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Code available on GitHub

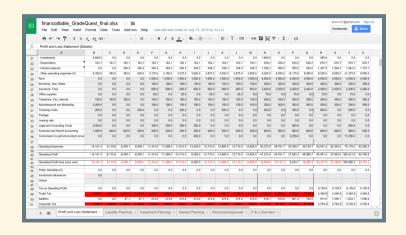
WHAT IS IT?

D3.js is an open-source library for data visualization written in JavaScript and based on SVG (Scalable Vector Graphics).

Disclaimer: Scalable as "looks good on different screen sizes", not as "supports millions of elements"

MOTIVATION

It's all about the data. But what does it mean?





VS

Credits: mbostock's block #4062085

<script id="motivation"/>

```
(function() {
var margin = {top: 20, right: 40, bottom: 30, left: 20},
    width = 400 - margin.left - margin.right,
    height = 200 - margin.top - margin.bottom,
    barWidth = Math.floor(width / 19) - 1;
var x = d3.scale.linear()
    .range([barWidth / 2, width - barWidth / 2]);
var y = d3.scale.linear()
    .range([height, 0]);
var yAxis = d3.svg.axis()
    .scale(v)
    .orient("right")
    .tickSize(-width)
     tickFormat (function (d) { return Math round (d / 1e6) + "M". }).
```

OUTLINE FOR TODAY

- 1. Brief overview
- 2. How to program
- 3. Examples
- 4. Discussion

SOME HISTORY

- 2009 based on the experience of developing and utilizing Prefuse and Flare, Prof. Jeff Heer, Ph.D. Mike Bostock, and M.S. Vadim Ogievetsky of the former Stanford Visualization Group (now the Interactive Data Lab at UW) created Protovis, a JavaScript library to generate SVG graphics from data.
- 2011 the development of Protovis was stopped to focus on a new project, D3.js that applied the lessons learned from Protovis.

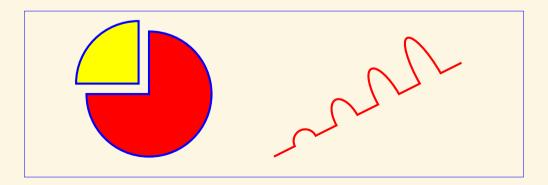
WHERE TO START?

- Documentation check the wiki
- Learn by example Mike Bostock's blocks
- 18,139 questions on StackOverflow as of time of writing
- A lot of plugins available
- Reference paper by Bostock, Ogievetsky and Heer
- License: BSD

FIRST - THE BASICS

- SVG
- Selections
- Transitions
- Scales
- ... and then some

SVG (IS XML)



D3.SELECT

DOM/SVG manipulation and data binding

```
d3.selectAll("p") // select all  elements
    .style("color", "lavender") // set style "color" to "lavender"
    .classed("squares") // set "class" to "squares"
    .attr("x", 50); // set attribute "x" to 50px
// create SVG container
var svg = d3.select("#hook").append("svg")
    .attr("width", 640).attr("height", 480)
    .style("fill", "#D0D0D0");
// create SVG elements from data
svg.selectAll("circle") // create virtual circle template
    .data(data) // bind data
    .enter() // for each row in the data ...
    .append("circle") // ... set the attributes accordingly
    .attr("id", function(d) { return d.name })
    .attr("fill",function(d) { return d.color });
```

D3.TRANSITION

Animating style and data changes

defghjklopqrstuvwxy

Credits: mbostock's block #3808234

<script id="transitions"/>

```
(function () {
var alphabet = "abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz".split("");
var width = 800,
    height = 100;
var svg = d3.select("#transition-example").append("svg")
    .attr("width", width)
    .attr("height", height)
  .append("g")
    .attr("transform", "translate(32," + (height / 2) + ")");
function update(data) {
 // DATA JOIN
  var text = gvg gelectAll("text")
```

D3.SCALE

Mapping data points (domain) to style properties (range)

Quantitative

```
.linear().domain([20,80]).range([0,120]);
```

- quantize().domain([0,10]).range([0,3,7]);
- .quantile().domain(dataset).range([0,100]);

Ordinal

- .ordinal().domain(["R","G","B"]).rangeBands([0,60]);
- .category20();

... AND MORE

- Support for . json, .csv and .tsv data
- Force-directed graphs
- Integration with various map APIs
- Again, check the wiki

CLICK STREAM ANALYSIS

MSNBC.com anonymous web data set

Data Set Characteristics	Sequential	Number of Instances	989818	Area	Computer
Attribute Characteristics	Categorical	Number of Attributes	N/A	Date Donated	N/A
Associated Tasks	N/A	Missing Values?	N/A	Number of Web Hits	41119

Credits: kerryrodden's block #7090426

✓ Legend

frontpage

news

tech

local

opinion

on-air

misc

weather

msn-news

healtl

living

business

msn-sports

sports

summary

bbs

travel

end

<script id="sunburst"/>

```
(function () {
// Dimensions of sunburst.
var width = 750;
var height = 600;
var radius = Math.min(width, height) / 2;
var b = {
 w: 75, h: 30, s: 3, t: 10
};
var category20 = d3.scale.category20();
var colors = "frontpage news tech local opinion on-air misc weather msn
-news health living business msn-sports sports summary bbs travel end"
    .split(' ').reduce(function(prev, curr, i) { prev[curr] = category2
```

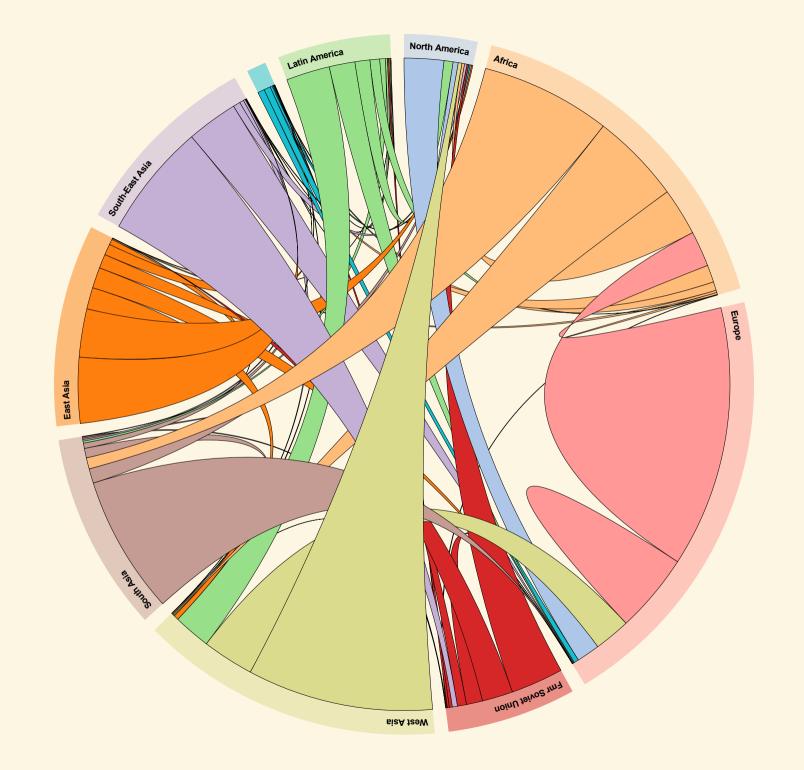
PRE-PROCESSING WITH FLINK

```
object MSNBC extends App {
  // set up the execution environment
  val env = ExecutionEnvironment.getExecutionEnvironment
  env.getConfig.disableSysoutLogging()
  val categories = "frontpage news tech local opinion on-air misc weather
    " business msn-sports sports summary bbs travel end" split ' '
  val sequences = env.readTextFile(
    "/media/georgy/work/Data/msnbc/msnbc990928.seg")
  val clickStream = sequences.map { seq =>
    s"${seq.trim} 18".split(' ')
      .take(6).map( .toInt - 1)
      .map(categories).mkString(" ") -> 1
  \. groupBy("1").sum("2").filter(.2 > 1)
```

WORLD POPULATION MIGRATION

- Bilateral flows between 196 countries estimated from sequential stock tables
- In the timespan 1990-2010 over 5 year periods
- Provided by the World Bank
- Reference: The Global Flow of People

Credits: mbostock's block uberdata



<script id="migration"/>

```
(function () {
var width = 720,
    height = 720,
    outerRadius = Math.min(width, height) / 2 - 10,
    innerRadius = outerRadius - 24;
var formatPercent = d3.format(".1%");
var arc = d3.svg.arc()
    .innerRadius(innerRadius)
    .outerRadius(outerRadius);
var layout = d3.layout.chord()
    .padding(.04)
    .sortSubgroups(d3.descending)
    .sortChords(d3.ascending);
```

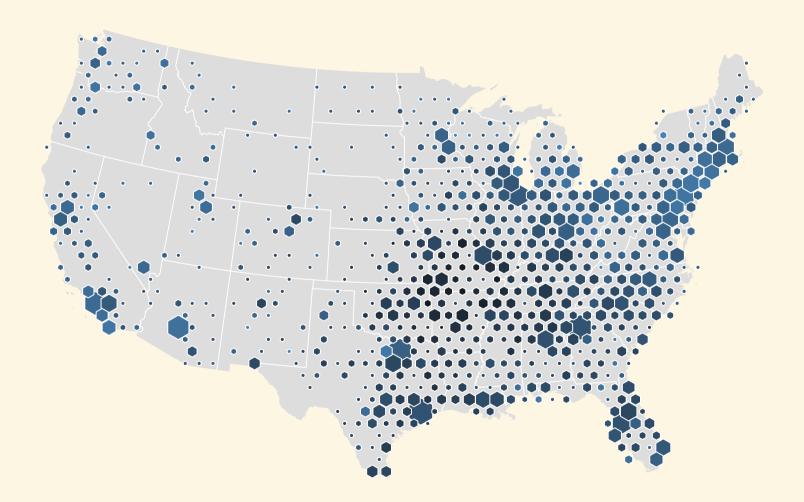
PRE-PROCESSING WITH SCALA

```
object Migration extends App {
  val data = Source.fromFile("/home/georgy/work/edu/d3-reveal/data/migra
    .getLines().toVector.tail.map { line =>
    val record = line.replaceAll("\"", "").split(',')
    val orig = record(1).toInt - 1
    val dest = record(3).toInt - 1
    val migrants = record.slice(10, 12).map( .toDouble).sum
    (orig, dest, migrants)
  }.distinct.sorted
  val total = data
    .map( . 3).sum
  val fractions = data
    .map { case (orig, dest, migrants) =>
      (orig, dest, migrants / total)
```

WALMART STORES IN THE US

- Geolocation data
- Example of a binning technique
- Size of the bins encodes number of stores
- Color shade encodes the average store age

Credits: mbostock's block #4330486



<script id="map"/>

```
(function () {
var width = 960,
    height = 500,
    parseDate = d3.time.format("%x").parse;
var color = d3.time.scale()
    .domain([new Date(1962, 0, 1), new Date(2006, 0, 1)])
    .range(["black", "steelblue"])
    .interpolate(d3.interpolateLab);
var hexbin = d3.hexbin()
    .size([width, height])
    .radius(8);
var radius = d3.scale.sqrt()
    .domain([0, 12])
    range([0 8]).
```

DISCUSSION THE GOOD

- Interactive unlike many other alternatives
- The best documented library for visualization
- Standard web frontend SVG, CSS and JavaScript
- A lot of examples available online

DISCUSSION THE BAD

- Scalability issues SVG is not hardware-accelerated
- Cannot visualiza streams update protocol missing
- Frontend programming can be tricky sometimes
- Integration with other data analysis tools still lacking

TAKE AWAY

- Take the time to pre-process your data! Seariously, do it.
- Think out of the box try out something other than plots and histograms.
- Get your hands dirty making the graphic work might reveal something more about the data.

THE END

THANK YOU!

ANY QUESTIONS?