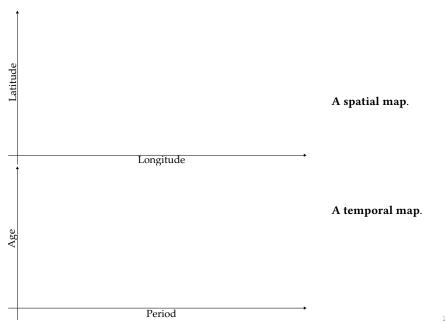
Visualizing Composite Data on the Lexis Surface

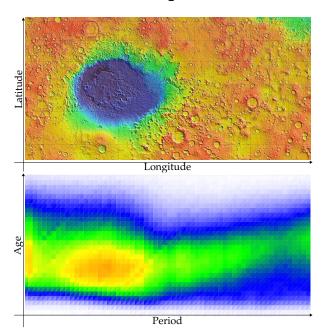
What share of a population features attribute *i* at period *t* and age *x*?

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Predefined Visual Spaces



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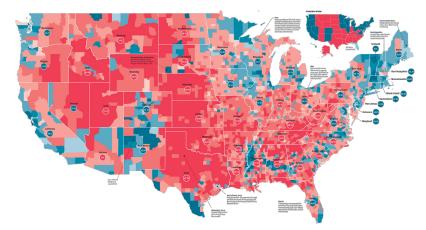
A spatial map The surface of Mars with elevation encoded by colour. NASA 2000

A temporal map Fertility rates in Scotland since 1945 with rate encoded by colour. *Modified from Riffe 2011*.

Plotting Data: Magnitudes vs. Compositions

Easy		Hard
187 Deaths 10 000 Persons	←	93 Neoplasm 40 Cardiovascular 23 Respiratory 12 Accident 19 Other
Single value	composed of	n-dimensional vector
		↓ expressed as
		(0.50 Neoplasm 0.21 Cardiovascular 0.12 Respiratory 0.06 Accident 0.11 Other
		0.21 Cardiovascular
		0.12 Respiratory
		0.06 Accident
		n-dimensional simplex

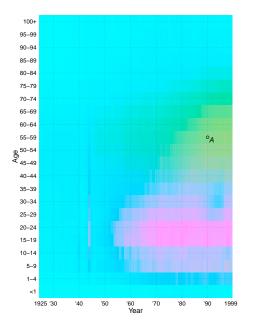
Binary Compositions on a Surface



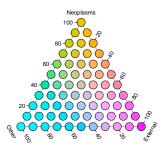
Divergent colour scale

US presidential election 2012. Proportion of people voting for Democrats vs. Republicans. *Guardian Graphics 2012.*

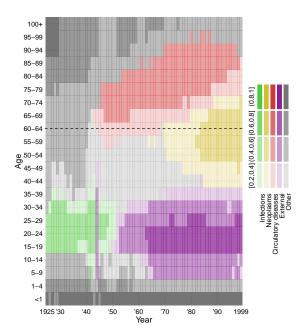
Ternary Compositions on a Surface



Ternary-balance-scheme Proportion of people dying from a given cause by time and age. *France, total population.*



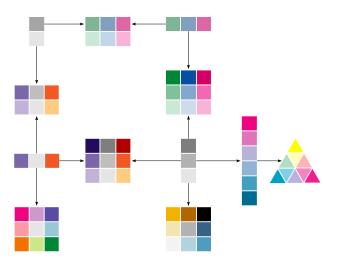
N-dimensional compositions on a surface



Qualitative sequential scheme

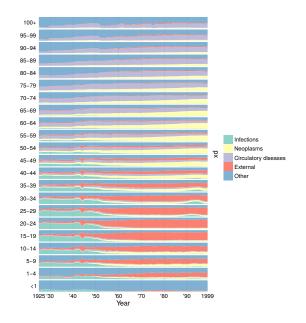
Proportion of people dying from the most prominent cause in a given time and age. *France, total population.*

Interlude: Brewers Typology of Colour Schemes



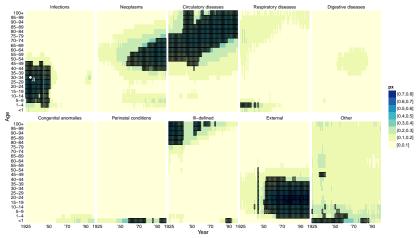
Colour scheme typology Basic colour schemes and combinations of them. Redrawn from Brewer (1994).

Cont'd: N-dimensional Compositions on a Surface



Age-wise-area-chart Proportion of people dying from a given cause by time and age. *France, total population.*

Cont'd: N-dimensional Compositions on a Surface



Small-multiples

Proportion of people dying from a given cause by time and age. France, total population.

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