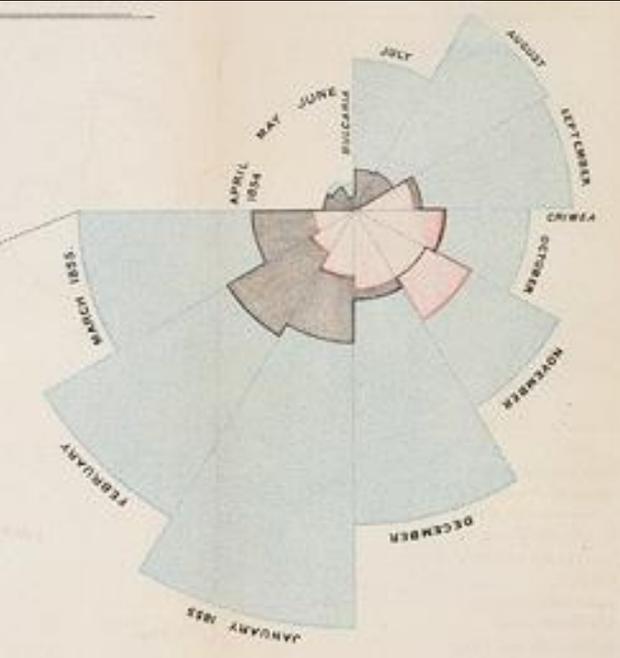


CSE 442 - Data Visualization

Visualization Tools



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Tutorial on Thursday

D3.js Deep Dive: Thursday 1/30 during lecture, Led by Lisa and Jiawen

Be sure to read the D3, Part 1 notebook ahead of time. We'll work through Part 2 in class. Also read the JS/Observable primer if you're new to this!

Learning Goals

There are many tools available to help people create visualizations.

What are the strengths and weaknesses of current tools?

What trade-offs must be considered when designing a tool for creating visualizations?

How do people create visualizations?

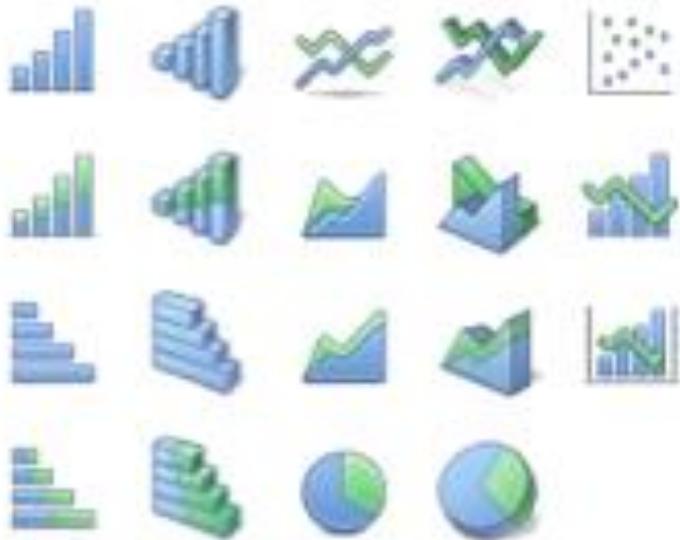
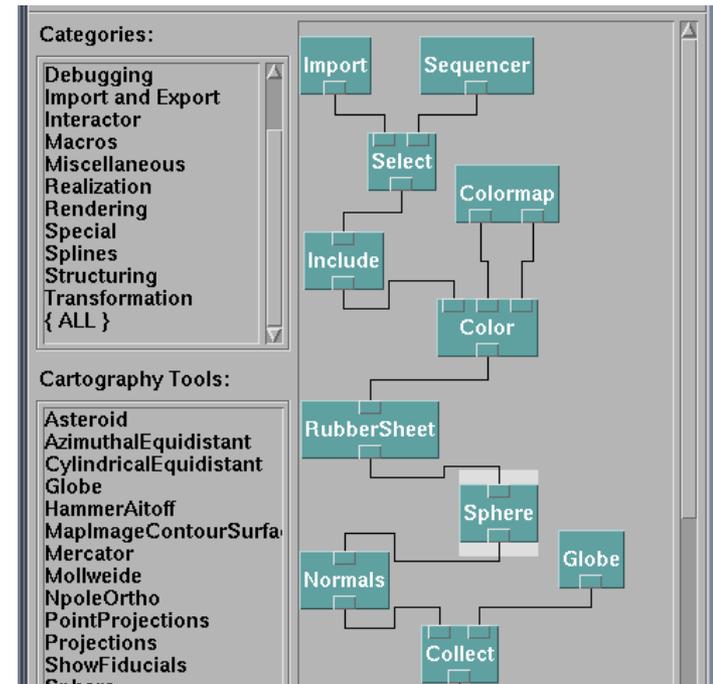


Chart Typology

- Pick from a stock of templates
- Easy-to-use but limited expressiveness
- Prohibits novel designs, new data types



Component Architecture

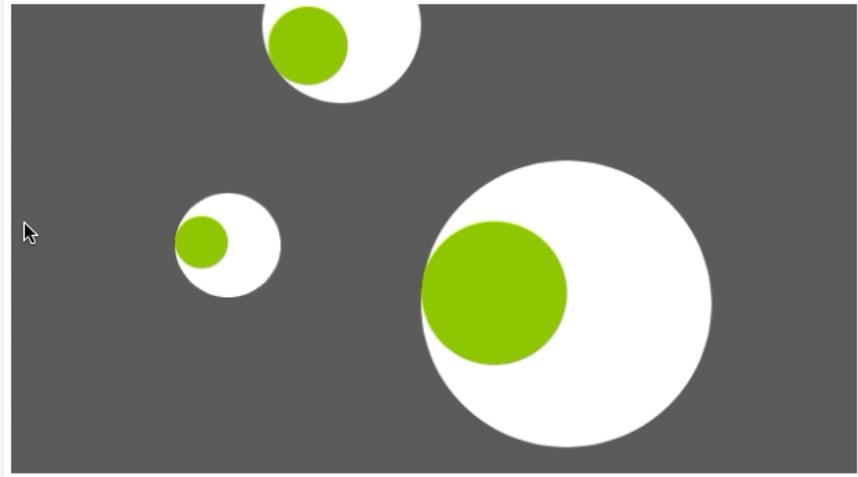
- Permits more combinatorial possibilities
- Novel views require new operators, which requires software engineering



Graphics APIs

Canvas, OpenGL, Processing

```
Eye(int tx, int ty, int ts) {  
  x = tx;  
  y = ty;  
  size = ts;  
}  
  
void update(int mx, int my) {  
  angle = atan2(my-y, mx-x);  
}  
  
void display() {  
  pushMatrix();  
  translate(x, y);  
  fill(255);  
  ellipse(0, 0, size, size);  
  rotate(angle);  
  fill(153, 204, 0);  
  ellipse(size/4, 0, size/2, size/2);  
  popMatrix();  
}  
}
```





US Air Traffic, Aaron Koblin

Graphics APIs

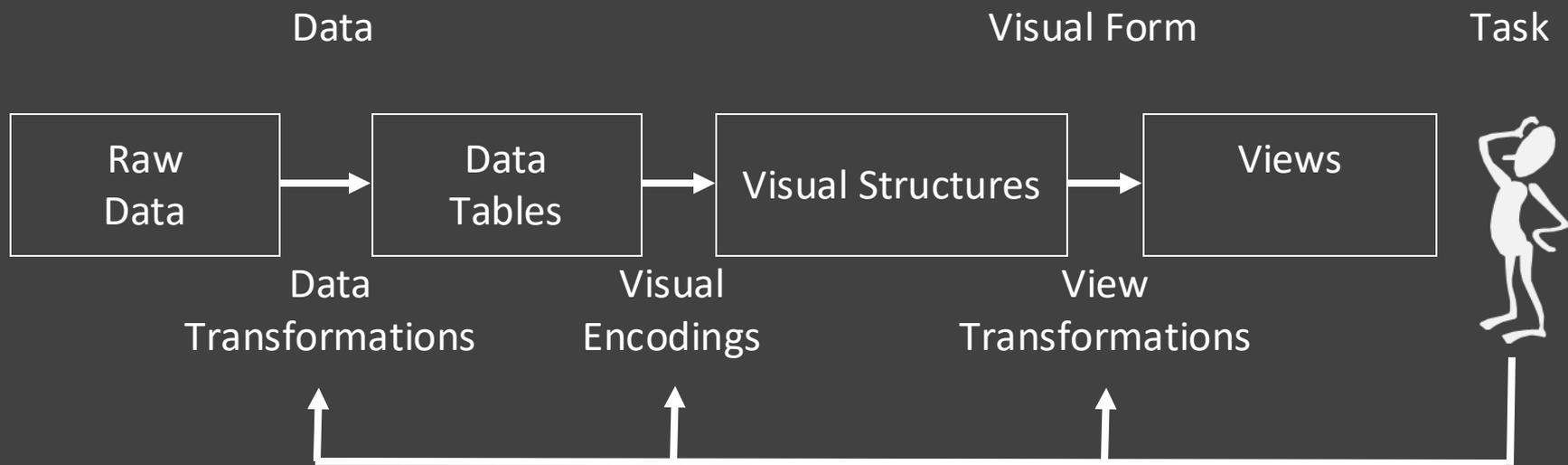
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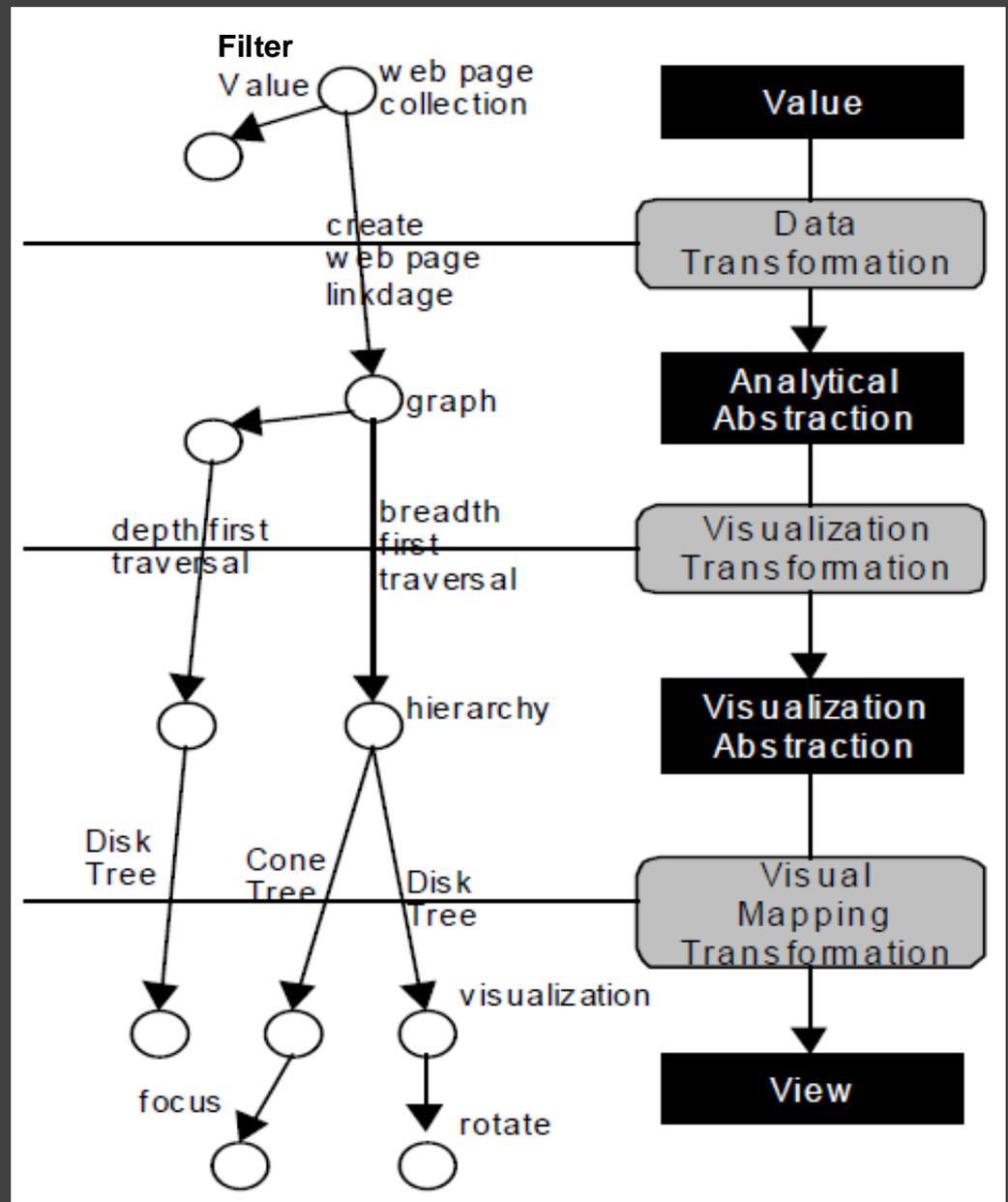
Prefuse, Flare, Improvise, VTK

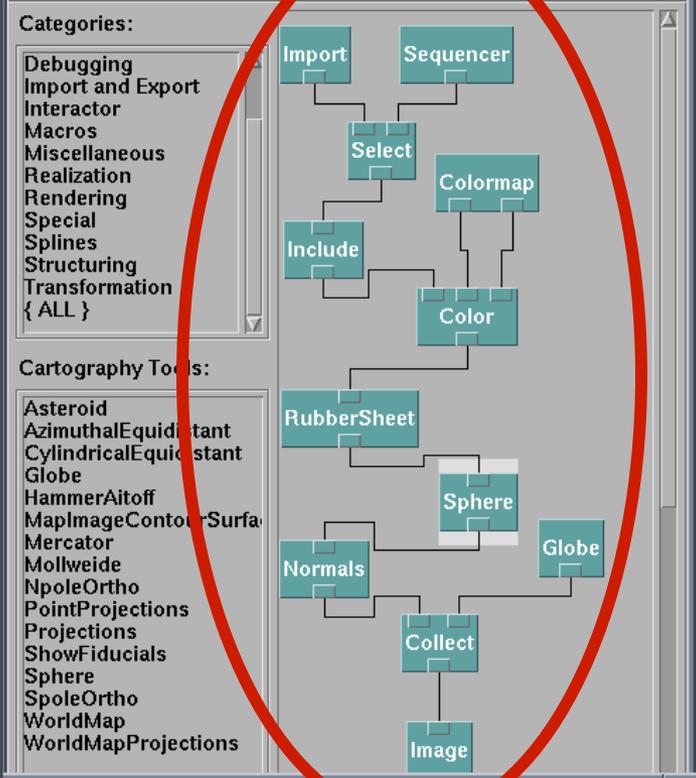
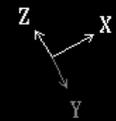
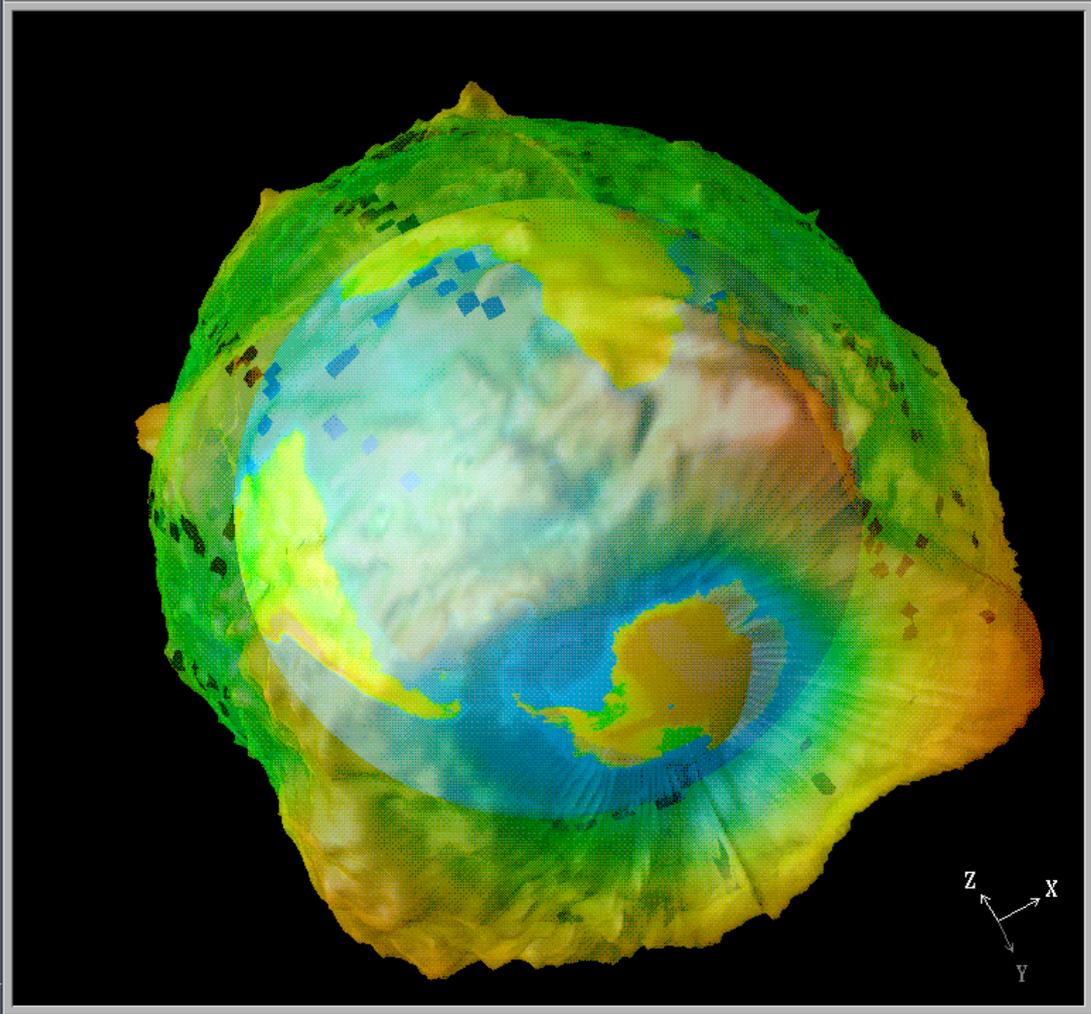
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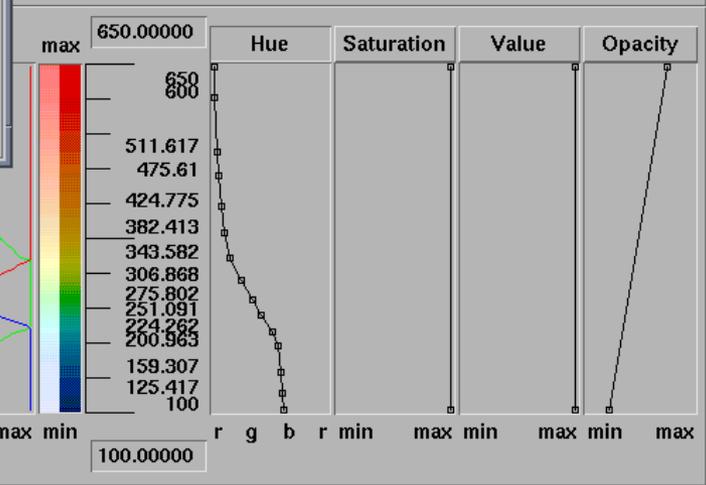


Data State Model [Chi 98]





Colormap Editor



View Control...

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Mode: Rotate

Set View: None

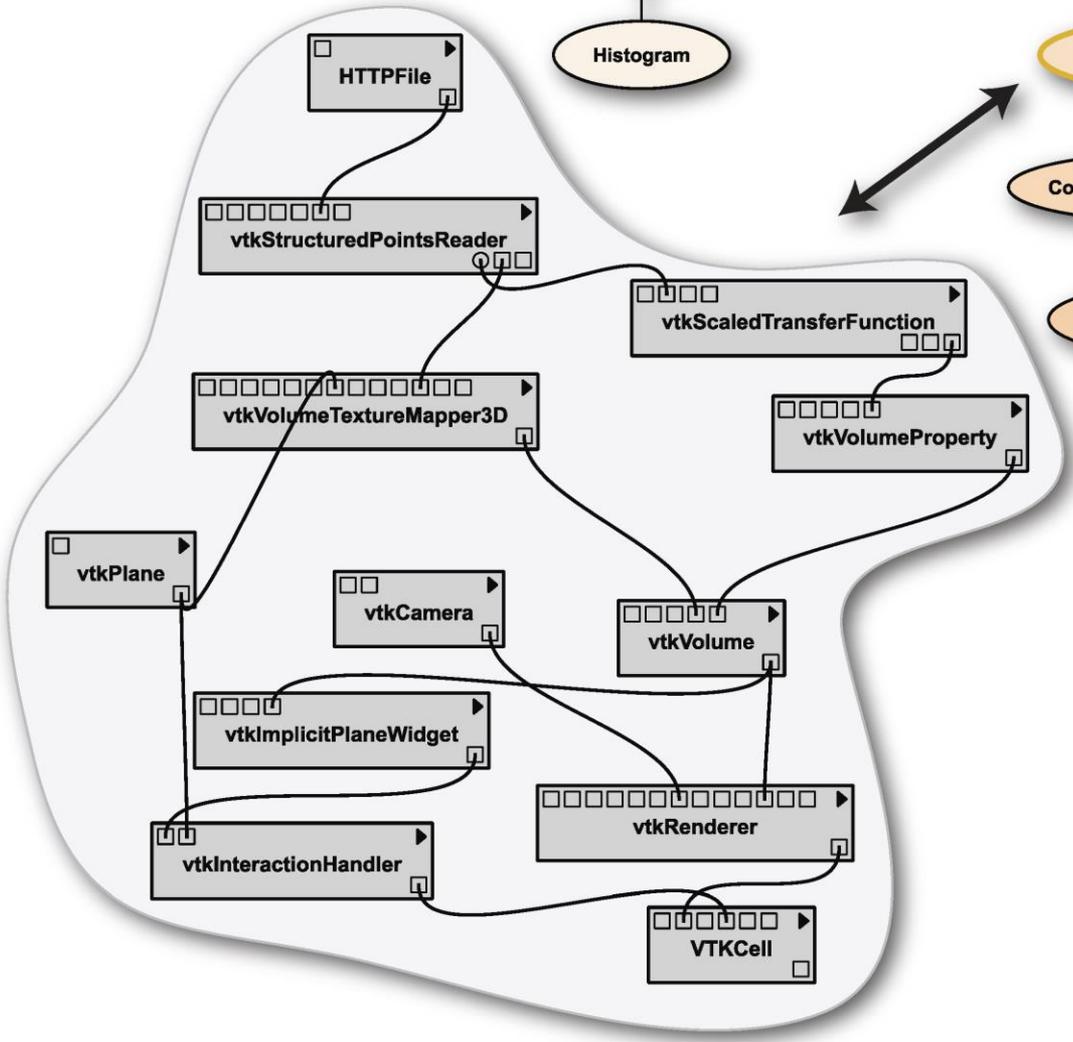
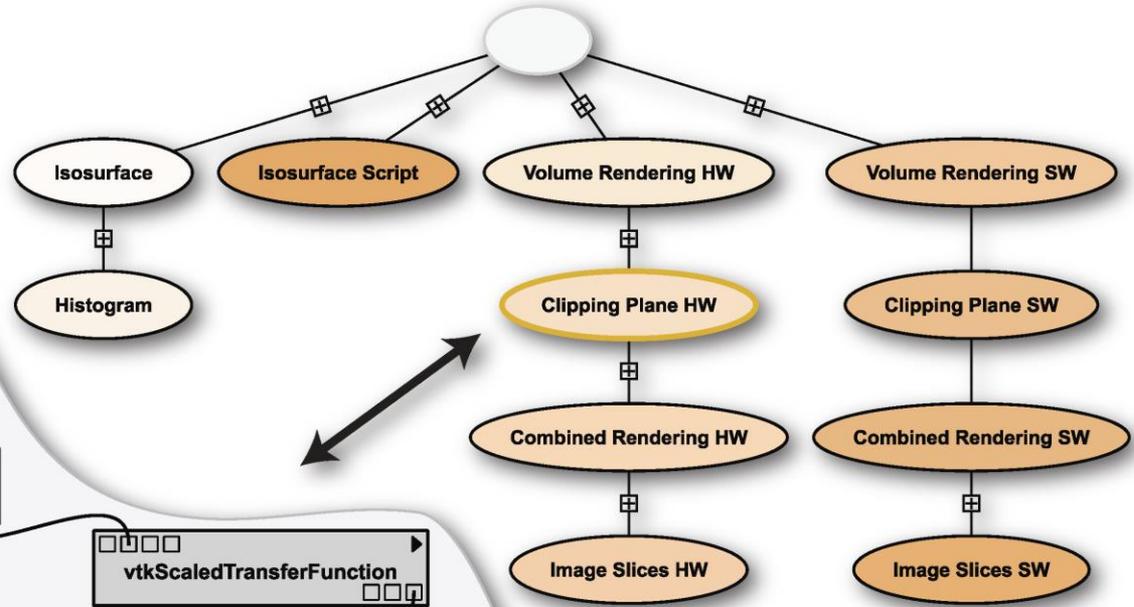
Projection: Perspective

View Angle: 30.000

Close Reset Ctrl+F

Sequence Control

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Notes:

Introduce a clipping plane to the volume rendering workflow. In the spreadsheet cell, the clipping plane is shown using the `_i_` key, after which it can be interactively moved. The plane will cull all data on one side. This workflow primarily demonstrates the ability to update the specification with an interactive widget. This complication results in a workflow that does not just flow from top to bottom.

Preview:

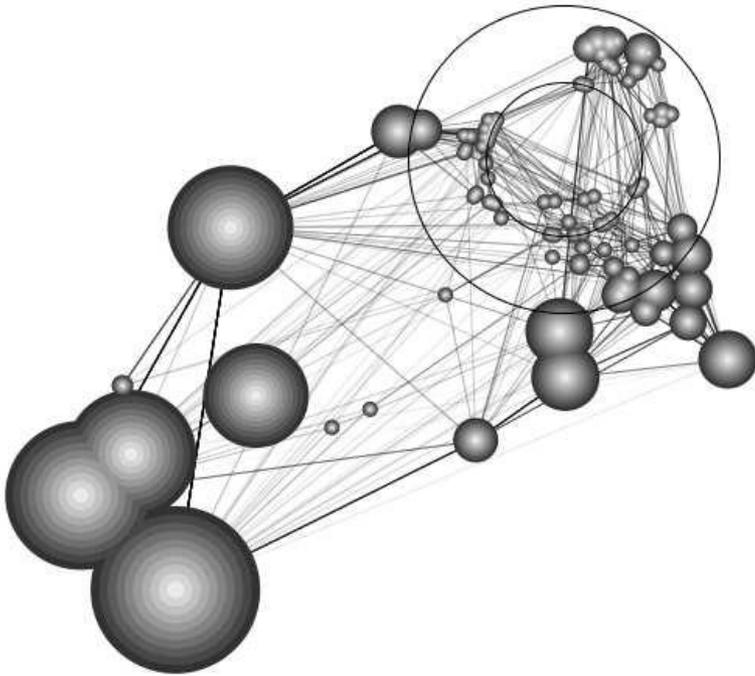


▶ Mashups (0)

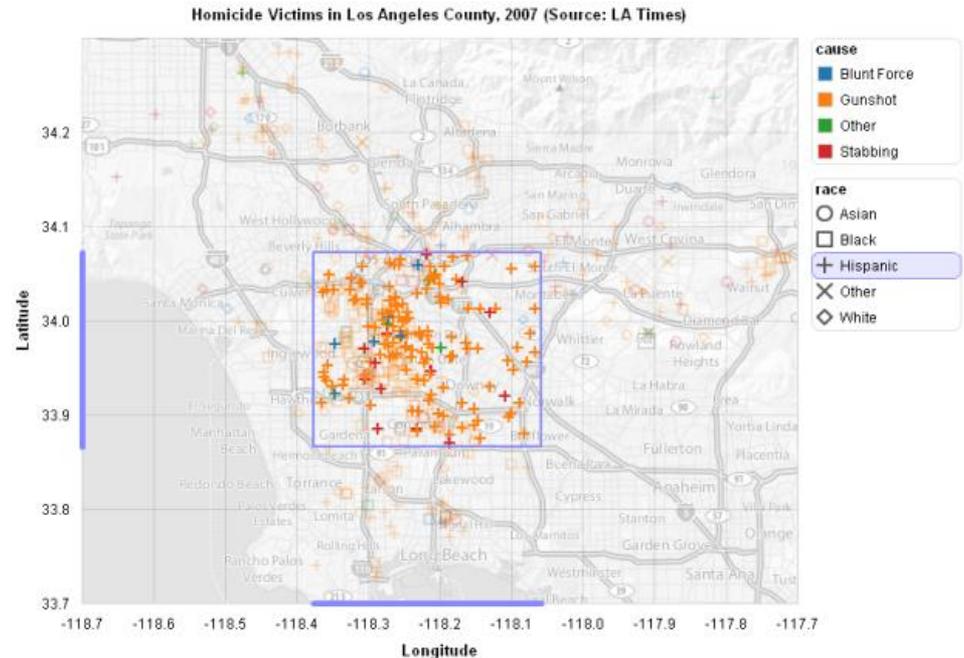
Prefuse & Flare

Operator-based toolkits for visualization design

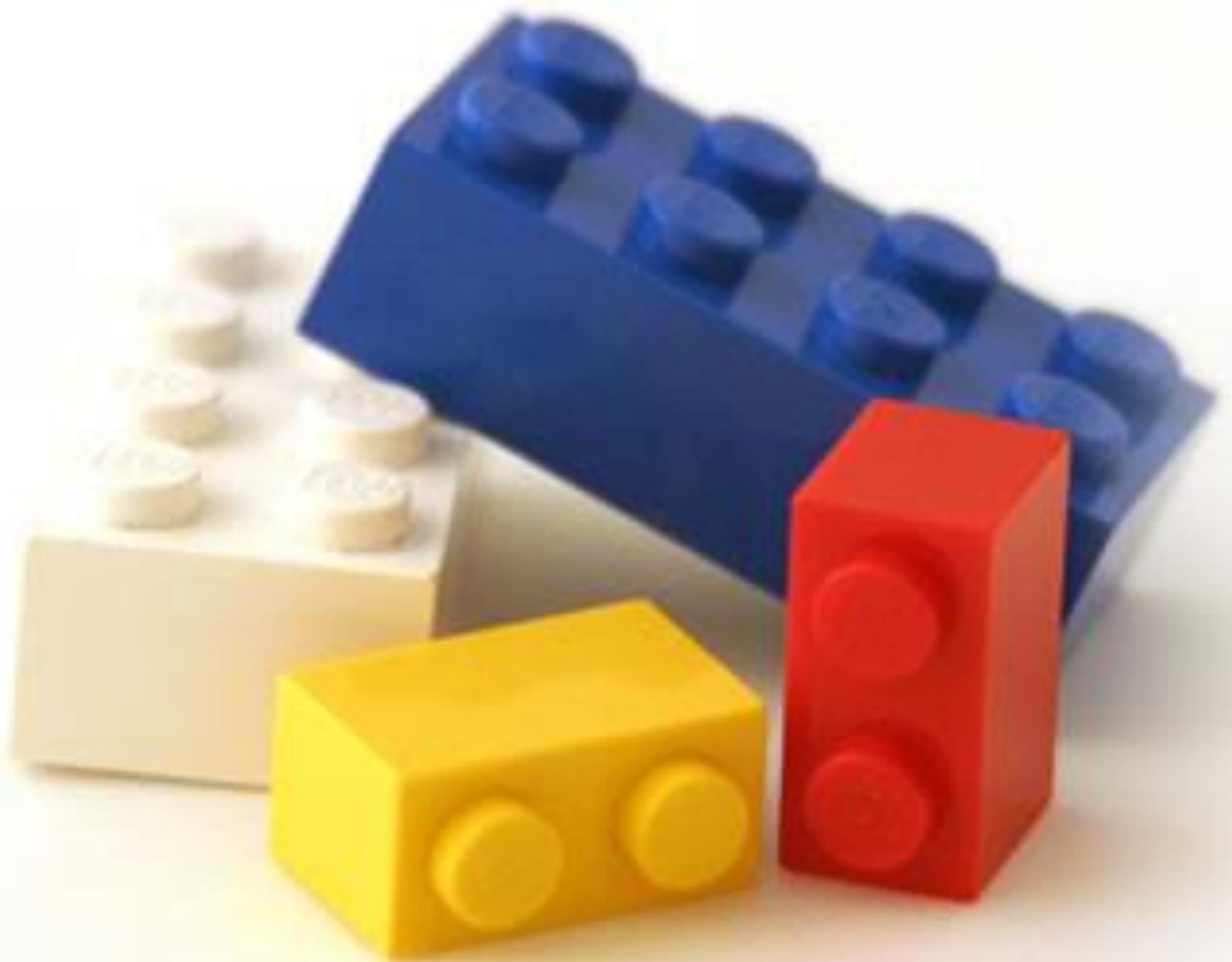
Vis = (Input Data -> Visual Objects) + Operators



Prefuse (<http://prefuse.org>)



Flare (<http://flare.prefuse.org>)



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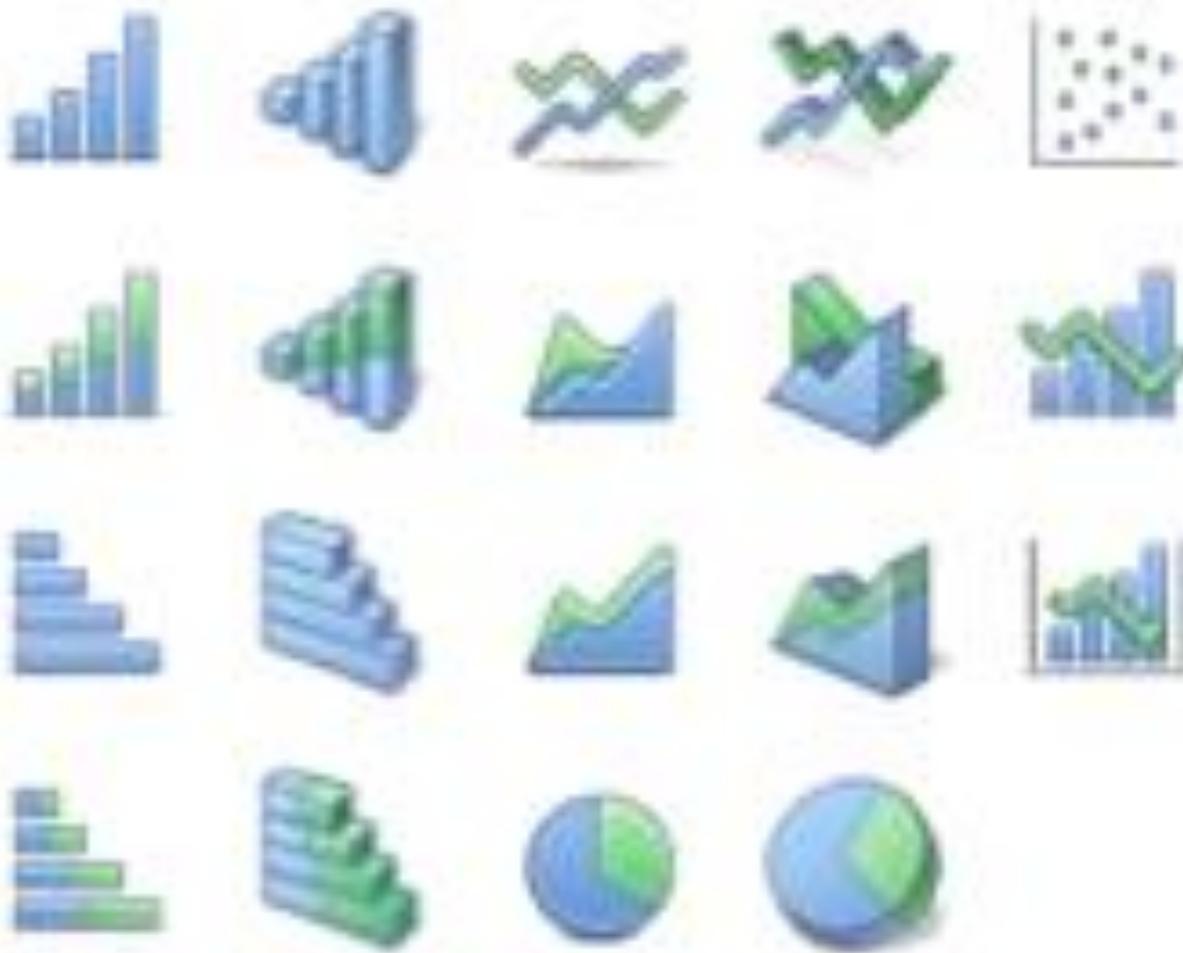


Chart Typologies

Data Sets : State Quick Facts

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1	Alabama	4557808	0.03	4447100	0.1	0.07	0.24	0.13
2	Alaska	663661	0.06	626932	0.14	0.08	0.29	0.06
3	Arizona	5939292	0.16	5130632	0.4	0.08	0.27	0.13
4	Arkansas	2779154	0.04	2673400	0.14	0.07	0.25	0.14
5	California	36132147	0.07	33871648	0.14	0.07	0.27	0.11
6	Colorado	4665177	0.08	4301261	0.31	0.07	0.26	0.1
7	Connecticut	3510297	0.03	3405665	0.04	0.06	0.24	0.14
8	Delaware	843524	0.08	783600	0.18	0.07	0.23	0.13
9	Florida	17789864	0.11	15982378	0.24	0.06	0.23	0.17
10	Georgia	9072576	0.11	8186453	0.26	0.08	0.26	0.1
11	Hawaii	1275194	0.05	1211537	0.09	0.07	0.24	0.14
12	Idaho	1429096	0.1	1293953	0.29	0.07	0.27	0.11
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Visualizations : Federal Spending by State, 2004

Creator: Anonymous

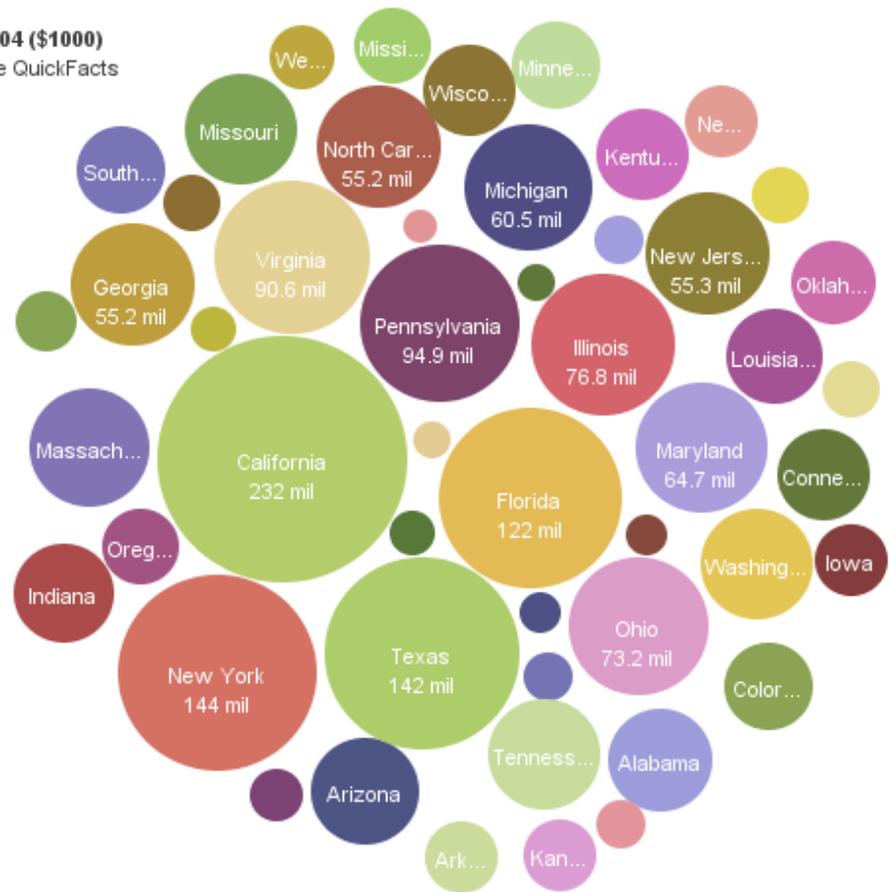
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People QuickFac...

Click to select,
Ctrl-Click: multiple
Shift-Click: range

Federal spending 2004 (\$1000)
Disks colored by People QuickFacts

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- Florida
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland



Search>>

To highlight or find totals
click or ctrl-click.

Bubble Size: Federal spending 2004 (\$1000) | Label: People QuickFacts | Color: People QuickFacts

- Retail sales per capita 2002
- Minority-owned firms percent of total 1997
- Women-owned firms percent of total 1997
- Housing units authorized by building permits 2004
- Federal spending 2004 (\$1000)
- Land area 2000 (square miles)
- Persons per square mile 2000
- FIPS Code

Census Bureau This data set has not yet been rated

full image

Comments (1)



MAD LIBS®

MY MUSIC LESSON

Every Wednesday, when I get home from school, I have a piano

lesson. My teacher is a very strict house. Her name is

Hillary Clinton. Our piano is a Steinway Concert tree

and it has 88 ~~keys~~ cups. It also has a soft pedal and a/an

Smily pedal. When I have a lesson, I sit down on the piano

AIBERTO and play for 16 minutes. I do scales to

exercise my cats, and then I usually play a minuet by

Johann Sebastian washington. Teacher says I am a natural

Haunted House and have a good musical leg. Perhaps

when I get better I will become a concert vet and give

a recital at Carnegie hospital.

[M]ost charting packages channel user requests into a **rigid array of chart types**. To atone for this lack of flexibility, they offer a kit of post-creation editing tools to return the image to what the user originally envisioned. **They give the user an impression of having explored data rather than the experience.**

Leland Wilkinson
The Grammar of Graphics, 1999

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Schema
 congress.csv Connection

Find:

- Dimensions**
- Abc Candidate
 - Abc Candidate ID
 - Abc General Elec Status
 - Abc Incumbent/Challenger/Open-Seal
 - # Party
 - Abc Party Desig
 - Abc Primary Elec Status
 - Abc Runoff Elec Status
 - Abc Spec Elec Status
 - Abc State Code
 - # Year
 - Abc Measure Names

- Measures**
- # District
 - # General Elec Pct
 - # Total Receipts
 - # Measure Values

Groups

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Filters:

Level of Detail:

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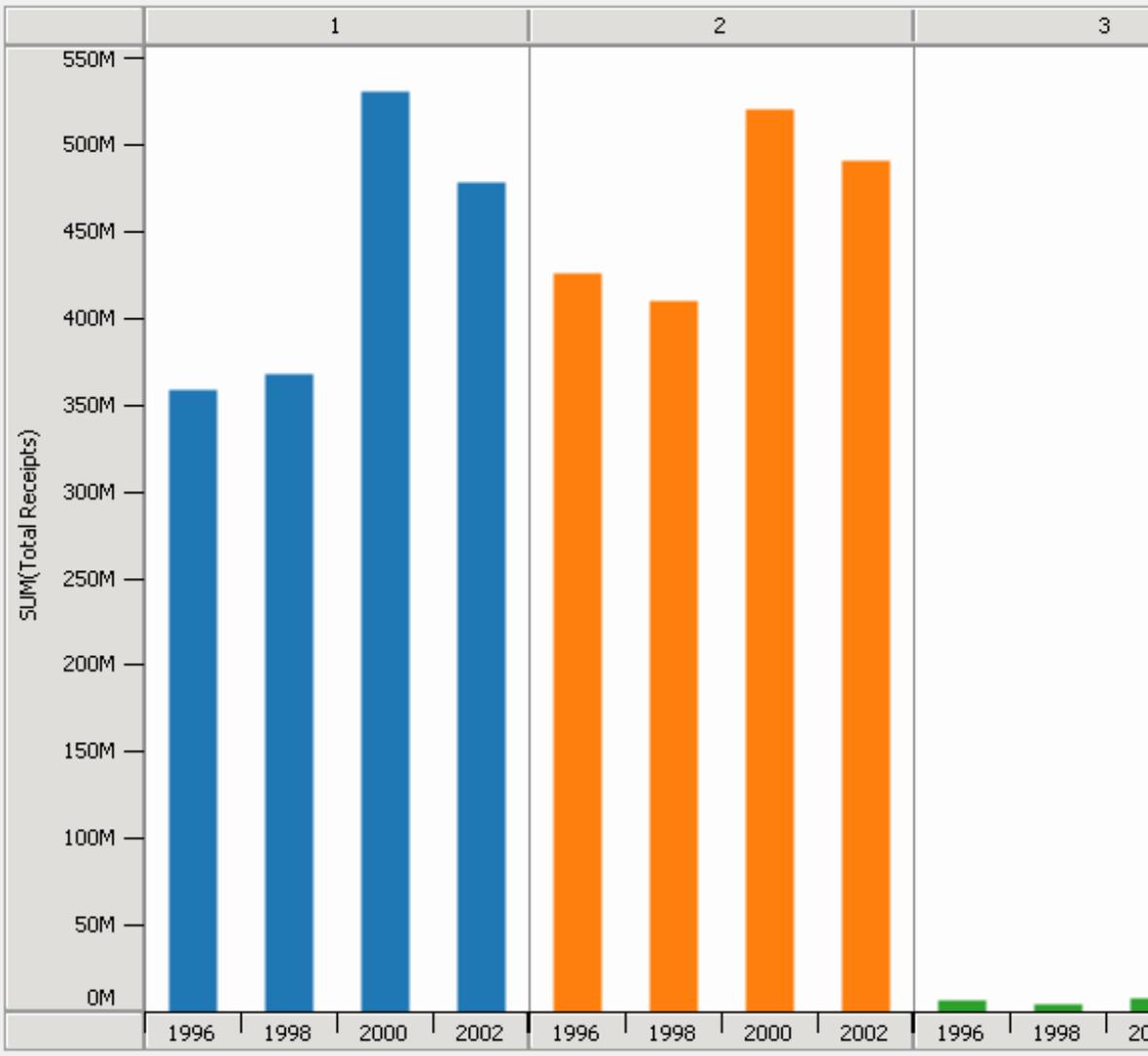
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Statistics and Computing

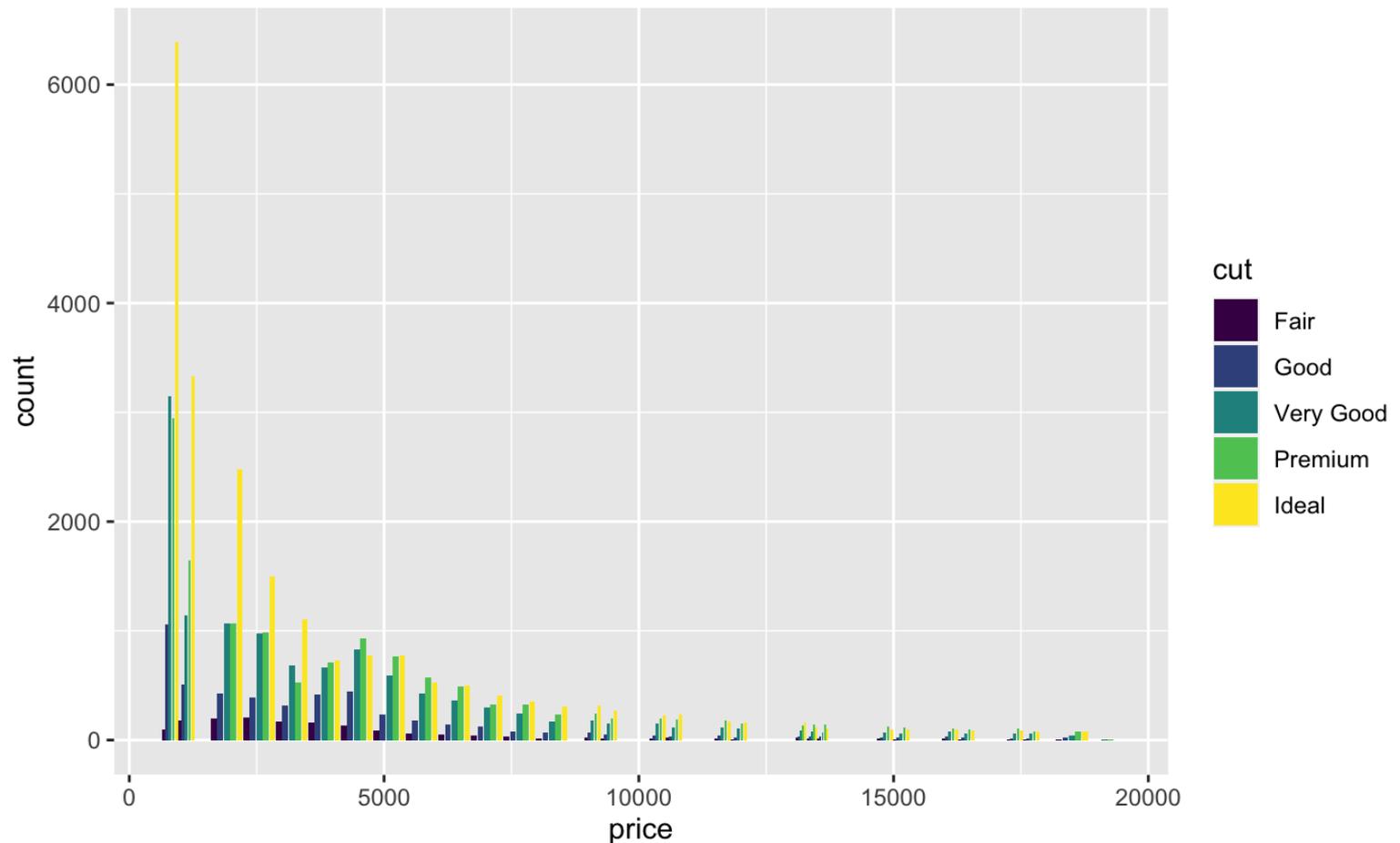
Leland Wilkinson

**The Grammar
of Graphics**

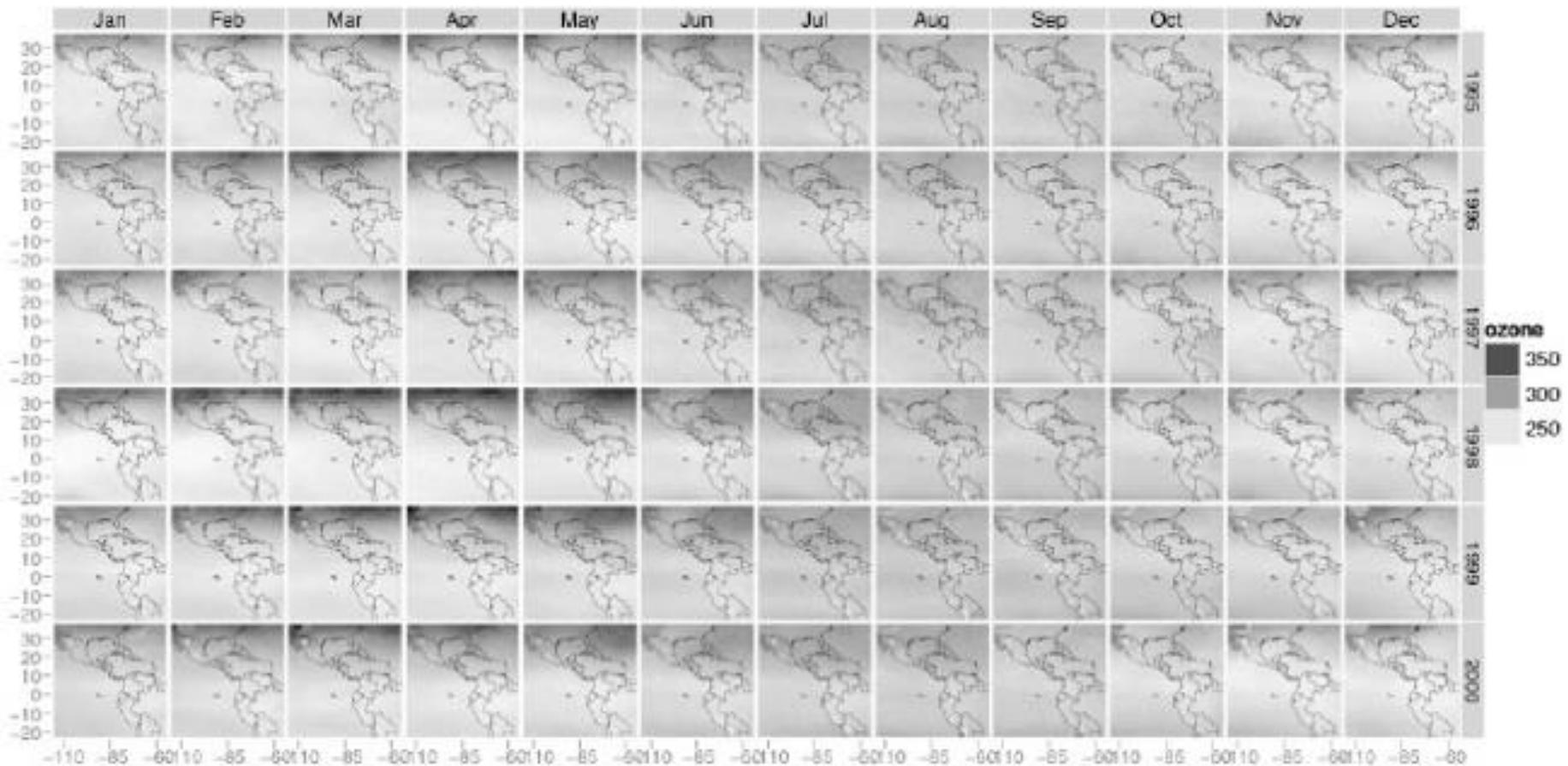
Second Edition

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```
ggplot(diamonds, aes(x=price, fill=cut))  
+ geom_bar(position="dodge")
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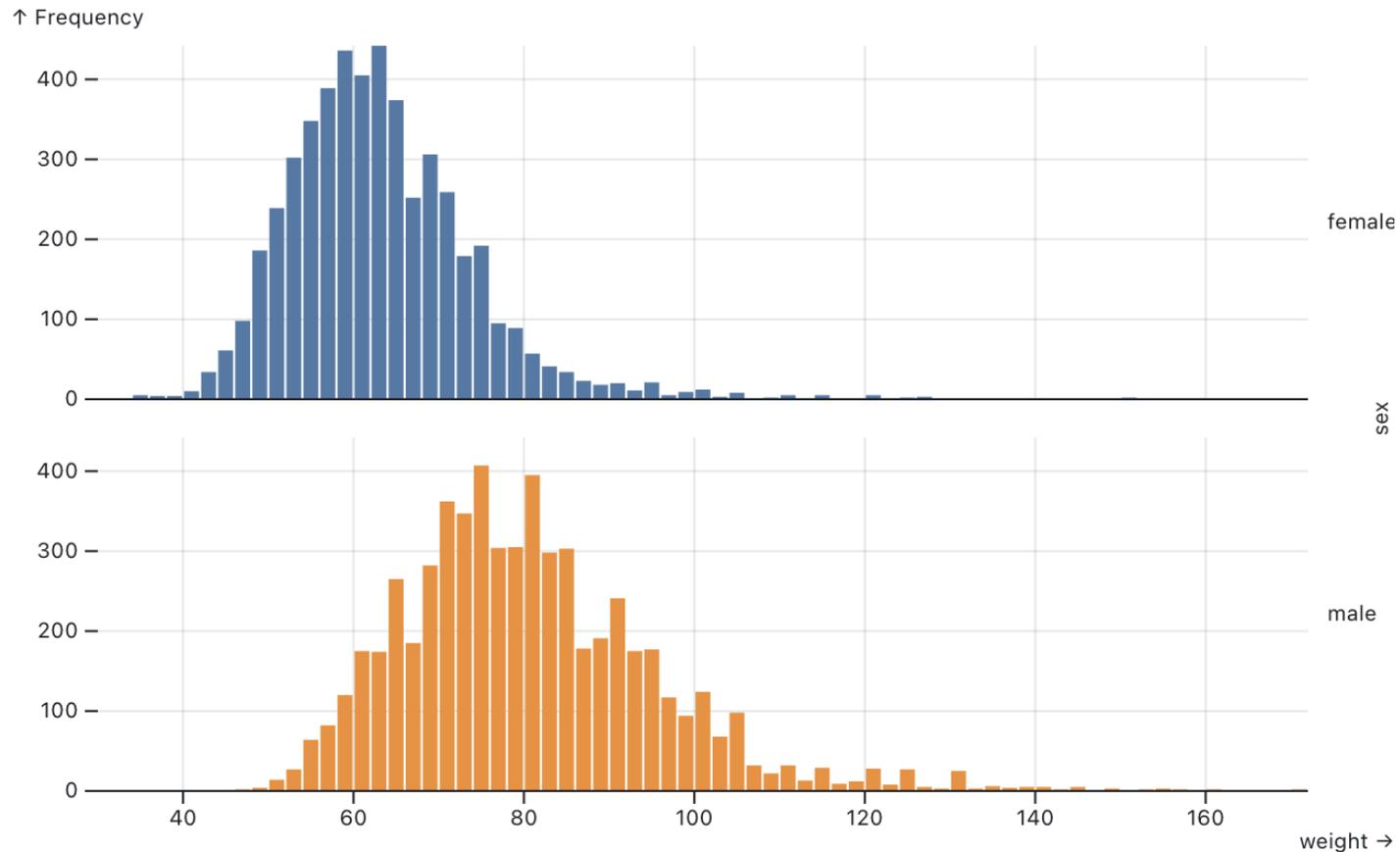
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```

qplot(long, lat, data = expo, geom = "tile", fill = ozone,
  facets = year ~ month) +
scale_fill_gradient(low = "white", high = "black") + map

```



```
Plot.plot({
  grid: true,
  facet: {
    data: athletes,
    y: "sex"
  },
  marks: [
    Plot.rectY(athletes, Plot.binX({y: "count"}, {x: "weight", fill: "sex"})),
    Plot.ruleY([0])
  ]
})
```

Observable Plot

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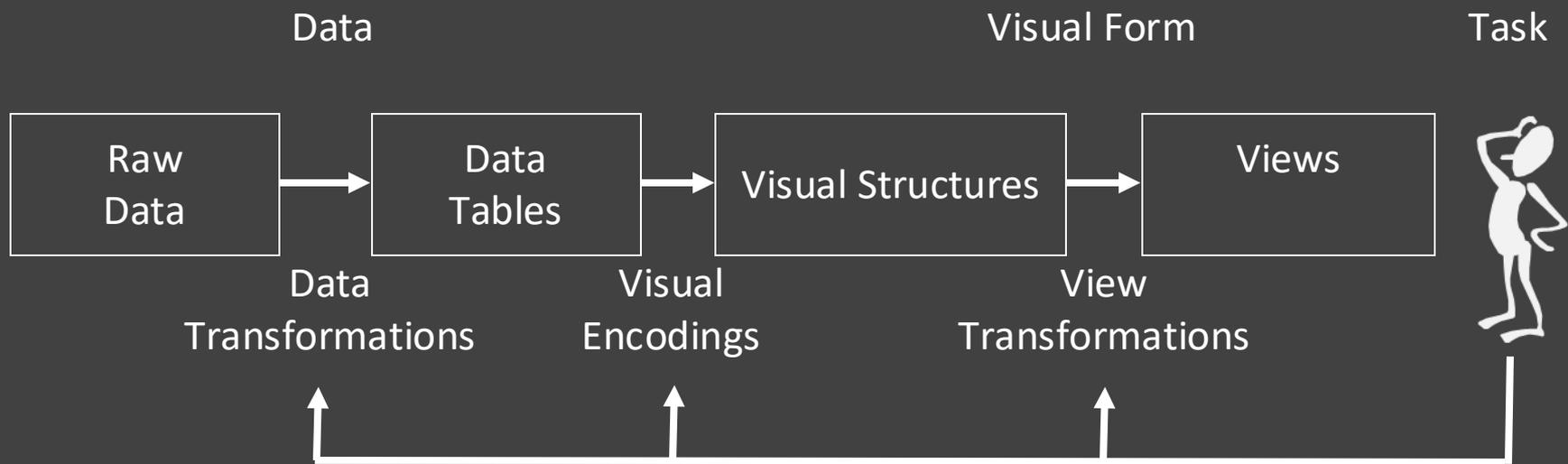
Visualization Grammars
Protovis, D3.js

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Data

Input data to visualize

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Transforms

Group, aggregate, stats, layout

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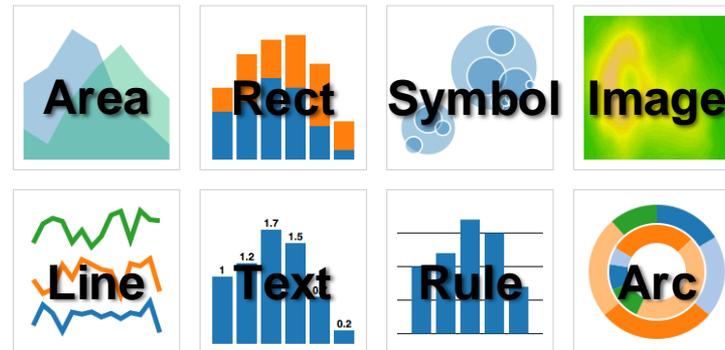
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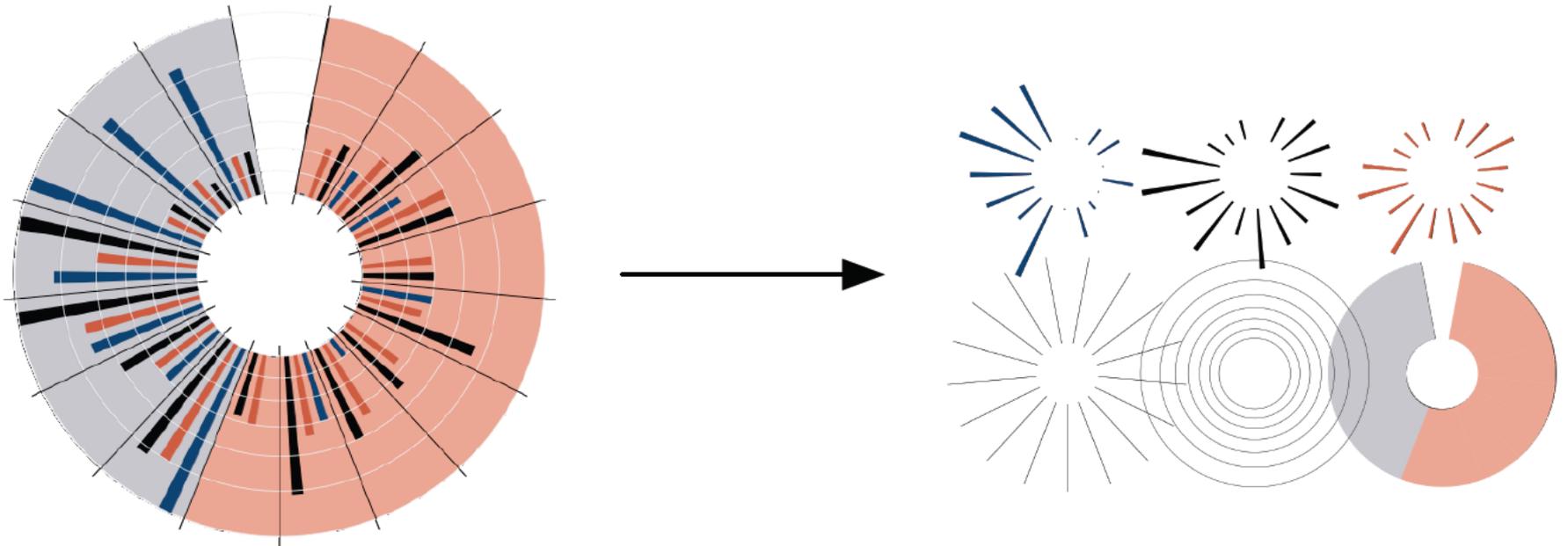
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Marks	Data-representative graphics

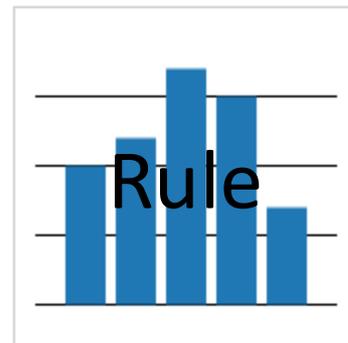
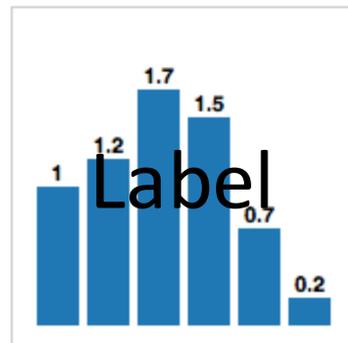
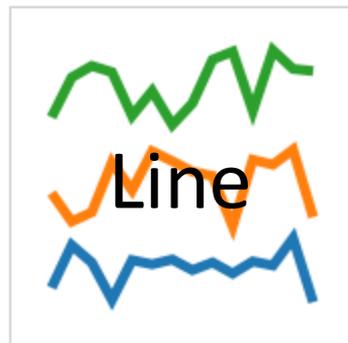
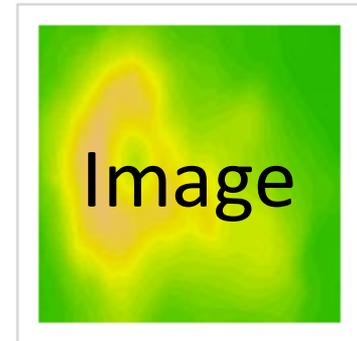
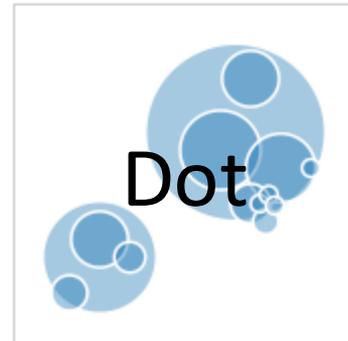
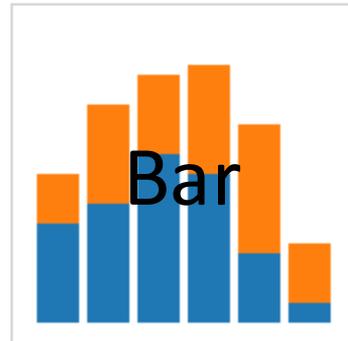


Protovis: A Grammar for Visualization



A graphic is a composition of data-representative marks.

with **Mike Bostock & Vadim Ogievetsky**

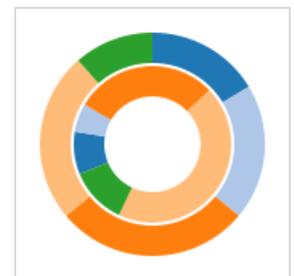
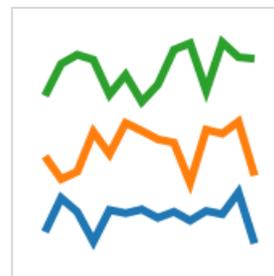
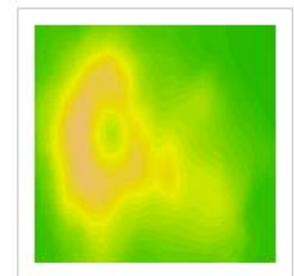
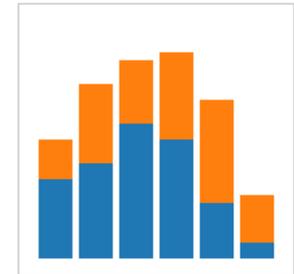


MARKS: Protovis graphical primitives

MARK

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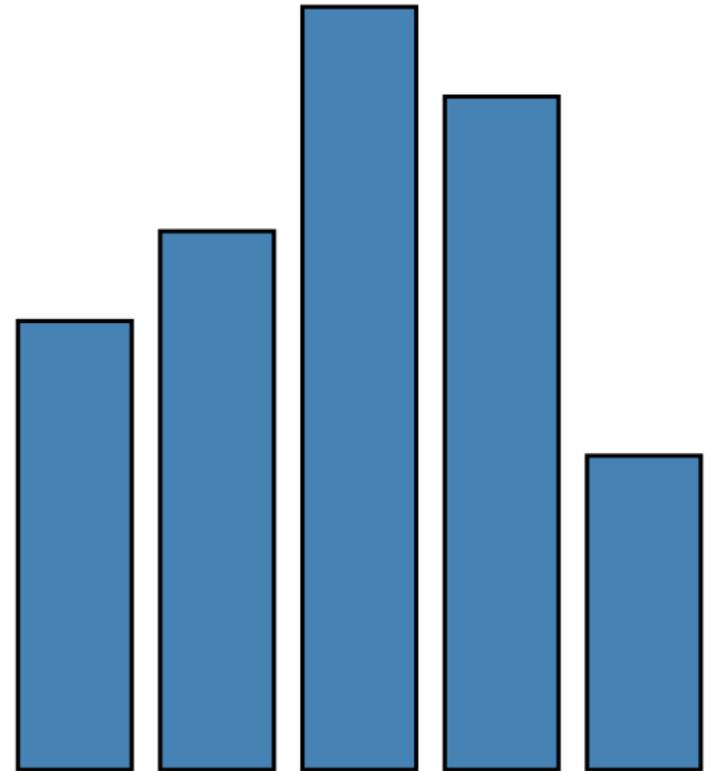
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visible	λ
left	λ
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width	λ
height	λ
fillStyle	λ
strokeStyle	λ
lineWidth	λ
...	λ



RECT

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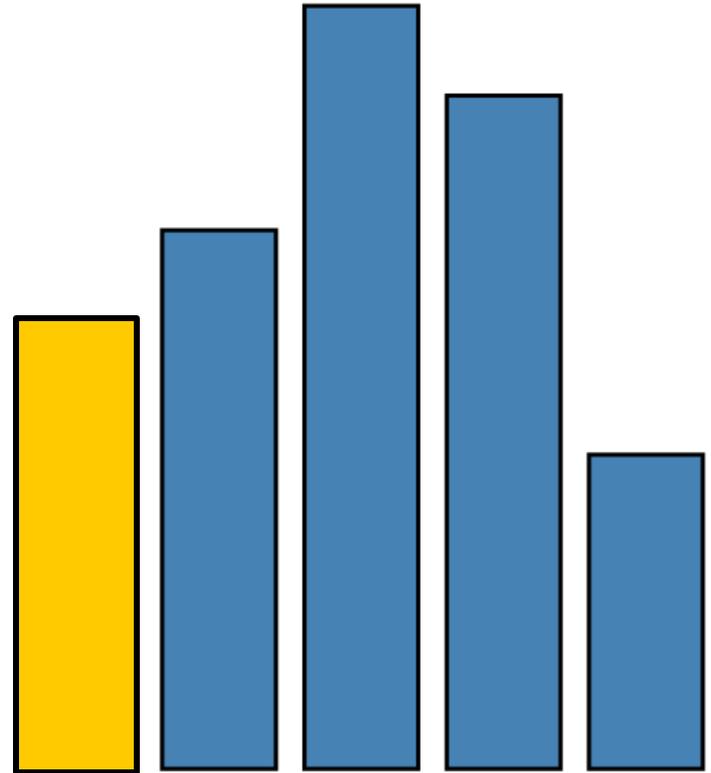
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left	$\lambda: \text{index} * 25$				
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fillStyle	blue				
strokeStyle	black				
lineWidth	1.5				
...	...				



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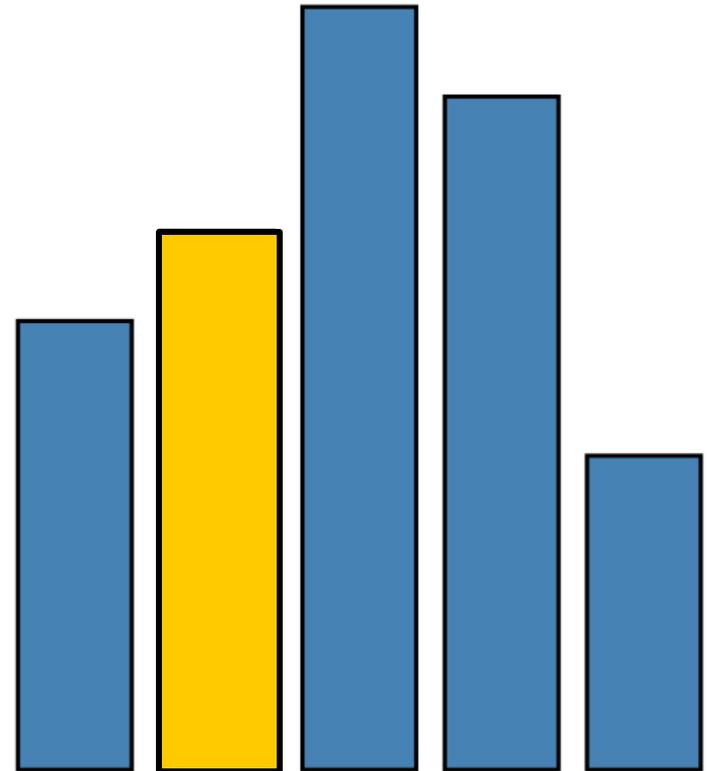
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strokeStyle	black				
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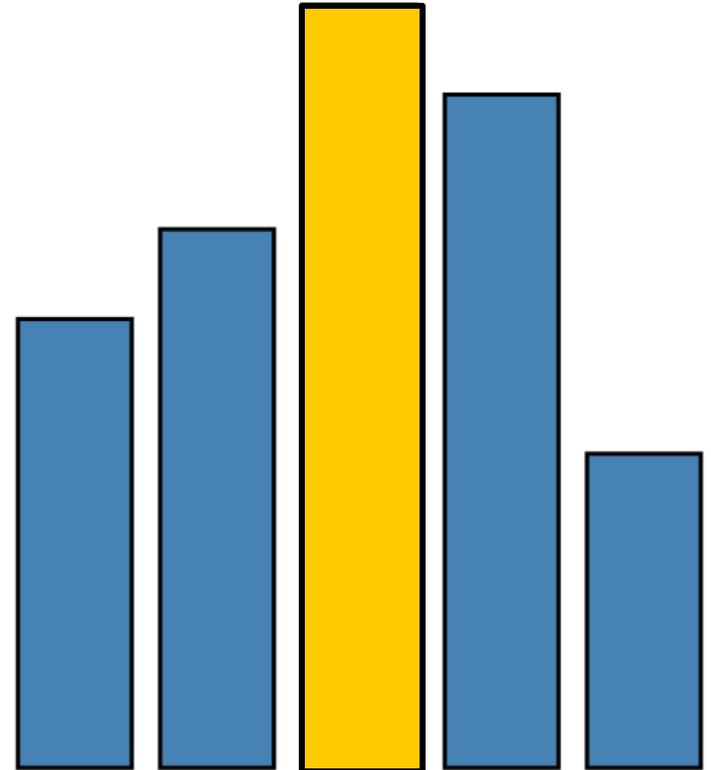
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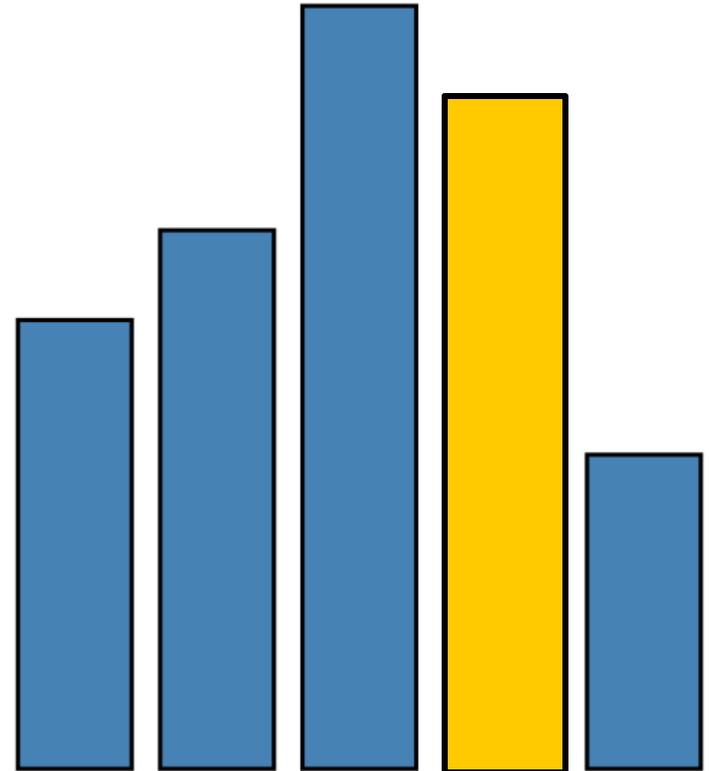
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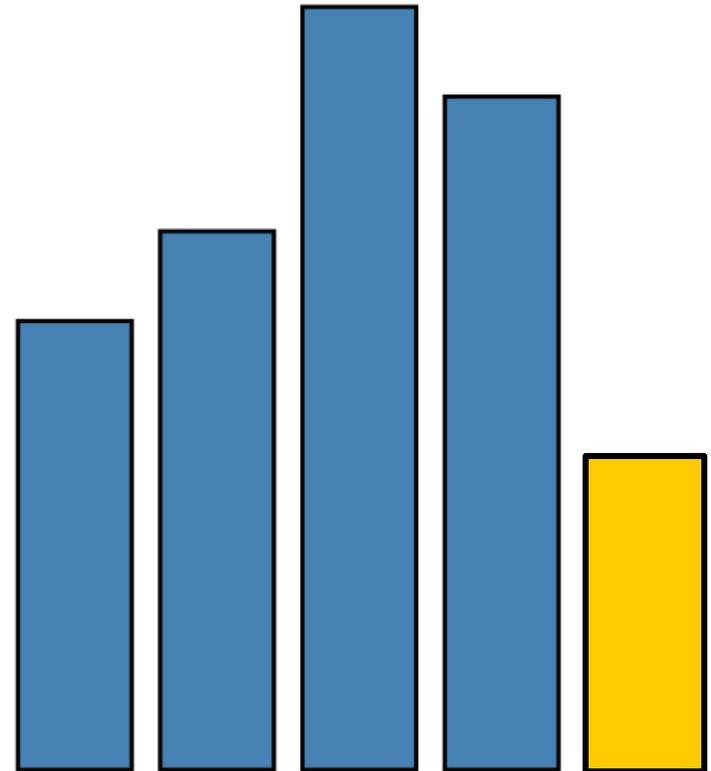
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...	...				



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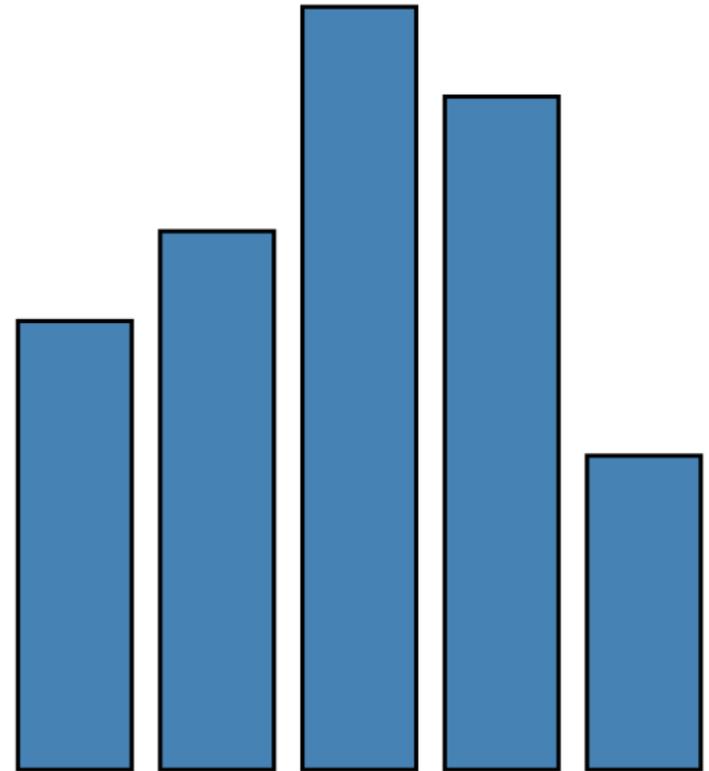
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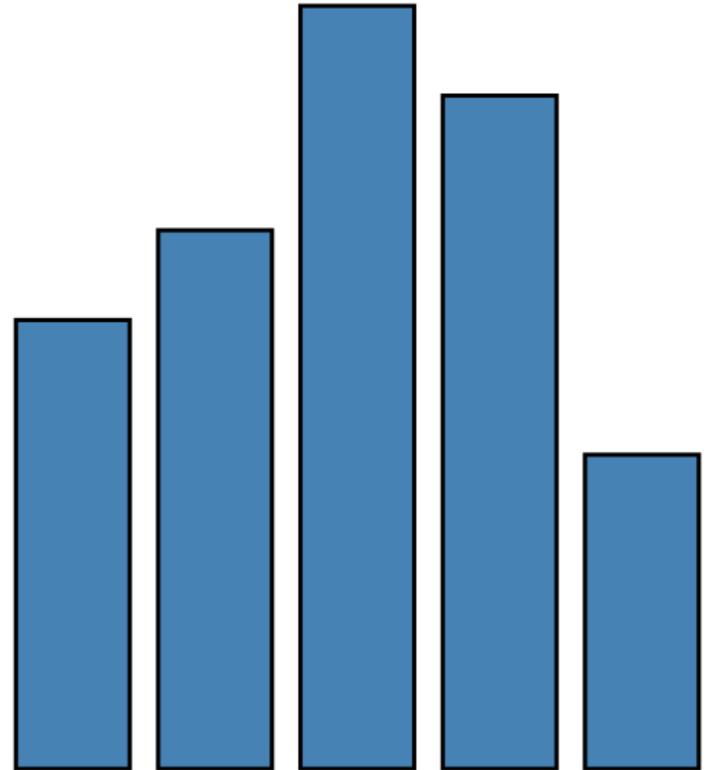
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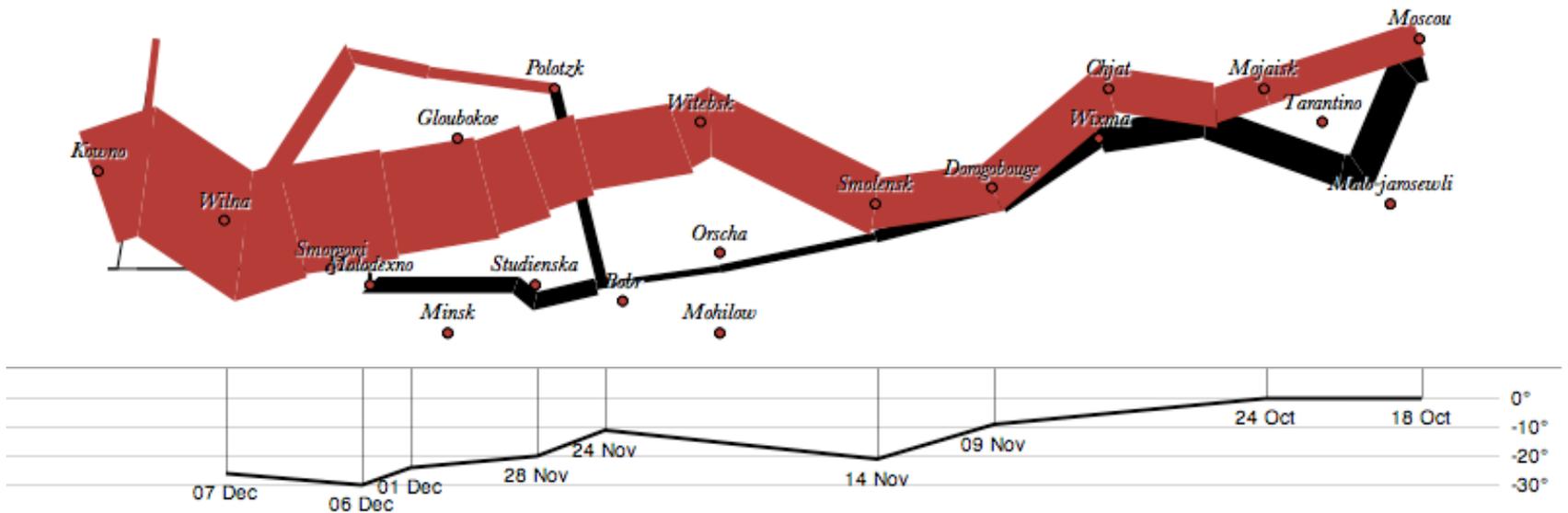
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...	...				



```
var vis = new pv.Panel();
vis.add(pv.Bar)
  .data([1, 1.2, 1.7, 1.5, 0.7])
  .visible(true)
  .left((d) => this.index * 25);
  .bottom(0)
  .width(20)
  .height((d) => d * 80)
  .fillStyle("blue")
  .strokeStyle("black")
  .lineWidth(1.5);
vis.render();
```





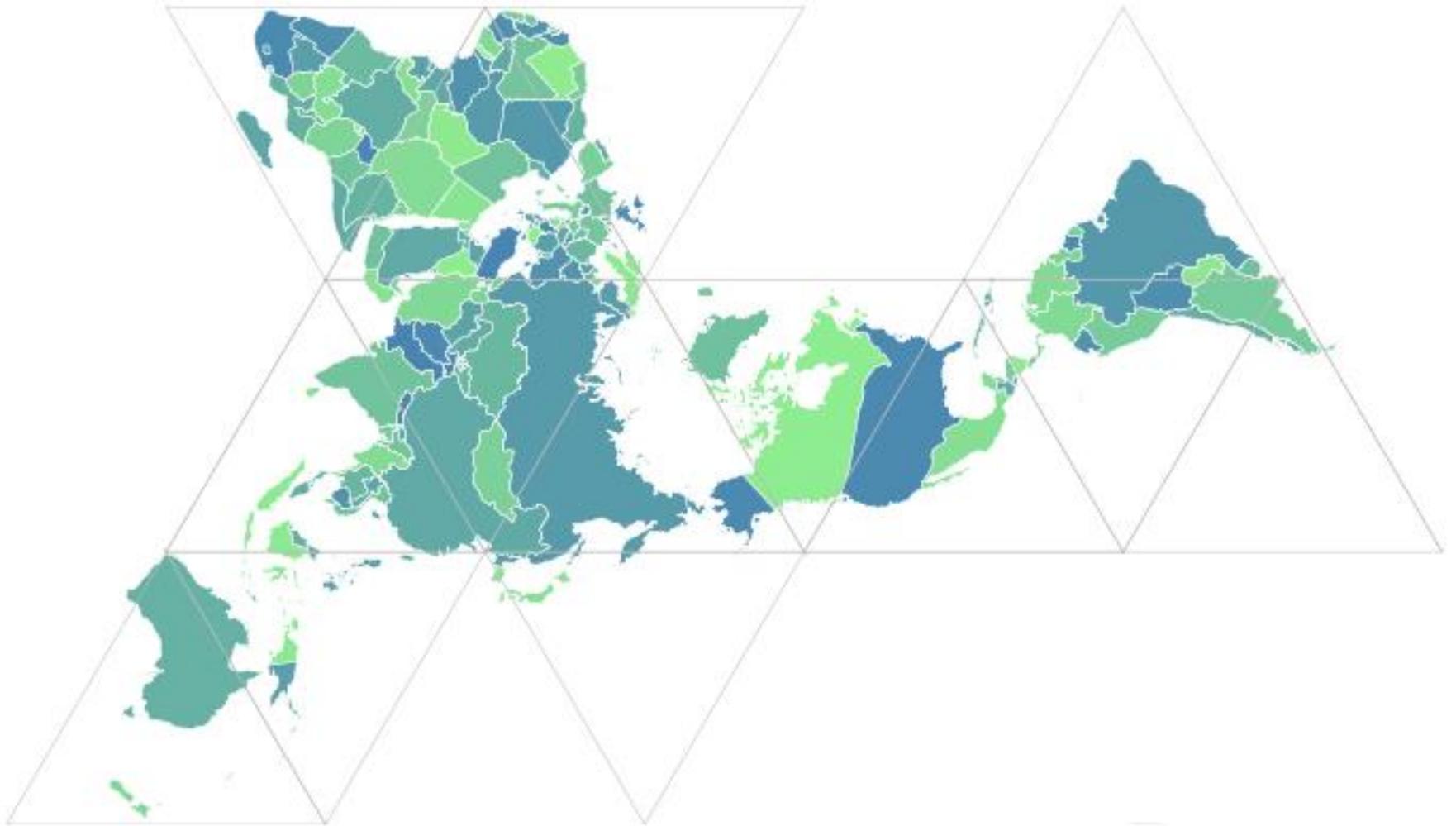
```
var army = pv.nest(napoleon.army, "dir", "group");
var vis = new pv.Panel();
```

```
var lines = vis.add(pv.Panel).data(army);
lines.add(pv.Line)
  .data(() => army[this.idx])
  .left(lon).top(lat).size((d) => d.size/8000)
  .strokeStyle(() => color[army[panelIndex][0].dir]);
```

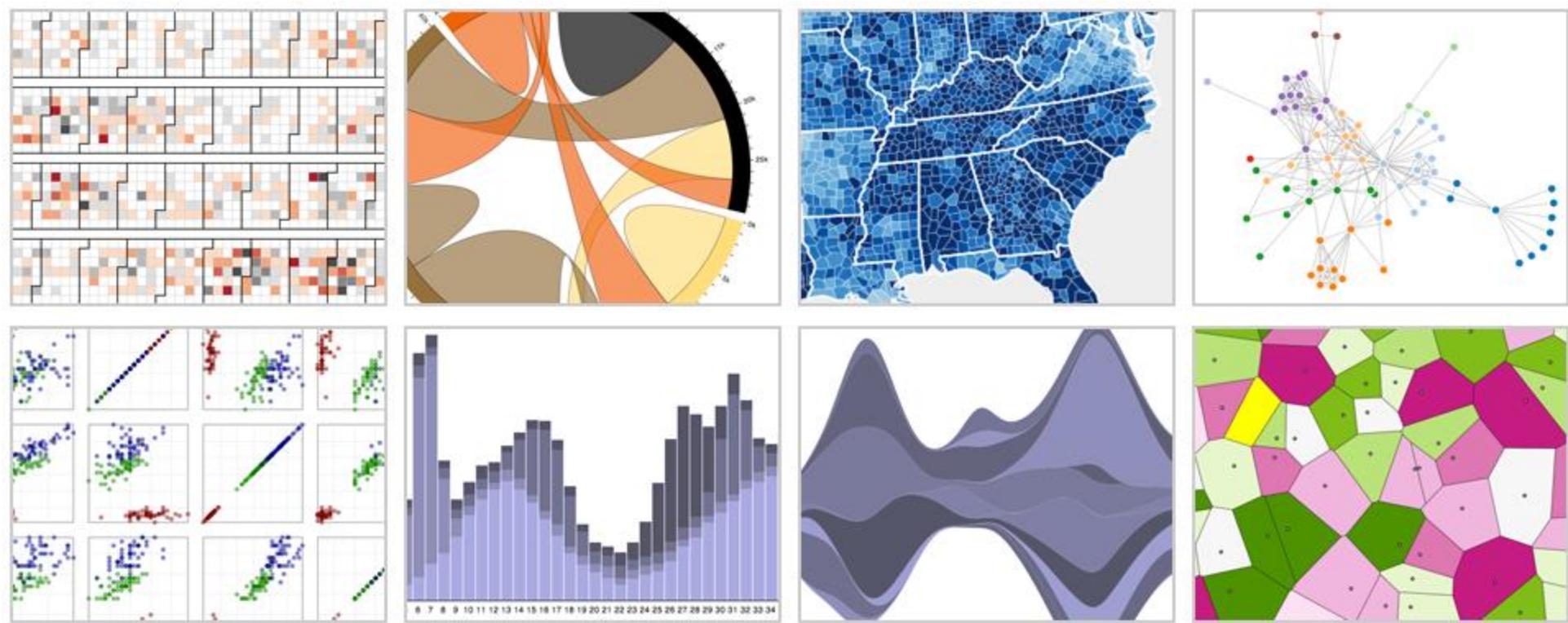
```
vis.add(pv.Label).data(napoleon.cities)
  .left(lon).top(lat)
  .text((d) => d.city).font("italic 10px Georgia")
  .textAlign("center").textBaseline("middle");
```

```
vis.add(pv.Rule).data([0,-10,-20,-30])
  .top((d) => 300 - 2*d - 0.5).left(200).right(150)
  .lineWidth(1).strokeStyle("#ccc")
  .anchor("right").add(pv.Label)
  .font("italic 10px Georgia")
  .text((d) => d+"°").textBaseline("center");

vis.add(pv.Line).data(napoleon.temp)
  .left(lon).top(tmp) .strokeStyle("#0")
  .add(pv.Label)
  .top((d) => 5 + tmp(d))
  .text((d) => d.temp+"° "+d.date.substr(0,6))
  .textBaseline("top").font("italic 10px Georgia");
```



d3.js Data-Driven Documents



with **Mike Bostock**, Jason Davies & Vadim Ogievetsky

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Bind data to DOM

- Exposes SVG/CSS/...
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- + Less overhead (faster)
- + Debug in browser
- + Use with other tools

Transform a scene (verbs)

- More complex model
- + Immediate evaluation
- + Dynamic data, anim, and interaction natural

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svg.selectAll("rect") // select all SVG rectangles  
    .attr("width", 100) // set rect widths to 100px  
    .style("fill", "steelblue"); // set rect fill colors
```

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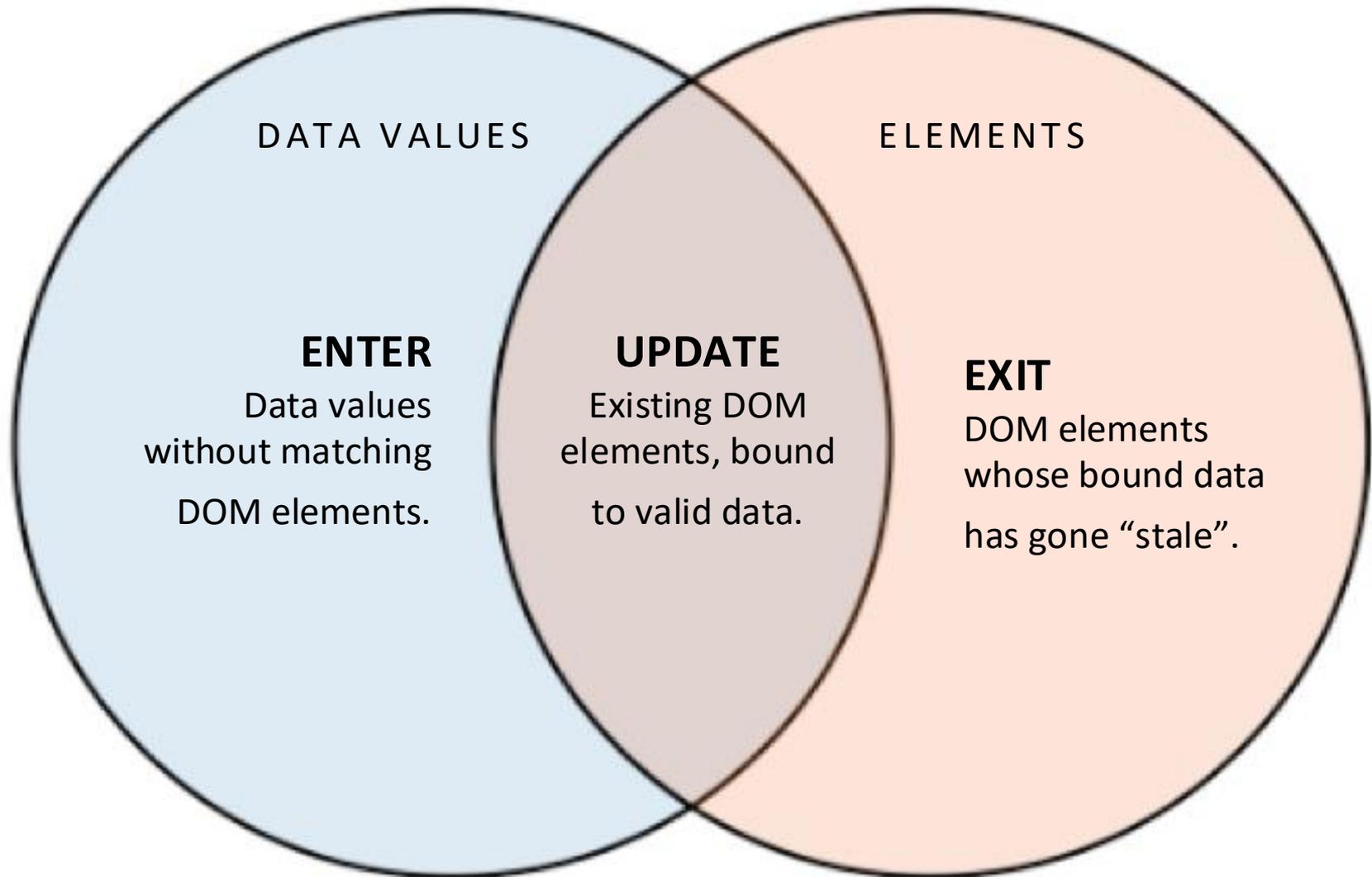
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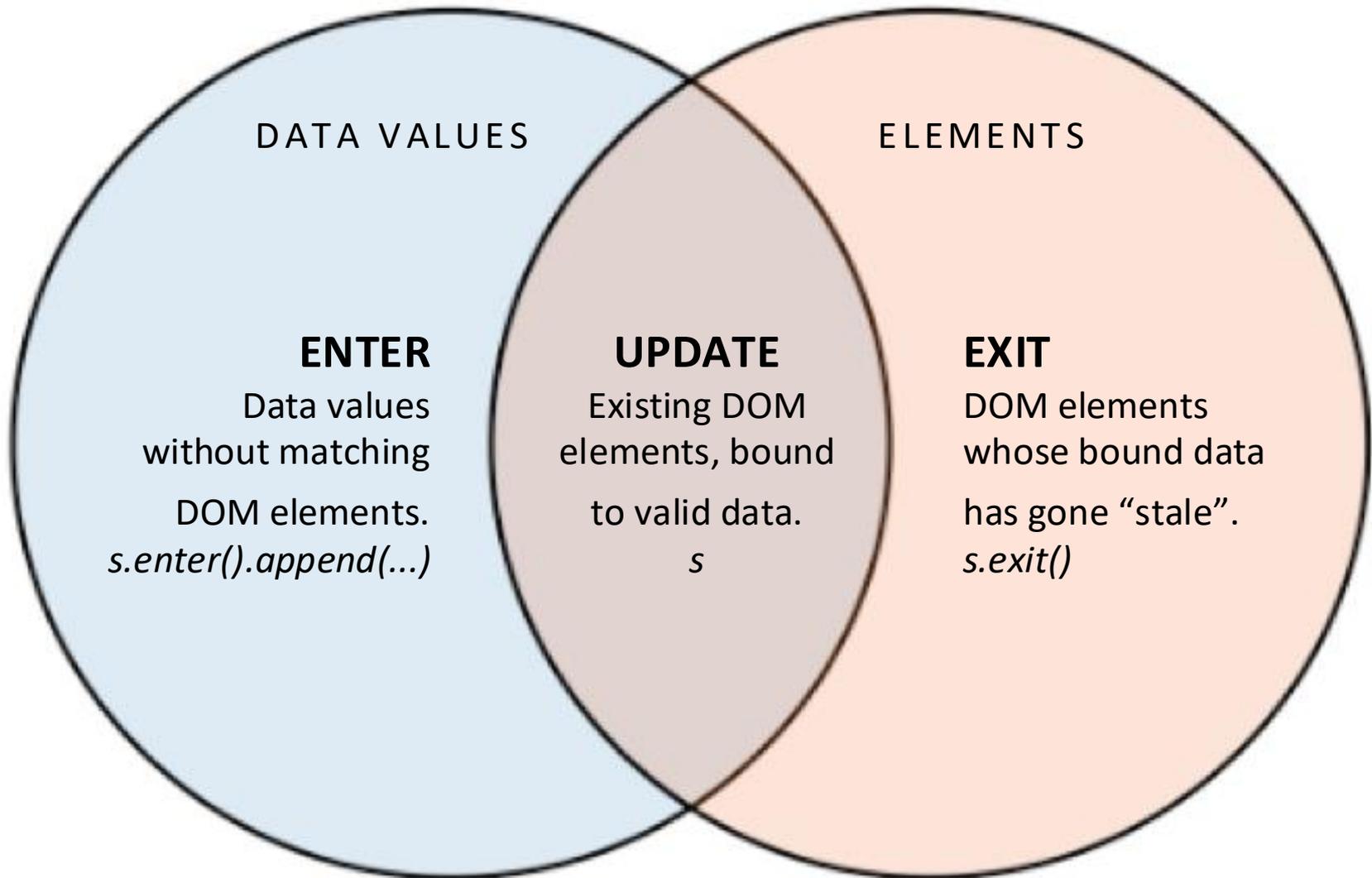
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bars.enter().append("rect").attr("class", "bars");  
// What if data values are removed? The exit set is a selection of existing  
// DOM elements who no longer have matching data values.  
bars.exit().remove();
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    .join(
        enter => enter.append("rect"), // create new
        update => update,                // update current
        exit => exit.remove()            // remove outdated
    )
```

D3 Modules

Data Parsing / Formatting (JSON, CSV, ...)

Shape Helpers (arcs, curves, areas, symbols, ...)

Scale Transforms (linear, log, ordinal, ...)

Color Spaces (RGB, HSL, LAB, ...)

Animated Transitions (tweening, easing, ...)

Geographic Mapping (projections, clipping, ...)

Layout Algorithms (stack, pie, force, trees, ...)

Interactive Behaviors (brush, zoom, drag, ...)

Many of these correspond to future lecture topics!

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Expressiveness



Break Time!

Administrivia

A2 Peer Reviews

On Friday 1/31 you will be assigned two peer A2 submissions to review. For each:

- Try to determine which is earnest and which is deceptive
- Share a rationale for how you made this determination
- Share feedback using the “I Like / I Wish / What If” rubric

Assigned reviews will be posted on the A2 Peer Review page on Canvas, along with a link to a Google Form. You should submit two forms: one for each A2 peer review.

Due by **Wed 2/4 11:59pm.**

Tutorial on Thursday

D3.js Deep Dive: Thursday 1/30 during lecture, Led by Lisa and Jiawen

Be sure to read the D3, Part 1 notebook ahead of time. We'll work through Part 2 in class. Also read the JS/Observable primer if you're new to this!

Web Publishing: Friday 2/7 4-5:30pm in Zoom, Led by Heer

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```
d3.selectAll("rect")  
  .data(my_data)  
  .join("rect")  
  .attr("x", d => xscale(d.foo))  
  .attr("y", d => yscale(d.bar))
```

— 2010 Midterm Elections —

Tea Party Vow to Deter Voter Fraud Is Called Scare Tactic

By IAN URBINA 2:19 PM ET

Voting rights group say that Tea Party members' plan to question voters' eligibility at the polls is intended to suppress minority and poor voters.

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Painting at 99, With No Compromises
By ROBIN FINN

An exhibition celebrating Will Barnet's centennial year traces his evolution as a modern American artist.

OPINION »
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Humans to Asteroids: Watch Out!
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• Brooks: No Second Thoughts
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• Herbert: The Corrosion of America

• Cohen: Turkey Steps Out

• Editorial: Mortgage Mess

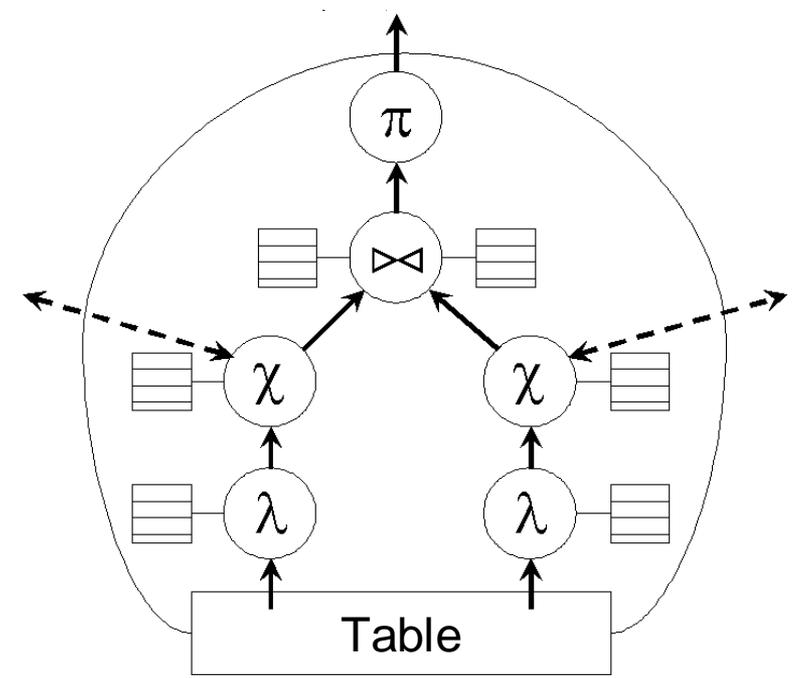
• Bloggingheads: Jon Stewart's Power

MARKETS » At 3:56 PM ET

S.&P. 500 | Dow | Nasdaq

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
<!--[if IE]><![endif]-->
<html>
  <head>...</head>
  <body id="home" style="visibility: visible;">
    <script src="http://connect.facebook.net/en_US/all.js"></scrip
    <div id="fb-root"></div>
    <a name="top"></a>
    <div id="shell">
      <ul id="memberTools">...</ul>
      <!-- ADXINFO classification="text_ad" campaign="nyt2010-circ
      <div class="tabsContainer">...</div>
      <!-- close .tabsContainer -->
      <div id="page" class="tabContent active">...</div>
      <!--close page -->
    </div>
    <!--close shell -->
    <script type="text/javascript" language="JavaScript">...</script>
    </scrip
    <span id="wt_script"></span>
    <script type="text/javascript"></script>
    
    <script type="text/javascript" src="http://graphics8.nytimes.c
```

HTML / CSS



```
SELECT customer_id, customer_name,
COUNT(order_id) as total
FROM customers
INNER JOIN orders ON
customers.customer_id
= orders.customer_id
GROUP BY customer_id, customer_name
HAVING COUNT(order_id) > 5
ORDER BY COUNT(order_id) DESC
```

SQL

Why Declarative Languages?

Faster iteration, less code, larger user base?

Better visualization. *Smart defaults.*

Reuse. *Write-once, then re-apply.*

Performance. *Optimization, scalability.*

Portability. *Multiple devices, renderers, inputs.*

Programmatic generation.

Write programs which output visualizations.

Automated search & recommendation.

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Tableau, *Lyra*, *Voyager*

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The Lyra Visualization Design Environment (VDE) ^{alpha}

Arvind Satyanarayan, Kanit "Ham" Wongsuphasawat, Jeffrey Heer



idl.cs.washington.edu/projects/lyra

William Playfair's classic chart comparing the price of wheat and wages in England recreated in the Lyra VDE.

See also: Charticulator, Data Illustrator

Lyra A Visualization Design Environment

DATA PIPELINES

Full Data

Left Labels

Pipeline name: Left Labels

Import data from: gas

Filter test: side == "left"

side	left	left	left	left	left	left
year	1956	1974	1979	1980	1986	1989
miles	3675	5943	6744	6672	7558	8397
gas	2.38	2.34	2.68	3.3	1.76	1.75
index	0	18	23	24	30	33

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Data Transforms

Scales

Right Labels

Top Labels

Bottom Labels

VISUAL LAYERS

Plot

Line

Bottom Labels

Top Labels

Right Labels

Left Labels

name: Left Labels

pipeline name: Left Labels

Visual Transforms

text: year

font

family: Helvetica

size: 10

weight: normal

style: normal

color: black

position

x: LIN X miles

y: LIN Y gas

align

x: -20

y: 0

4,000 6,000 8,000 10,000

\$3.00

\$2.50

\$2.00

\$1.50

1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010

Cheap gas, longer commutes

The Arab oil embargo

Energy crisis

The swing backward
The average number of miles that Americans drive annually begins to fall, so the chart appears to turn around.

Driving Shifts into Reverse by Hannah Fairfield, NYTimes

Lyra A Visualization Design Environment

DATA PIPELINES

Zip Codes

Pipeline name: Zip Codes

Import data from: zipcodes-full

Group by: state

zip	00210	00211	00212
lat	+43.005895	+43.005895	+43.005895
lon	-071.013202	-071.013202	-071.013202
code	U	U	U
city	PORTSMOUTH	PORTSMOUTH	PORTSMOUTH
state	33	33	33
county	015	015	015
index	0	1	2
key	33	33	33

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Data Transforms

Scales

ORD Stroke Color

VISUAL LAYERS

Visual Transforms

Geo

type: Latitude/Longitude

latitude: lat

longitude: lon

projection: mercator

center

x: -98.35

y: 39.50

translate

x: 350

y: 170

scale: 775

rotate: 0

precision: 0

clip angle: 0

output: x y

type: points

points

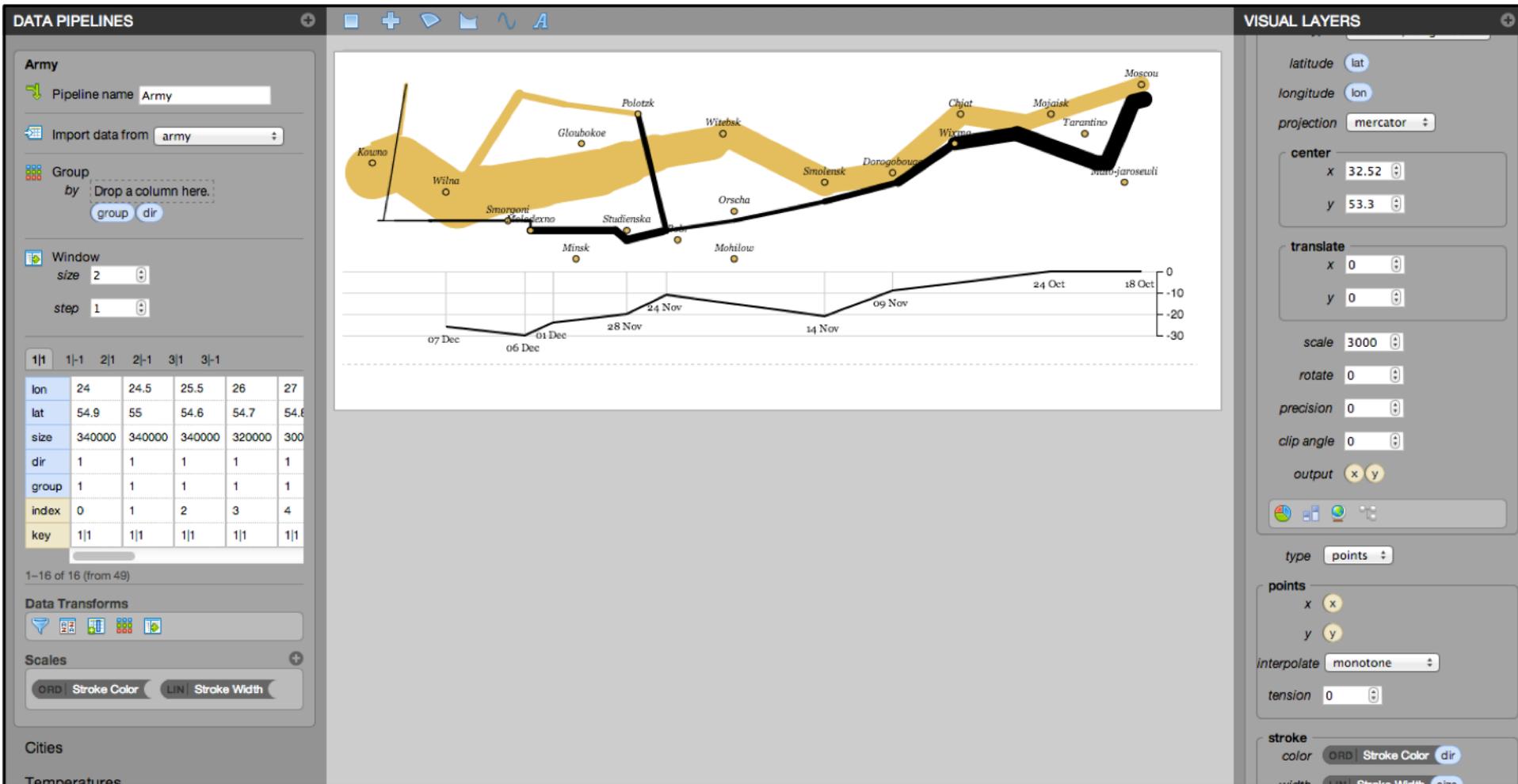
x: x

y: y

interpolate: monotone

tension: 0

Lyra A Visualization Design Environment



Napoleon's March by Charles Minard

Voyager 2

Secure https://uwdata.github.io/voyager2/

datavoyager

Bookmarks (0) Undo Redo

Data

Cars Change

Fields

- ▼ A Cylinders ▼ +
- ▼ A Name ▼ +
- ▼ A Origin ▼ +
- ▼ 📅 Year ▼ +
- ▼ # Acceleration ▼ +
- ▼ # Displacement ▼ +
- ▼ # Horsepower ▼ +
- ▼ # Miles per Gallon ▼ +
- ▼ # Weight in lbs ▼ +
- ▼ # COUNT +

Wildcards

- ▼ A Categorical Fields +
- ▼ 📅 Temporal Fields +
- ▼ # Quantitative Fields +

Encoding Clear

x ▼ 📅 YEAR (Year) ✕

y ▼ # MEAN (Miles per Gallon) ✕

column drop a field here

row drop a field here

Marks auto

size drop a field here

color drop a field here

shape drop a field here

detail drop a field here

text drop a field here

any drop a field here

Filter Filter invalid numbers

Related Views All Add Categorical Field Add Quantitative Field Hide

Add Categorical Field

📅 YEAR (Year) # MEAN (Miles per Gallon) A Cylinders ↑

MEAN(Miles_per_Gallon)

YEAR(Year)

Cylinders

- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 8

📅 YEAR (Year) # MEAN (Miles per Gallon) A Origin ↑

MEAN(Miles_per_Gallon)

YEAR(Year)

Origin

- Europe
- Japan
- USA

Debug · Report an Issue

Voyager. Wongsuphasawat et al. *InfoVis'15, CHI'17*

Key Idea: Augment manual exploration with visualization recommendations sensitive to the user's current focus.

The goal is to support *systematic consideration* of the data, without exacerbating *false discovery*.

To model a user's search frontier, we *enumerate related Vega-Lite specifications*, seeded by the user's current focus.

Candidate charts are pruned and ranked using models of estimated *perceptual effectiveness*.



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Editor Iris Json

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Recommendations

- Hover
- Click
- Drag
- Visualize
- Brush
- Zoom

Implemented

Visualization Output

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Summary

There is no one-size-fits-all tool for visualization.

Instead, visualization tools fall along a spectrum ranging from graphical interfaces to advanced programming toolkits.

Visualization tools make deliberate tradeoffs between ease of use and expressiveness, placing them at specific points along the spectrum.

Users often select and switch between various tools to meet their current needs.