D3 Cheat Sheet

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Selections	Explanation	Example
d3.select()	Returns the element found	d3.select("svg")
d3.selectAll()	Returns all found elements	d3.selectAll("circle")
<pre>selection.append()</pre>	Creates a new element inside the selection	d3.select("svg").append("circle")
<pre>selection.remove()</pre>	Removes the selection from the DOM	d3.select("rect").remove()
<pre>selection.text()</pre>	Sets the text content of the selection	d3.select("#tooltip").text("")
<pre>selection.attr()</pre>	Set an HTML attribute value on the selection	d3.selectAll("circle").attr("r", 10)
<pre>selection.style()</pre>	Set an inline CSS style on the selection	d3.selectAll("circle").style("fill", "teal")
<pre>selection.classed()</pre>	Adds or removes a class from the selection	<pre>d3.select("circle").classed("highlight", true)</pre>
Data		
selection.data()	Binds an array of data values to the selection	d3.selectAll("circle").data(dataset).enter()
<pre>selection.enter()</pre>	Returns a selection of "new" placeholder elements	d3.selectAll("circle").data(dataset).enter()
Use anonymous functions to access data values bound to elements via d.		<pre>d3.selectAll("rect") .attr("height", function(d) { return d.value; // Set the height to 'value' });</pre>
Optionally, include i to get the index value of each element in the selection.		<pre>d3.selectAll("rect") .attr("x", function(d, i) { return i * 10; // Move each rect to the right });</pre>

Transitions

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selection.transition() Initiates a new transition d3.selectAll("circle").transition().attr("cx", ...
selection.duration() Sets the transition duration, in milliseconds d3.selectAll("circle").transition().duration(2000)...
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Scales

<pre>d3.scale.linear()</pre>	Creates a new linear scale function	<pre>var xScale = d3.scale.linear()</pre>
<pre>scale.domain()</pre>	Sets the scale's input domain	.domain([0, 2000])
scale.range()	Sets the scale's output range	.range([0, width]);
d3.min()	Returns the smallest value in an array	d3.min([10, 20, 70, 35]) // Returns 10
d3.max()	Returns the largest value in an array	d3.max([10, 20, 70, 35]) // Returns 70

Axes

d3.svg.axis()	Creates a new axis generator function	<pre>var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()</pre>
<pre>axis.scale()</pre>	Specifies the scale to be used with this axis	.scale(xScale)
<pre>axis.orient()</pre>	Specifies the orientation for this axis	<pre>.orient("bottom")</pre>
<pre>axis.ticks()</pre>	Suggests a number of ticks for this axis	<pre>.ticks(5);</pre>
selection.call()	Calls a method; used to generate an axis	<pre>svg.append("g").call(xAxis);</pre>

Interactivity

Other Useful JavaScript

<pre>Math.random()</pre>	Returns a random value between 0.0 and 1.0	Math.random() * 100 // Could return 61.87844036612
Math.floor()	Rounds down to the nearest integer	Math.floor(61.87844036612) // Returns 61
array.push()	Appends a new value to an existing array	var numbers = [2, 3, 4, 5];
		numbers.push(6); // Now numbers is [2, 3, 4, 5, 6]