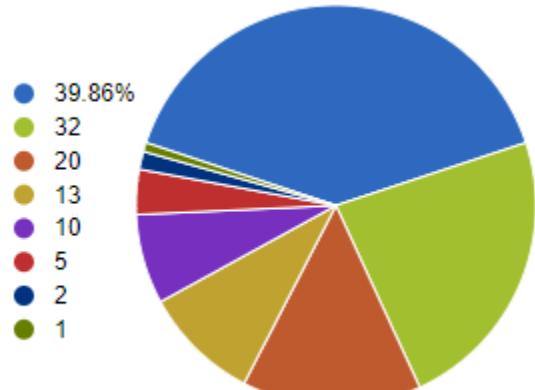
...you use Raphaël functions like these:

```
<div id="container"></div>  
<script src="raphael-2.2.1.min.js"> </script>  
<script>  
  var chart= Raphael("container", 500, 300);  
  var dot= chart.circle(250, 150, 50).attr({fill:"#FFF", stroke:"#000", "stroke-width":1});  
</script>
```

IMPERATIVE FLAVOR: RAPHAËL.JS

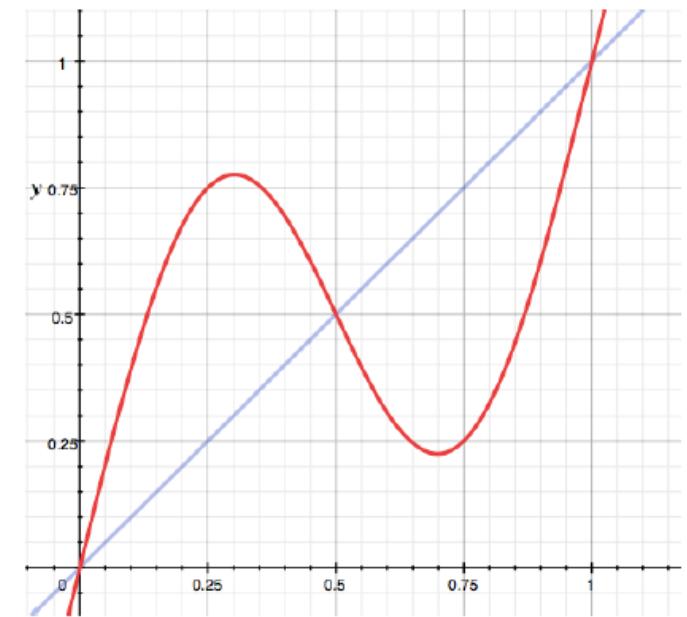
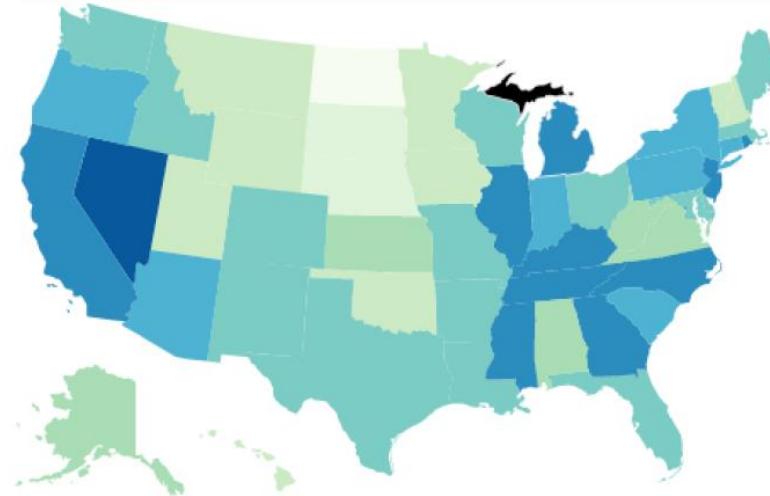
Different plugins built on top of Raphaël provide charting primitives:

```
r.piechart(320, 240, 100, [55,20,13,32,5,1,2,10], { legend: ["%%.%%"], legendpos: "west" }) ;
```



Check out e.g., jQuery Mapael for geospatial visualizations or Treant.js for hierarchical visualizations!

IMPERATIVE FLAVOR: RAPHAËL.JS



FUNCTIONAL FLAVOR: D3.JS

```
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3-5.7.0.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

FUNCTIONAL FLAVOR: D3.JS

```
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3-5.7.0.min.js"></script>
<body>
  <ul id = "list">
    <li></li>
    <li></li>
  </ul>
```



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

```
<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

FUNCTIONAL FLAVOR: D3.JS

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<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3-5.7.0.min.js"></script>
<body>
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    <li></li>
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  </ul>
  <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; })
      .exit().remove();
  </script>
</body>
```

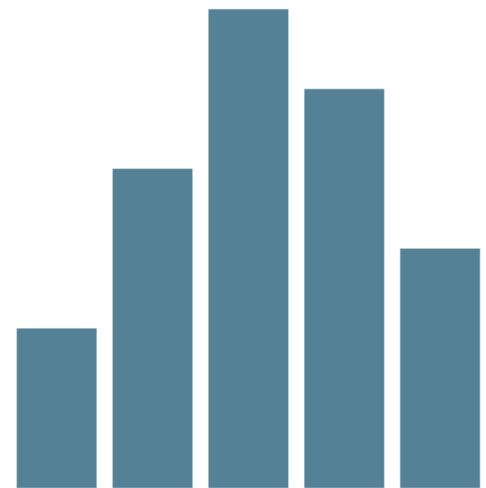


- Existing value is 10
- Existing value is 20
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- Existing value is 25
- Existing value is 15

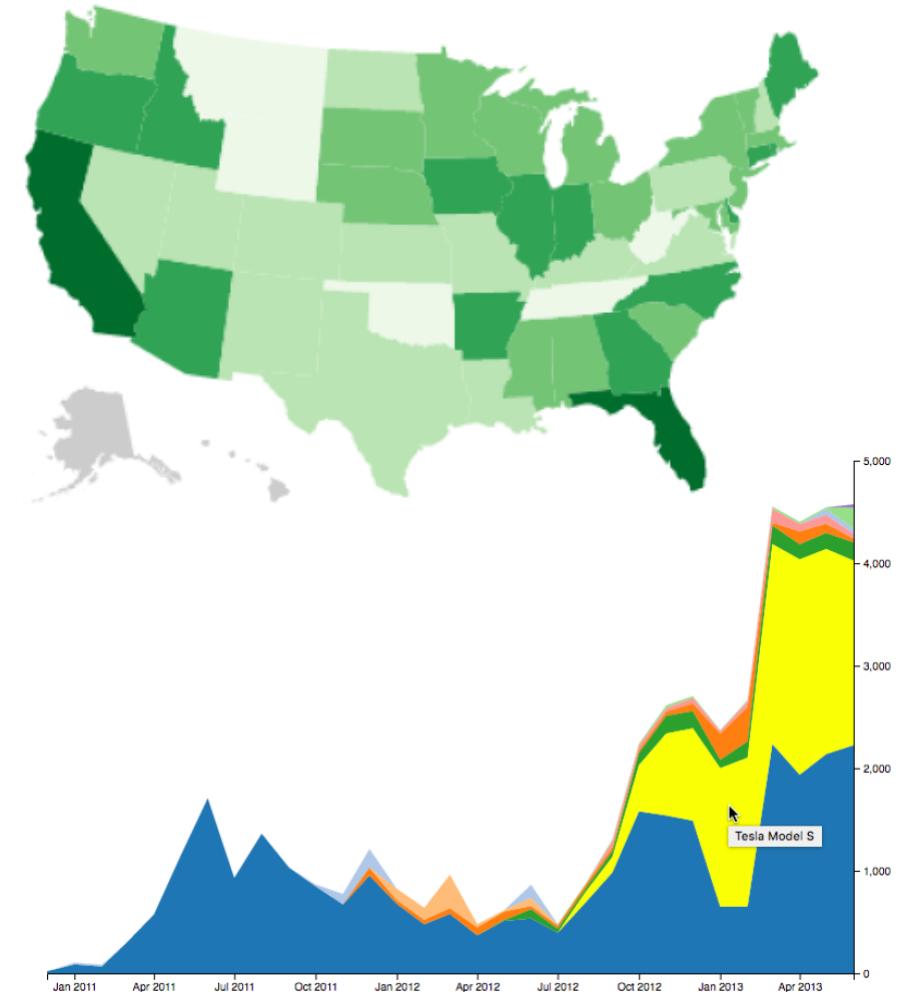
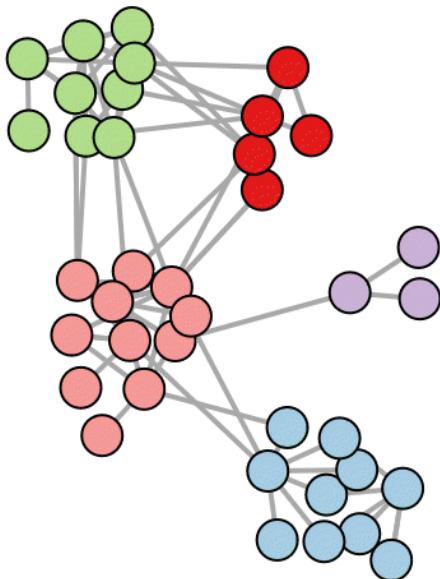
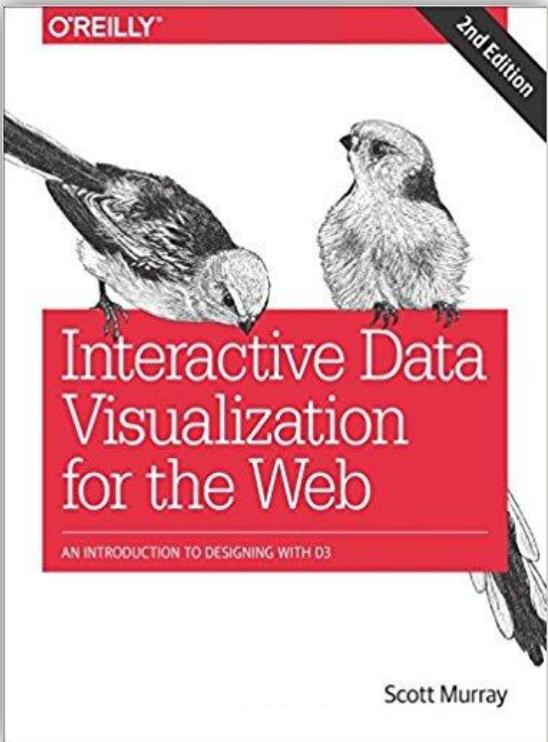
`exit()` returns all document elements for which no data items exist

FUNCTIONAL FLAVOR: D3.JS

```
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "d3-5.7.0.min.js"></script>
<body>
  <svg id="chart" width="500" height="300" />
  <script>
    var data = [10, 20, 30, 25, 15];
    var scaleFactor = 10, barWidth = 50, gapWidth = 10;
    var 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>
```



FUNCTIONAL FLAVOR: D3.JS

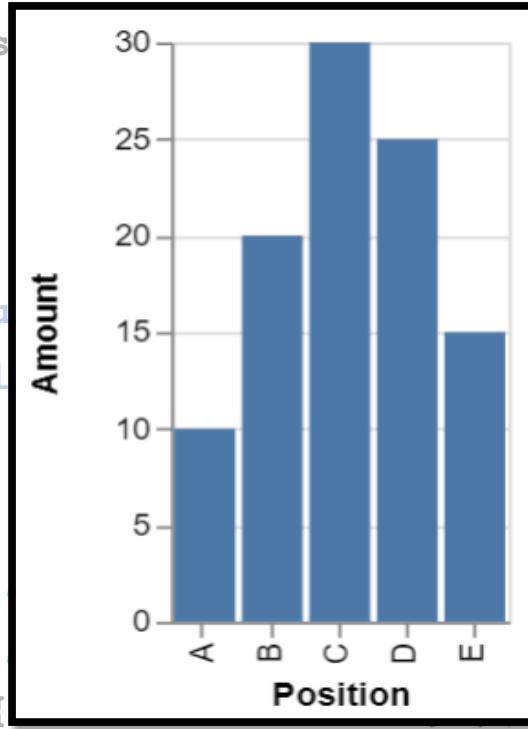


DECLARATIVE FLAVOR: VEGA/VEGA-LITE.JS

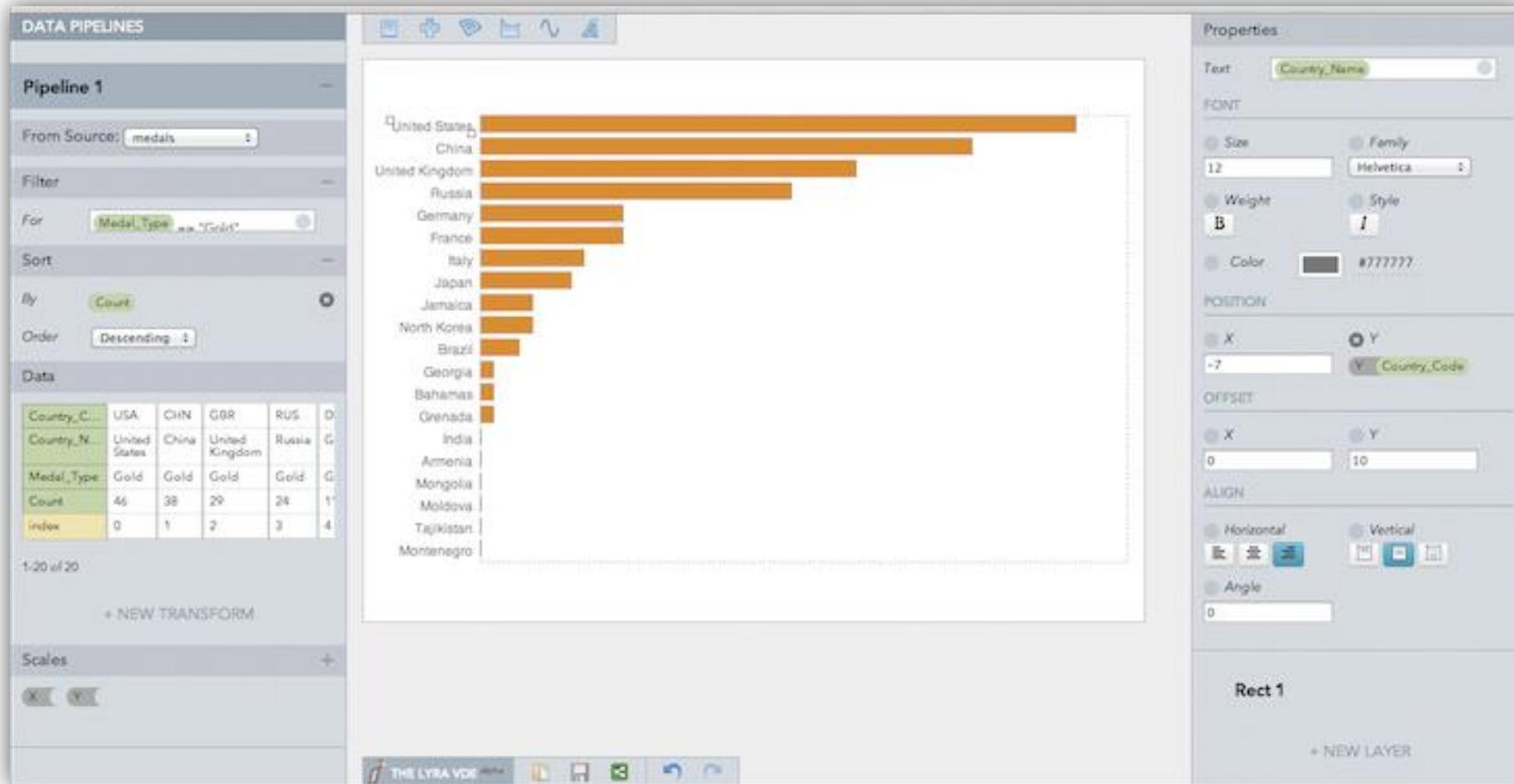
```
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<script type = "text/javascript" src = "vega-lite-2.6.0.js"></script>
<script type = "text/javascript" src = "vega-embed-3.20.0.js"></script>
<body>
  <div id="chart" />
  <script>
    var visSpec = { "data": {"values": [ {"key": "A", "val":10}, {"key": "B", "val":20},
                                         {"key": "C", "val":30}, {"key": "D", "val":25}, {"key": "E", "val":15} ] },
        "mark": "bar",
        "encoding": {
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          "y": {"field": "val", "type": "quantitative", "axis": {"title": "Amount"} } } };
    vegaEmbed("#chart", visSpec, {"actions": false} );
  </script>
</body>
```

DECLARATIVE FLAVOR: VEGA/VEGA-LITE.JS

```
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    vegaEmbed("#chart", visSpec, { });
  </script>
</body>
```



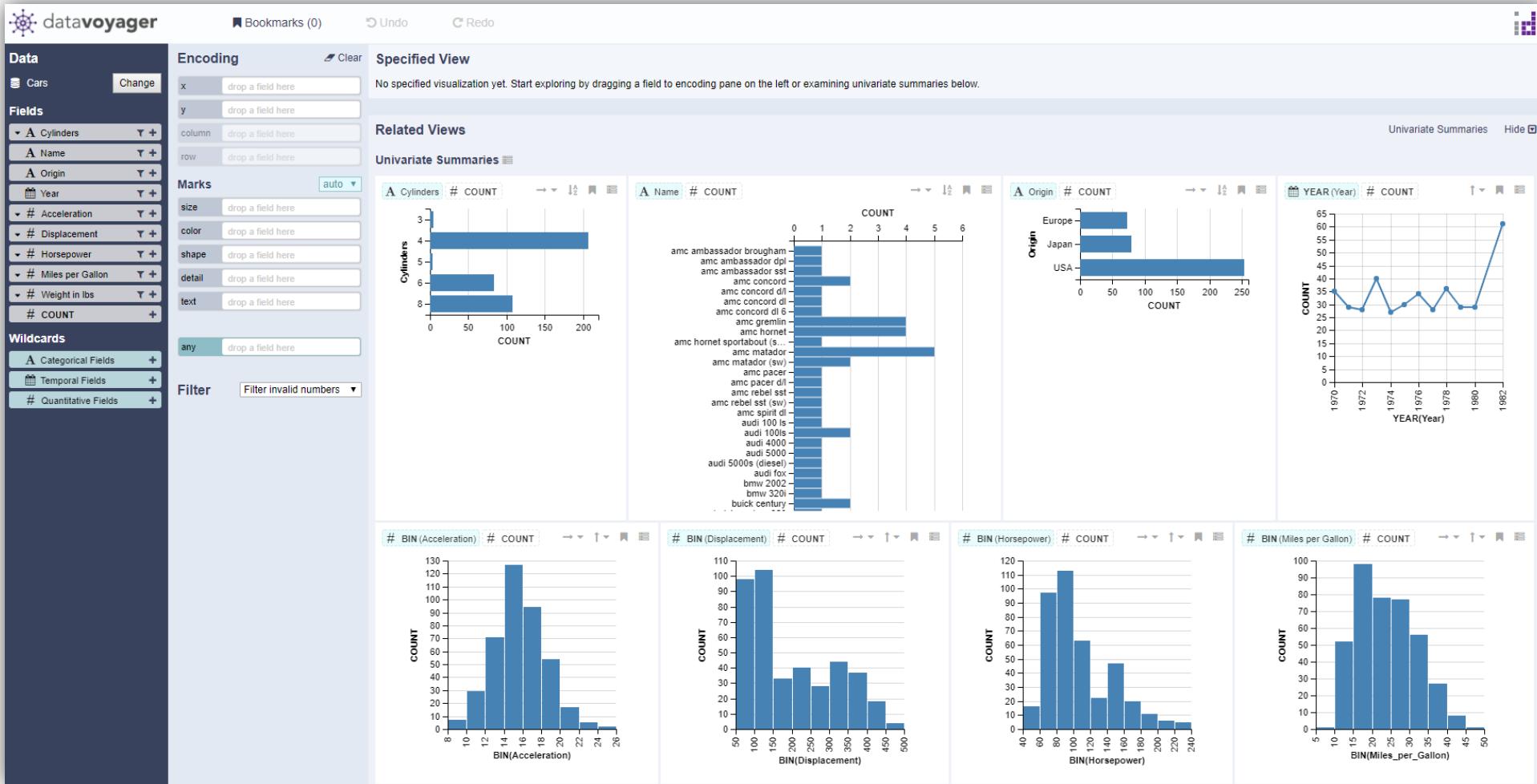
THE LYRA VISUALIZATION EDITOR



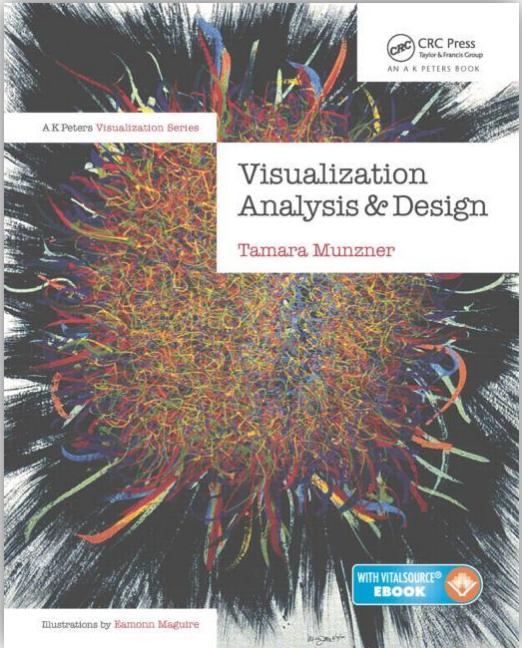
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THE DATA VOYAGER

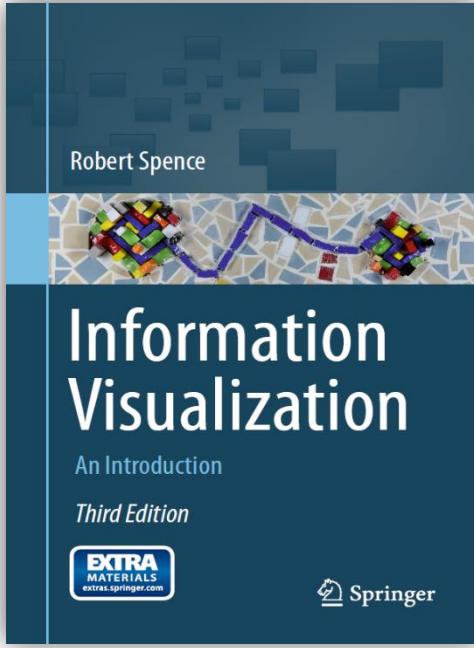
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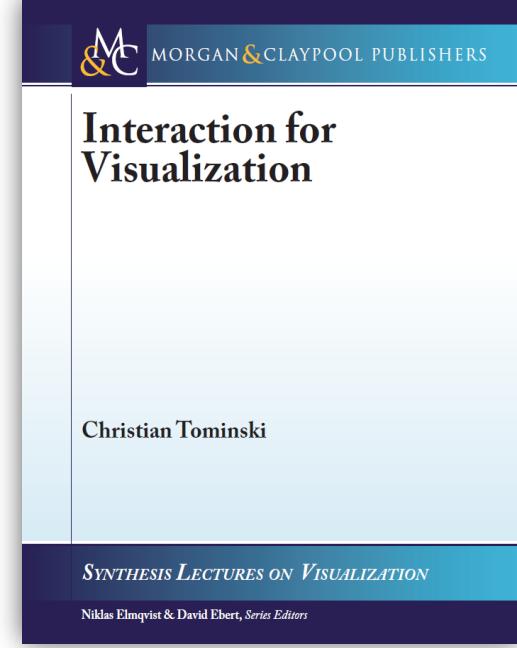
FURTHER READING



Tamara Munzner:
Visualization Analysis
and Design



Robert Spence:
Information Visualization.
An Introduction, 3rd Edition



Christian Tominski:
Interaction for Visualization



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