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Agenda

- Introductions
- Hackathon Objective
- Deliverables and Resources
- General Information
- Data to Dashboard



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The Objective of HPC in the City: St. Louis

The hackathon aims to harness the resources, skills, and knowledge found in the HPC community in an effort to provide applied exposure towards students from 2-4 year post-secondary educational institutions. In short, the hackathon will provide HPC skills and training while targeting problems that directly affect the participants.

- Develop knowledge about solutions to identified issues affecting St. Louis through application of data analysis/presentation or management.

Student Outcomes

- Increased familiarity with data science in the cloud
- Experience collaborative software engineering
- Develop professional communication skills

Student Deliverables and Resources

Deliverables:

- **Source code Including Comments**
- **PDF of presentation**
 - Team members with pictures
 - Use of HPC technology in the project
 - Regional (St. Louis) implications of the project
- **Github Repository Link**
 - README.md with project description

Resources:

- **Google Cloud (Provided Credits)**
- **Cloudy Cluster**
- **Most Commonly Used**
 - Python
 - Jupyter Notebooks
 - Node.Js (JavaScript)
 - Repl.it (Collaborative Environment)
 - HTML
- **Discord**
<https://discord.com/invite/rSXasYKDwE>



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General Information (the 3 T's)

- **Teams**

- 4-5 Students
- 1 Primary Mentor
- 1 Specialist/Staff

- **Time**

- November 4th - 8th
 - 11/4@^~6pm ET Event Start
 - Team formation
 - 11/[5-8] @ 11 ET & 6pm ET- Checkins
 - 11/8@6pm ET-Final Presentations

- **Topic Examples**

- Data Analysis of COVID 19
- Economic disparities and their effects on college participation
- Genomics, Molecular Dynamics, or Weather Modeling in the Cloud.
- Social Justice
- AI-based Crowd Status
- Public Data Management
- Graduation Rates
- Broadband Access
- Insurance vs. Public Health Resilience

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Creating a Data-based Dashboard Application

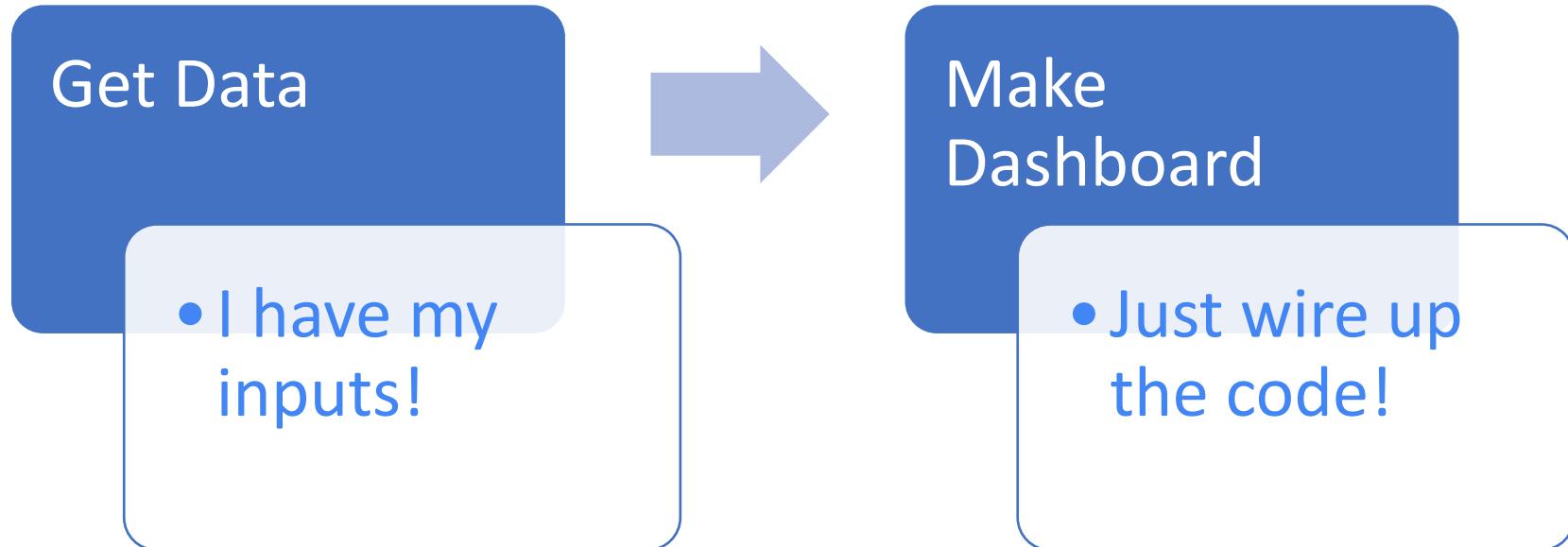
Talk Structure

BLUF: Bottom Line Up Front

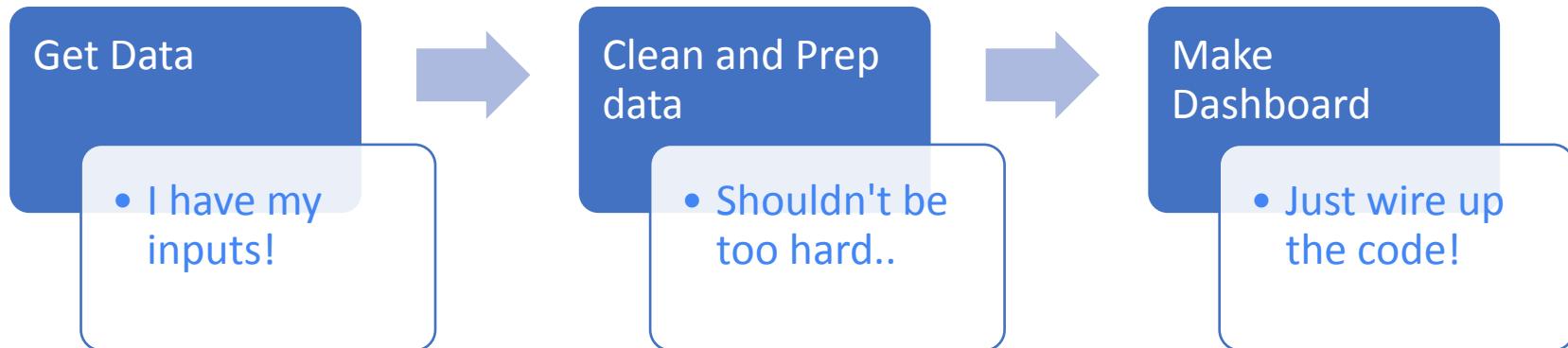
Data to Dashboard Workflows	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Workflow: Perception....● vs. Reality● Step by Step walkthrough
Example Dash App	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Simple application use case: TX Congressional District Info● Example of workflow and products at each step● Quick overview of deploying Github repo to Heroku
Data Piping: In Detail	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Data Cleaning and Wrangling● E(xtraction), T(ransformation) and L(oad)● "Tidy" Data

Data to Dashboards: Workflows

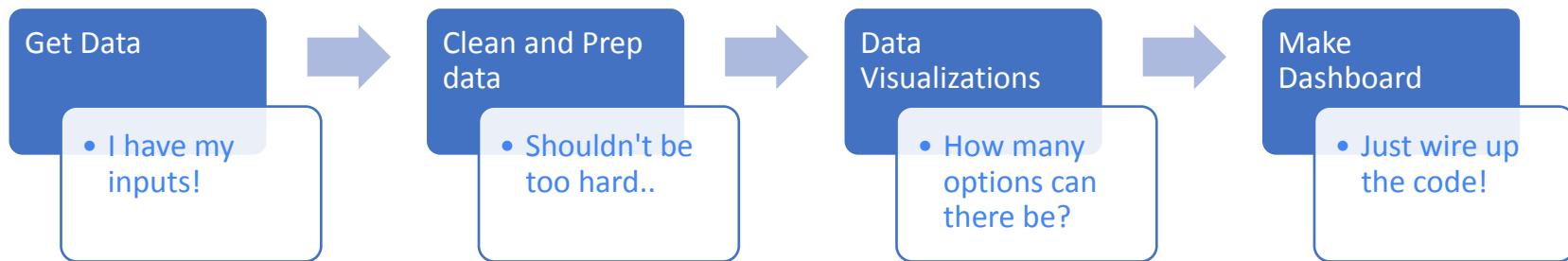
How people imagine the workflow...



....when you point out the missing data cleaning step....

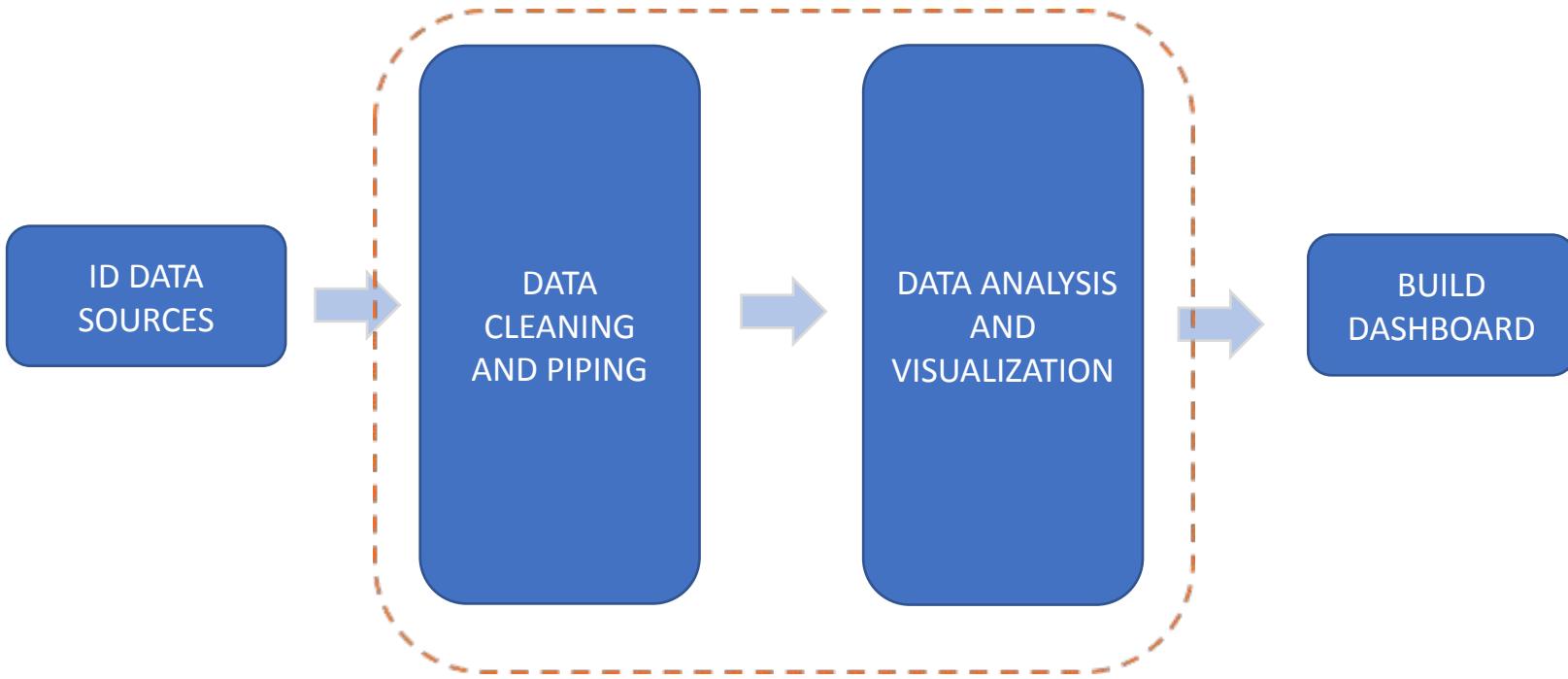


....and data visualization development....



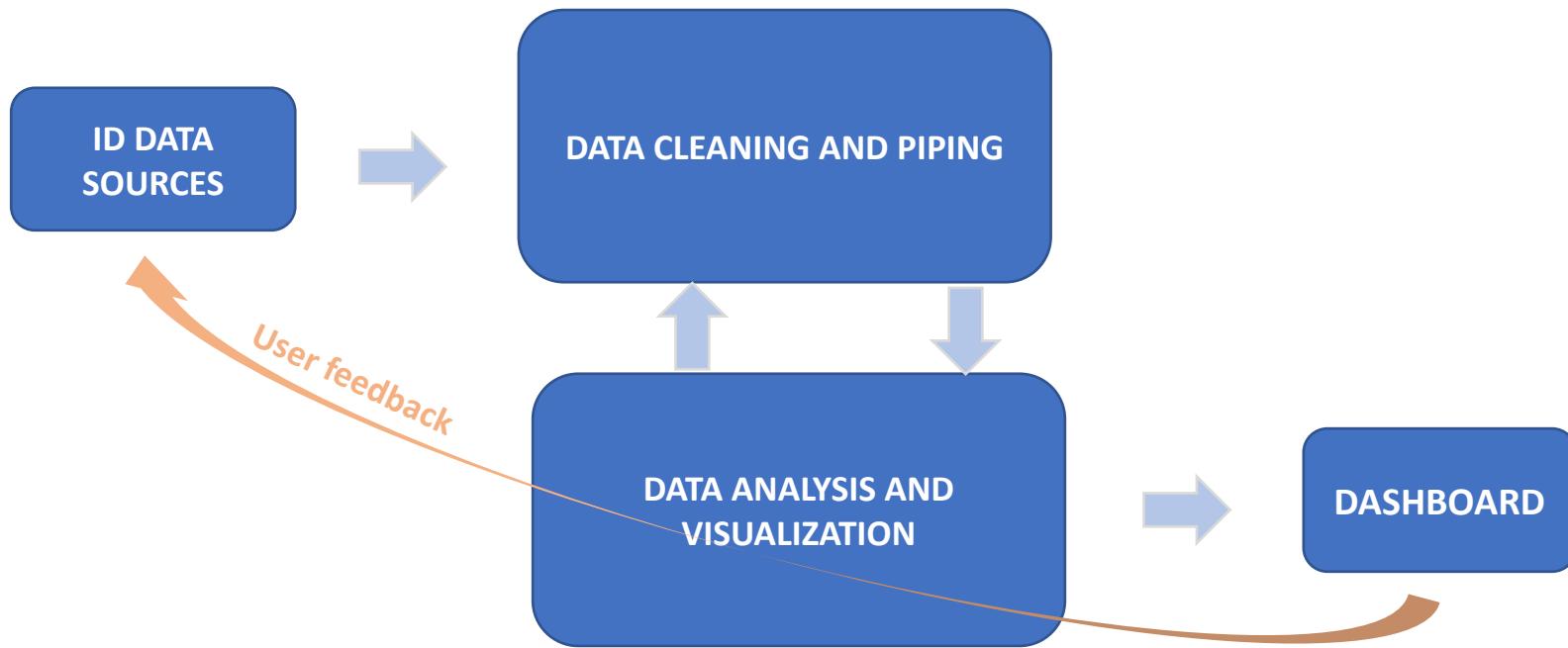
....and scale it to work effort....

Expect data wrangling = 80% of your project.

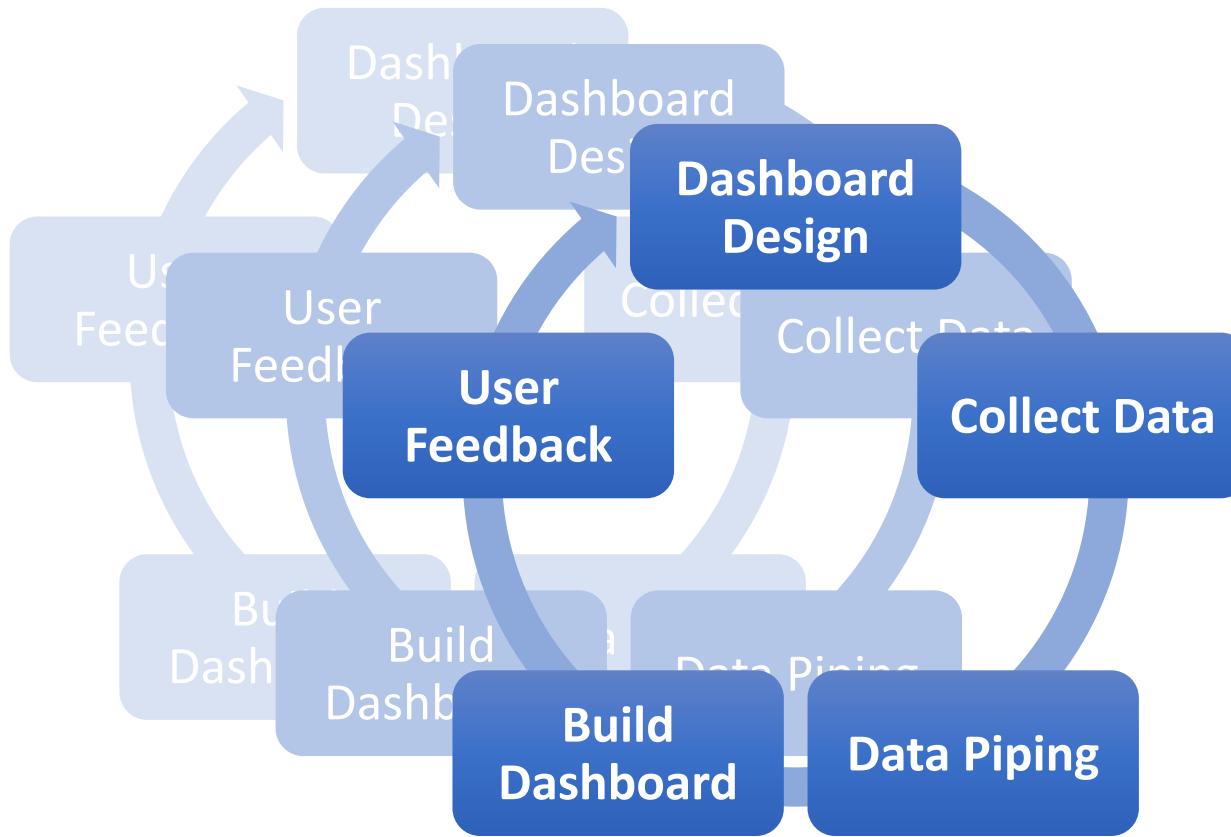


....and reflect iterative communication.

Good dashboard development is Agile

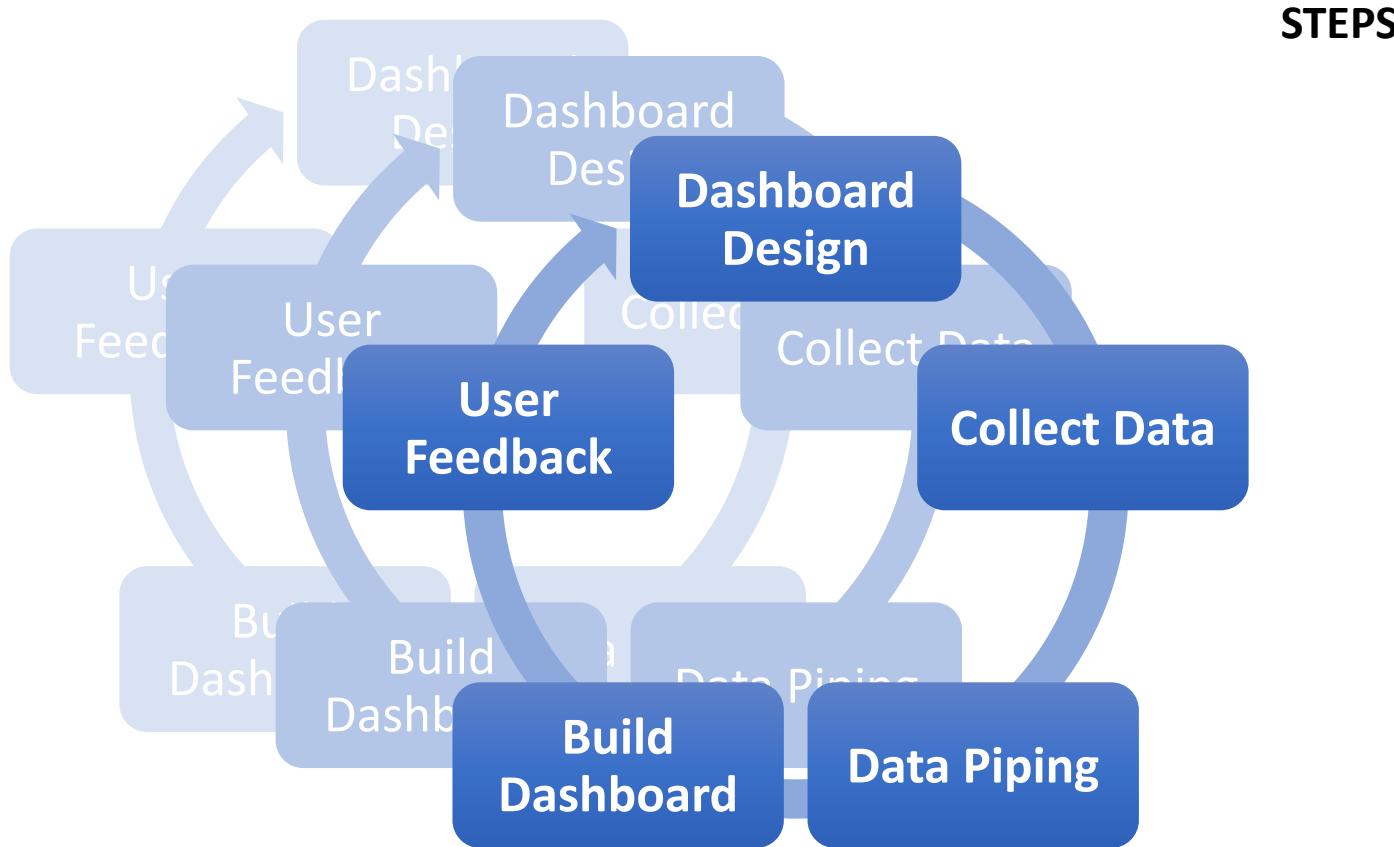


Development Cycle

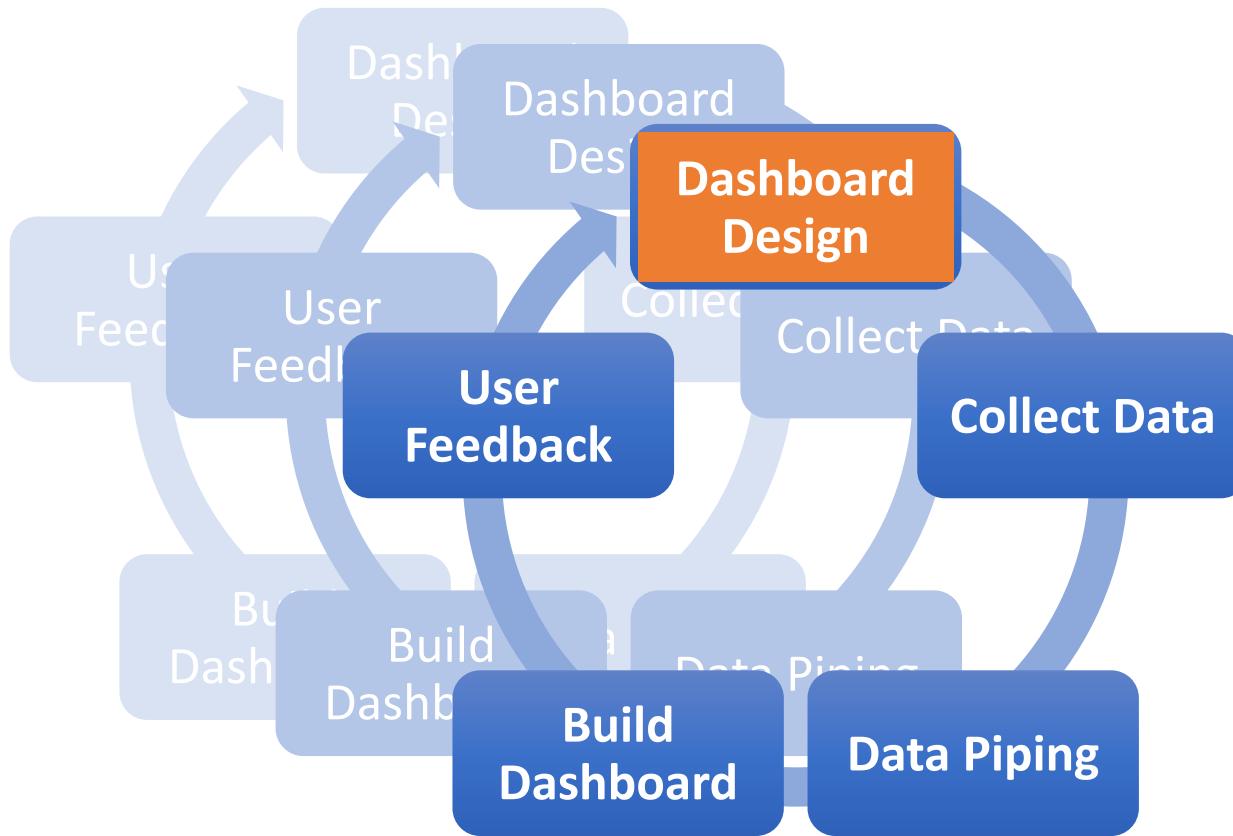


- Agile development is *iterative*.
- Quick cycling / rapid feedback.
- Keeps project from veering too far off course before a chance for correction.

Development Cycle



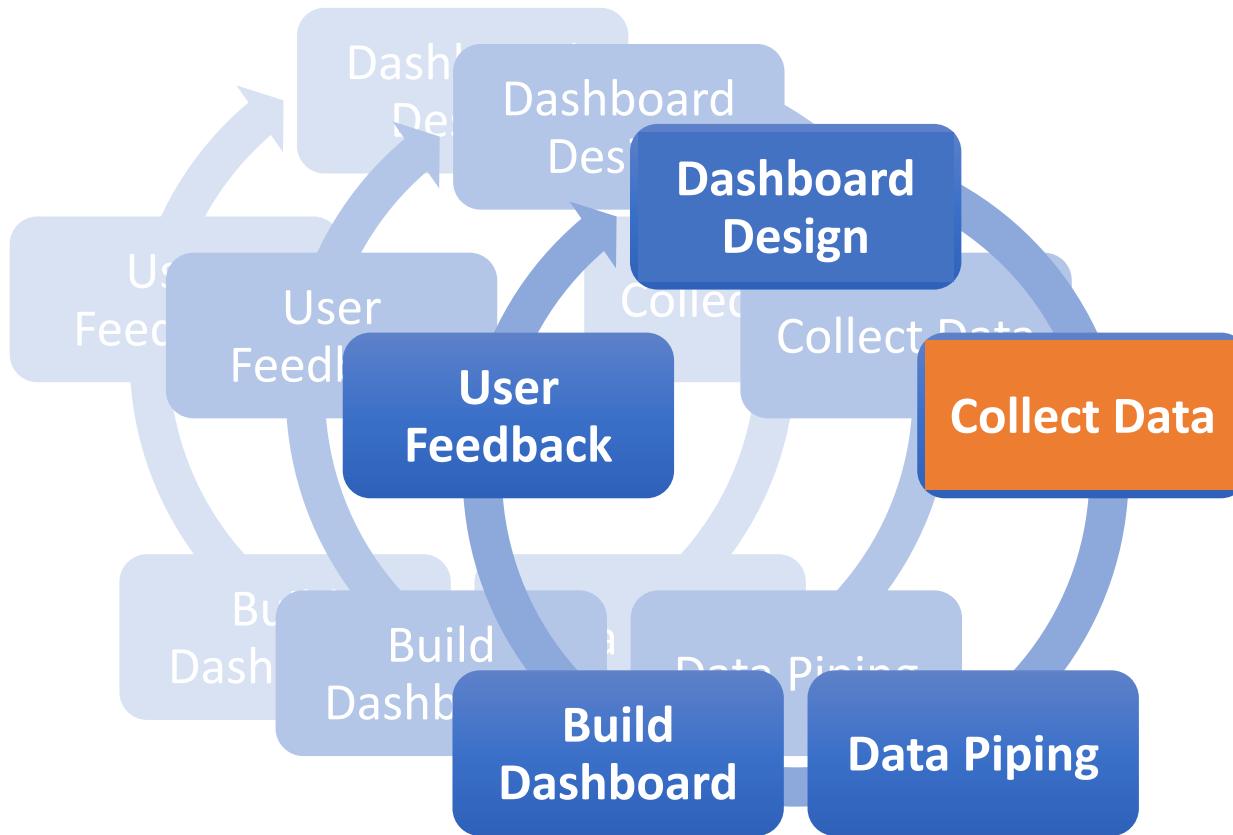
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STEPS

1. **Basic design / purpose**

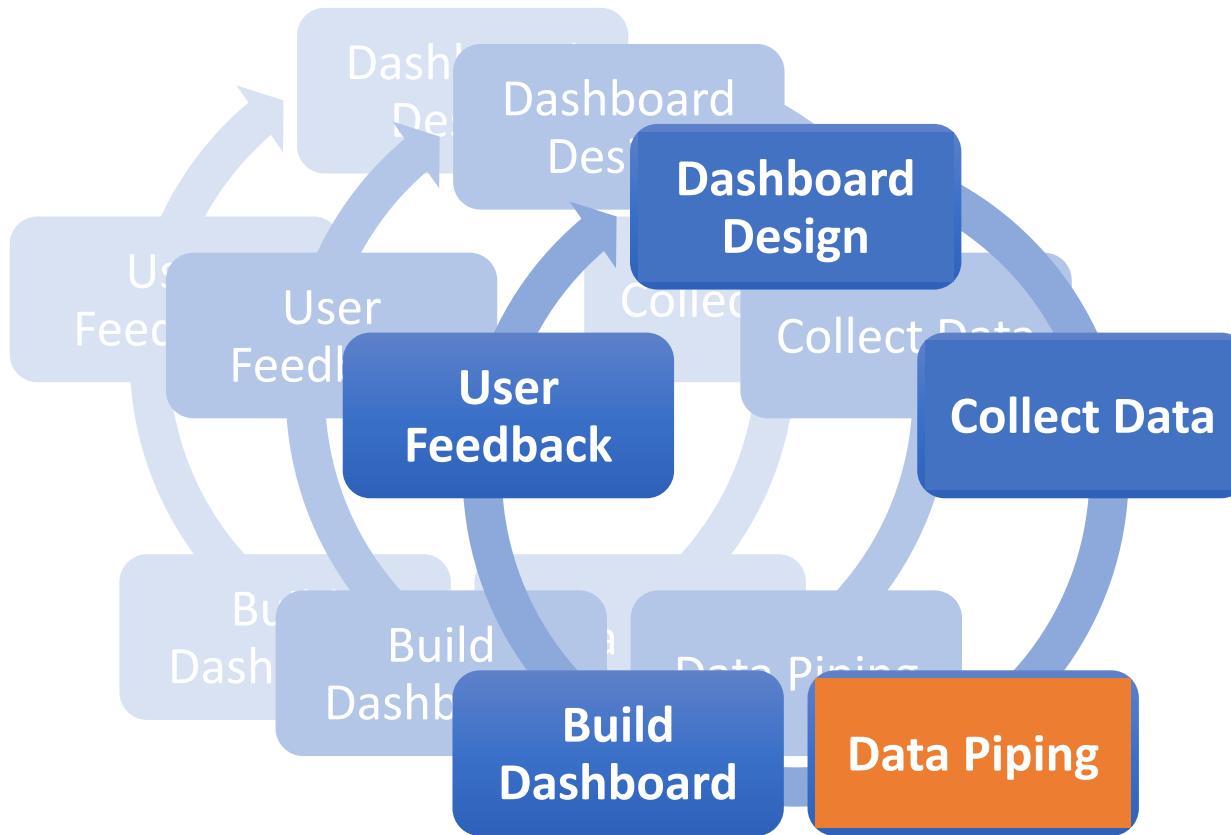
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STEPS

1. Basic design / purpose
2. **Get your data**

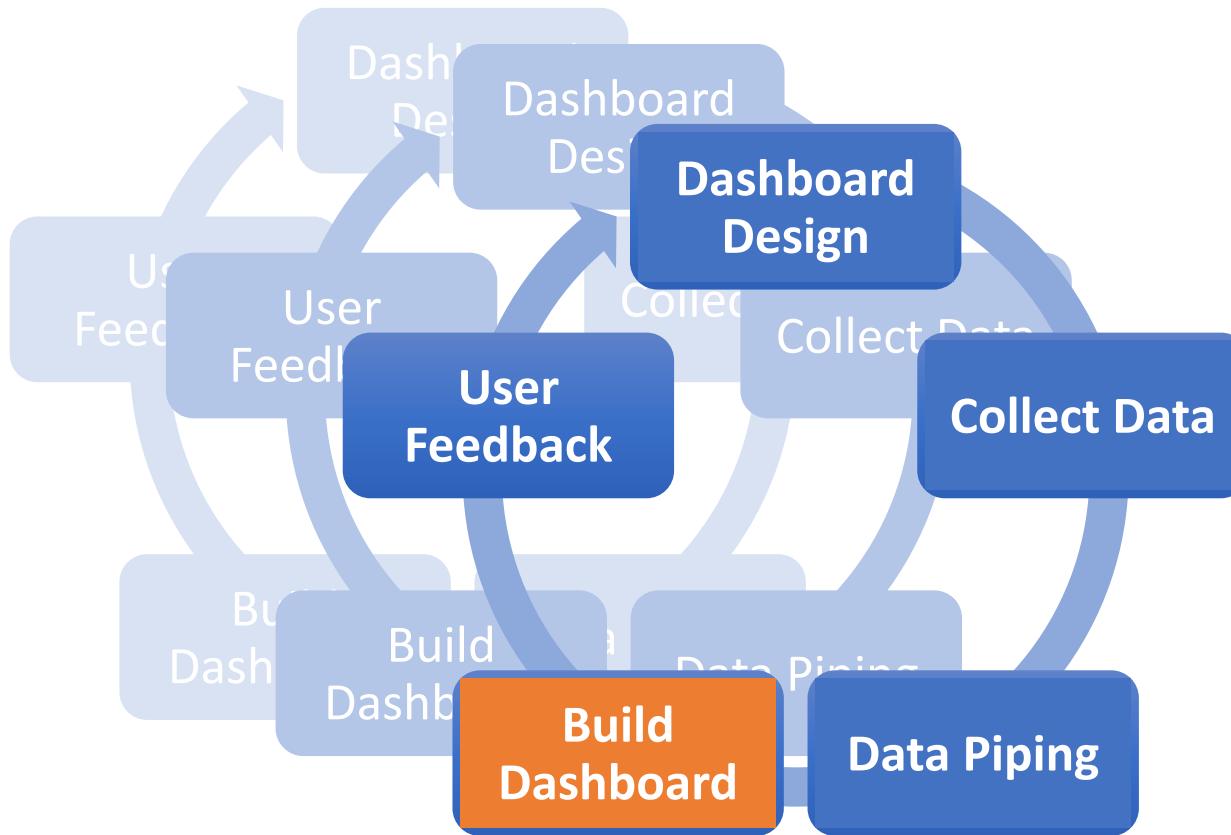
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STEPS

1. Basic design / purpose
2. Get your data
3. **Move, clean and shape the data.**

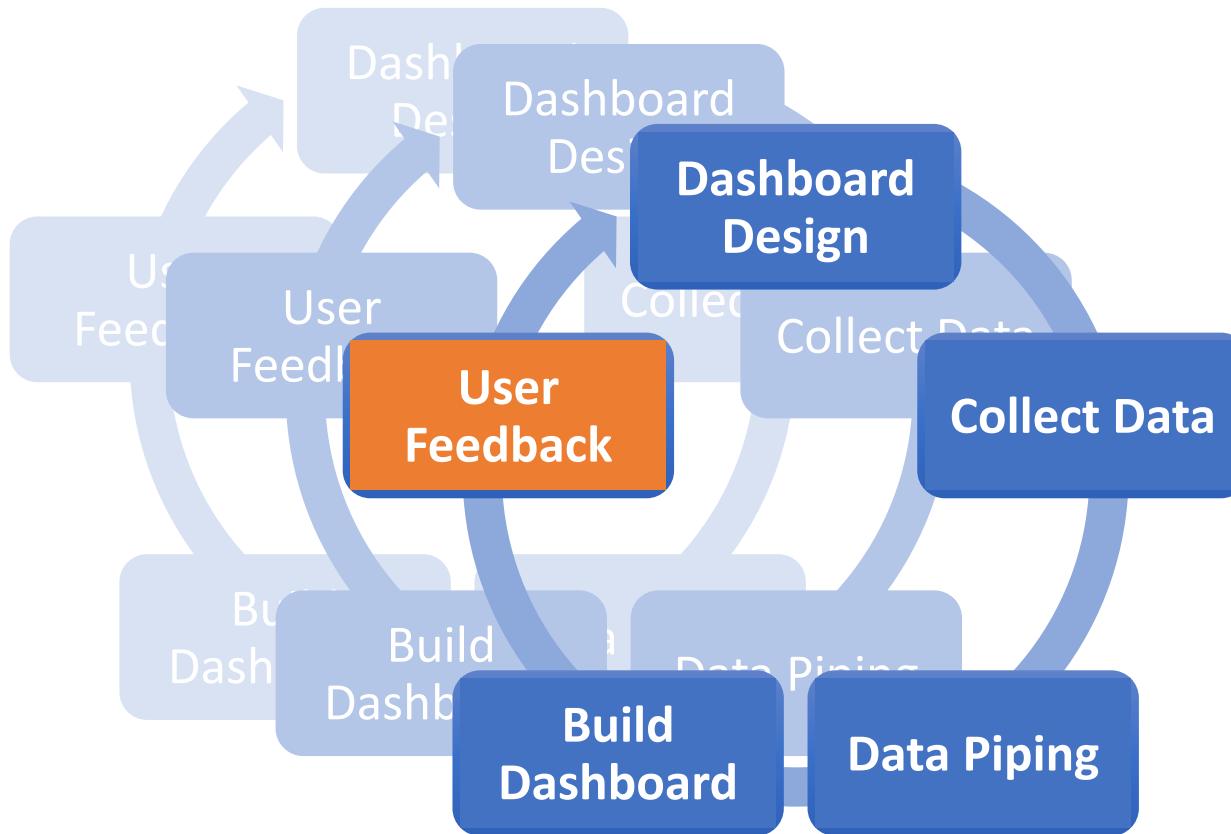
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STEPS

1. Basic design / purpose
2. Get your data
3. Move, clean and shape the data.
4. **Build and deploy data visualization dashboard**

Development Cycle



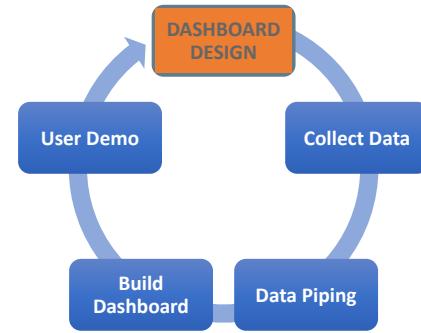
STEPS

1. Basic design / purpose
2. Get your data
3. Move, clean and shape the data.
4. Build and deploy data visualization dashboard
5. **Demo with User for feedback.**

...and Repeat

Data to Dashboards: **Workflow** Steps - *Detailed*

Dashboard Design

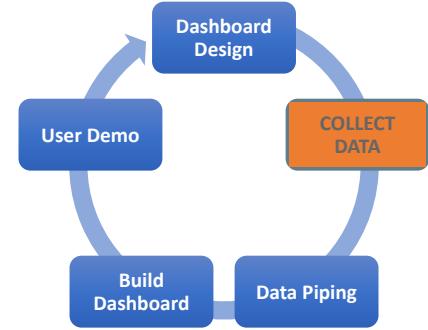


- A Dashboard frames the problem and tells the story in your data
 - Who – is the audience
 - What – information should they get from your dashboard
 - When – temporal connection between the dash and data [live vs not]
 - Where – platform, desktop vs. mobile
 - Why – goal for the whole project
- Data Visualization: the right chart for the need (see Resources)

OUTPUT FROM STEP: Site mockup

WHITEBOARD
PEN AND PAPER

Collect Data

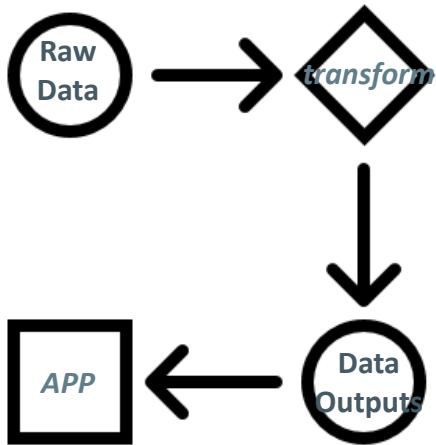


- What data do you have access to
- What questions do you *want* to ask of the data?
- What questions *can* you answer from the data you have?
- "*You can't always get what you want*"

OUTPUT FROM STEP: Documentation, data dictionaries, file directory

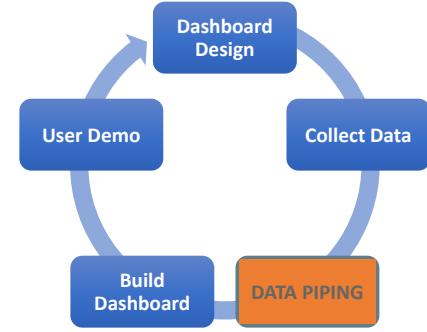
Github
Google Drive
Local File Directory

Data Piping



- Take raw data in
- Write scripts for necessary data transformations
- Identify data storage locations
- Handle moving data between locations
- *Consider: data that changes over time*

***OUTPUT FROM STEP: scripts for transformation,
output files, database connections***



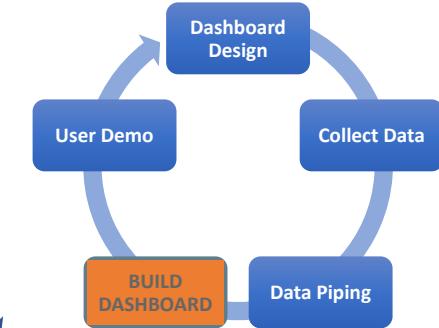
Github
Conda
Jupyter Notebook

Build Dashboard

- Load outputs of data pipes into app
- Layout elements on page
- Wire-up User interactivity
 - Data filters
 - Selections
 - Changing elements



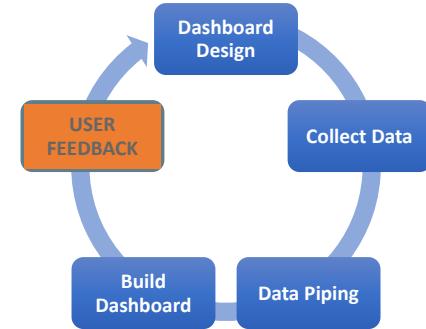
***OUTPUT FROM STEP: Code to build dashboard,
deployed locally or to the cloud***



IDE [Atom]
Github

User Feedback

- Demonstrate to Client / Users
 - Ideally deployed version that they can use
 - Try to WATCH user while they use system
 - Screenshots / PDF better than nothing
 - Collect feedback
- Integrate feedback into next iterative development cycle
- **KEY QUESTION:** DID DASHBOARD TELL THE STORY / AID THE DECISION



OUTPUT FROM STEP: Documented feedback to inform next iterations of design

Website [Heroku]
Powerpoint
PDF

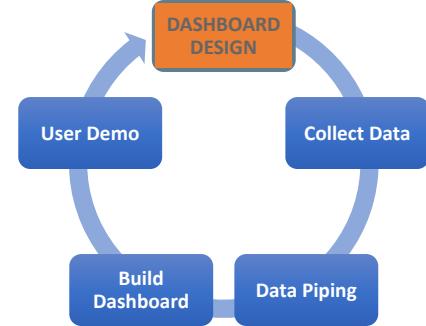
Data to Dashboards: Dash App Example

Note: This example is written in Dash 2.0 and dash-bootstrap-components 1.0 (pre-release)

1. Dashboard Design

WHAT:

Dashboard to link TX residents with information
for their US Congressional District

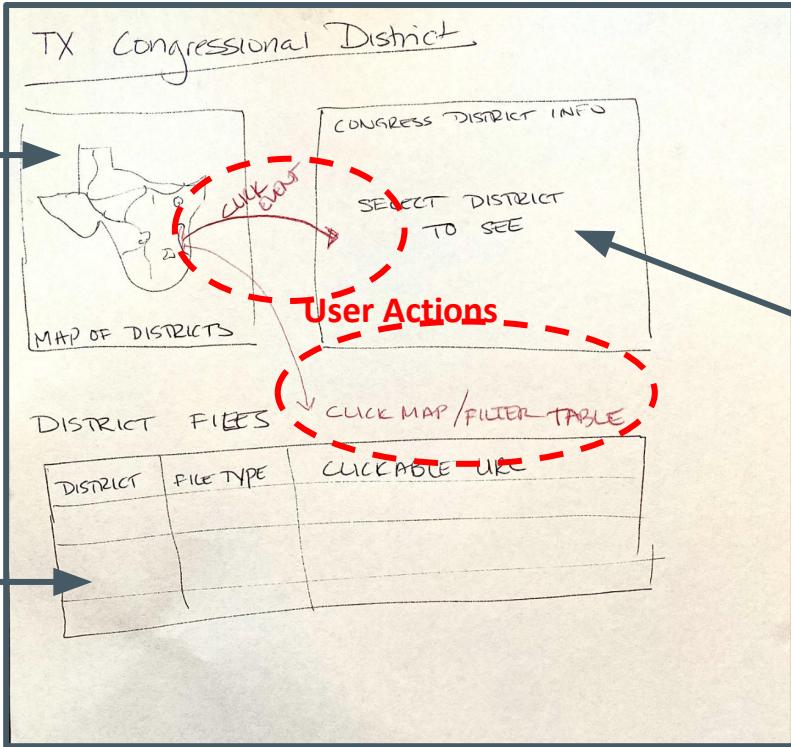


DESIRED ELEMENTS:

1. Selectable map of Congressional Districts
2. Display section for information related to selected District
3. Table of clickable links to access District Information Files

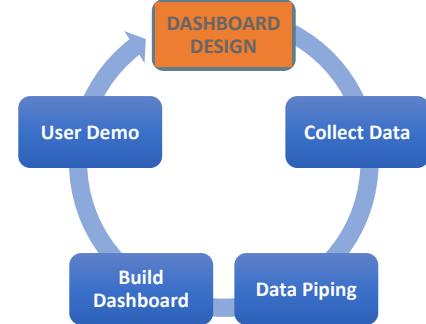
1. Dashboard Design: mock-up

1. Selectable Map



2. Table of District Files with linked URLs

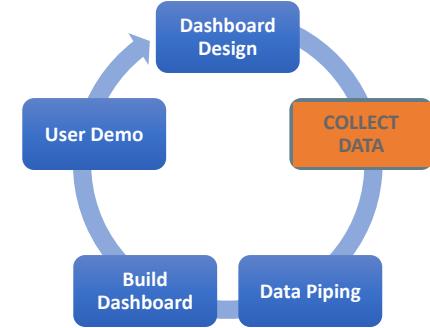
3. District Specific Information



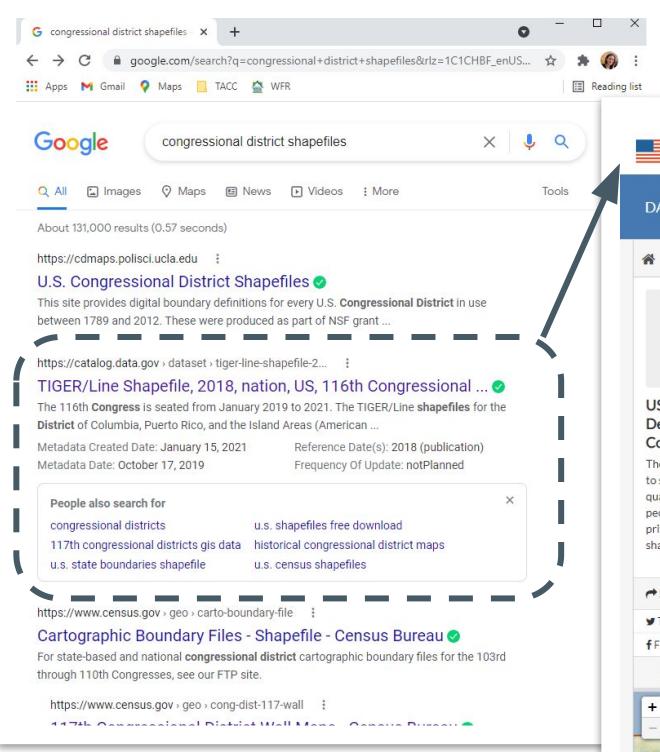
2. COLLECT DATA

Identify online Data repositories.

- Geospatial data – Congressional District Geometries (map)
- PDF maps of individual districts
- Information on individual members
[data source identified, not yet collected]



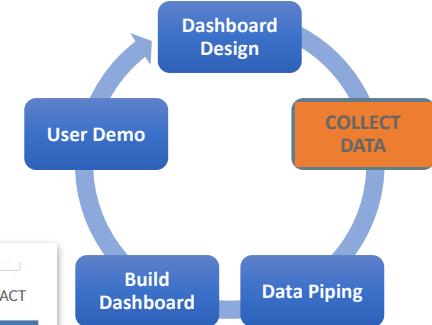
2. COLLECT DATA: Geospatial data



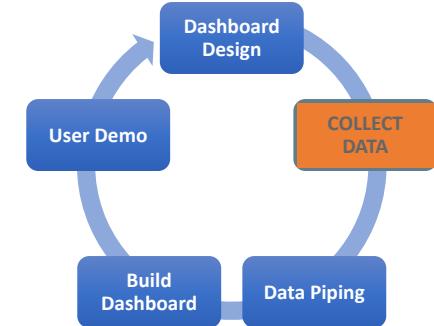
Google search results for "congressional district shapefiles". The top result is a link to [U.S. Congressional District Shapefiles](https://cdmaps.polisci.ucla.edu/), which provides digital boundary definitions for every U.S. Congressional District in use between 1789 and 2012.



DATA.GOV Data Catalog page for the **TIGER/Line Shapefile, 2018, nation, U.S., 116th Congressional District National**. The page includes a thumbnail image of a map, a brief description, and a "Downloads & Resources" section with a "Shapefile Zip File" link and a "Download" button.



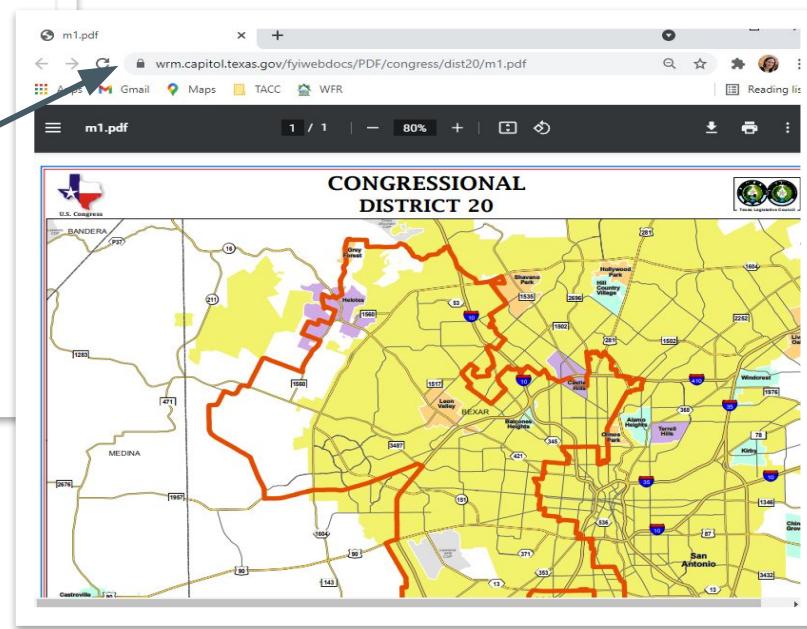
2. COLLECT DATA: District files



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL redistricting.capitol.texas.gov/Current-districts#us-congress-section. The page title is "U.S. CONGRESS". The content discusses the 83rd Legislature's enacted S.B. 4 (PLAN C235) and the effective date of January 2013. It states that Texas has 36 congressional districts based on the 2010 census, and with the 2020 reapportionment, there will be 38 districts, each with an ideal population of 766,987. Below this text, there is a section titled "Maps" with a list:

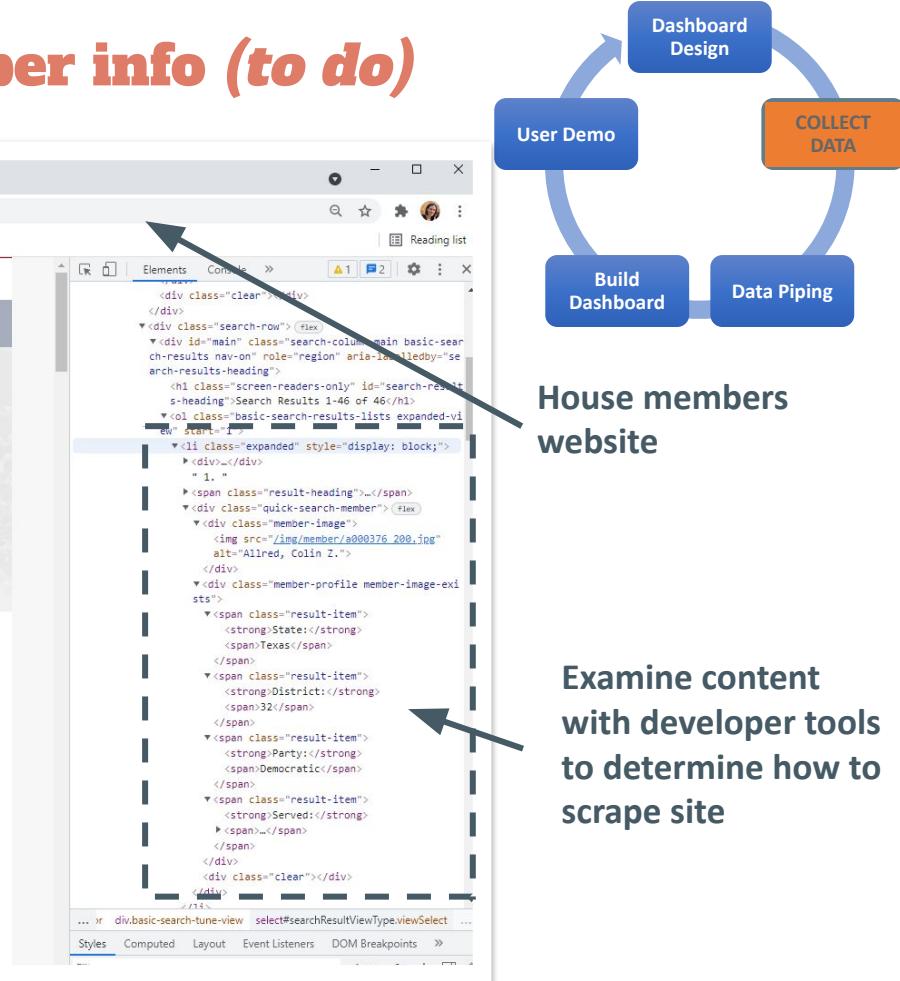
- Statewide map
- District viewer interactive map: PLAN C2100
- District Nos. 1 - 36:
 - District 20
- Additional maps

Get links to Congressional District maps from redistricting.capitol.texas.gov site



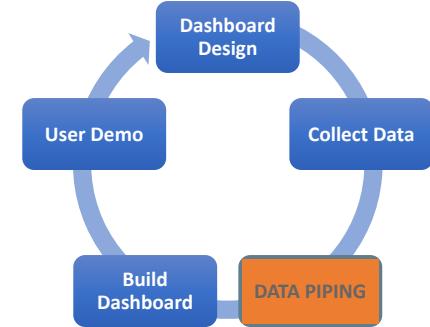
2. COLLECT DATA: member info (to do)

The screenshot shows the Congress.gov website interface. At the top, there's a search bar with the query "congress.gov/members?q=%7B%22congress%3A%5B%22117%2C116%5D%2C%22member-state%3A%22Texas%22%7D". Below the search bar, the page title is "Members of the U.S. Congress". The main content area displays "Current Members of the 117th Congress" with dropdown menus for "Find a Representative" and "Find a Senator". To the right, there are sections for "How to Contact Your Member" (with links to House and Senate websites) and "Member Guides" (including "Sponsors House | Senate", "How to Get Member Alerts", and "Biographical Directory of the U.S. Congress, 1774-Present"). A search bar with the placeholder "Find your member by address:" and a "Search" button are also present. At the bottom, there are filters for "Refined by: 116 (2019-2020) — 117 (2021-2022) X Texas X", a "Sort by: Member Name" dropdown, and a "View: Expanded" button. The main results list shows two entries: "Representative Alured, Colin Z." and "Representative Aminton, Jodey C.", each with a thumbnail photo, name, state, district, party, and service information.



3. DATA PIPING

- For data that needs transformation:
move data where needed, transform,
save new data output
- Load data files in local data directory
- Jupyter notebook to perform data transformations and develop data visualizations



3. DATA PIPING: geospatial

Import US district shapefile from Census to Mapshaper.org
□ geojson

Quick import
Drop files here to import with default settings

Texas Congress Website: Code development

Python Libraries

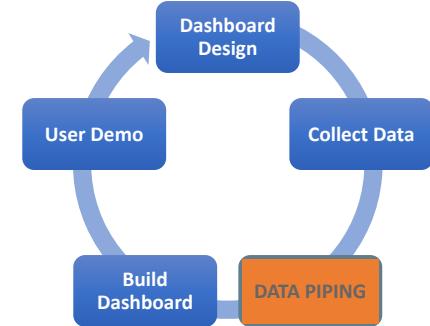
```
In [1]: # data processing
import pandas as pd
import geopandas as gpd
# data visualization
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

Texas Congressional District Map

ETL for Congress geospatial Data

```
In [1]: # Data file with geometry of US Congressional Dist-Gids
# Congressional geographic data available from 2007, source: gis shapefiles
# https://www.census.gov/geo/www/carto/gisshapefiles/congressionalgeographic.html
census_gis = 'C:/Users/lluis/Desktop/congress/default/2011/us-census.json'

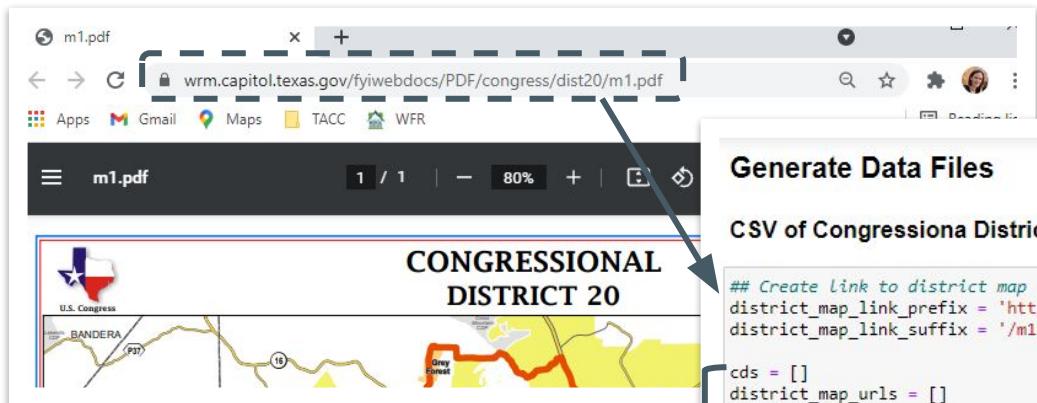
In [2]: # Process US Congressional gis file to extract TX data and save TX only
# geojson
gdf = gpd.read_file(census_gis)
txes = gdf[gd.getSTATE == 'TX']
txes.to_file('txcongress.geojson', driver='GeoJSON')
```



Use geopandas package in Jupyter notebook to extract Texas-only geojson

Jupyter Notebook file available in assets folder of Github repo

3. DATA PIPING: district maps file



1. Determine pattern to generate map url for each district

2. Generate dataframe of congressional district and links to file urls.

3. Export dataframe to csv file

Generate Data Files

CSV of Congressiona District and Redistricting Map pdf

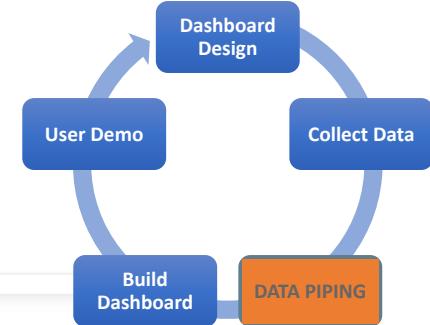
```
## Create link to district map
district_map_link_prefix = 'https://wrm.capitol.texas.gov/fyiwebdocs/PDF/congres'
district_map_link_suffix = '/m1.pdf'

cds = []
district_map_urls = []

for i in range(1,37):
    cd = str(i)
    cd_url = ''.join([district_map_link_prefix,str(i),district_map_link_suffix])
    if len(cd) == 1:
        cd = '0' + cd
    cds.append(cd)
    district_map_urls.append(cd_url)

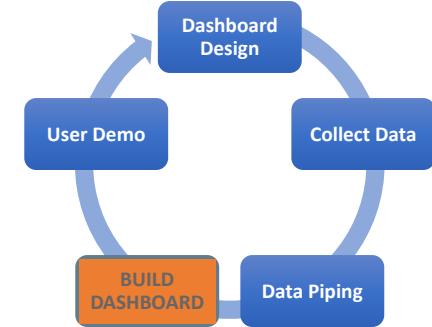
district_dict={'CD116FP' : cds,
               'district_map_url' : district_map_urls,
               'type' : 'map',
               'filetype' : '.pdf',
               'description' : 'District Map from https://redistricting.capitol.texas.gov'
}
district_files = pd.DataFrame(district_dict)

# Export data frame to csv
district_files.to_csv('district_files.csv')
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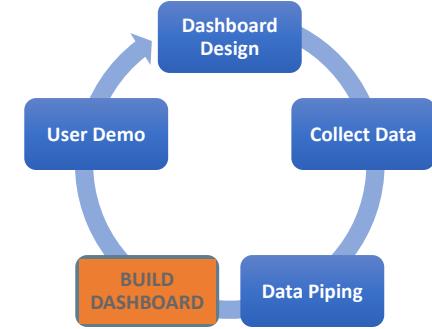


4. BUILD DASHBOARD

- Write Dash code in IDE of choice
- Parts of App.py File:
 1. Python libraries
 2. DATA Loading and DATA Visualizations
 3. APP Layout – layout elements of page, similar to html
 4. Callbacks – provide user interactivity / communication between elements
 5. Run App



4. BUILD DASHBOARD



Develop Locally

1. Clone Github Repo [[mepearson/texas_congress](#)]
2. Create and launch virtual environment
3. Develop changes locally using IDE of choice [atom, vstudio, etc.]
4. Command Line: > python app.py

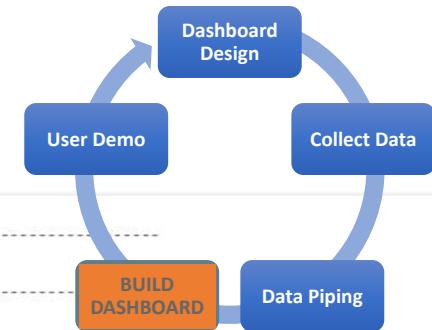
Deploy to Heroku

1. Push changes to Github
2. Create site on Heroku linked to Github repo
3. Manually Deploy

4. BUILD DASHBOARD: layout & callbacks

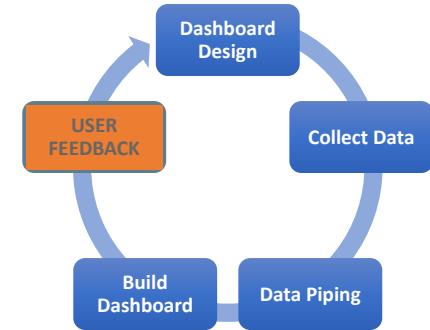
```
76 # -----
77 # APP Layout
78 #
79
80 external_stylesheets = [dbc.themes.LITERA]
81
82 app = Dash(__name__, external_stylesheets=external_stylesheets)
83
84 app.layout = html.Div([
85     dbc.Row([
86         html.H2('Texas Congressional District Information'),
87     ]),
88     dbc.Row([
89         dbc.Col([
90             dcc.Graph(
91                 id='graph-map',
92                 figure=map_fig,
93
94             ),
95             ],width=4),
96         dbc.Col([
97             html.Div(id='div-map-select'),
98             html.Div('Maps from https://redistricting.capitol.',
99             ],width=8),
100    ]),
101    dbc.Row([
102        dbc.Col([
103            html.Div(id='div-files'),
104        ])
105    ])
106])
107
```

```
109 # -----
110 # CALLBACKS
111 #
112
113 @callback(
114     Output('div-map-select', 'children'),
115     Output('div-files','children'),
116     Input('graph-map', 'clickData'))
117 def update_figure(clickData):
118     # Data for table of files
119     table_data_cols = ['Congress','State','District', 'File']
120     table_data = district_files[table_data_cols]
121
122     if clickData is None:
123         div_map = html.P('Select a Congressional district from the map at left to load the District Map')
124
125
126     # If District selected in map, display specialty map and filter files list
127     else:
128         # get value of district selected
129         cd = clickData['points'][0]['customdata'][0]
130         if cd[0] == '0': # remove leading 0
131             cd = cd[1:]
132
133         # get link to District map for selected district
134         cd_link = ".join([district_map_link_prefix,cd,district_map_link_suffix])"
135         div_map = html.Embed(src=cd_link,width="600",height="600",type="application/pdf")
136
137         # filter files table to district
```



5. USER FEEDBACK

- Formal vs. Informal
- Decide how will collect feedback
- Set a process to track and prioritize feedback [spreadsheet, github issues, etc.]
- Use this to assign tasks
- Product Management is key. Tasks should have clear decision makers / authority for action.



Data to Dashboards: DATA PIPING

Data Cleaning and Wrangling

- "You can't always get what you need"
 - Data arrives in many – usually Messy! - forms
 - Data dashboards require standardized data
 - Clean and wrangle what you get --> what you need
 - What you need:
 - Quality controlled data...
 - Where you can access it..
 - In the right structure.
- Garbage in --> Garbage out*

Quality Control Data

- If collecting your own data: make sure it's good.
- Pre-existing data:
 - review for quality [assess provider, etc.]
 - handle missing values
- Cite your data. Track sources and date acquired.

Move and Shape your data [ETL]

- ETL has specific meaning, but abstract concept useful here
- ETL = Extract, Transform, Load
- Extract data from data sources [websites, databases, files]
- Transform data into the necessary format
 - Clean – handle null values and bad data
 - Shape – wrangle data into required structure
- Load data into intermediate repository [database, file] or directly into dashboard

Shaping data: make it 'Tidy'

- Everything assumes clean structured data, usually in 'Tidy' format
- Concepts language agnostic – learn on what you know best
- See 'Resources' slides for in depth discussion and references

TIDY Data: what it is

Each variable
is a column.

country	year	cases	population
Afghanistan	1990	745	1987071
Afghanistan	2000	2666	2059360
Brazil	1999	31737	172006362
Brazil	2000	80488	174504898
China	1999	21258	1272915272
China	2000	21366	1280425583

variables

Each observation
is a row.

country	year	cases	population
Afghanistan	1990	745	1987071
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Brazil	1999	31737	172006362
Brazil	2000	80488	174504898
China	1999	21258	1272915272
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observations

Each value
is a cell.

country	year	cases	population
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values

Shaping data: how to make it 'Tidy'

How to Tidy data: tools available

- R: Tidyverse packages
- Python: pandas and associated packages
- Excel: pivot tables and other built in functions to add text

Data to Dashboards: Resources

Data Management

- R for Data Science. Code in R / concepts useful any language
[Welcome | R for Data Science \(had.co.nz\)](https://r4ds.had.co.nz)
- Blog Overview (easy read): [Tidy data for efficiency, reproducibility, and collaboration \(openscapes.org\)](https://open-scapes.org/tidy-data-for-efficiency-reproducibility-and-collaboration)
- Original paper by Hadley Wickham (founder of R) who pioneered the concept of tidy data:
 - Official Paper: [Tidy data \(had.co.nz\)](https://rforrst.org/tidy-data.html)
 - informal and example code heavy (in R) version: [Tidy data • tidyverse \(tidyverse.org\)](https://tidyverse.org/tidy-data/tidy-data.html)

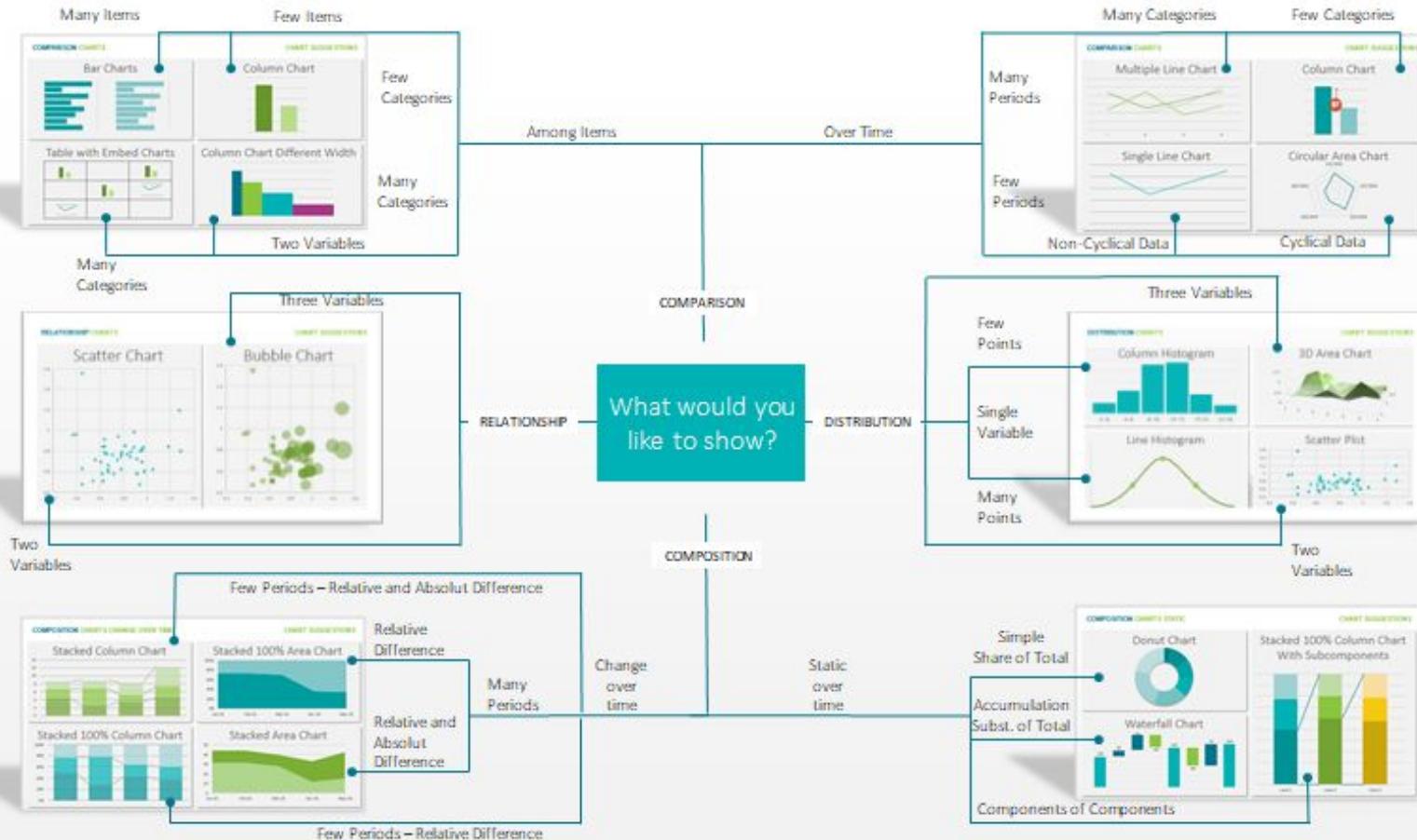
Data Visualization

- Chart Chooser — Juice Analytics - <https://www.juiceanalytics.com/chartchooser>
- Plotly graphing library - <https://plotly.com/python/>

Dash App

- Dash App documentation - <https://dash.plotly.com/>
- Deploy to Heroku
 - integration from github [<https://devcenter.heroku.com/articles/github-integration>]
 - Dash guidance / command line (scroll past Enterprise information to Heroku / free section) - <https://dash.plotly.com/deployment>

Dashboard Design: Chart Selection



Questions and Concerns

Next Training Sessions:

- Beginning to End Project Example - [10/28/21]
- Kick-Off - [11/4/21]

Schedule:

<https://jeaimehp.github.io/HackHPC-HPCintheCity21/>

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