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## Project

- ▶ Funded by Chan Zuckerberg Initiative EOSS 1 & 3
- ▶ paper rejected by vizweek last spring
- ▶ work has since gone all in on category theory

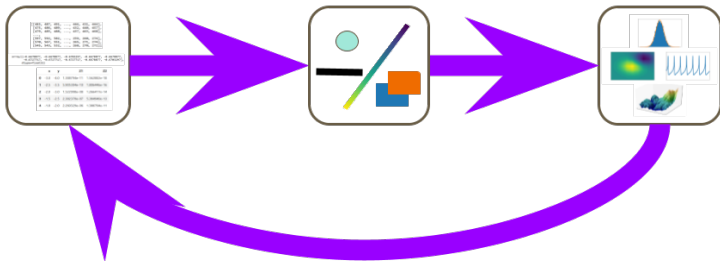
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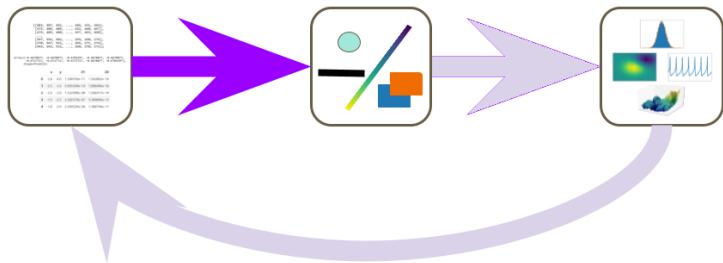
# What are we doing?

- ▶ develop a model for describing data to graphic transformations
- ▶ specify a visualization library architecture based on this model
- ▶ implement functional(ish) components based on this model using ideas from functional programming

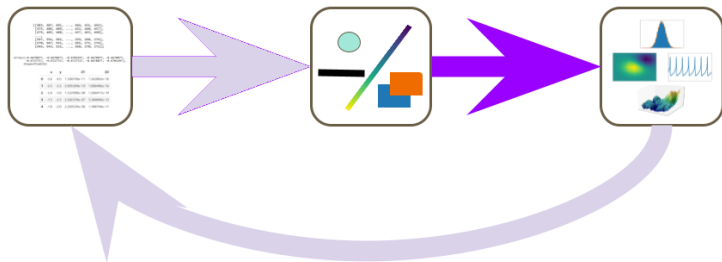
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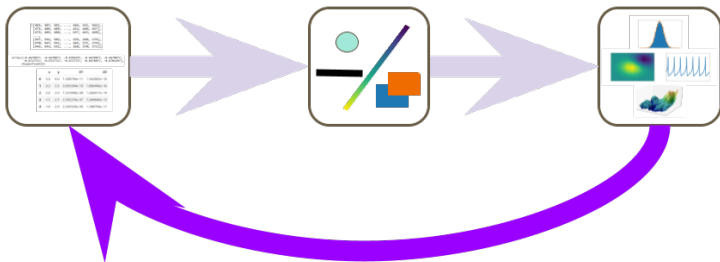
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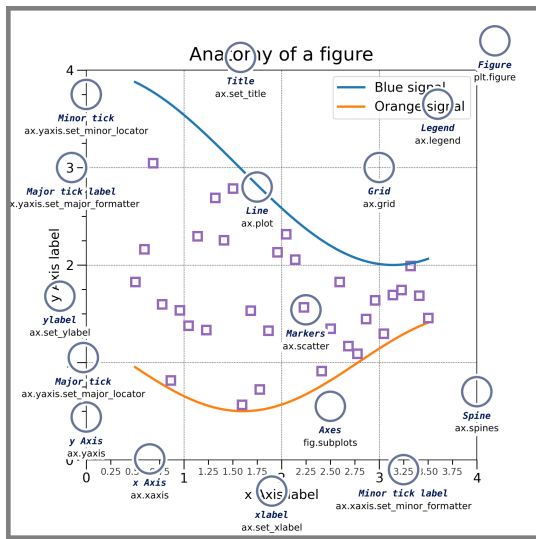
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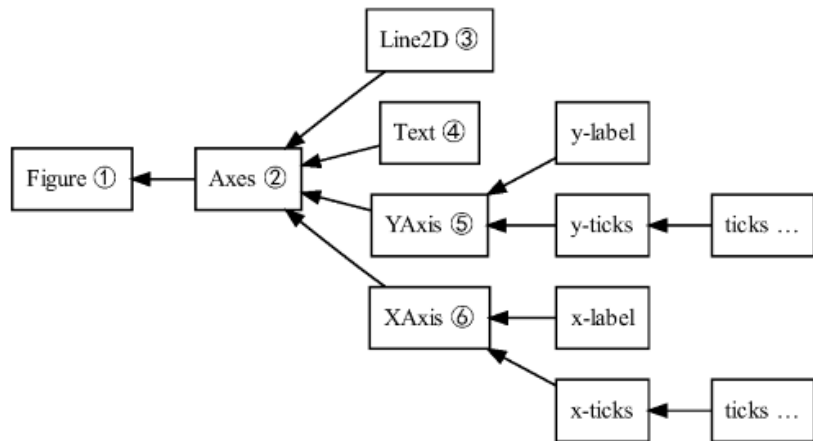




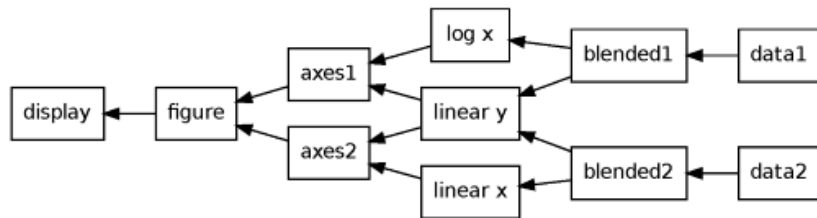
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# Transformations Change Artists into Different Coordinates



# A Simple Artist

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```
1 class SomeArtist(Artist):
2     'An example Artist that implements the draw method'
3
4     def draw(self, renderer):
5         # create some objects and use renderer to draw self here
6         renderer.draw_path(graphics_context, path, transform)
```

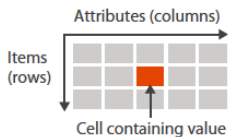
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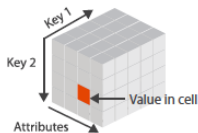


# How do we express structure?

## → Tables



## → *Multidimensional Table*



## → Geometry (Spatial)

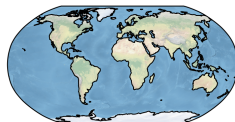


Figure: Figure 2.8 in Munzner's Visualization Analysis and Design[munznerVisualizationAnalysisDesign2014]

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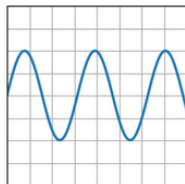
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## Topological Properties [wilkinsonGrammarGraphics2005]

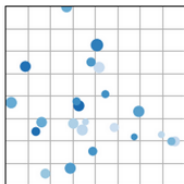
how elements in a dataset are organized, e.g. discrete rows in a table, networked nodes, pixels in an image, points on a line



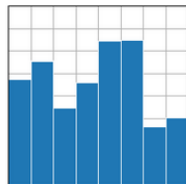
# Visual Algorithms & Continuity



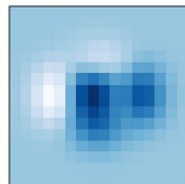
`plot(x, y)`



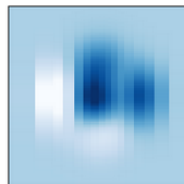
`scatter(x, y)`



`bar(x, height) / barh(y, width)`



`imshow(Z)`



`pcolormesh(X, Y, Z)`



`contour(X, Y, Z)`

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**How** Expressiveness: which structure preserving mappings can a tool implement[**mackinlayAutomatingDesignGraphical1986**]]

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## [HeerSoftware2006]

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# Building Block

Library[wongsuphasawatNavigatingWideWorld2021]:  
visual algorithms assume structure  
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1. Matplotlib[hunterMatplotlib2DGraphics2007] →  
Seaborn[waskom2020seaborn], xarray[hoyer2017xarray]
2. D3 [bostockDataDrivenDocuments2011]
3. VTK [hanwellVisualizationToolkitVTK2015,  
geveciVTK2012], MayaVi[RamachandranMayaVI2011] →  
Titan[brianwylieUnifiedToolkitInformation2009],  
ParaView[ahrens2005paraview]

# Design Composable Structure Preserving API

**Fiber Bundles** "unified, dimension-independent framework" that expresses data as the mapping between continuity and fields  
[**butlerVectorBundleClassesForm1992**,  
**butlerVisualizationModelBased1989**]

**Category Theory Language** express constraints in specifications  
[**wielsManagementEvolvingSpecifications1998**]

**Sheaves on Bundles** "algebraic data structure" for representing data over topological spaces  
[**ghristElementaryAppliedTopology2014**]

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1 `Artist(Data) -> Graphic`

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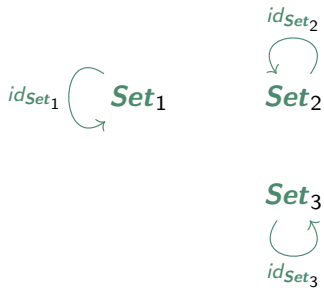
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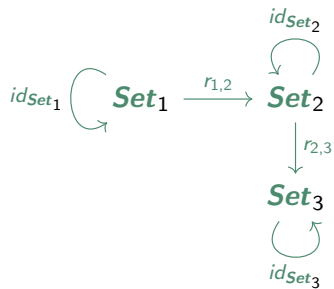
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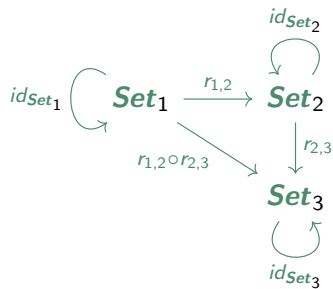
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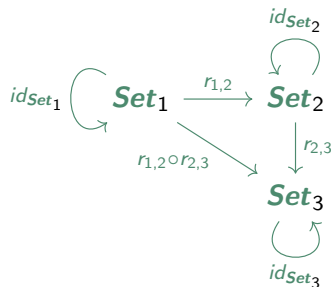
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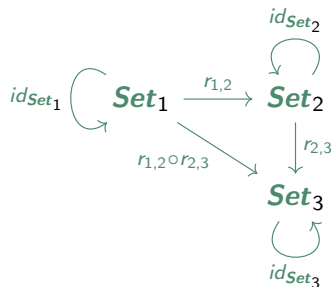
$r_{2,3} : \mathbf{Set}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}_3$  and

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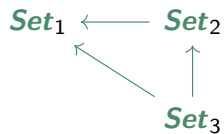
$$r_{3,4} \circ (r_{2,3} \circ r_{1,2}) = (r_{3,4} \circ r_{2,3}) \circ r_{1,2}$$

## identity

for every  $r_{1,2} : \mathbf{Set}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}_2$  there exists identity morphisms

$$r_{1,2} \circ id_{\mathbf{Set}_1} = r_{1,2} = id_{\mathbf{Set}_2} \circ r_{1,2}$$

# Category $\mathbf{Set}^{op}$



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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E & & \Gamma(U_1, E|_{U_1}) \\
 \pi \downarrow \uparrow & & \\
 K & & U_1 \subset K
 \end{array}
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stalk

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there exists  $\tau \in \mathcal{O}(U)$  such that  $\tau|_{U_i} = \tau^i$

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# Graphic

$$\begin{array}{c} \Gamma(W, H|_W) \\ \Uparrow_{\mathcal{O}_{S,H}} \\ W \end{array}$$

- ▶  $D \hookrightarrow H \xrightarrow{\pi} S$
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- ▶  $\rho(s) = \{d_0, \dots\}, s \in W$

Function:  $\xi : S \rightarrow K$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \Gamma(W, H|_W) & \\
 \uparrow \vartheta_{S,H} & & \\
 \overbrace{U \times [0, 1]^m}^W & \xrightarrow{\xi} & U \\
 & & \downarrow \vartheta_{K,E} \\
 & & \Gamma(U, E|_U)
 \end{array}$$

# Pullback: data to region of the visualization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W & \xrightarrow{\xi} & U \\ \textcolor{brown}{\mathcal{O}}_{S, \xi^* E} \downarrow & & \downarrow \textcolor{brown}{\mathcal{O}}_{K, E} \\ \Gamma(W, \xi^* E|_W) & \xleftarrow{\xi^*} & \Gamma(U, E|_U) \end{array}$$

- ▶  $\xi^* F \hookrightarrow \xi^* E \xrightarrow{\pi} S$
- ▶  $\xi^* \textcolor{brown}{\mathcal{O}}_{K, E} : W \mapsto \Gamma(W, \xi^* E|_W), W \subseteq S$
- ▶  $\xi^* \tau : W \rightarrow \xi^* F|_W \in \Gamma(W, \xi^* E|_W)$
- ▶  $\xi^* \tau(s) = \tau(\xi(s)) = \tau(k)$

# Pushforward: visualization to index of data

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Gamma(W, H|_W) & \xrightarrow{\xi_*} & \Gamma(U, \xi_* H|_U) \\
 \Uparrow \mathcal{O}_{S,H} & & \Uparrow \mathcal{O}_{K, \xi_* H} \\
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 \end{array}$$

- ▶  $\xi_* D \hookrightarrow \xi_* H \xrightarrow{\pi} K$
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- ▶  $\xi_* \rho : U \rightarrow \xi_* D|_U \in \Gamma(U, \xi_* H|_U)$
- ▶  $\xi_* \rho(k) = \rho|_{\xi^{-1}(k)} = \rho(s) \ \forall s \in \xi^{-1}(k)$

$$\text{Hom}_S(\mathcal{O}_{S,\xi^*E}, \mathcal{O}_{S,H}) = \text{Hom}_K(\mathcal{O}_{K,E}, \mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_*H})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{O}_{S,H} & \xrightarrow{\xi_*} & \mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_*H} \\
 \uparrow A_S \in \text{Hom}_S & \nwarrow A \in \text{Hom}_{K,S} & \uparrow A_K \in \text{Hom}_K \\
 \mathcal{O}_{S,\xi^*E} & \xleftarrow{\xi^*} & \mathcal{O}_{K,E}
 \end{array}$$

Data Space:  $A_K : \mathcal{O}_{K,E} \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_* H}$

$$\Gamma(U, E \restriction U) \xleftarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,E}} U \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_* H}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \restriction U)$$



Display Space:  $A_S : \mathcal{O}_{S,\xi^*E} \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S,H}$

$$\Gamma(U_1, E|_{U_1}) \xrightarrow{A_{U_1}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H|_{U_1})$$

$$\Gamma(U_2, E|_{U_2}) \xrightarrow{A_{U_2}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H|_{U_2})$$

$$\Gamma(U, E|_U) \xleftarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,E}} U \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_*H}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H|_U)$$

$U_1$  $U_2$ 

$$\Gamma(U_1, E \upharpoonright_{U_1}) \xrightarrow{A_{U_1}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \upharpoonright_{U_1})$$

$$\Gamma(U_2, E \upharpoonright_{U_2}) \xrightarrow{A_{U_2}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \upharpoonright_{U_2})$$

$$\Gamma(U, E \upharpoonright_U) \xleftarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,E}} U \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_* H}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \upharpoonright_U)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 U_1 \\
 \uparrow \\
 \vdots \\
 \downarrow \\
 U_2
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Gamma(U_1, E \upharpoonright_{U_1}) & \xrightarrow{A_{U_1}} & \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \upharpoonright_{U_1}) \\
 \downarrow \iota^* & \xrightarrow{A_\emptyset} & \downarrow \iota^* \\
 \Gamma(U_2, E \upharpoonright_{U_2}) & \xrightarrow{A_{U_2}} & \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \upharpoonright_{U_2})
 \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma(U, E \upharpoonright_U) \xleftarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,E}} U \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_* H}} \Gamma(U, \xi_* H \upharpoonright_U)$$

Artist:  $A : \tau \mapsto \rho$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{O}_{K,E} & \xRightarrow{A_K} & \mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_*H} \\
 \\
 \begin{array}{c} U_1 \\ \updownarrow \\ U_2 \end{array} & \begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(U_1, E|_{U_1}) & \xrightarrow{A_{U_1}} & \Gamma(U, \xi_*H|_{U_1}) \\ \downarrow \iota^* & \xrightarrow{A_{\mathcal{O}}} & \downarrow \iota^* \\ \Gamma(U_2, E|_{U_2}) & \xrightarrow{A_{U_2}} & \Gamma(U, \xi_*H|_{U_2}) \end{array} \\
 \\
 \Gamma(U, E|_U) & \xleftarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,E}} U & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_{K,\xi_*H}} \Gamma(U, \xi_*H|_U)
 \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{S, \xi^* E} \xRightarrow{A_S} \mathcal{O}_{S, H}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} W_1 \\ \updownarrow \\ W_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(W_1, \xi^* E \upharpoonright_{W_1}) & \xrightarrow{A_{W_1}} & \Gamma(W, H \upharpoonright_{W_1}) \\ \downarrow \iota^* & \xrightarrow{A_{\mathcal{O}}} & \downarrow \iota^* \\ \Gamma(W_2, \xi^* E \upharpoonright_{W_2}) & \xrightarrow{A_{W_2}} & \Gamma(W, H \upharpoonright_{W_2}) \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma(W, \xi^* E \upharpoonright_W) \xleftarrow{\mathcal{O}_{S, \xi^* E}} W \xrightarrow{\mathcal{O}_{S, H}} \Gamma(U, H \upharpoonright_W)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Gamma(W, H|_W) & \xrightarrow{\xi_*} & \Gamma(U, \xi_* H|_U) \\
 \uparrow A_S & \nwarrow A & \uparrow A_K \\
 \Gamma(W, \xi^* E|_W) & \xleftarrow{\xi^*} & \Gamma(U, E|_U)
 \end{array}$$

pull data section  $\tau$  over graphic space  $s \in S$

$$\xi^* \tau(s) = \tau(\xi(s)) = \tau(k)$$

push graphic  $\rho$  section over data space  $k \in K$

$$\xi_* \rho(k) = \rho|_{\xi^{-1}(k)} = \rho(s) \forall s \in \xi^{-1}(k)$$

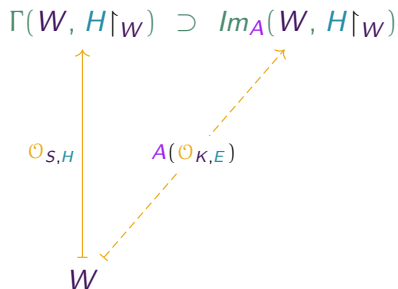
# Reachable $\rho$ ?

$\Gamma(W, H \upharpoonright_W)$

$\mathcal{O}_{S,H}$

$W$

# Reachable $\rho$ ?



## Output Subtype

$$Im_A(W, H|_W) = \{\rho \mid \exists \tau \in \Gamma(U, E|_U) \text{ s.t. } A(\tau) = \rho, \xi(W) = U\}$$



# Expressing Equivariance via Morphisms $\phi$

## Fiber Category

The fiber  $F$  is a monoidal category (single object w/ bicartesian product operator on category) of an arbitrary type  $\mathcal{C}$ . The morphisms on the fiber are  $\tilde{\phi} \in \text{Hom}(F, F)$ . The category is equipped with the bifunctor  $\otimes : F \times F \rightarrow F$

## Fiber Bundle Category

object  $F \hookrightarrow E \xrightarrow{\pi} K$

morphisms  $\phi : (\hat{\phi}, \tilde{\phi})$

$$\phi = (\hat{\phi}, \tilde{\phi})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(U, E|_U) & \xrightarrow{\hat{\phi}^*} & \Gamma(U', \hat{\phi}^* E|_{U'}) & \Gamma(U', \hat{\phi}^* E|_{U'}) & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\phi}} & \Gamma(U', \hat{\phi}^* E|_{U'}) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & & \\ U & \xleftarrow{\hat{\phi}} & U' & & & \end{array}$$

Base Transformation:  $\hat{\phi} : U' \rightarrow U$  where  $U, U' \subseteq K$ ,  
 $\hat{\phi}^* \tau|_U : \tau \mapsto \tau|_U \circ \hat{\phi}$

Fiber Transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\phi} : \hat{\phi}^* E_{k'} &\rightarrow \hat{\phi}^* E_{k'} \in \text{Hom}(\hat{\phi}^* F|_k, \hat{\phi}^* F|_k), k' \in U' \\ \tilde{\phi} : \hat{\phi}^* \tau|_U &\mapsto \hat{\phi}^* \tau'|_U, \tau, \tau' \in \Gamma(U', \hat{\phi}^* E|_{U'}) \end{aligned}$$

Section Transform:  $\phi : \tau|_U \mapsto \hat{\phi}^* \tau'|_U$

# Equivariant Artist

$(A, A')$  are equivariant with respect to  $\phi_E$  if a compatible transform  $\phi_H$  can be defined such that

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \Gamma(U, E|_U) & \xrightarrow{A} & & & \text{Im}_A(W, H|_W) \\
 \hat{\phi}_E^* \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \hat{\phi}_H^* \\
 \Gamma(U', \hat{\phi}_E^* E|_{U'}) & & \begin{array}{ccc} U & \xleftarrow{\xi} & W \\ \hat{\phi}_E \uparrow & & \uparrow \hat{\phi}_H \\ U' & \xleftarrow{\xi} & W' \end{array} & & \text{Im}_A(W', \hat{\phi}_H^* H|_{W'}) \\
 \tilde{\phi}_E \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \tilde{\phi}_H \\
 \Gamma(U', E'|_{U'}) & \xrightarrow{A'} & & & \text{Im}_A(W', H'|_{W'})
 \end{array}$$

For all points  $s' \in S'$ :

$$A'(\tilde{\phi}_E(\tau(\hat{\phi}_E(\xi(s'))))) = \tilde{\phi}_H(A(\tau(\xi(\hat{\phi}_H(s')))))$$

# Testing if $A$ is equivariant

$M$  is a (scaler, vector) measurable component (e.g. color, position, shape, texture, rotation, ) of the rendered visual element.

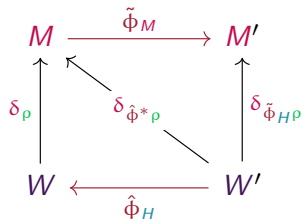
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Gamma(U, E|_U) & \xrightarrow{A} & \text{Im}_A(W, H|_W) & \xrightarrow{\text{render}} & \text{visualization} \\ \eta \downarrow & & \delta \downarrow & \swarrow \text{measure} & \\ \text{Hom}(U, M) & \xrightarrow{\xi^*} & \text{Hom}(W, M) & & \end{array}$$

input  $\eta : \tau \mapsto (U \xrightarrow{\eta_\tau} M)$

output  $\delta : \rho \mapsto (W \xrightarrow{\delta_\rho} M)$

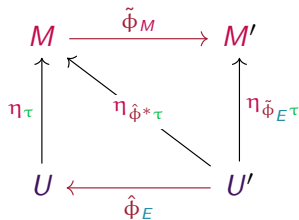
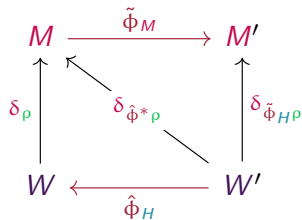
$\eta_\tau(k) = \delta_\rho(s)$  for all  $\xi(s) = k, k \in K, s \in S$

# Visual Measurement



$\delta_\rho \in \text{Hom}(W, M)$  is a mapping from graphic to visual measurement.  $\delta_\rho$  is a map from an openset  $W \subseteq S$  to a measurement  $M_W$  that corresponds to the graphic representation at that region  $\rho|_W$  and the corresponding data  $\tau|_{\xi|_W}$ .

# Visual Measurement



$\eta_\tau \in \text{Hom}(U, M)$  is a mapping from data to visual measurement.  
 $\eta_\tau : \tau \mapsto$  is a map from an openset  $U \subseteq K$  to a measurement  $M_U$   
 that corresponds to the data record at that region  $\tau|_U$  and the  
 corresponding graphic  $\rho|_{\xi^{-1}|_U}$

Using output  $\rho$  to check if  $A$  is equivariant

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \Gamma(U, E|_U) & \xrightarrow{A} & \text{Im}_A(W, H|_W) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \text{Hom}(W, M) \\
 \phi_E \downarrow & & \phi_H \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi_M \\
 \Gamma(U', E'|_{U'}) & \xrightarrow{A} & \text{Im}_A(W', H'|_{W'}) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \text{Hom}(W', M')
 \end{array}$$

$$A'(\tilde{\phi}_E(\tau(\hat{\phi}_E(\xi(s'))))) = \tilde{\phi}_H(A(\tau(\xi(\hat{\phi}_H(s')))))$$

$$\delta(\tilde{\phi}_H(\rho(\hat{\phi}_H)))(s') = \phi_M(\delta(\rho))(s') = \delta_{\tilde{\phi}_H \rho}(s')$$

Using input  $\tau$  to check if  $A$  is equivariant

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \eta & & \\
 & \nearrow & & \searrow & \\
 \Gamma(U, E|_U) & \xrightarrow{A} & \text{Im}_A(W, H|_W) & \xrightarrow{\xi^{-1} \circ \delta} & \text{Hom}(U, M) \\
 \downarrow \Phi_E & & \downarrow \Phi_H & & \downarrow \Phi_M \\
 \Gamma(U', E'|_{U'}) & \xrightarrow{A} & \text{Im}_A(W', H'|_{W'}) & \xrightarrow{\xi^{-1} \circ \delta} & \text{Hom}(U', M') \\
 & \nwarrow & & \nearrow & \\
 & & \eta & & 
 \end{array}$$

equivariance  $\eta(\tilde{\Phi}_E(\tau(\hat{\Phi}_E)))(k') = \Phi_M(\eta(\tau))(k') = \eta_{\tilde{\Phi}_E \tau}(k')$  for all  $k' \in K'$

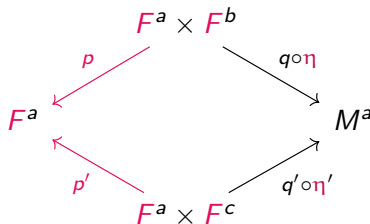
continuity  $\lim_{x \rightarrow k} \eta_\tau(x) = \eta_\tau(k)$  for all  $k \in K$



# Complex data

combining continuities given  $k_a \in K_c \subset K_a$  and  $k_b \in K_c \subset K_b$ , if  $k_a = k_b$  then  $\eta(\tau(k_a)) = \eta(\tau(k_b))$  for all  $k_a, k_b \in K_a \sqcup_{K_c} K_b$

shared fibers if  $p = p'$  then  $\eta \circ q = \eta' \circ q'$



both given  $\tau^d \in \mathcal{O}_{K_d, E_d}$ ,  $\tau^e \in \mathcal{O}_{K_e, E_e}$  and  $k \in K_d \sqcup_{K_f} K_e$

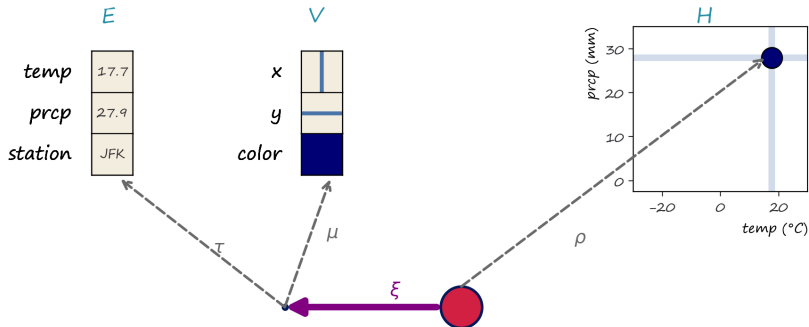
then  $q(\eta(\tau^d(k))) = q'(\eta(\tau^e(k)))$  when  $p(F^d|_k) = p'(F^e|_k)$

Composable  $\phi = (\hat{\phi}, \prod_{i=0}^n \tilde{\phi}_i)$

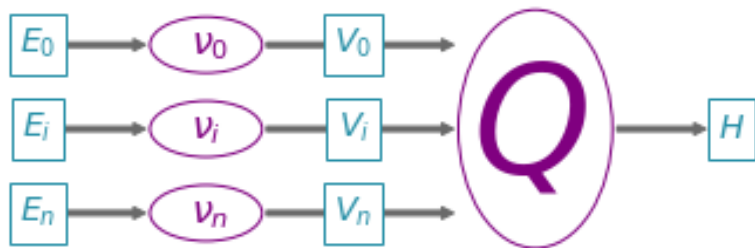
$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 E_a & \xleftarrow{\pi_a} & E_a \times E_b & \xrightarrow{\pi_b} & E_b \\
 \downarrow \phi_a & & \downarrow \phi_{a,b} & & \downarrow \phi_b \\
 E_a & \xleftarrow{\pi_a} & E_a \times E_b & \xrightarrow{\pi_b} & E_b
 \end{array}$$

if there exists functions  $\phi_{a,b} : E_a \times E_b \rightarrow E_a \times E_b$ ,  $\phi_a : E_a \rightarrow E_a$  and  $\phi_b : E_b \rightarrow E_b$  s.t.  $\pi_a \circ \phi_a = \phi_{a,b} \circ \pi_a$  and  $\pi_b \circ \phi_b = \phi_{a,b} \circ \pi_b$  then  $\phi_{a,b} = (\phi_a, \phi_b)$

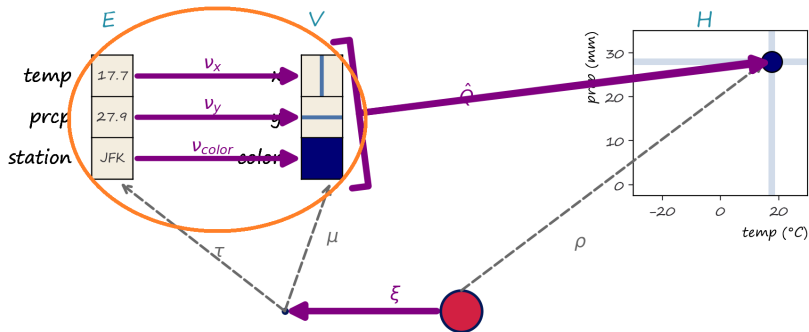
# How Do We Get From Data to Graphic?



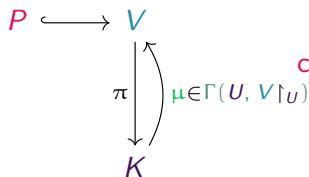
## Building an equivariant $A$ ?



# Data to Measurable Components



# Typed Measurable Visual Components: $V$



Data  $V$  continuity + visual fields

Continuity  $K$  data continuity

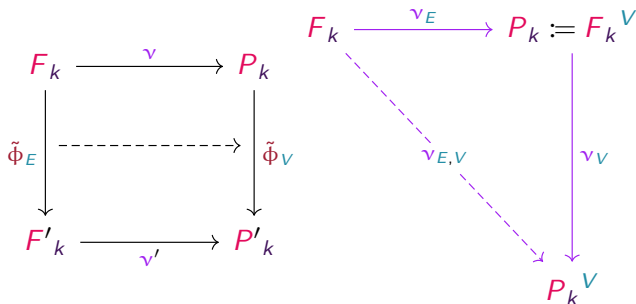
components  $P$  visual components

**[bertinIIPropertiesGraphic2011]**

of a graphic, e.g. x and y  
position, area, color, line  
thickness

# Data to Visual Transformation $\nu : F_k \mapsto P_k$

$\pi(E) = \pi(\nu(E))$  and  $\nu$  is composable s.t



$\nu : \phi_E \rightarrow \phi_V$ : Stevens' Scales

[stevensTheoryScalesMeasurement1946]

scale	group	constraint
nominal	permutation	if $r_1 \neq r_2$ then $\nu(r_1) \neq \nu(r_2)$
ordinal	monotonic	if $r_1 \leq r_2$ then $\nu(r_1) \leq \nu(r_2)$
interval	translation	$\nu(r + c) = \nu(r) + \nu(c)$
ratio	scaling	$\nu(r * c) = \nu(r) * \nu(c)$



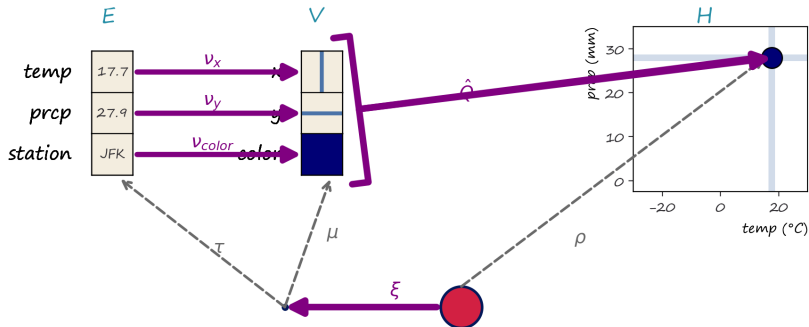
Shared Components:  $\mathbf{v} = \prod_{i=0}^n \mathbf{v}_i$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F_a \times F_b & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{v}} & P_a \times P_b \\
 \searrow p_F & & \searrow p_P \\
 & F_a & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{v}_a} P_a \\
 \nearrow p_{F'} & & \nearrow p_{P'} \\
 F_a \times F_c & \xrightarrow{\mathbf{v}'} & P_a' \times P_c'
 \end{array} \quad (1)$$

## Consistent Transformations [hullmanKeeping2018]

if  $p_F = p_{F'}$  then  $p_P(\mathbf{v}(\tau)) = p_{P'}(\mathbf{v}'(\tau'))$  s.t. there exists a transformation  $\mathbf{v}_a : F_a \rightarrow P_a$

# Components to Graphic



# Assembly $Q$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Gamma(U, V|_U) & \xrightarrow{Q} & \text{Im}_A(W, H|_W) \\
 \downarrow \tilde{\phi}_V \circ \hat{\phi}_V^* & & \downarrow \tilde{\phi}_H \circ \hat{\phi}_H^* \\
 \Gamma(U', V'|_{U'}) & \xrightarrow{Q'} & \text{Im}_A(W', H'|_{W'})
 \end{array}$$

$\begin{array}{ccc}
 U & \xleftarrow{\xi} & W \\
 \hat{\phi}_E \uparrow & & \uparrow \hat{\phi}_H \\
 U' & \xleftarrow{\xi} & W'
 \end{array}$

equivariance

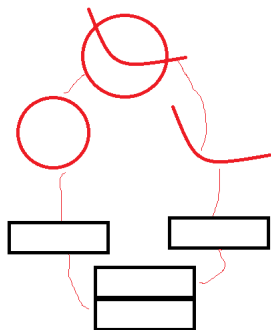
$$Q'(\tilde{\phi}_V(\mu(\hat{\phi}_E(\xi(s'))))) = \tilde{\phi}_H(Q(\mu(\xi(\hat{\phi}_H(s')))))$$

# Combining Qs

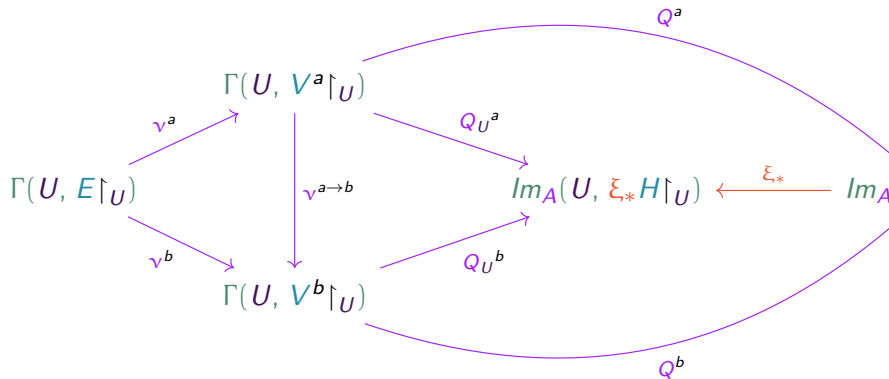
The codomain of all  $Q$  targeting the same output space is the bundle  $H$  and  $\text{Hom}(S_1, H) + \text{Hom}(S_2, H) = \text{Hom}(S_1 + S_2, H)$ ; therefore

$$\bigsqcup_i Q_i(\Gamma(U_i, E_i|_{U_i})) = \Gamma(\bigsqcup_i W_i, H|_{\bigsqcup_i W_i})$$

when  $\xi(W_i) = U_i$



# Compatible Qs



# Implementation Choices: $A_K = A_S$

