

On Proportional Symbol Maps - An applied perspective

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Introduction

A few words on why. Picture of COVID-19 and similar data.

Proportional Symbol Maps

Backreference. Explanation of topic.

Introduce glyph types discussed and create transition into Algo section.

Algorithms

David's part. See Philip's list and or discussion.

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Our approach

See Philip's list and or discussion.

Squares and Pies... and so on

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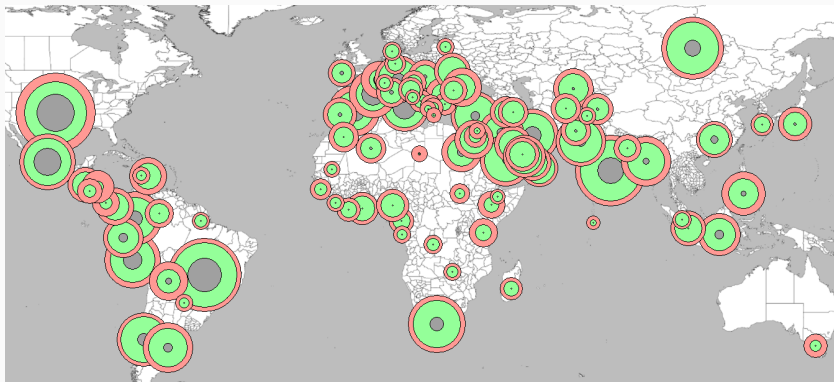
Experimental results

Experimental Setup

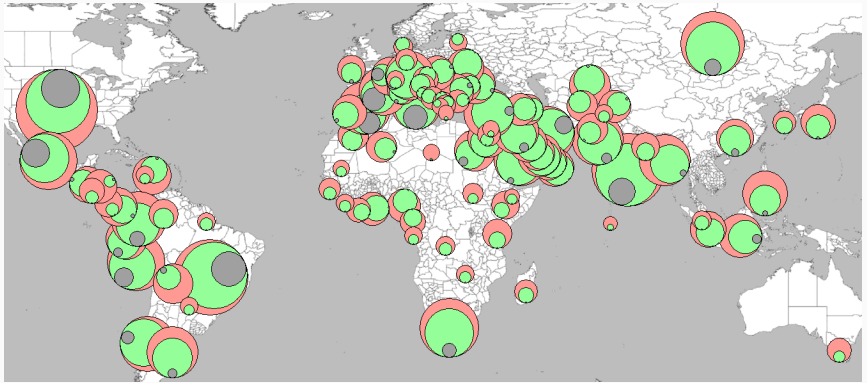
- We use the John Hopkins University Covid-19 data
- recovered cases are colored green, deceased cases are colored black and the infected are colored red
- logarithmic scaling dependent on two parameters:

$$r = M * \log \left(\frac{c_i S}{c_{max}} \right)$$

M is the maximum size of a glyph, S is a scaling factor and c_{max} is the maximum number of cases



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| RightToLeft | 13 | 0.664 (0) | 2.89 (0) | 0 | 0.783 | 0.735 |
| Painter | 0 | 0.585 | 6.283 | 47.758 | 0.857 | 0.759 |
| our Stacking | 0 | 2.342 | 6.283 | 75.034 | 0.859 | 0.77 |

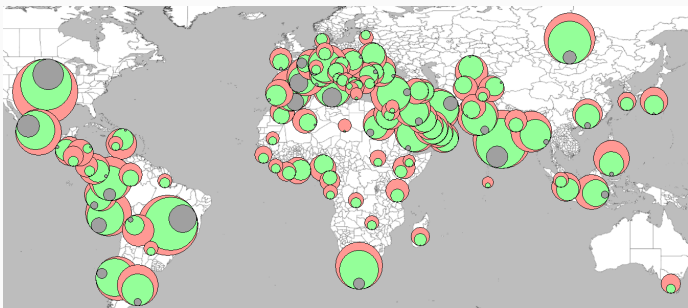
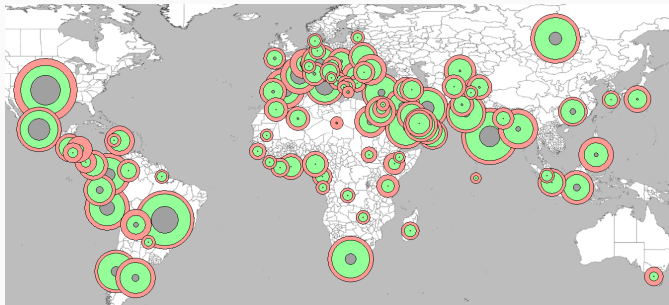
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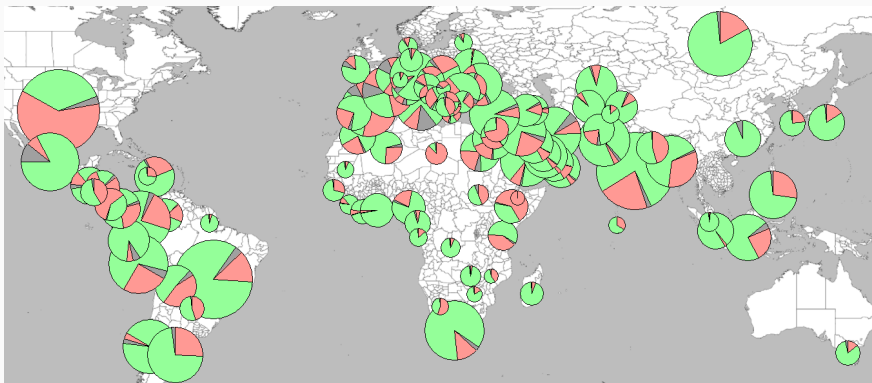
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Table 3: centered disks

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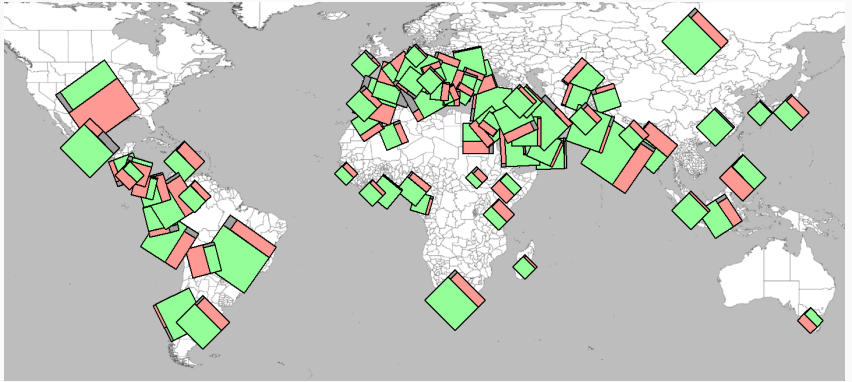
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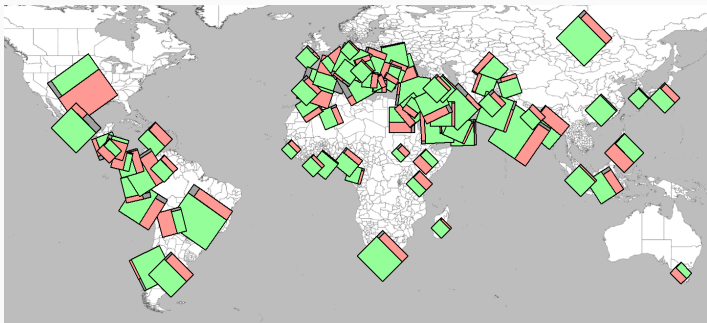
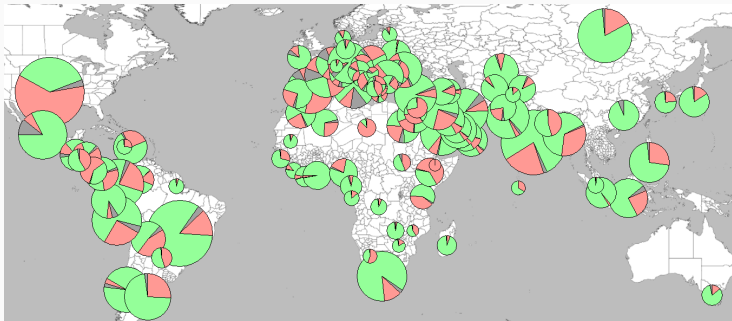
| algorithm | covered | minDist | minDistAvg | maxDistAvg |
|--------------------|---------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Painter+random | 60 | 0.002 (0) | 1.211 | 4.035 |
| random+heuristic | 24 | 0.0 (0) | 1.687 | 2.573 |
| RightToLeft | 18 | 0.017 (0) | 1.719 | 2.685 |
| Painter+ heuristic | 6 | 0.022 (0) | 1.733 | 2.648 |
| our Stacking | 0 | 0.271 | 1.765 | 2.838 |

Table 5: date: 22.08.2020 , $M = 50$, $S = 500$ and $MnC = 5000$



| algorithm | covered | minDist |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| random Stacking+random rotations | 35 | 0.361 (0) |
| Painter+random rotations | 17 | 0.251 (0) |
| random Stacking+heuristic rotations | 26 | 0.038 (0) |
| Painter+heuristic | 14 | 0.263 (0) |
| our Stacking | 7 | 0.078 (0) |

Table 6: date: 22.08.2020 , $M = 50$, $S = 500$ and $MnC = 5000$



Exploration in App

[Switch to app and play!]

Conclusion and Outlook

Summary

- Four glyphs were shown, with two new approaches.
- NP-hardness of new approaches was outlined.
- Heuristics and greedy approach usually are good choices.
- Square/pie approach can be interpreted as discrete version of the relative visibility.
- All of this was verified on the most recent COVID-19 data,
- and experimentally demonstrated.