

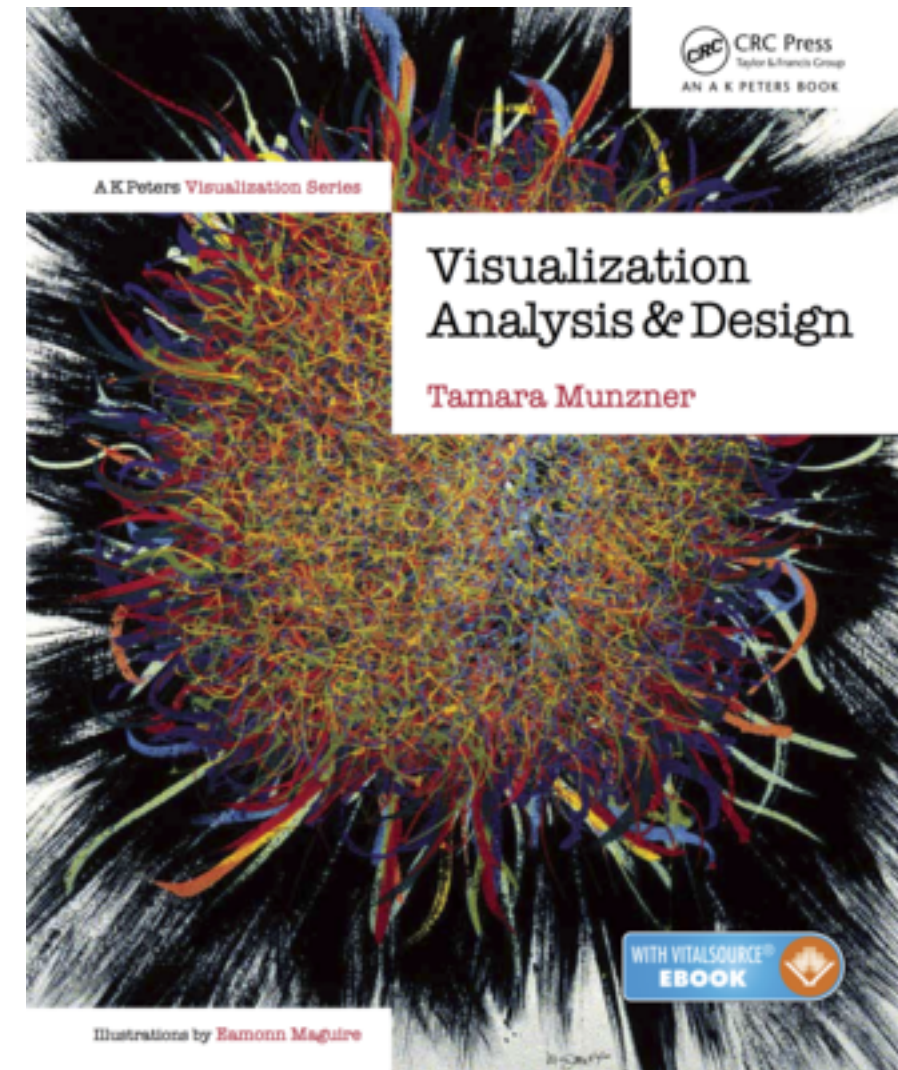
Visualization Analysis & Design

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Visualization (vis) defined & motivated

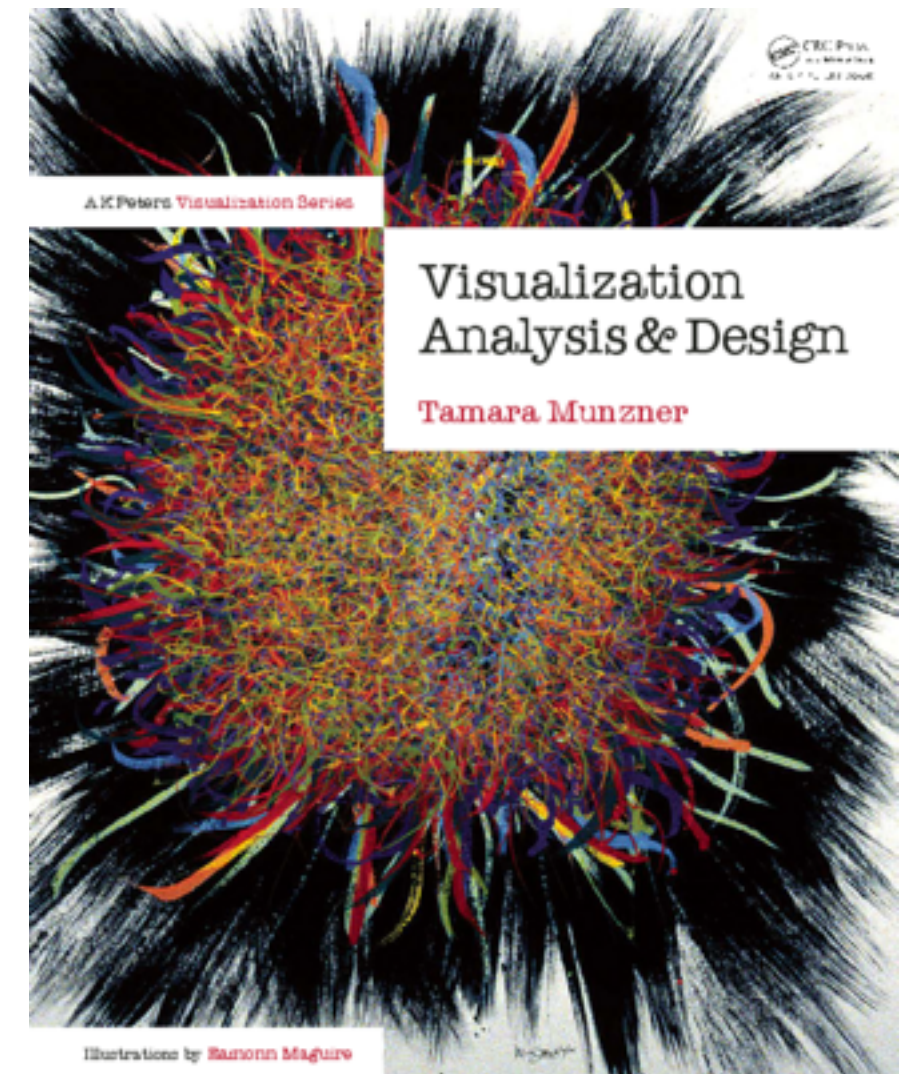
Computer-based visualization systems provide visual representations of datasets designed to help people carry out tasks more effectively.

Visualization is suitable when there is a need to augment human capabilities rather than replace people with computational decision-making methods.

- human in the loop needs the details
 - doesn't know exactly what questions to ask in advance
 - longterm exploratory analysis
 - presentation of known results
 - stepping stone towards automation: refining, trustbuilding
- external representation: perception vs cognition
- intended task, measurable definitions of effectiveness

more at:

Visualization Analysis and Design, Chapter 1.
Munzner. AK Peters Visualization Series, CRC Press, 2014.



Why analyze?

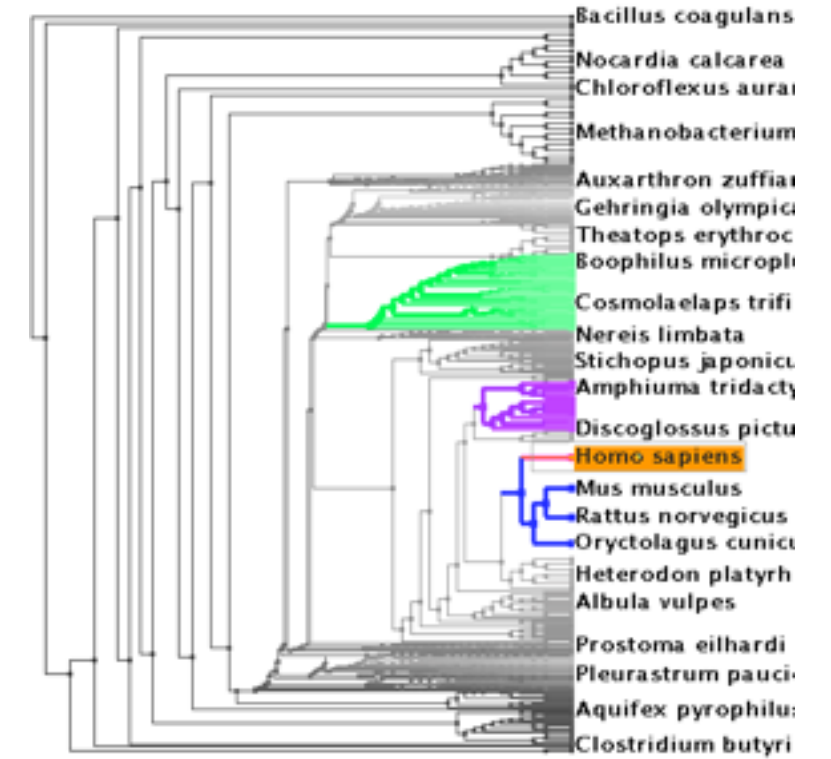
- imposes a structure on huge design space
 - scaffold to help you think systematically about choices
 - analyzing existing as stepping stone to designing new

SpaceTree



[SpaceTree: Supporting Exploration in Large Node Link Tree, Design Evolution and Empirical Evaluation. Grosjean, Plaisant, and Bederson. Proc. InfoVis 2002, p 57–64.]

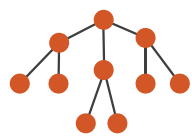
TreeJuxtaposer



[TreeJuxtaposer: Scalable Tree Comparison Using Focus +Context With Guaranteed Visibility. ACM Trans. on Graphics (Proc. SIGGRAPH) 22:453– 462, 2003.]

What?

→ Tree



Why?

→ Actions

→ Present → Locate → Identify



→ Targets

→ Path between two nodes



How?

→ SpaceTree

→ Encode → Navigate → Select → Filter → Aggregate



→ TreeJuxtaposer

→ Encode → Navigate → Select → Arrange



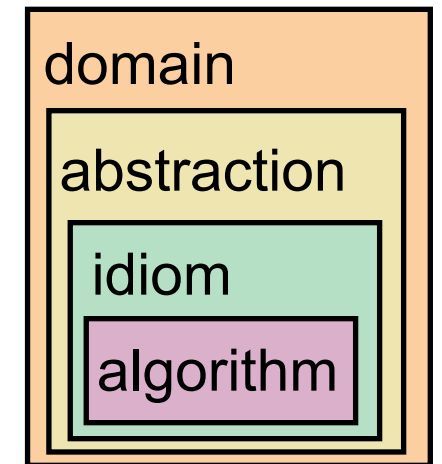
What?

Why?

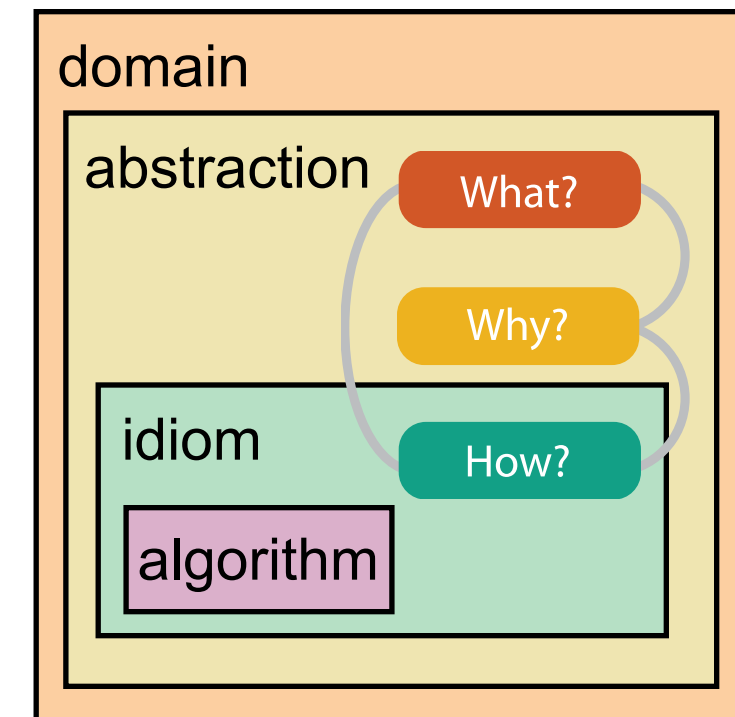
How?

Analysis framework: Four levels, three questions

- *domain* situation
 - who are the target users?
- *abstraction*
 - translate from specifics of domain to vocabulary of vis
- **what** is shown? **data abstraction**
 - often don't just draw what you're given: transform to new form
- **why** is the user looking at it? **task abstraction**
- *idiom*
- **how** is it shown?
 - visual encoding idiom: how to draw
 - interaction idiom: how to manipulate
- *algorithm*
 - efficient computation



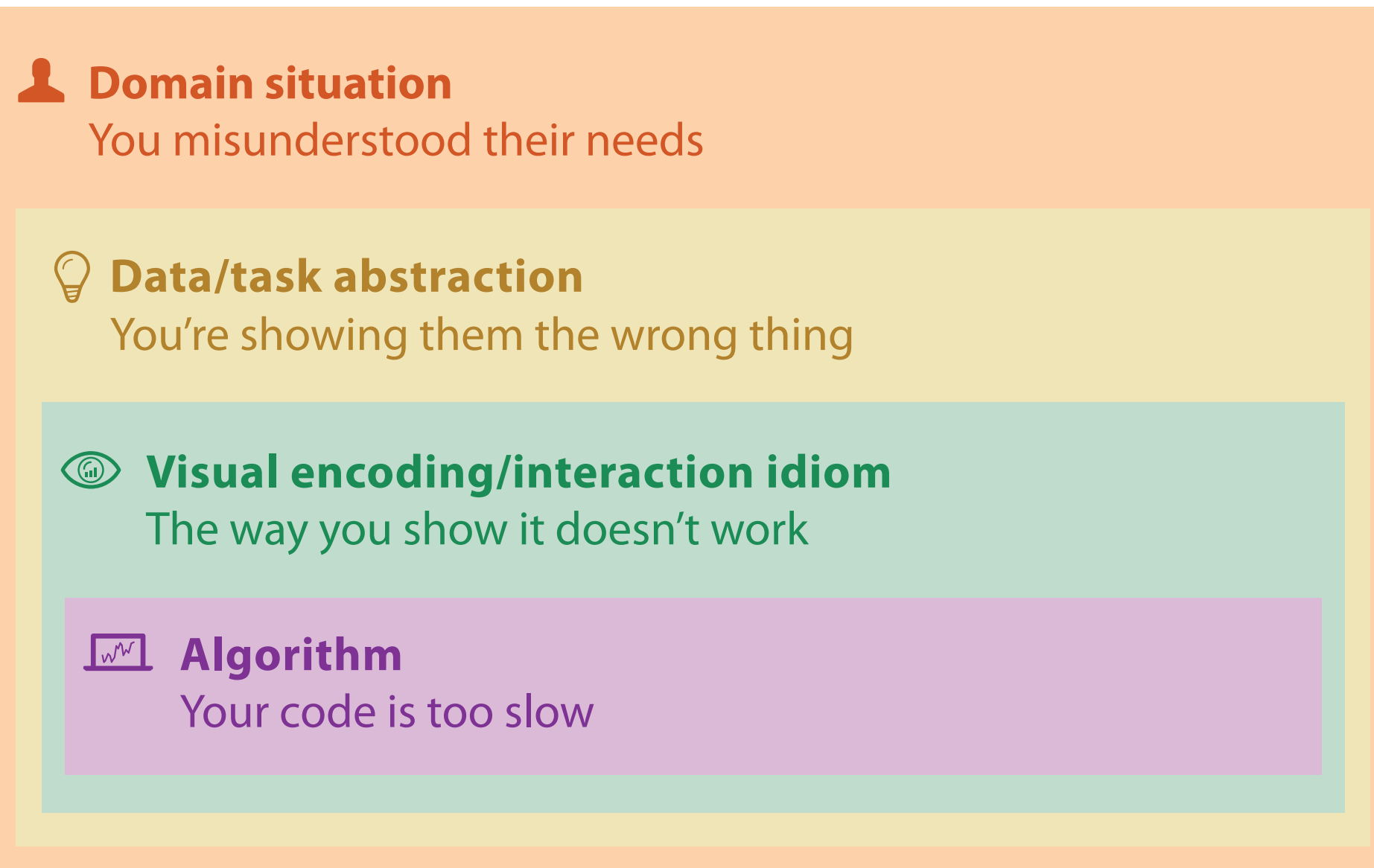
[A Nested Model of Visualization Design and Validation.
Munzner. *IEEE TVCG* 15(6):921-928, 2009 (Proc. InfoVis 2009).]



[A Multi-Level Typology of Abstract Visualization Tasks
Brehmer and Munzner. *IEEE TVCG* 19(12):2376-2385, 2013 (Proc. InfoVis 2013).]

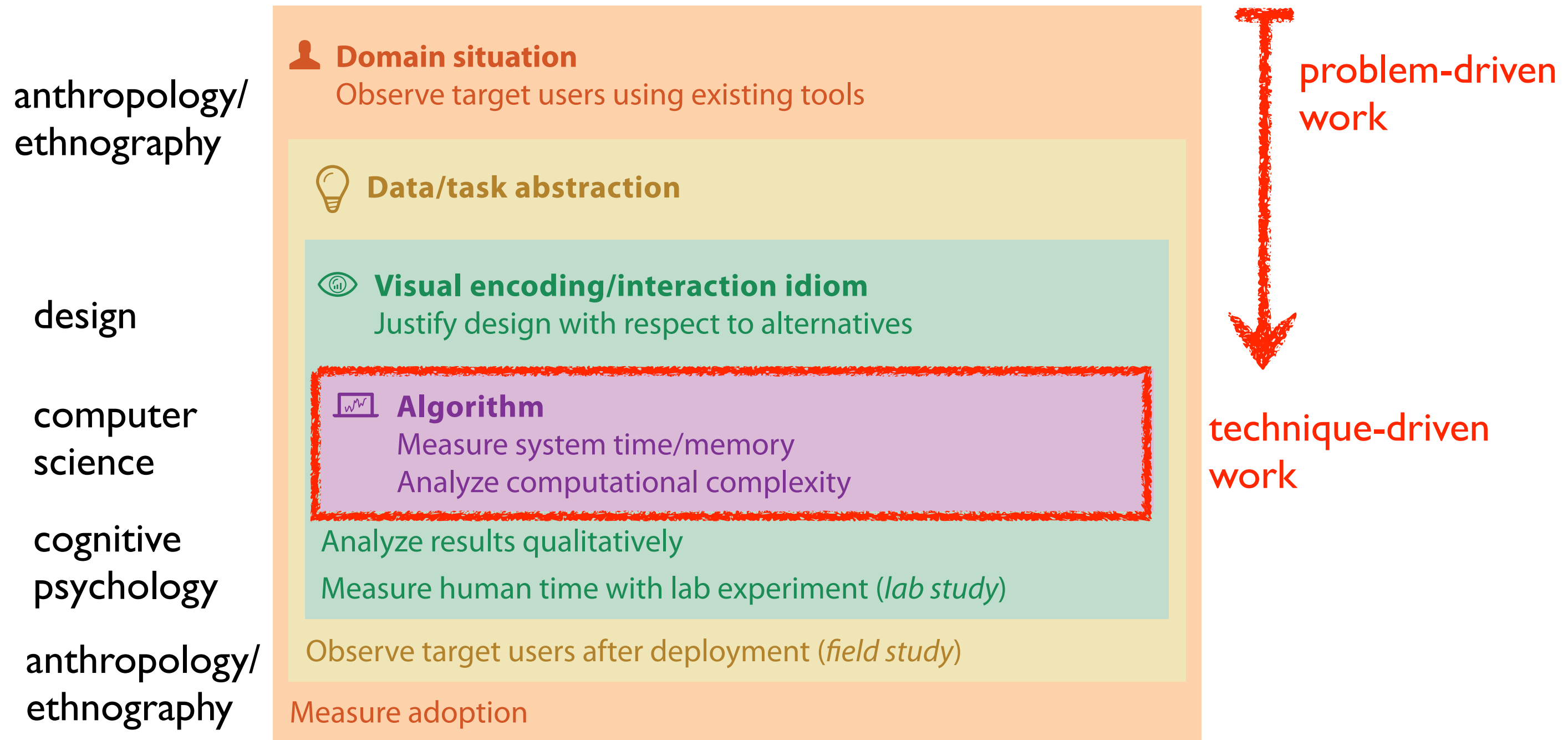
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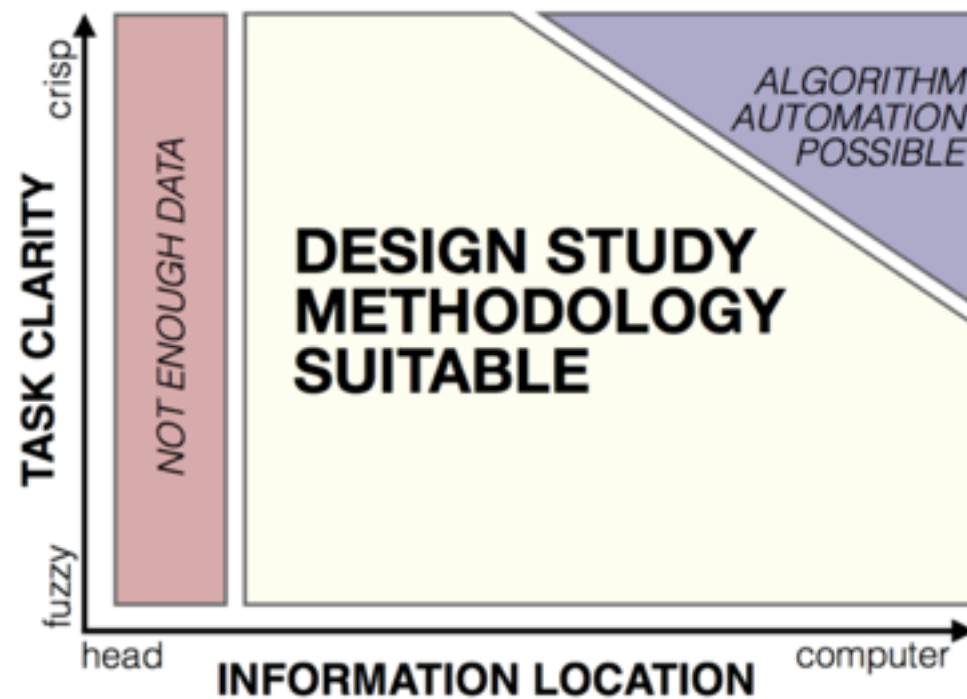
- different ways to get it wrong at each level



Why is validation difficult?

- solution: use methods from different fields at each level





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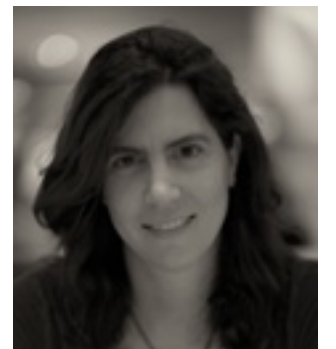


Design Study Methodology

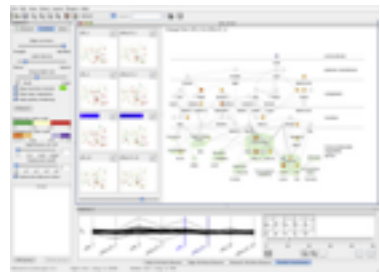
Reflections from the Trenches and from the Stacks

<http://www.cs.ubc.ca/labs/imager/tr/2012/dsm/>

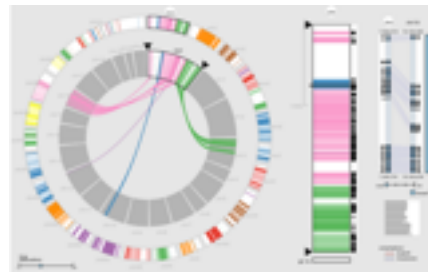
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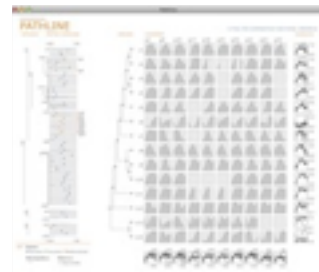
Design Studies: Lessons learned after 21 of them



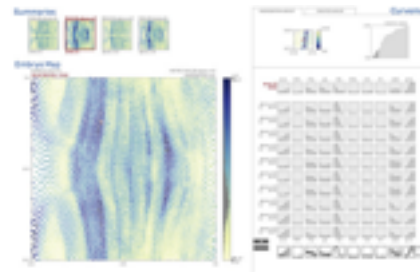
Cerebral
genomics



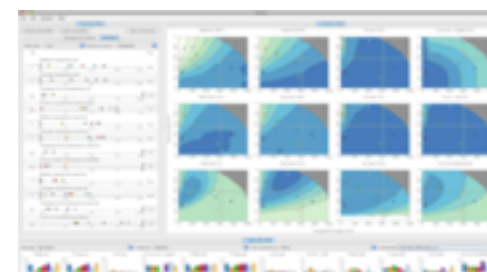
MizBee
genomics



Pathline
genomics



MulteeSum
genomics



Vismon
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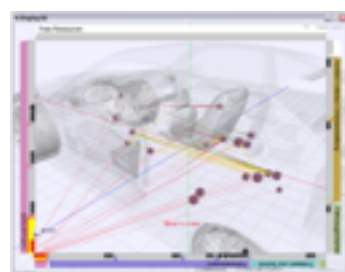
QuestVis
sustainability



WiKeVis
in-car networks



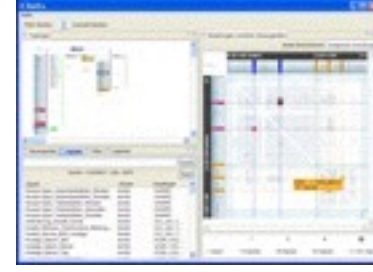
MostVis
in-car networks



Car-X-Ray
in-car networks



ProgSpy2010
in-car networks



RelEx
in-car networks



Cardiogram
in-car networks



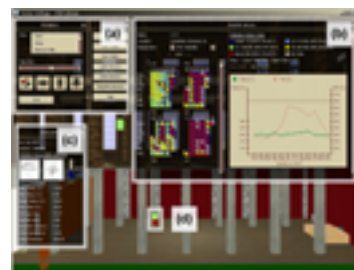
AutobahnVis
in-car networks



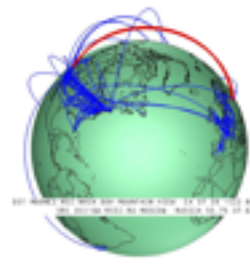
VisTra
in-car networks



Constellation
linguistics



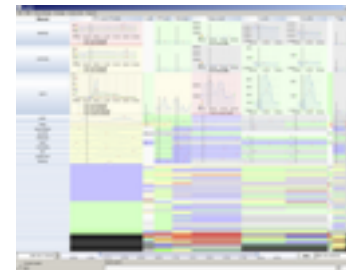
LibVis
cultural heritage



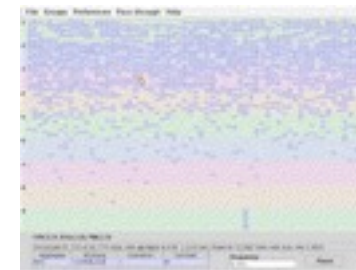
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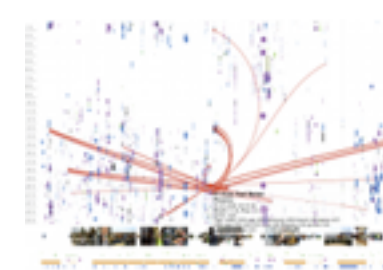
SessionViewer
web log analysis



LiveRAC
server hosting



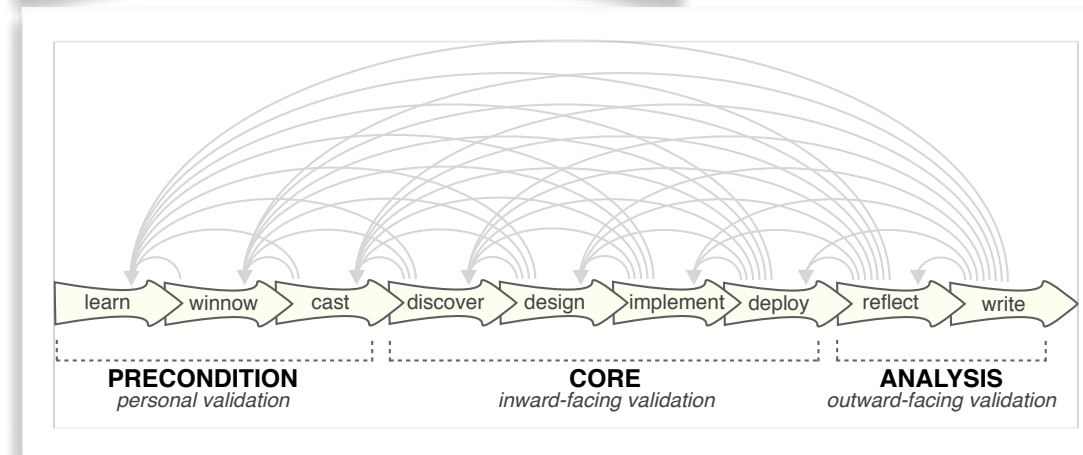
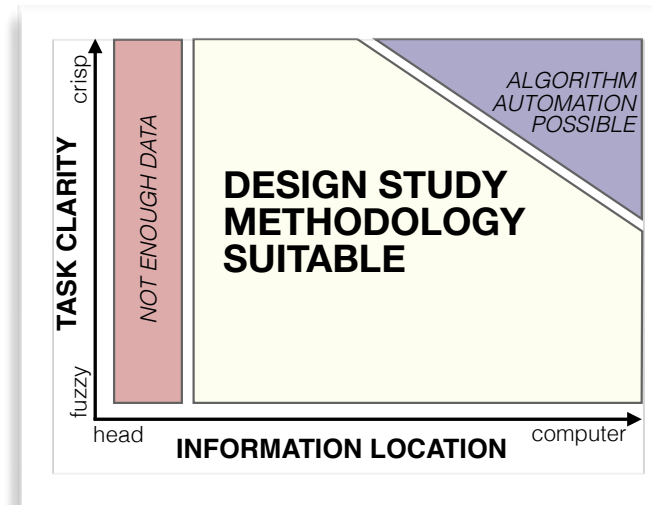
PowerSetViewer
data mining



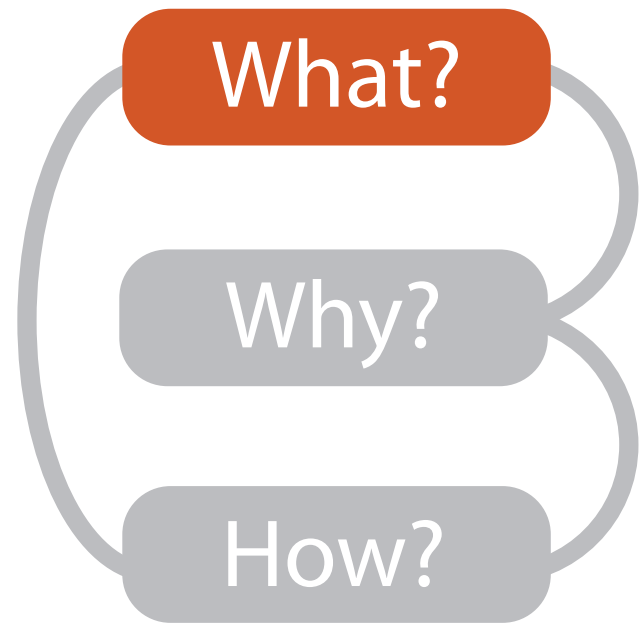
LastHistory
music listening

Methodology for Problem-Driven Work

- definitions
- 9-stage framework
- 32 pitfalls
and how to avoid them
 - some on collaboration
 - some still apply even when designer == domain expert



PF-1	premature advance: jumping forward over stages	general
PF-2	premature start: insufficient knowledge of vis literature	learn
PF-3	premature commitment: collaboration with wrong people	winnow
PF-4	no real data available (yet)	winnow
PF-5	insufficient time available from potential collaborators	winnow
PF-6	no need for visualization: problem can be automated	winnow
PF-7	researcher expertise does not match domain problem	winnow
PF-8	no need for research: engineering vs. research project	winnow
PF-9	no need for change: existing tools are good enough	winnow



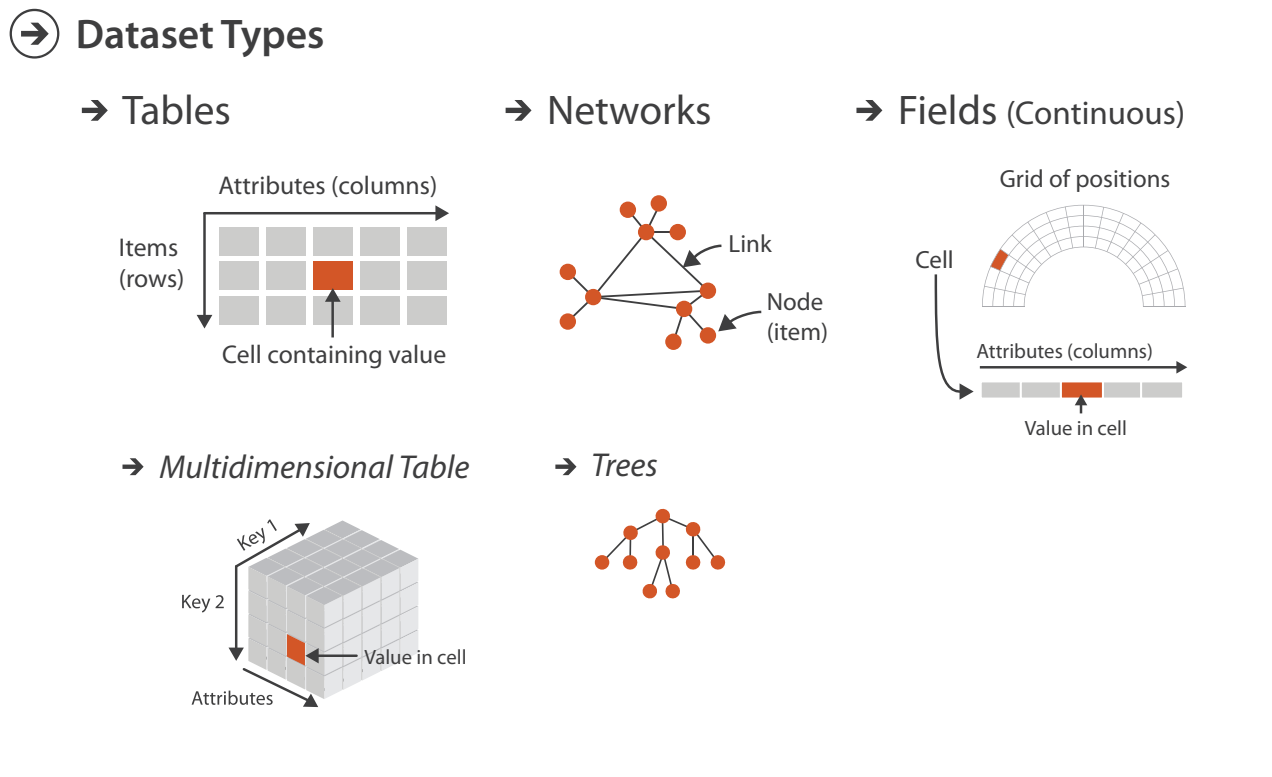
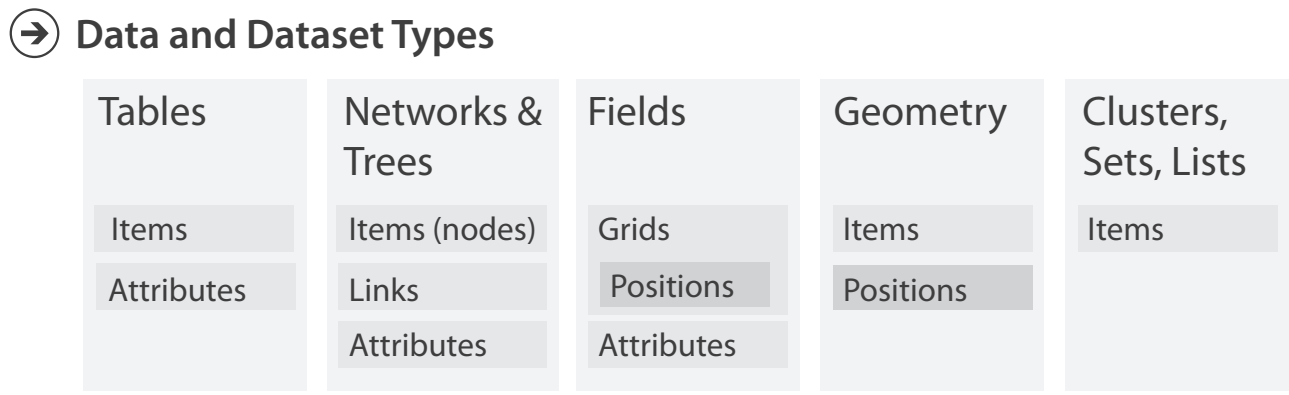
What?

Datasets

Attributes

- Data Types
 - Items
 - Attributes
 - Links
 - Positions
 - Grids

- Attribute Types
 - Categorical
 - + ● ■ ▲
 - Ordered
 - Ordinal
 - 👕 👕 👕
 - Quantitative
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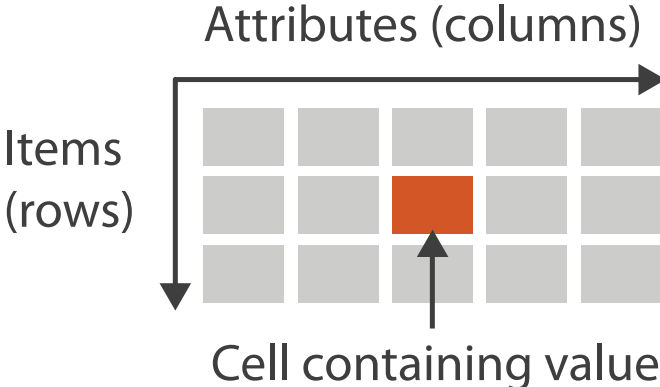
- Ordering Direction
 - Sequential
 -
 - Diverging
 - ←→
 - Cyclic
 - ↻



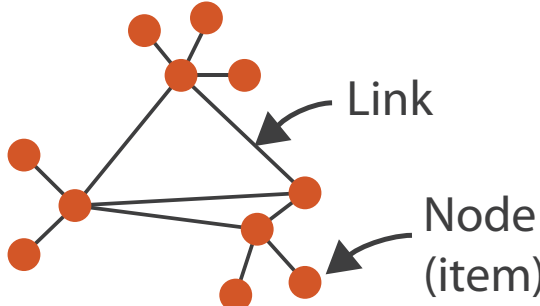
Types: Datasets and data

→ Dataset Types

→ Tables

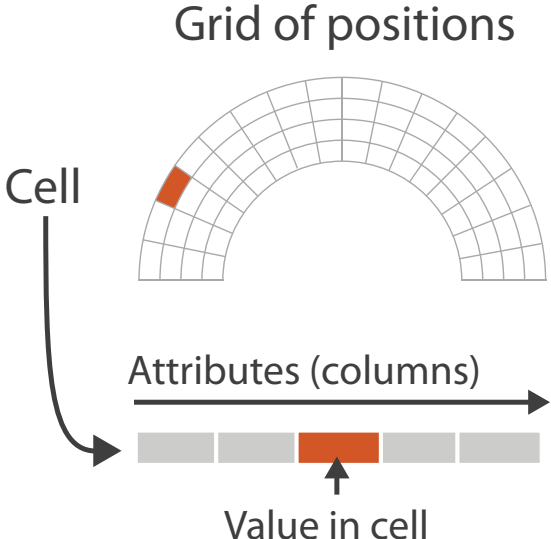


→ Networks

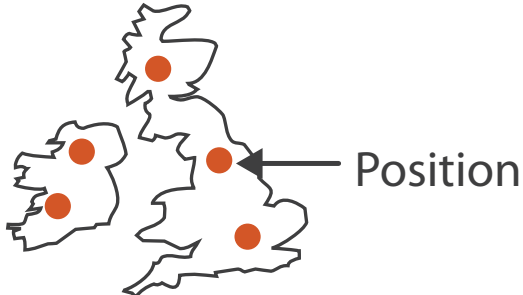


→ Spatial

→ Fields (Continuous)



→ Geometry (Spatial)



→ Attribute Types

→ Categorical

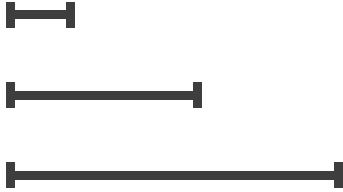


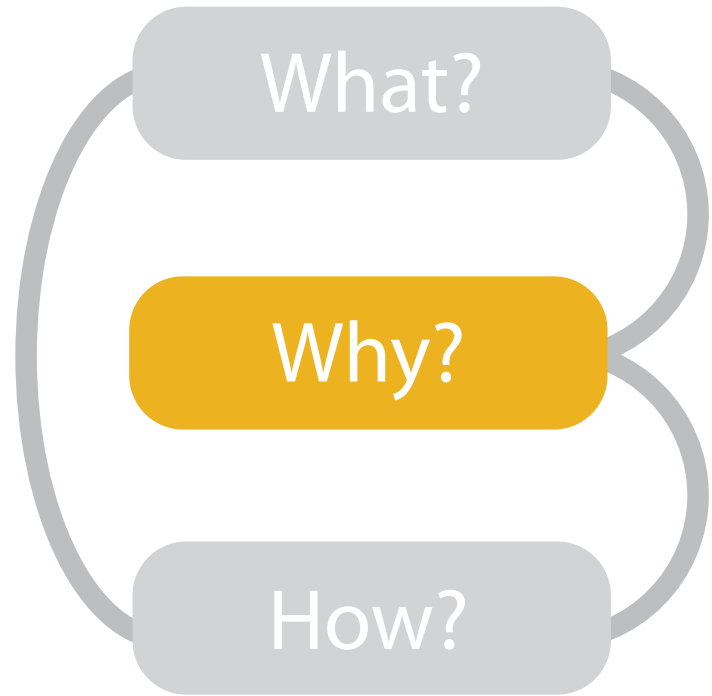
→ Ordered

→ Ordinal



→ Quantitative





👉 Actions

🎯 Targets

➔ Analyze

➔ Consume

➔ Discover



➔ Present



➔ Enjoy



➔ Produce

➔ Annotate



➔ Record



➔ Derive



➔ Search

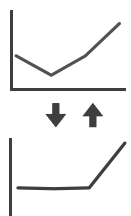
	Target known	Target unknown
Location known	•••• Lookup	•••• Browse
Location unknown	<••••> Locate	<••••> Explore

➔ Query

➔ Identify



➔ Compare

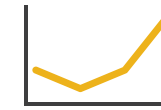


➔ Summarize



➔ All Data

➔ Trends



➔ Outliers



➔ Features



➔ Attributes

➔ One

➔ Distribution



➔ Extremes

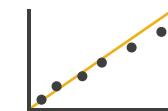


➔ Many

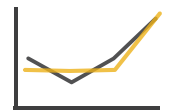
➔ Dependency



➔ Correlation

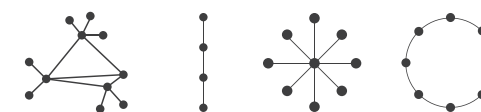


➔ Similarity



➔ Network Data

➔ Topology



➔ Paths



➔ Spatial Data

➔ Shape



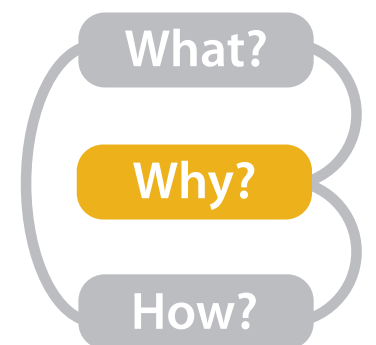
• {action, target} pairs

– discover distribution

– compare trends

– locate outliers

– browse topology



Actions: Analyze, Query

- analyze

- consume

- discover vs present

- aka explore vs explain

- enjoy

- aka casual, social

- produce

- annotate, record, derive

- query

- how much data matters?

- one, some, all

- independent choices

- analyze, query, (search)

→ Analyze

- Consume

- Discover



- Present

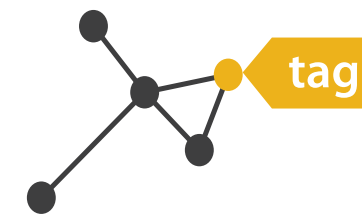


- Enjoy

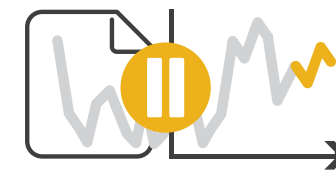


- Produce

- Annotate



- Record

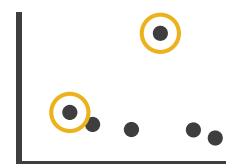


- Derive



→ Query

- Identify



- Compare

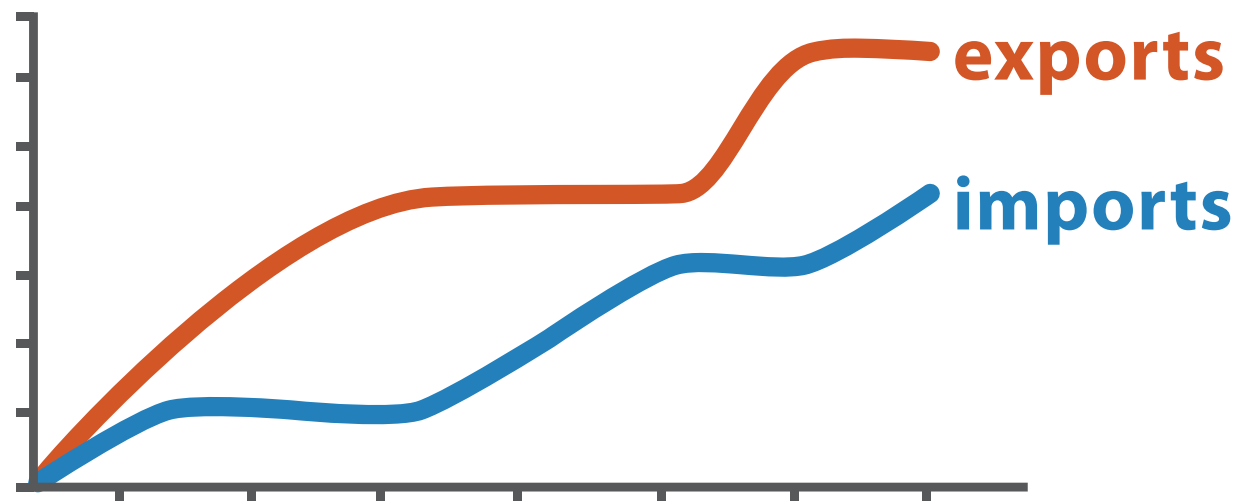


- Summarize

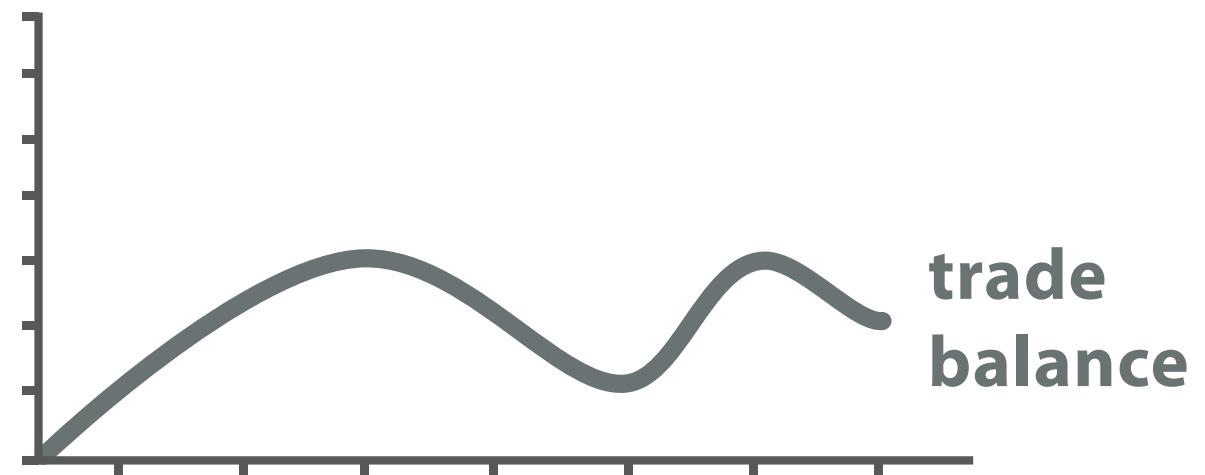


Derive: Crucial Design Choice

- don't just draw what you're given!
 - decide what the right thing to show is
 - create it with a series of transformations from the original dataset
 - draw that
- one of the four major strategies for handling complexity



Original Data



$$\text{trade balance} = \text{exports} - \text{imports}$$

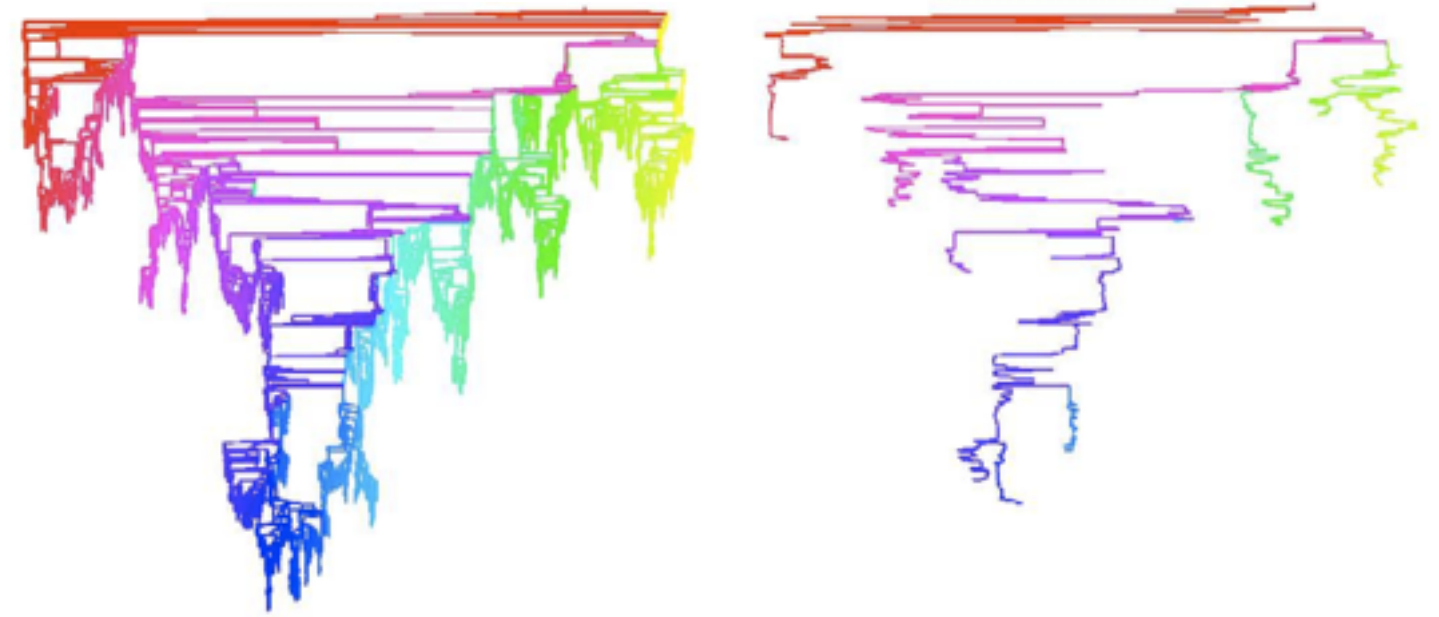
Derived Data

Analysis example: Derive one attribute

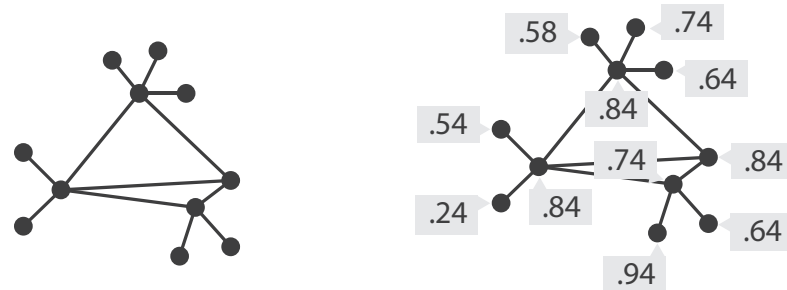
- Strahler number

- centrality metric for trees/networks
- derived quantitative attribute
- draw top 5K of 500K for good skeleton

[Using Strahler numbers for real time visual exploration of huge graphs. Auber. Proc. Intl. Conf. Computer Vision and Graphics, pp. 56–69, 2002.]



Task 1



In
Tree

➔

Out
Quantitative
attribute on nodes

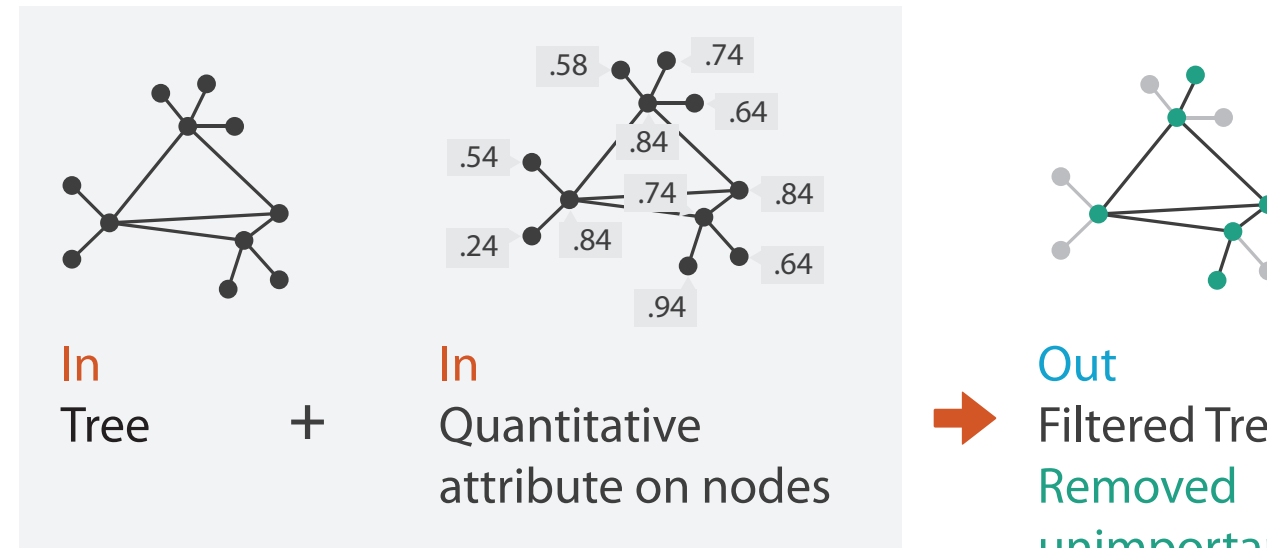
What?

- ➔ In Tree
- ➔ Out Quantitative attribute on nodes

Why?

- ➔ Derive

Task 2



In
Tree

+

In
Quantitative
attribute on nodes

➔

Out
Filtered Tree
Removed
unimportant parts

What?

- ➔ In Tree
- ➔ In Quantitative attribute on nodes
- ➔ Out Filtered Tree

Why?

- ➔ Summarize
- ➔ Topology

How?

- ➔ Reduce
- ➔ Filter

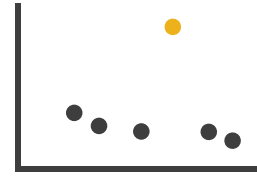
Targets

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→ *Distribution*



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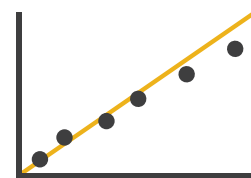


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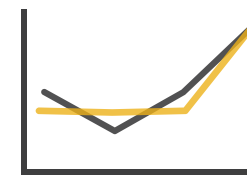
→ *Dependency*



→ *Correlation*

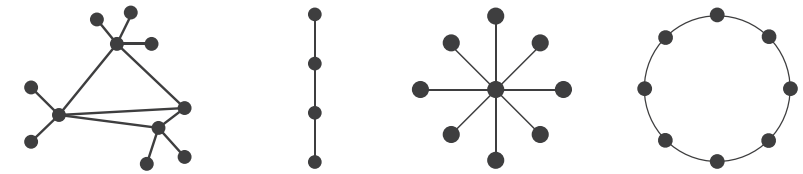


→ *Similarity*



→ Network Data

→ Topology

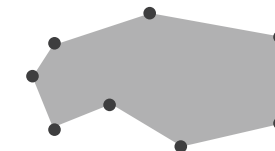


→ *Paths*



→ Spatial Data

→ Shape



How?

Encode

→ Arrange

→ Express



→ Separate



→ Order



→ Align



→ Use



→ Map

from **categorical** and **ordered** attributes

→ Color

→ Hue



→ Saturation



→ Luminance



→ Size, Angle, Curvature, ...



→ Shape



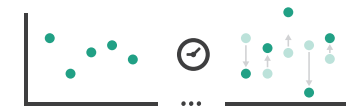
→ Motion

Direction, Rate, Frequency, ...

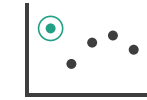


Manipulate

→ Change



→ Select



→ Navigate

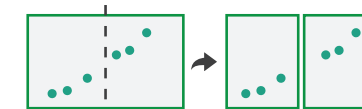


Facet

→ Juxtapose



→ Partition



→ Superimpose



Reduce

→ Filter



→ Aggregate



→ Embed



What?

Why?

How?

How to encode: Arrange space, map channels

Encode

→ Arrange

→ Express



→ Order



→ Use



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from **categorical** and **ordered** attributes

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Definitions: Marks and channels

- marks

 - geometric primitives

→ Points



→ Lines



→ Areas



- channels

 - control appearance of marks

→ Position

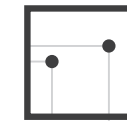
→ Horizontal



→ Vertical



→ Both



→ Color



→ Shape



→ Tilt



→ Size

→ Length



→ Area

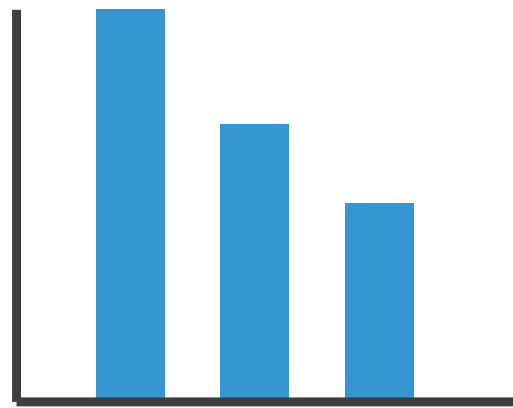


→ Volume



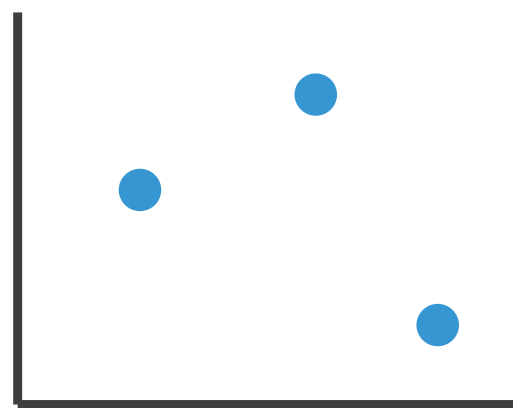
Encoding visually with marks and channels

- analyze idiom structure
 - as combination of marks and channels



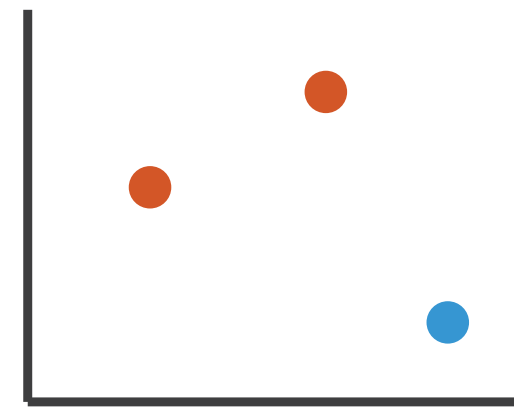
1:
vertical position

mark: line



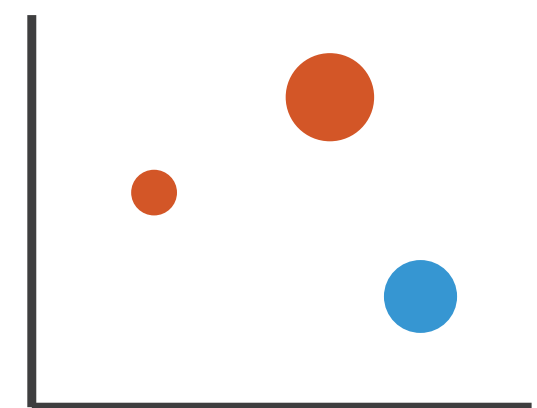
2:
vertical position
horizontal position

mark: point



3:
vertical position
horizontal position
color hue

mark: point



4:
vertical position
horizontal position
color hue
size (area)

mark: point

Channels

Position on common scale



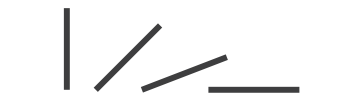
Position on unaligned scale



Length (1D size)



Tilt/angle



Area (2D size)



Depth (3D position)



Color luminance



Color saturation



Curvature



Volume (3D size)



Same

Spatial region



Color hue



Motion



Shape



Channels: Matching Types

➔ Magnitude Channels: Ordered Attributes

Position on common scale 

Position on unaligned scale 

Length (1D size) 

Tilt/angle 

Area (2D size) 

Depth (3D position) 

Color luminance 

Color saturation 

Curvature 


Volume (3D size) 

Same
Same

➔ Identity Channels: Categorical Attributes

Spatial region 

Color hue 

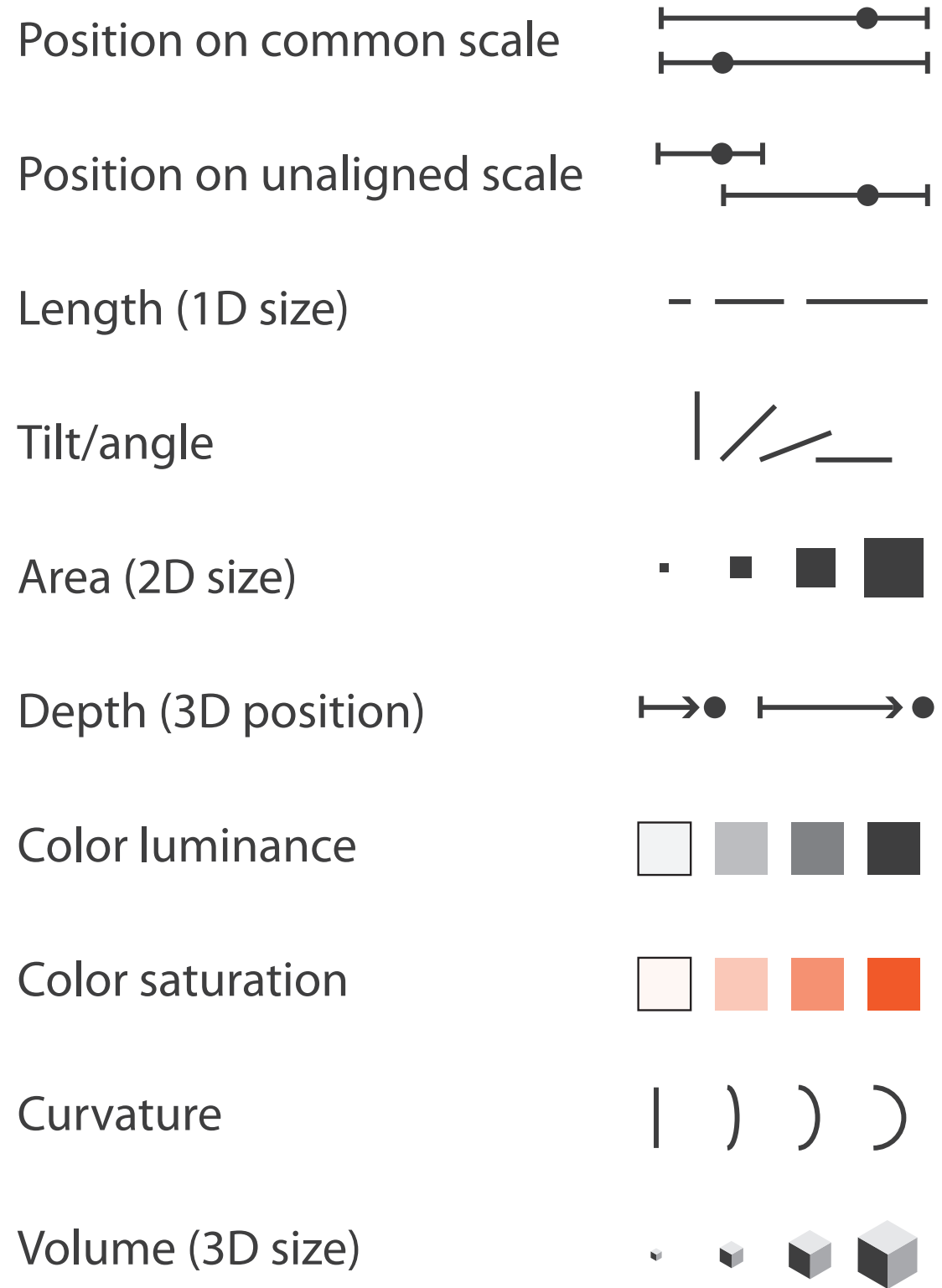
Motion 

Shape 

- **expressiveness principle**
 - match channel and data characteristics

Channels: Rankings

➔ Magnitude Channels: Ordered Attributes



➔ Identity Channels: Categorical Attributes



Best
Effectiveness
Least

Same
Same

- **expressiveness principle**
 - match channel and data characteristics
- **effectiveness principle**
 - encode most important attributes with highest ranked channels

How?

Encode

→ Arrange

→ Express



→ Separate



→ Order



→ Align



→ Use



→ Map

from **categorical** and **ordered** attributes

→ Color

→ Hue



→ Saturation



→ Luminance



→ Size, Angle, Curvature, ...



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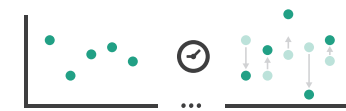
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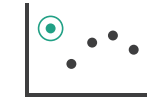


Manipulate

→ Change



→ Select



→ Navigate

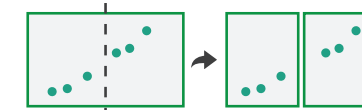


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What?

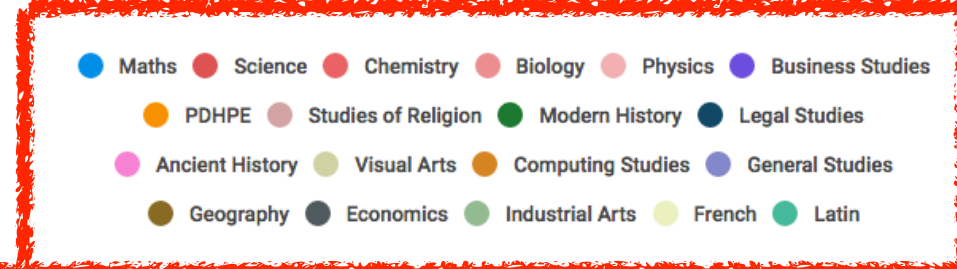
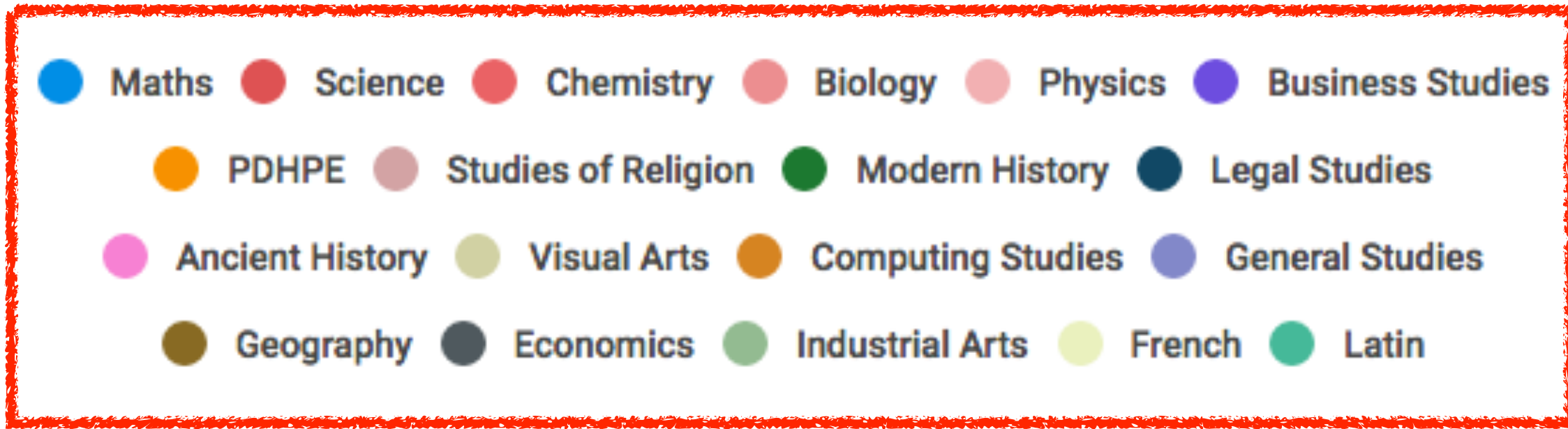
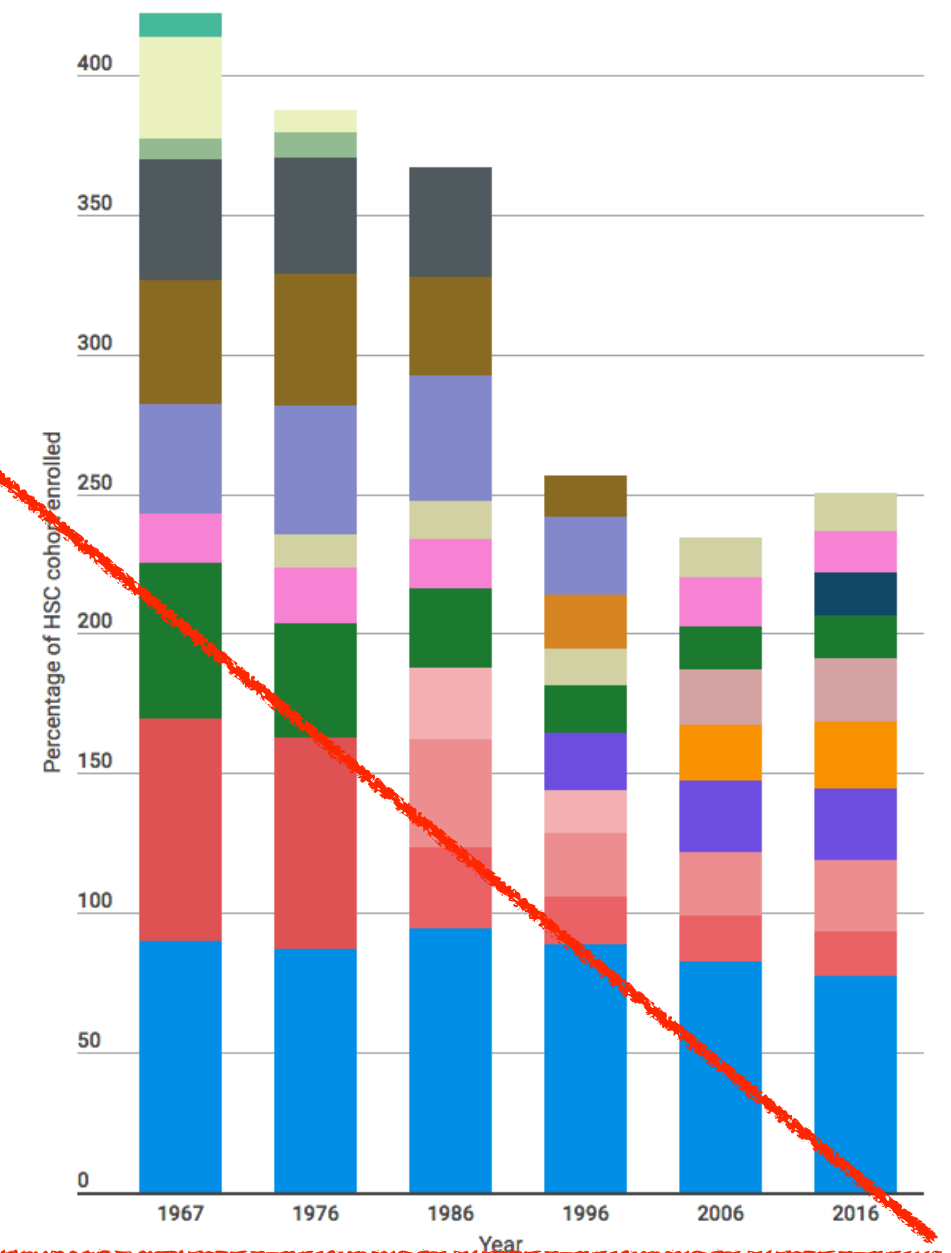
Why?

How?

Challenges of Color

- what is wrong with this picture?

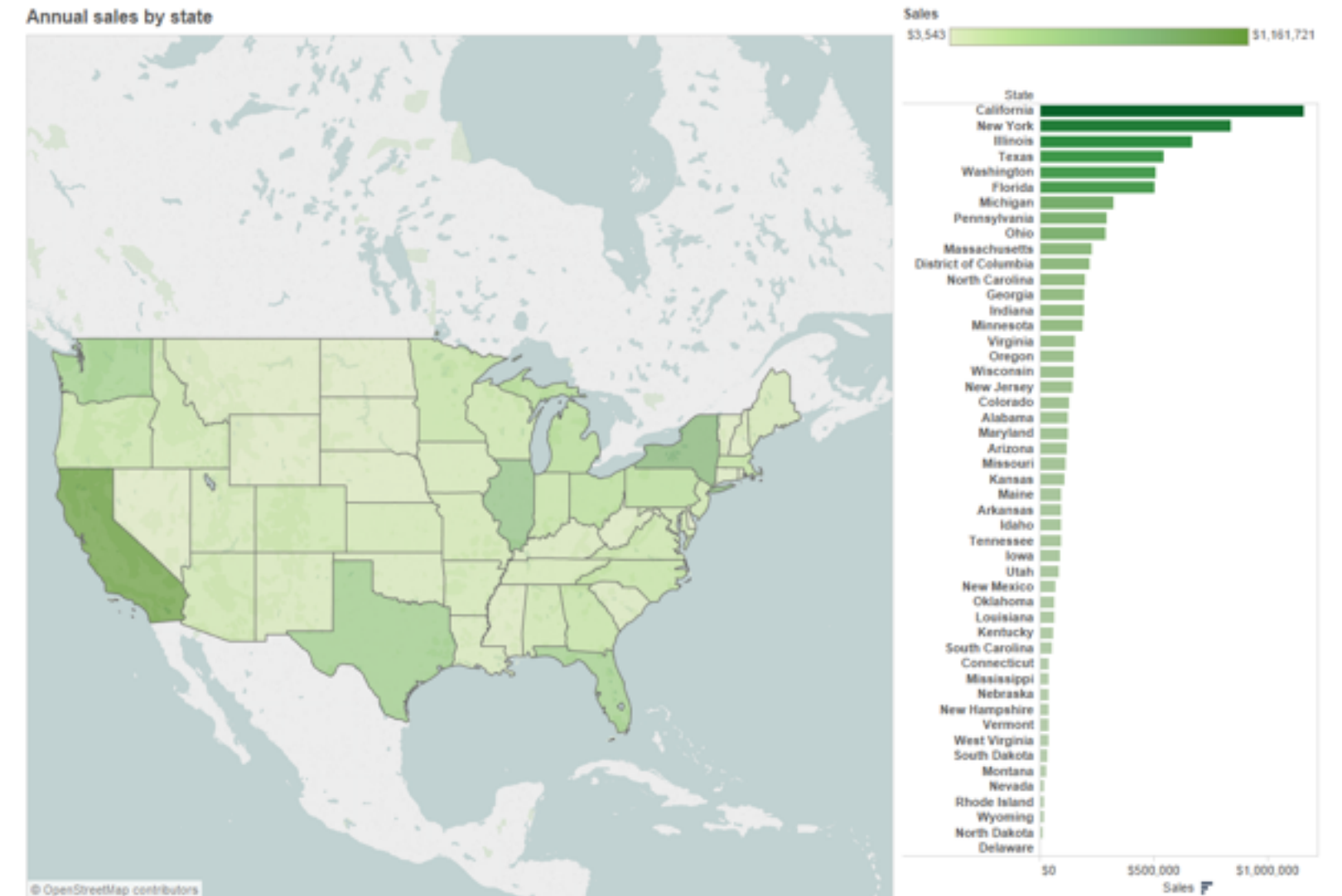
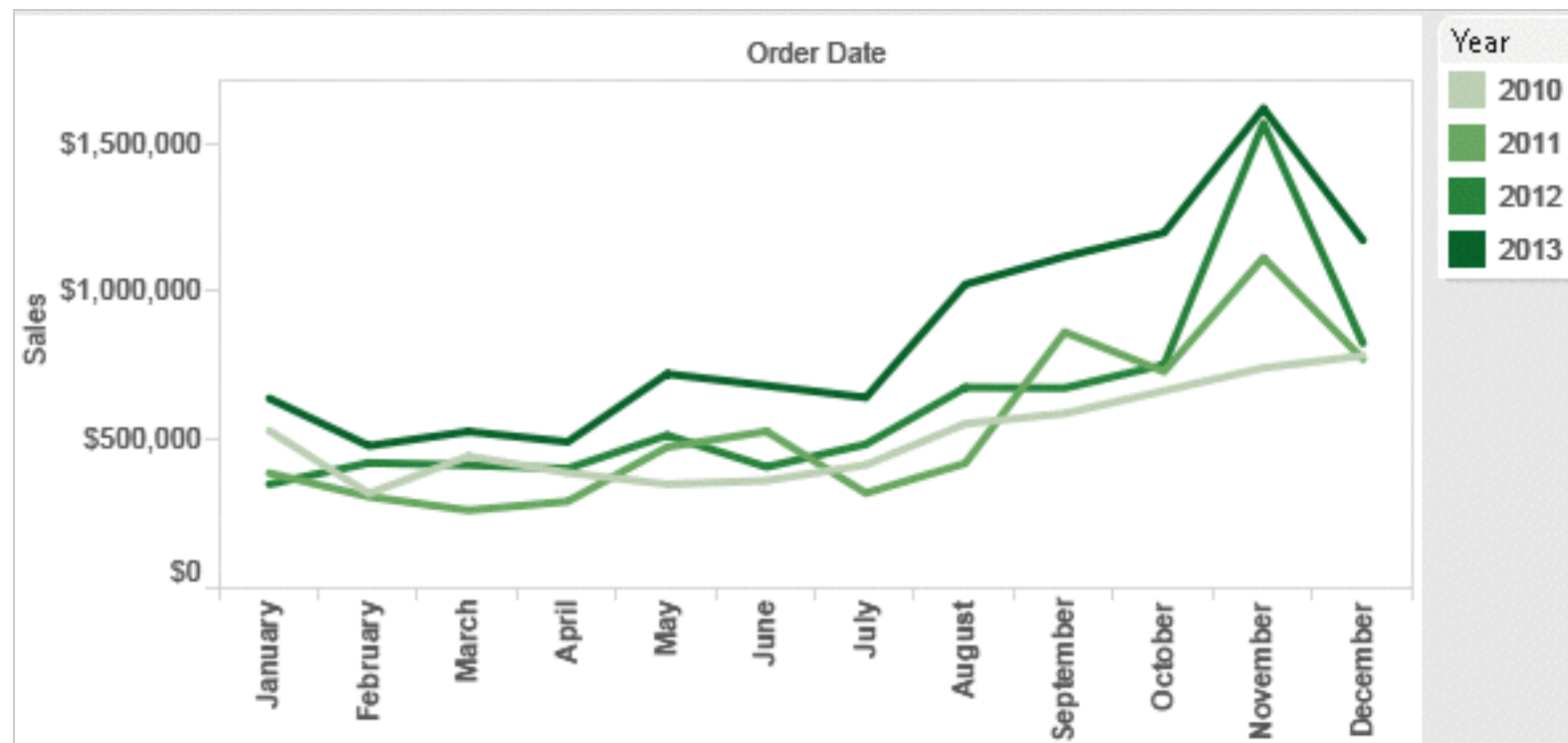
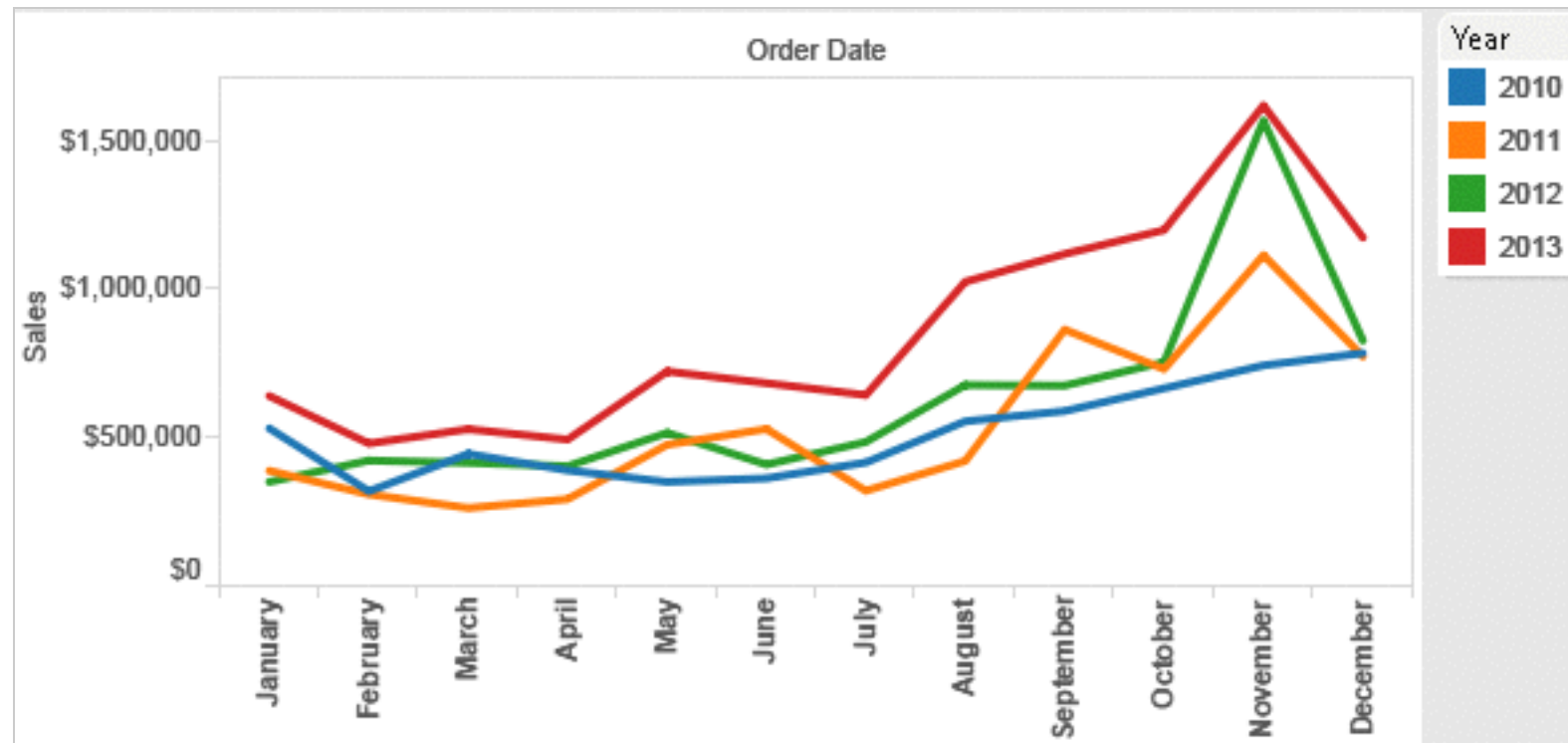
Top 10 HSC subjects (excluding English)



@WTFViz

“visualizations that make no sense”

Categorical vs ordered color



[Seriously Colorful: Advanced Color Principles & Practices. Stone.Tableau Customer Conference 2014.]

Decomposing color

- first rule of color: do not talk about color!
 - color is confusing if treated as monolithic

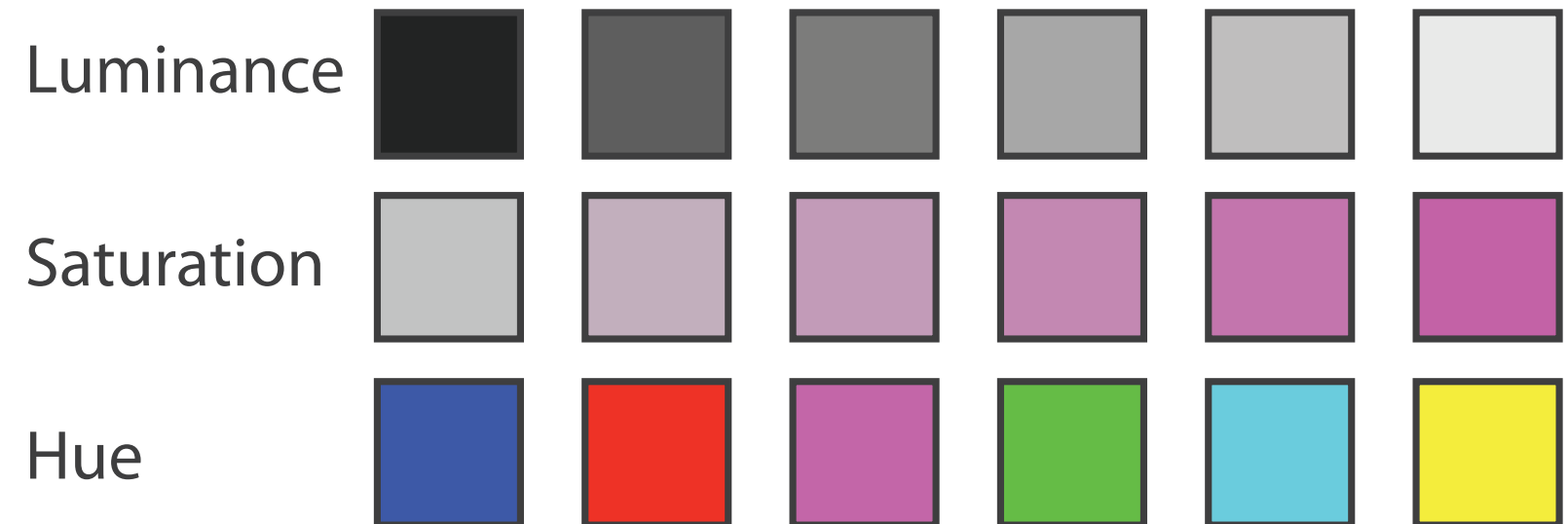
- decompose into three channels

- ordered can show magnitude

- luminance
- saturation

- categorical can show identity

- hue



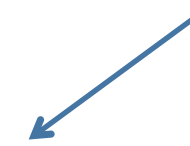
- channels have different properties

- what they convey directly to perceptual system

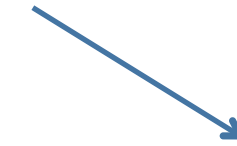
- how much they can convey: how many discriminable bins can we use?

Luminance

- need luminance for edge detection
 - fine-grained detail only visible through luminance contrast
 - legible text requires luminance contrast!
- intrinsic perceptual ordering



Lightness information

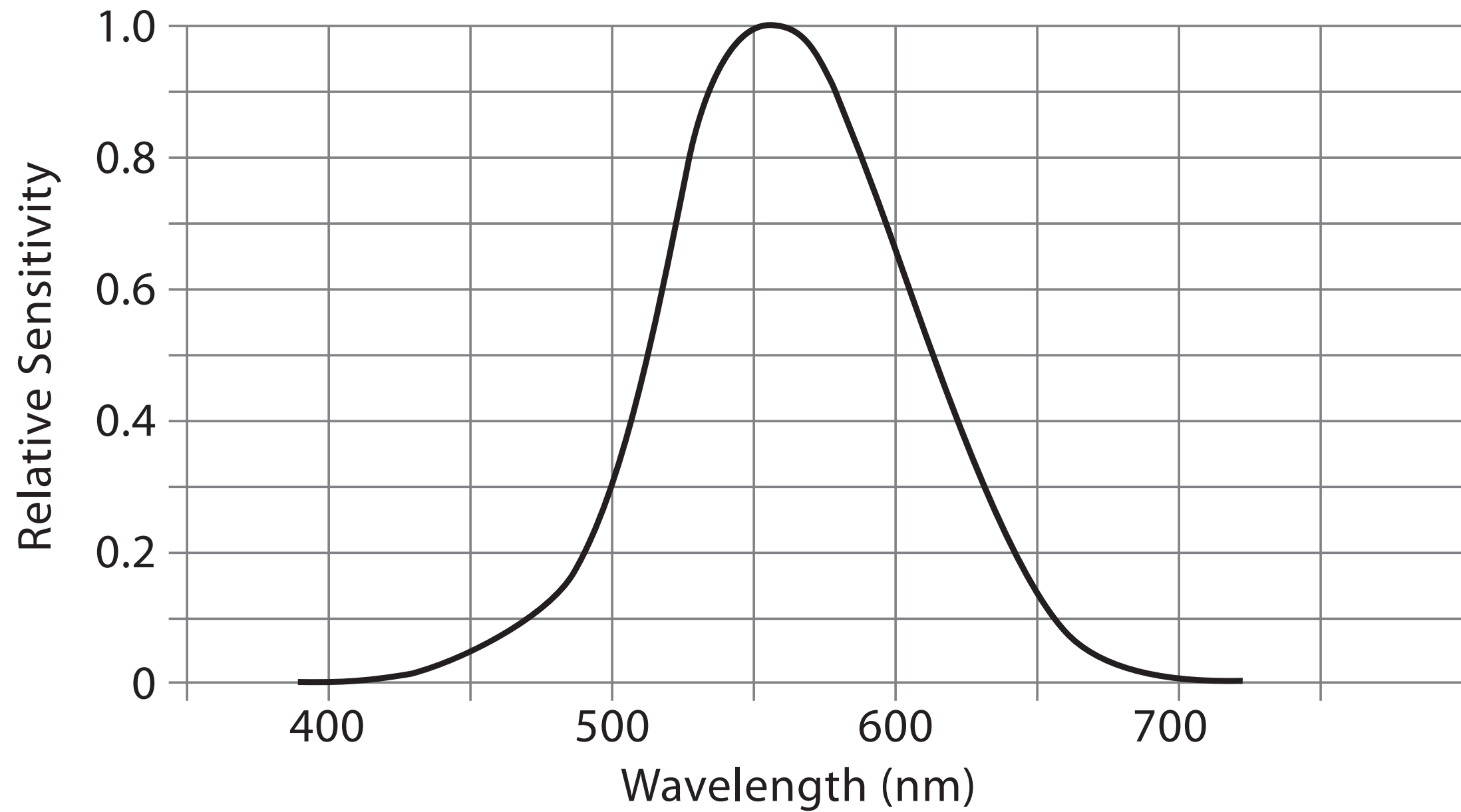


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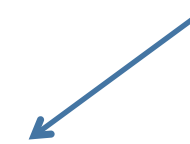
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Spectral sensitivity

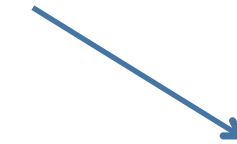


Opponent color and color deficiency

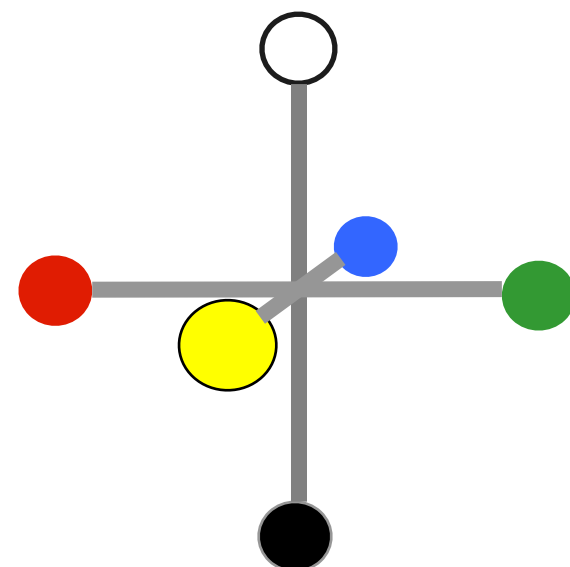
- perceptual processing before optic nerve
 - one achromatic luminance channel L
 - edge detection through luminance contrast
 - two chroma channels, R-G and Y-B axis
- “color blind” if one axis has degraded acuity
 - 8% of men are red/green color deficient
 - blue/yellow is rare



Lightness information



Color information



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Designing for color deficiency: Check with simulator



Normal vision



Deuteranope

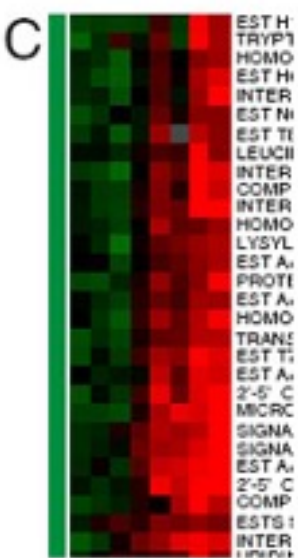


Protanope



Tritanope

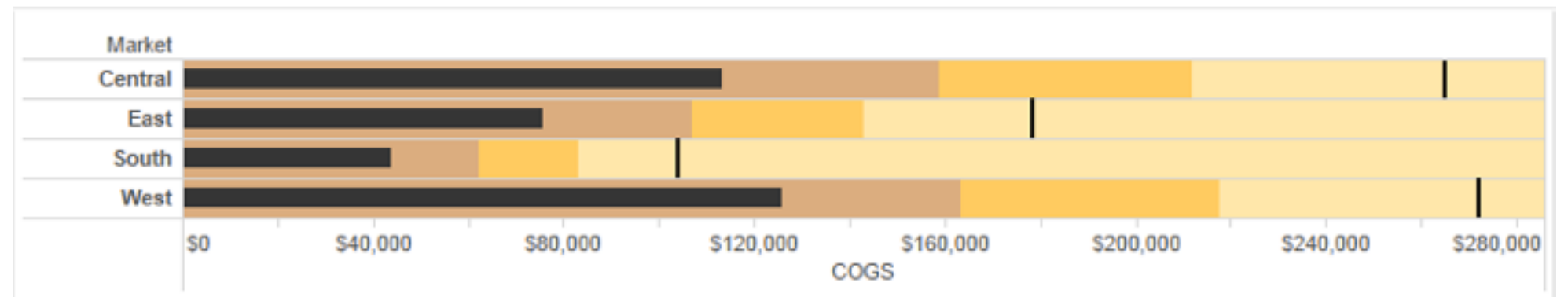
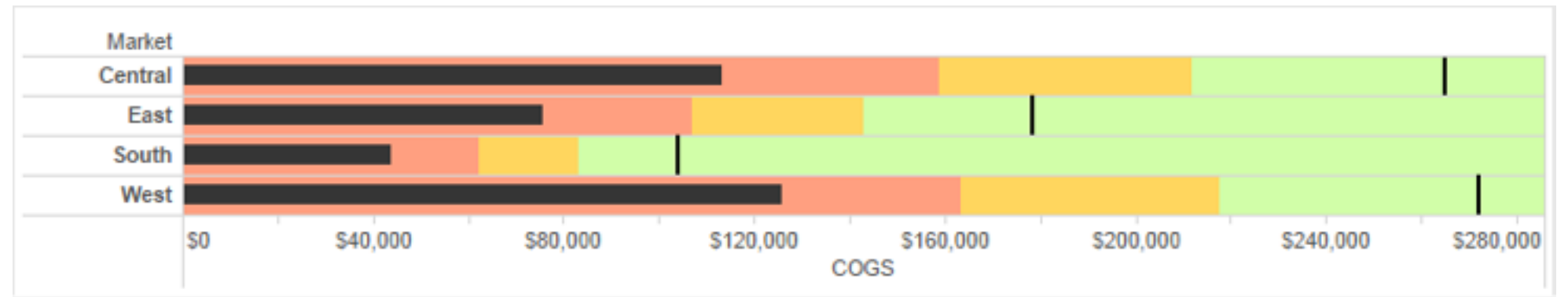
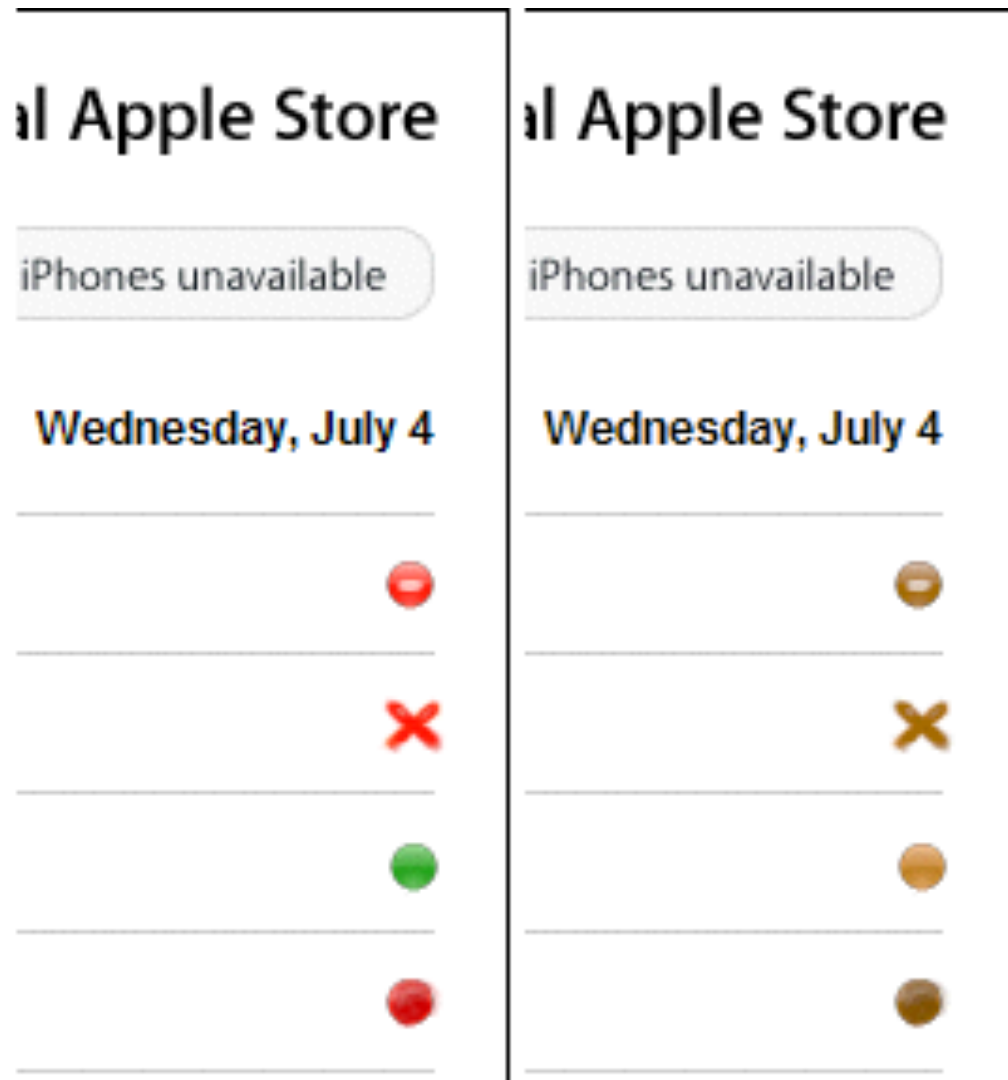
<http://rehue.net>



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Designing for color deficiency: Avoid encoding by hue alone

- redundantly encode
 - vary luminance
 - change shape

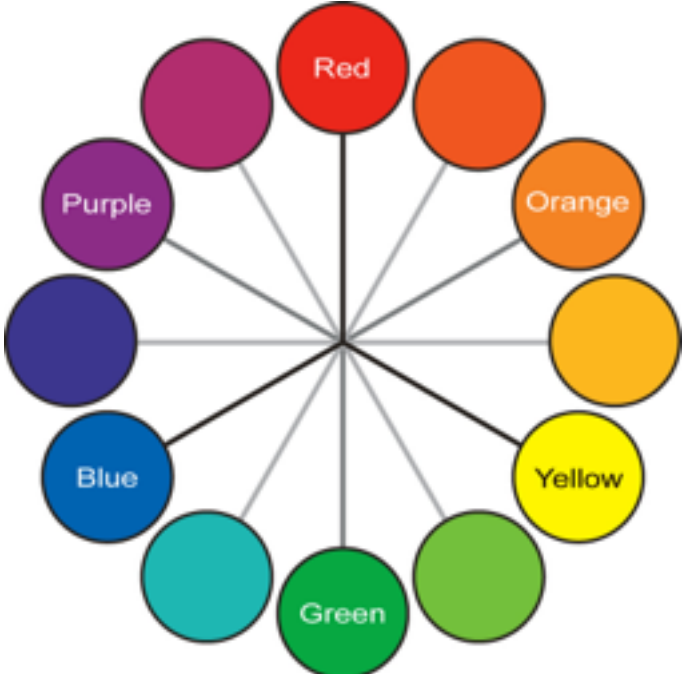


Deuteranope simulation

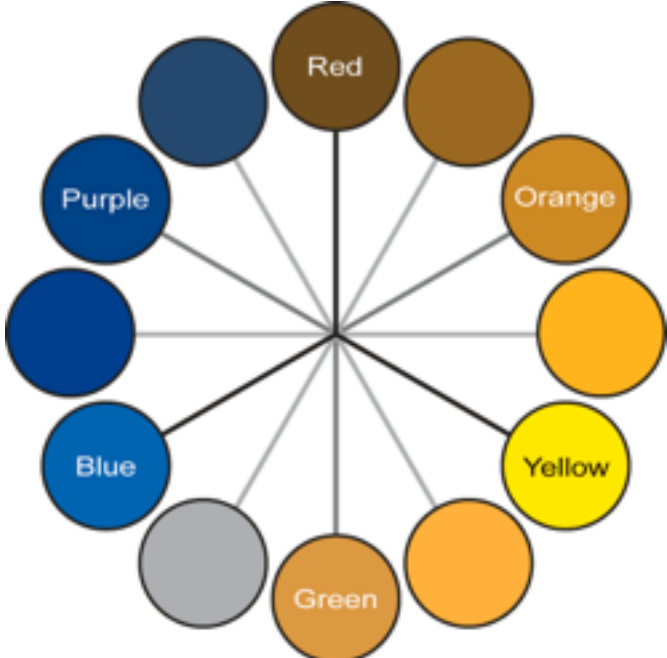
Change the shape

Vary luminance

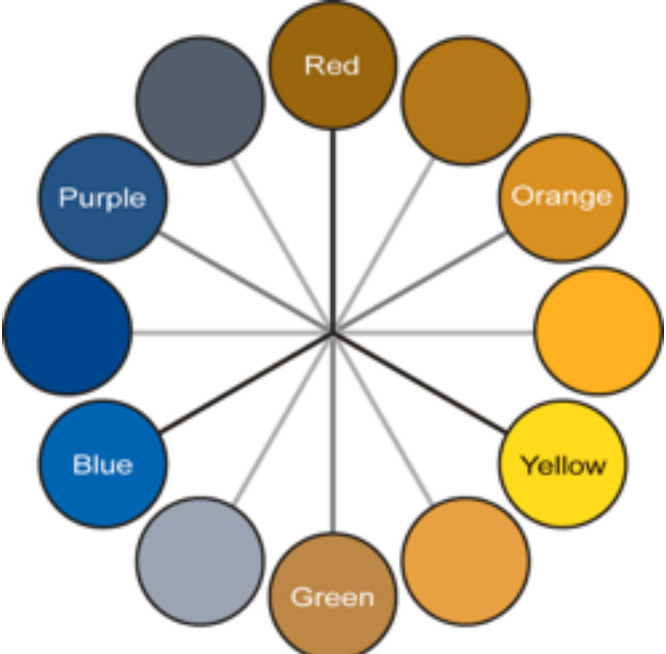
Color deficiency: Reduces color to 2 dimensions



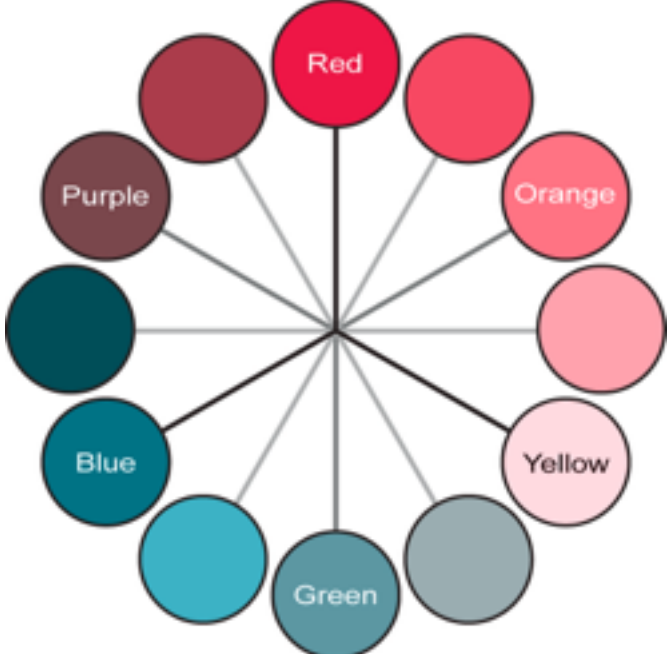
Normal



Protanope



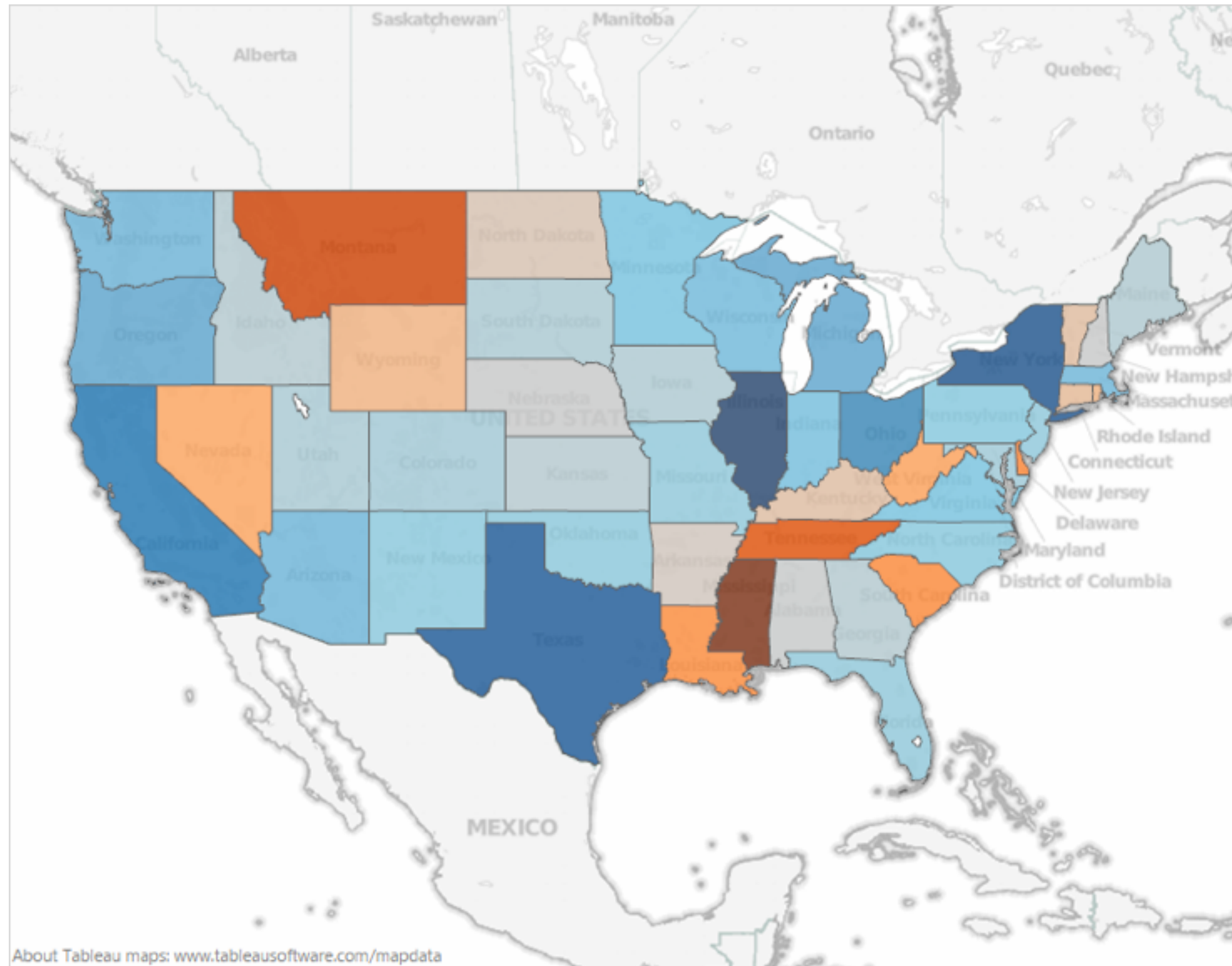
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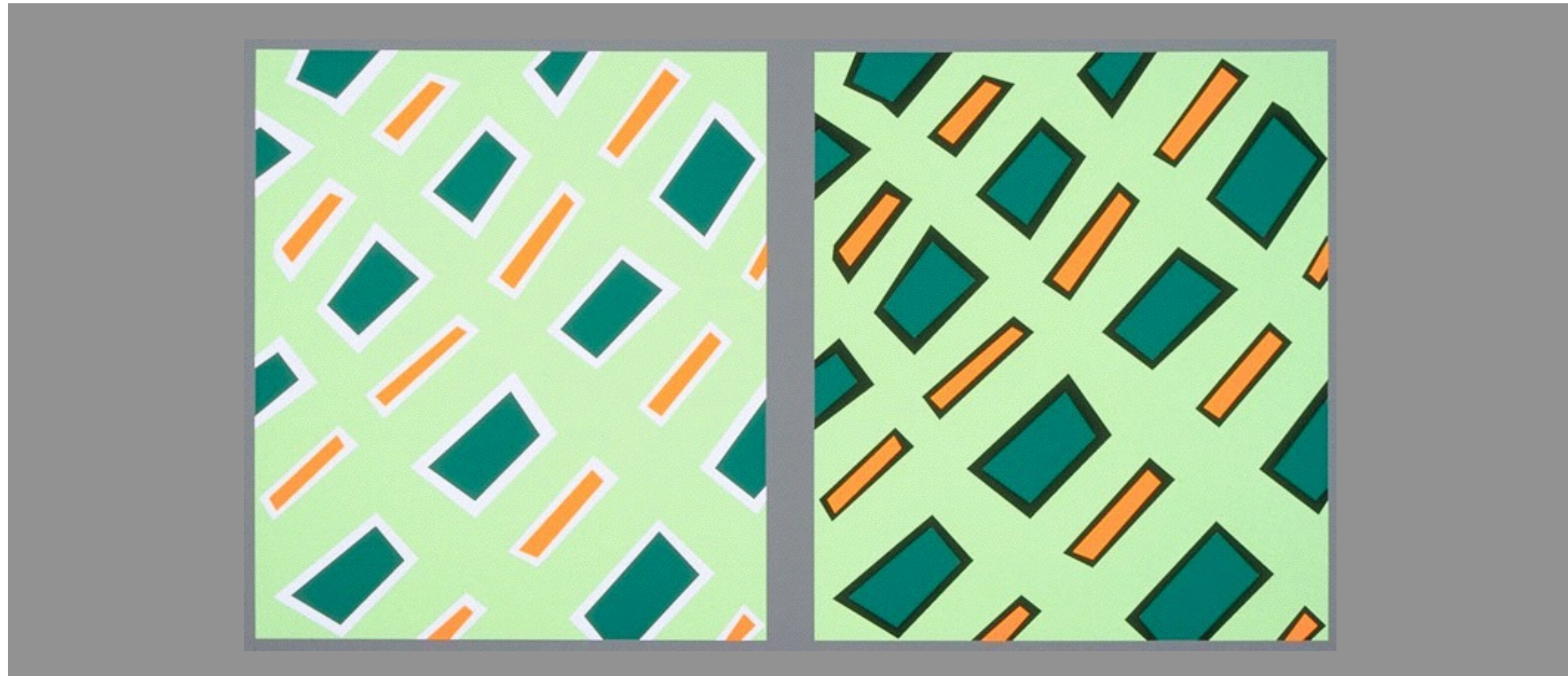
Designing for color deficiency: Blue-Orange is safe



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Bezold Effect: Outlines matter

- color constancy: simultaneous contrast effect



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Color/Lightness constancy: Illumination conditions

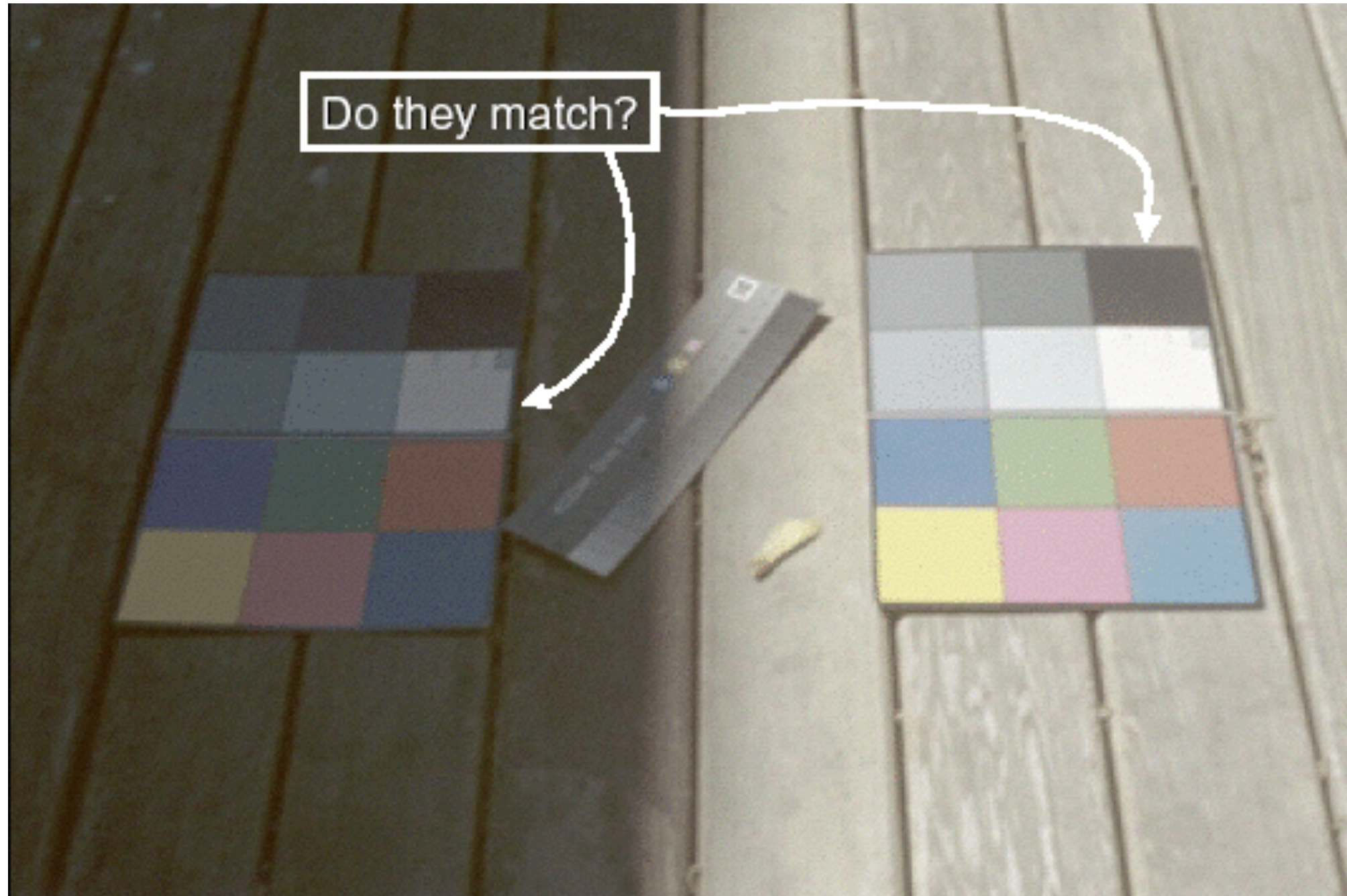


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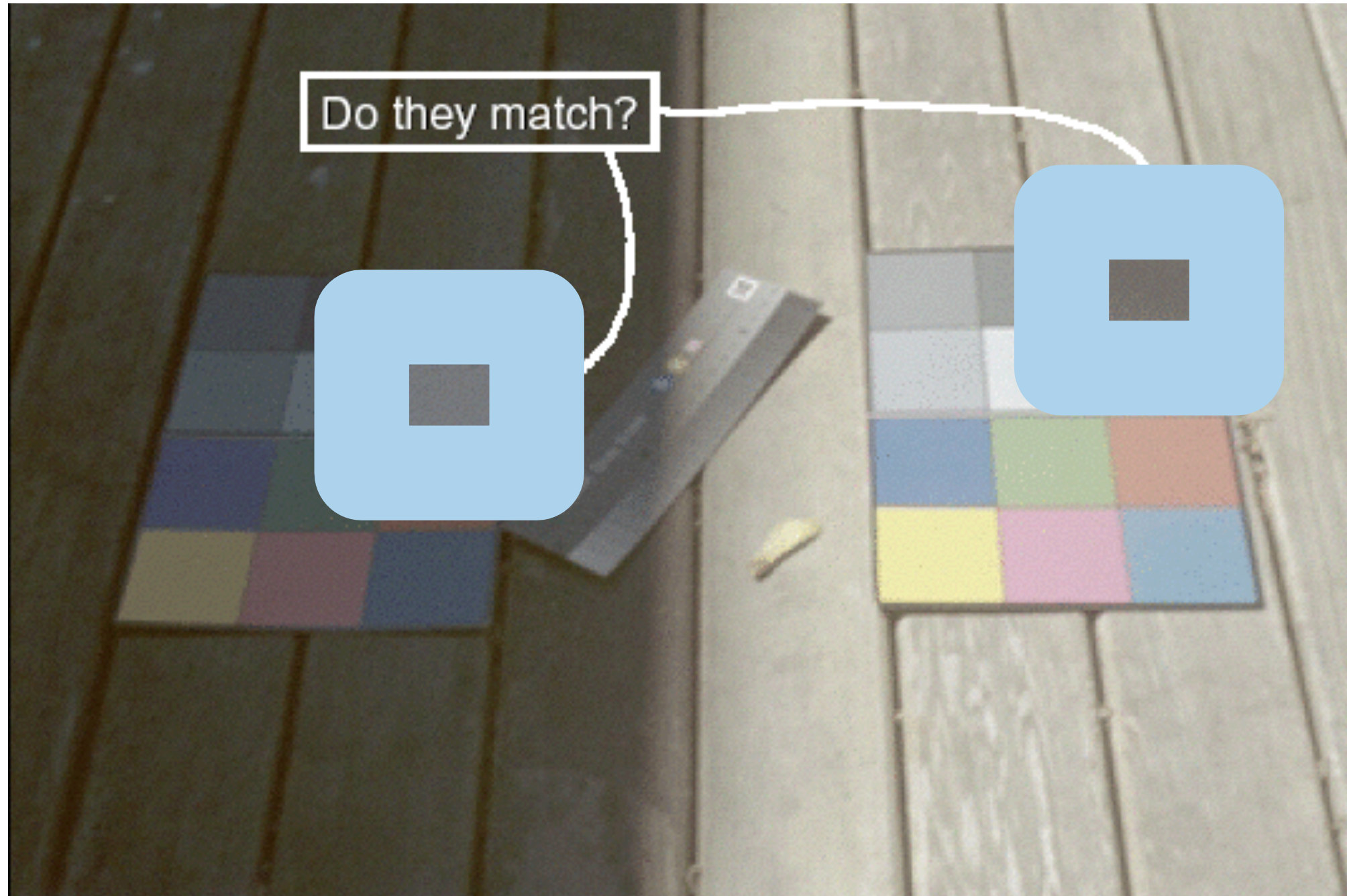
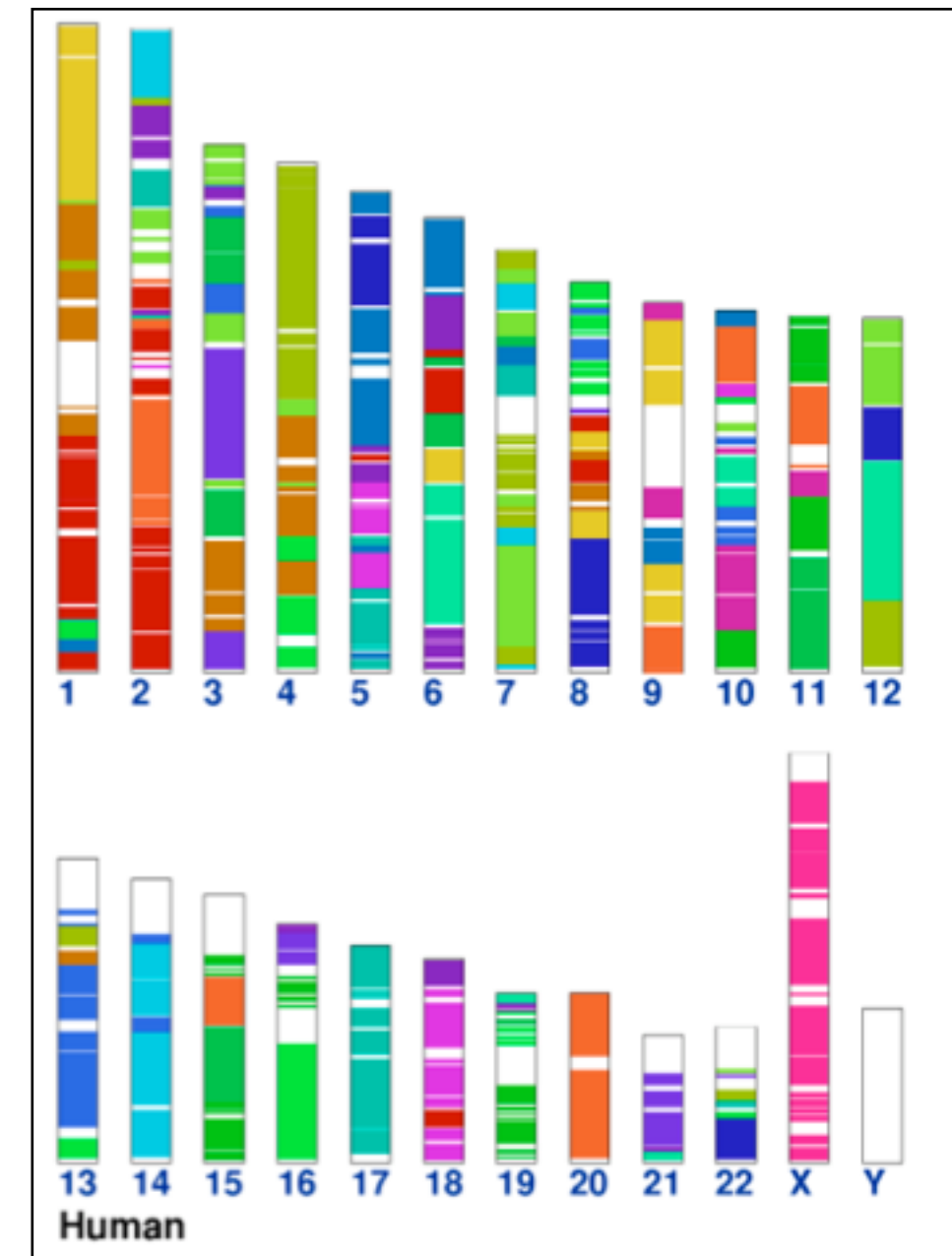
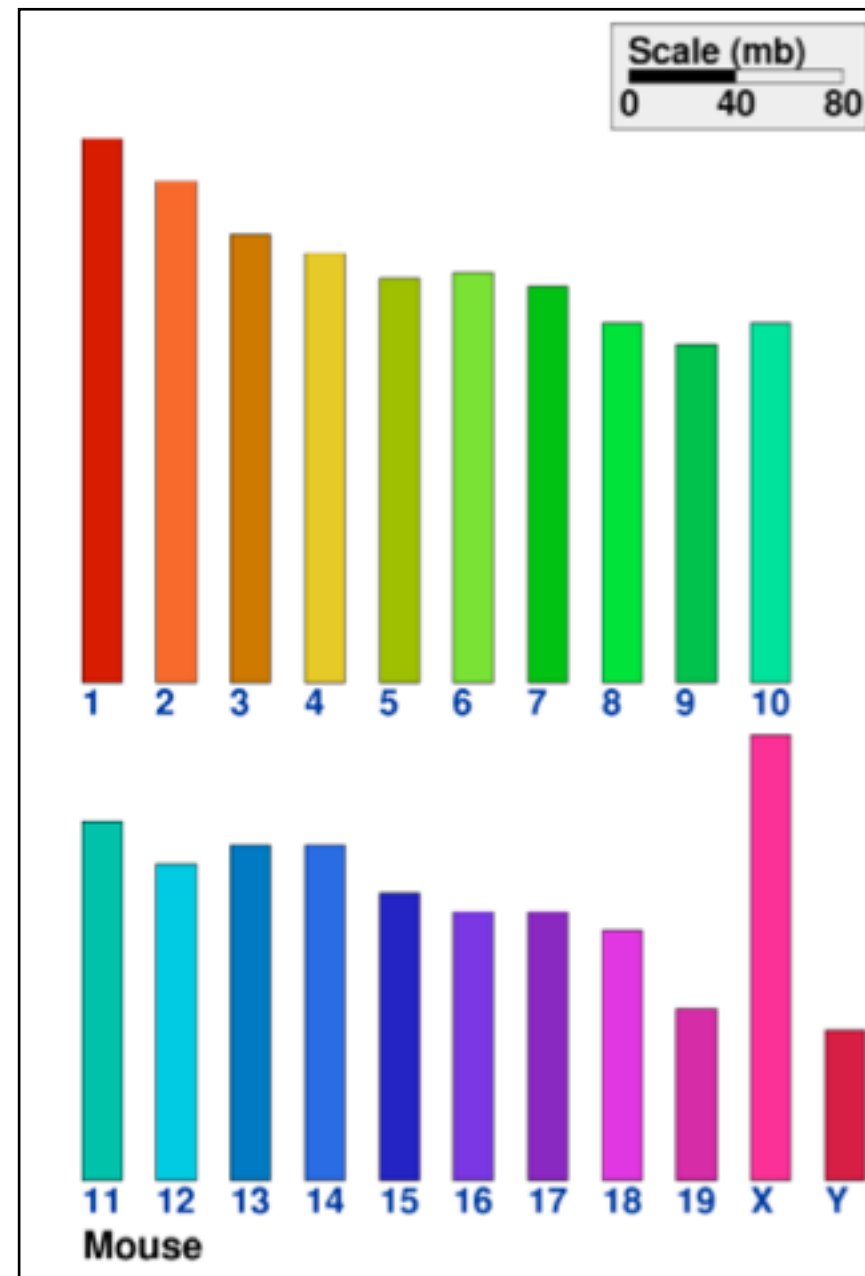


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Categorical color: limited number of discriminable bins

- human perception built on relative comparisons
 - great if color contiguous
 - surprisingly bad for absolute comparisons
- noncontiguous small regions of color
 - fewer bins than you want
 - rule of thumb: 6-12 bins, including background and highlights

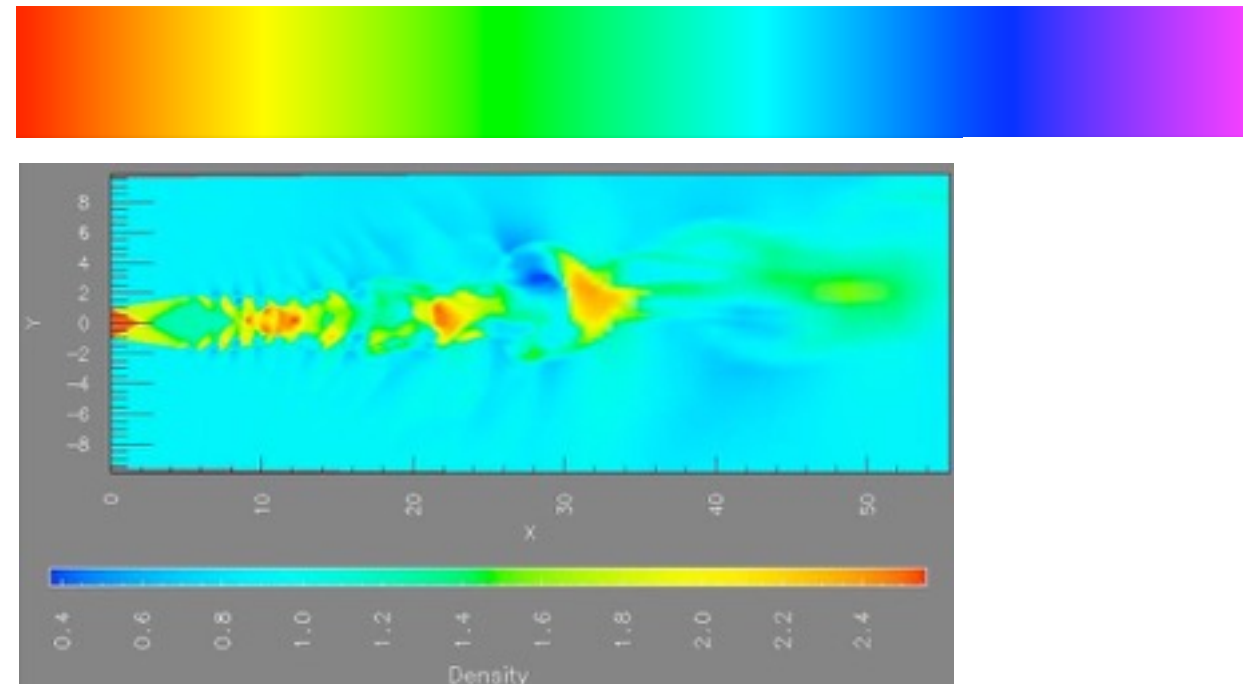


–alternatives? this afternoon!

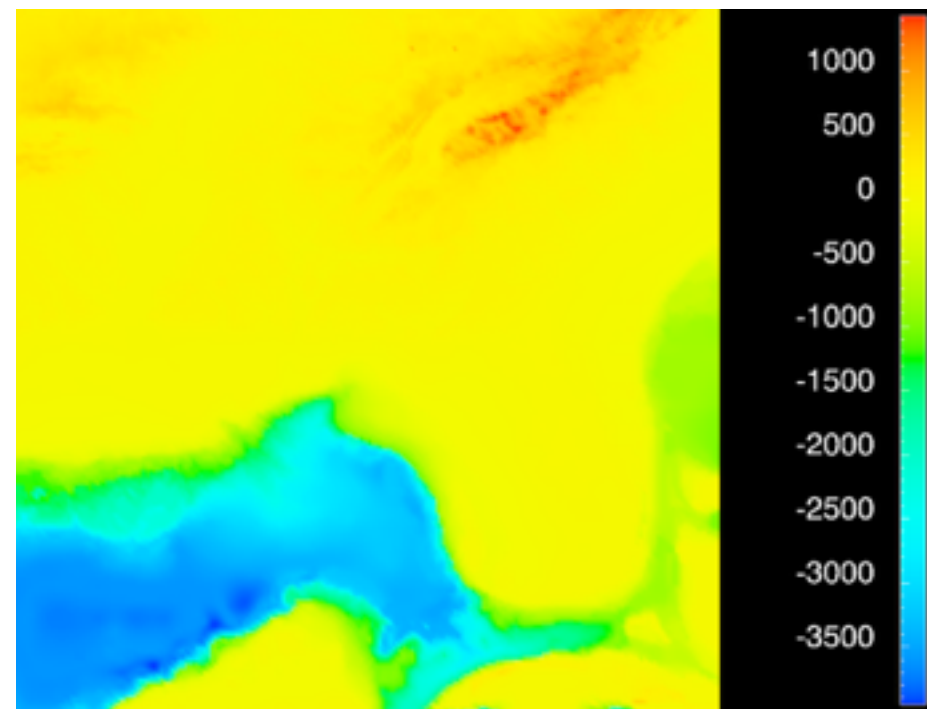
[Cinteny: flexible analysis and visualization of synteny and genome rearrangements in multiple organisms. Sinha and Meller. BMC Bioinformatics, 8:82, 2007.]

Ordered color: Rainbow is poor default

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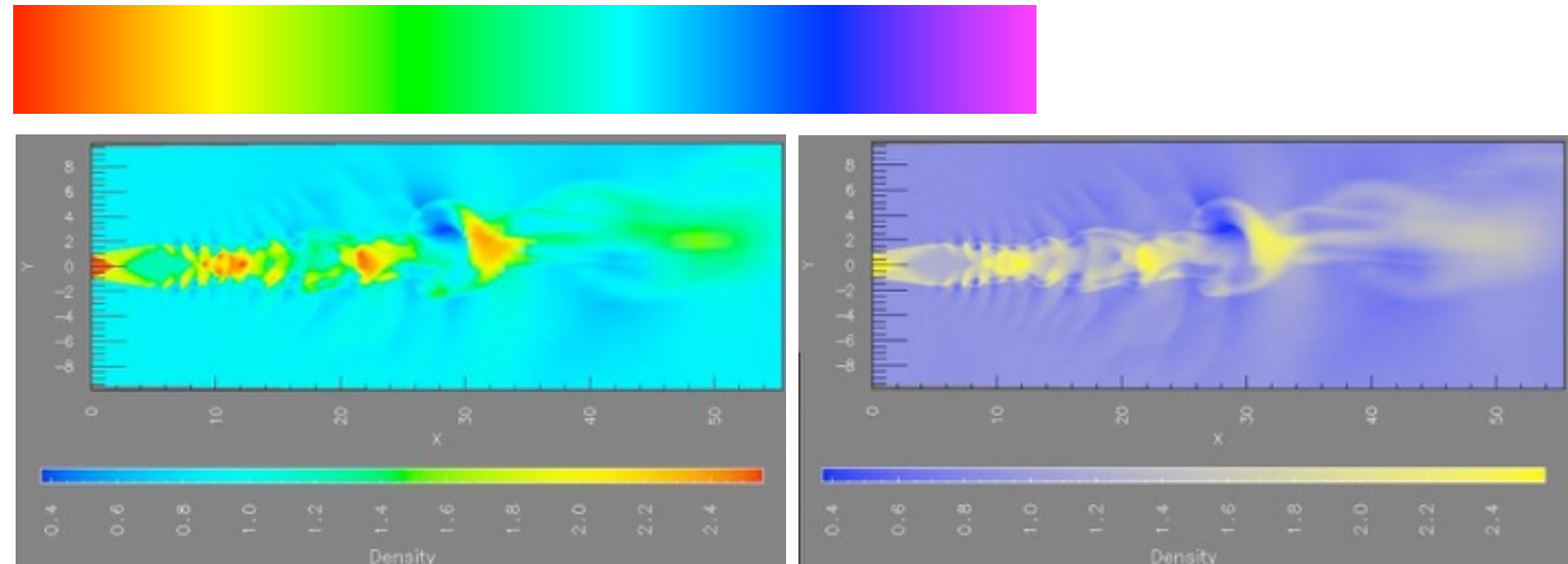
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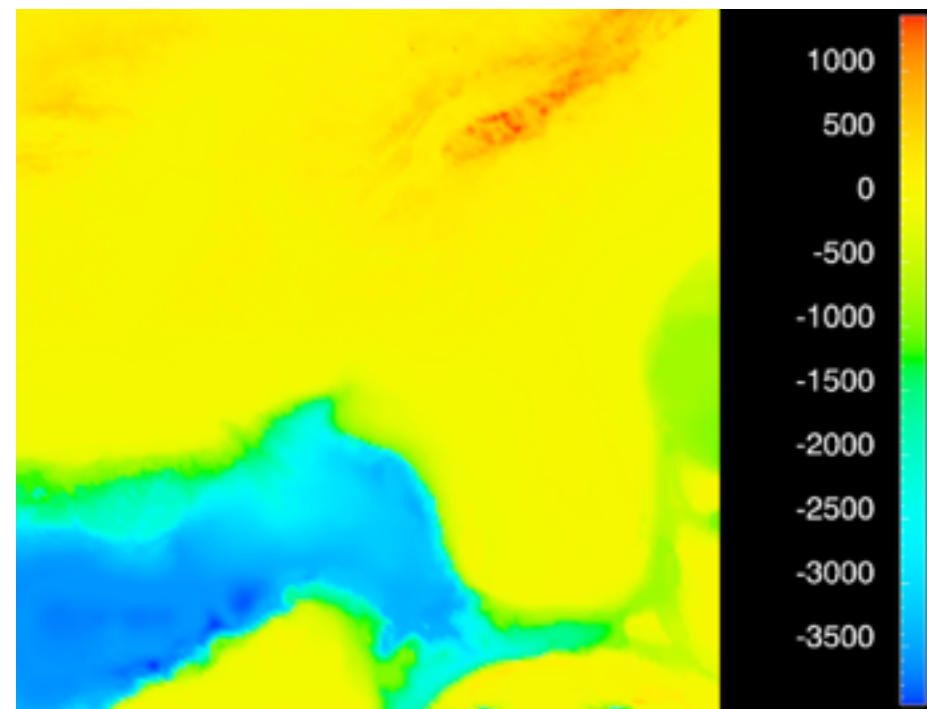
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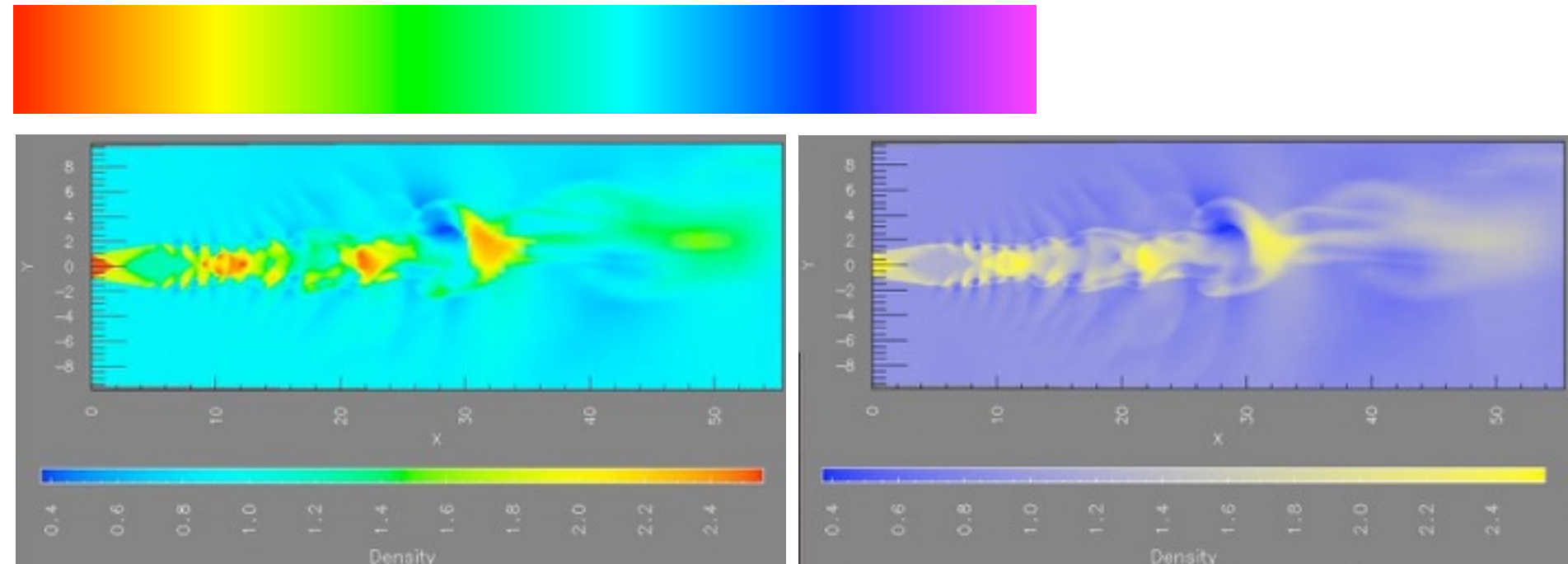
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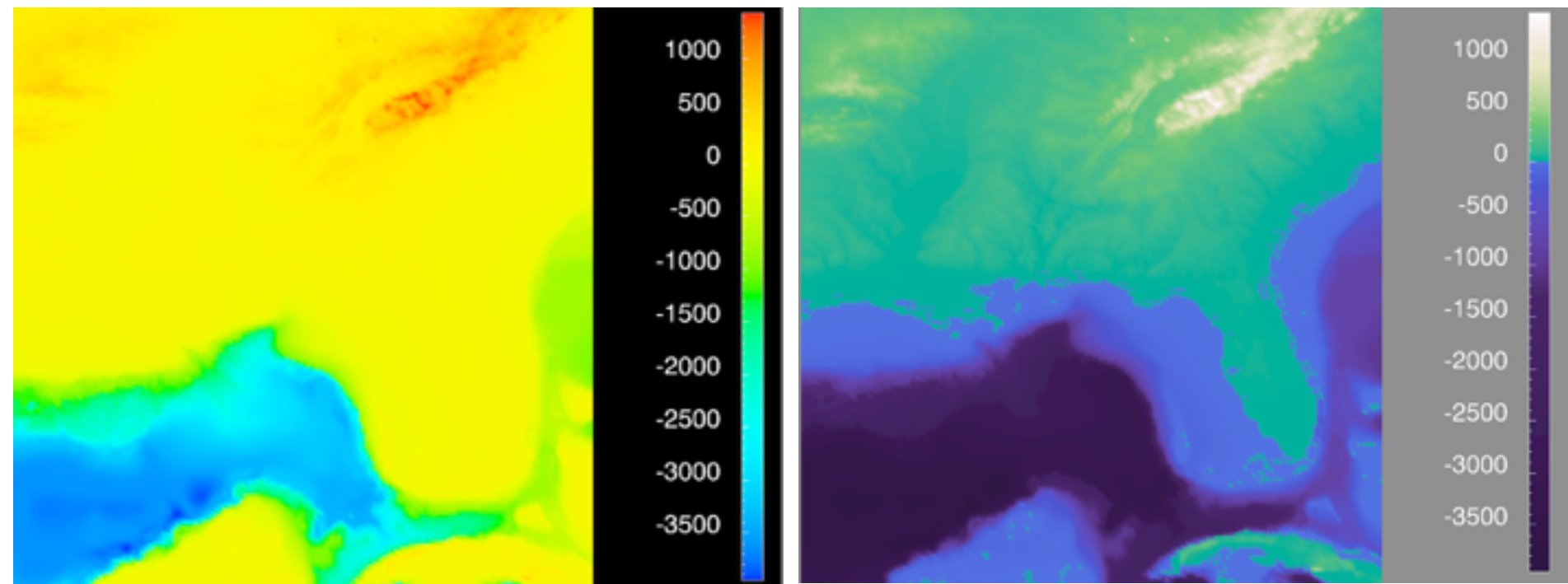
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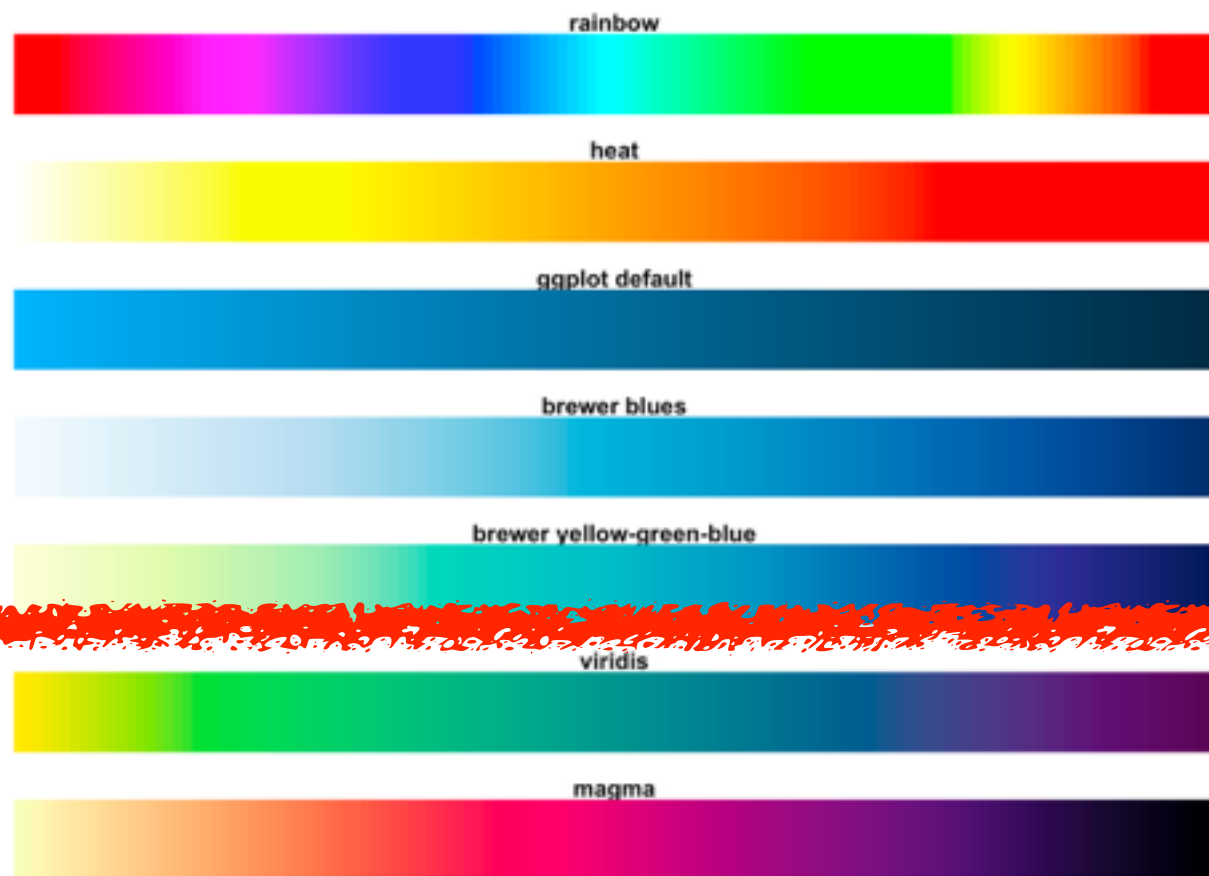
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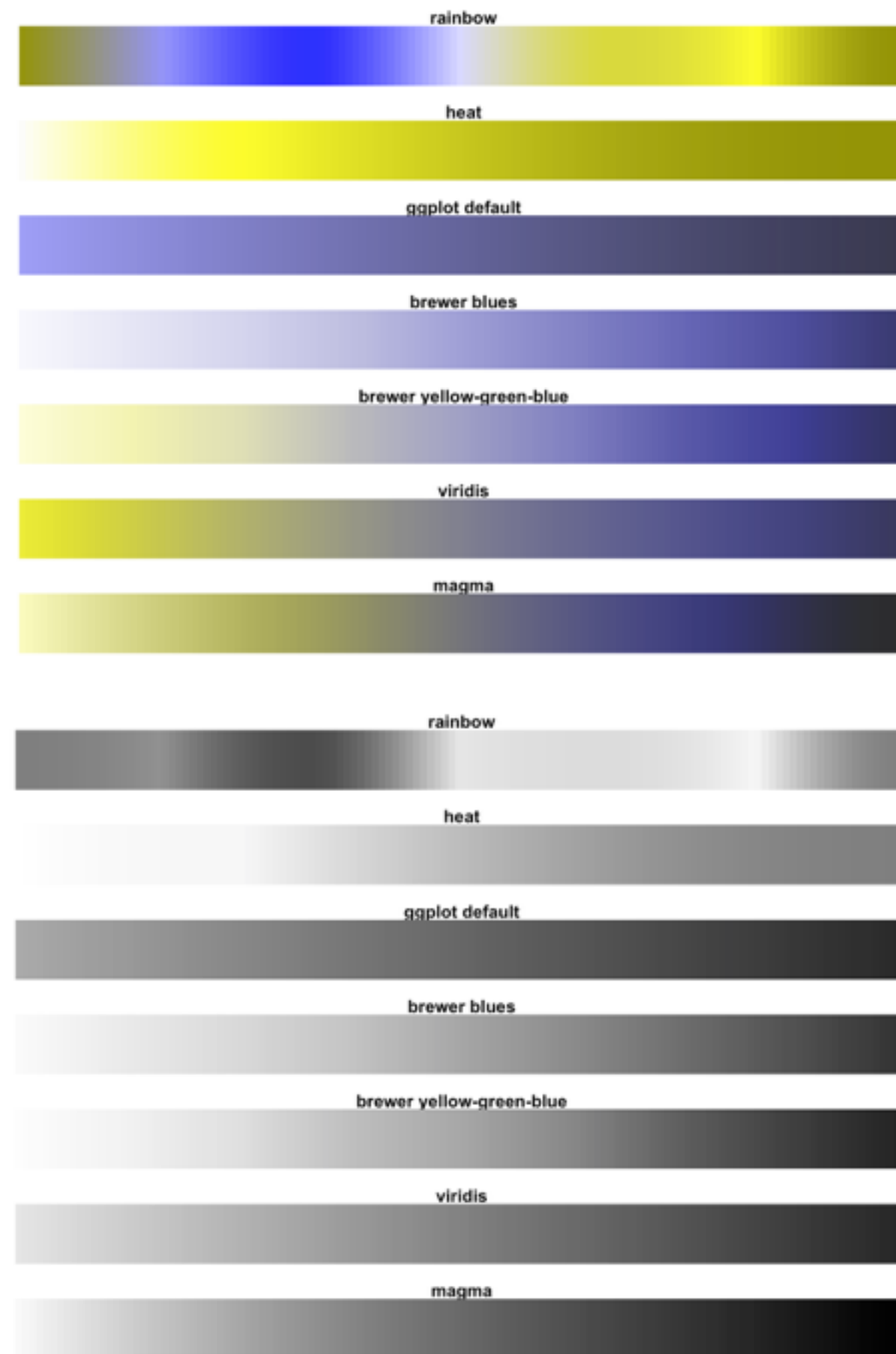
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Viridis

- colorful, perceptually uniform, colorblind-safe, monotonically increasing luminance

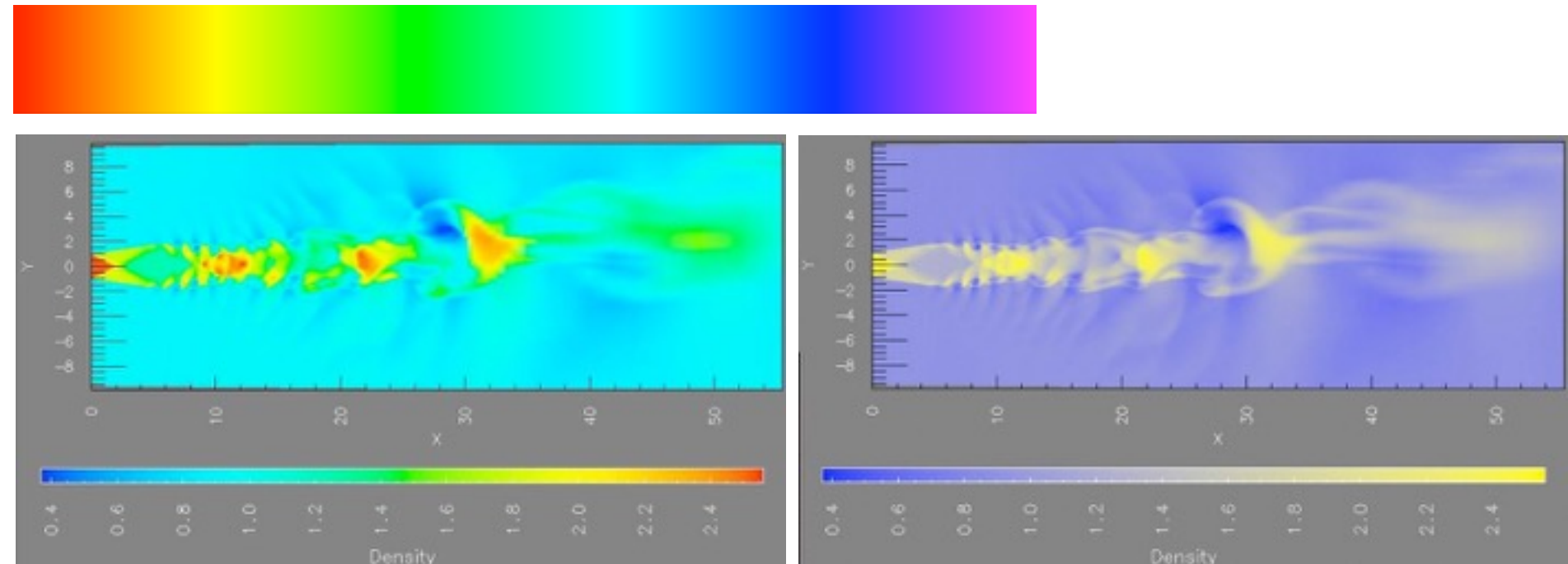


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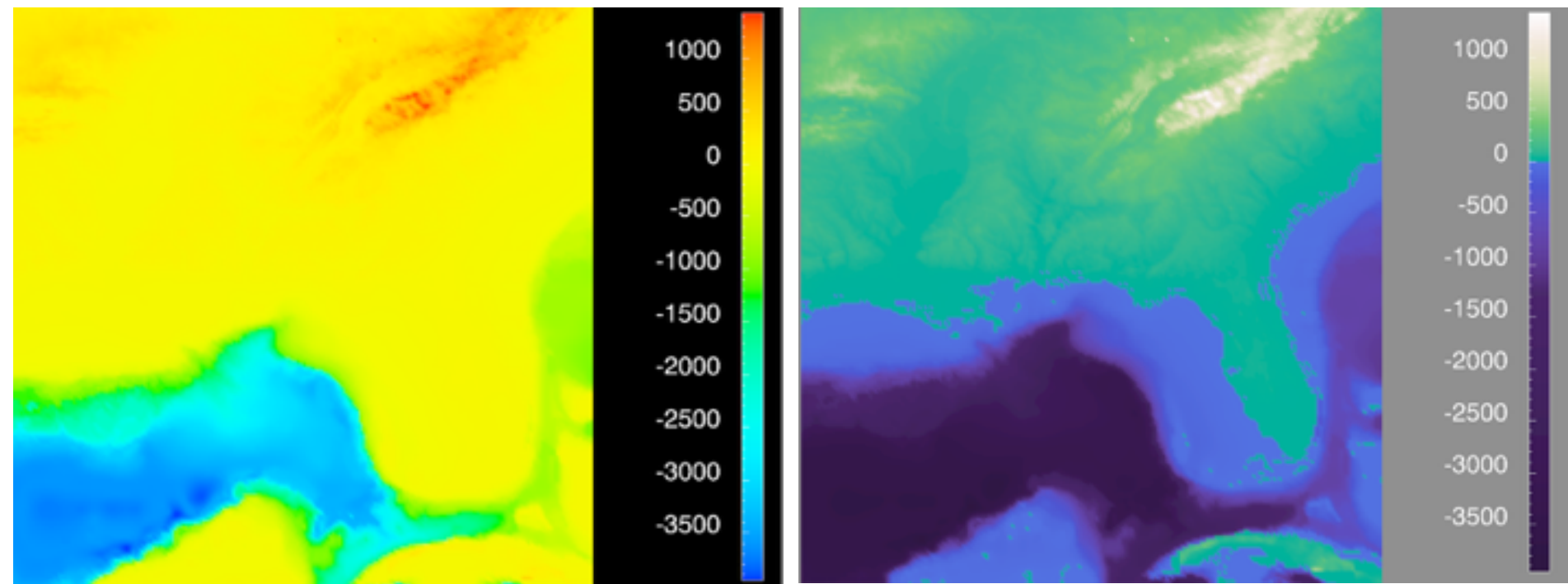


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[Transfer Functions in Direct Volume Rendering: Design, Interface, Interaction. Kindlmann. SIGGRAPH 2002 Course Notes]

Colormaps

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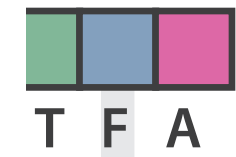
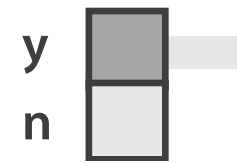
→ *Sequential*



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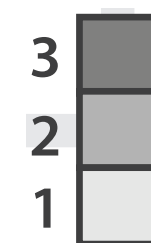
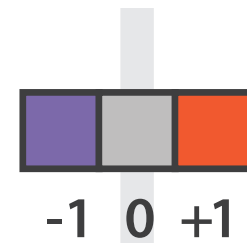


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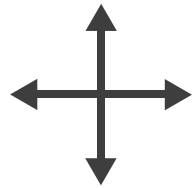
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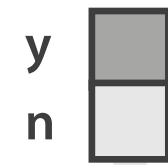
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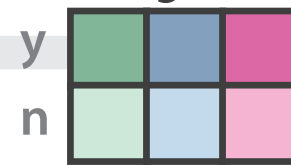
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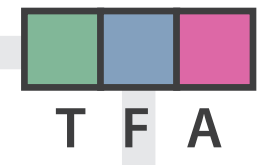


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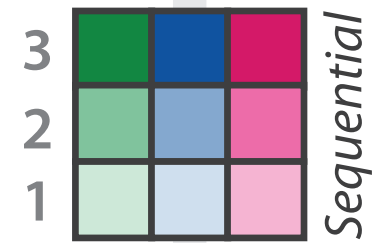


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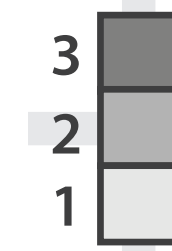
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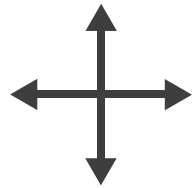
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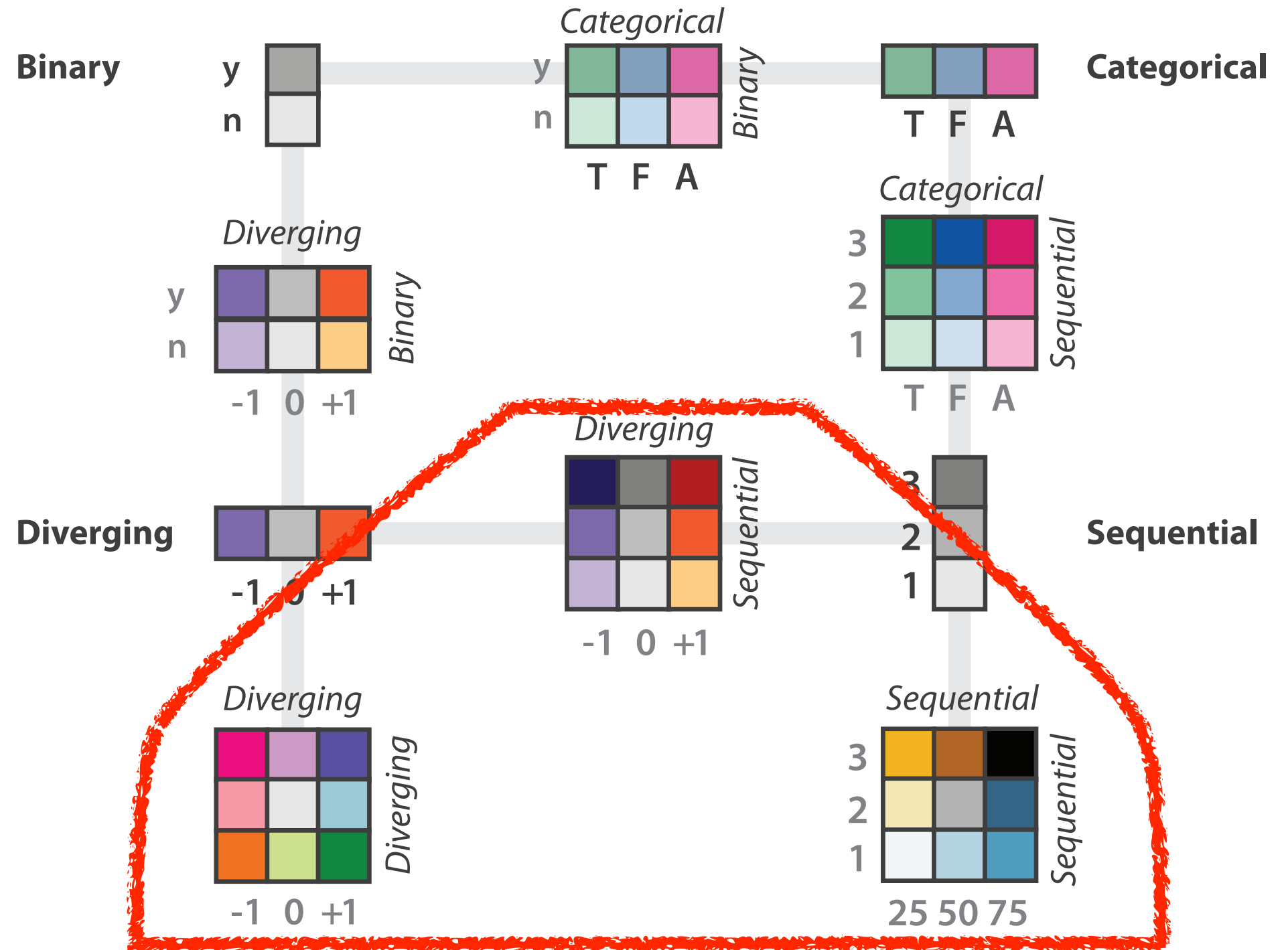
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use with care!



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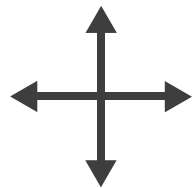
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- color channel interactions

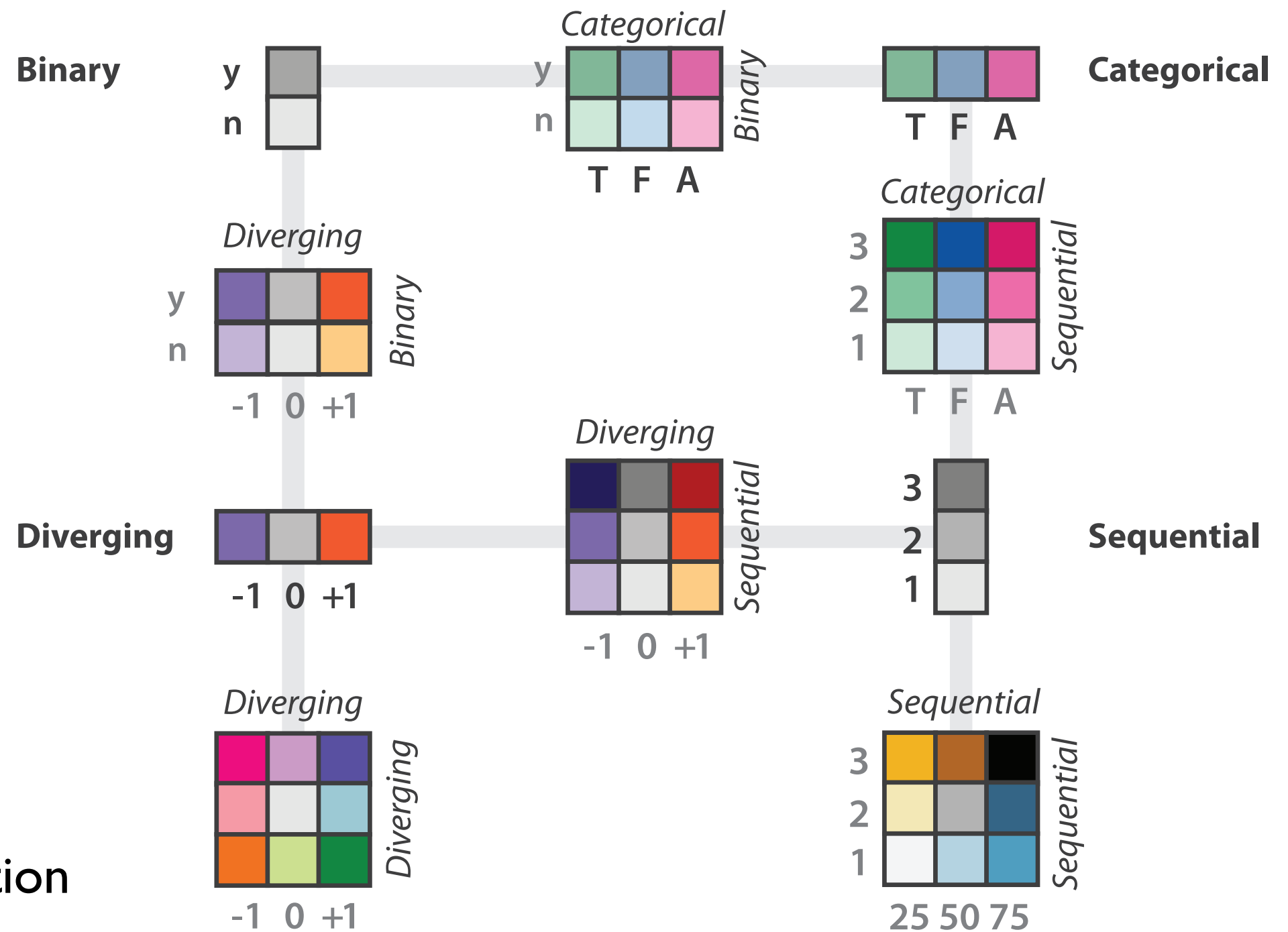
- size heavily affects salience

- small regions need high saturation

- large need low saturation

- saturation & luminance: 3-4 bins max

- also not separable from transparency



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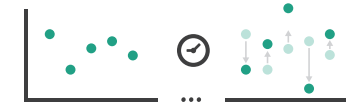
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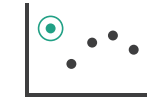


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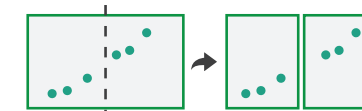


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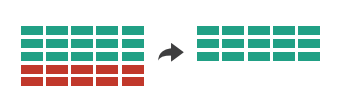


→ Superimpose

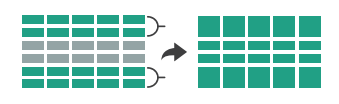


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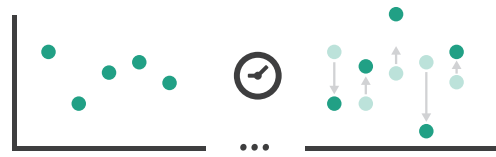
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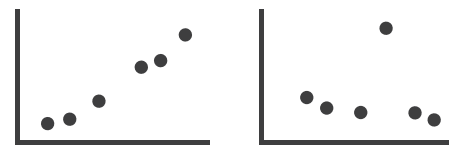


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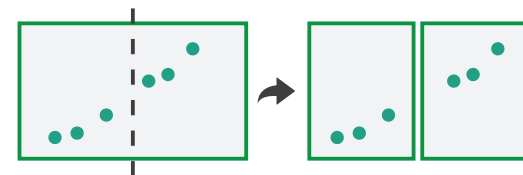


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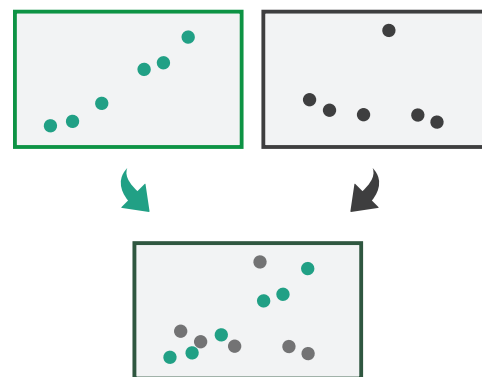
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➔ *Derive*



- change view over time
- facet across multiple views
- reduce items/attributes within single view
- derive new data to show within view

How to handle complexity: 3 more strategies

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- change over time
- most obvious & flexible of the 4 strategies

→ Navigate

→ Superimpose

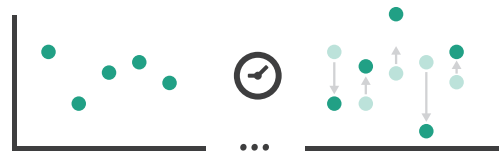
→ Embed

How to handle complexity: 3 more strategies

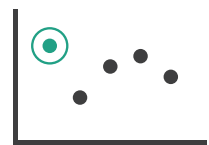
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Manipulate

➔ Change



➔ Select

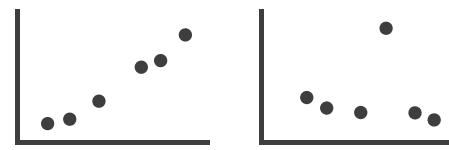


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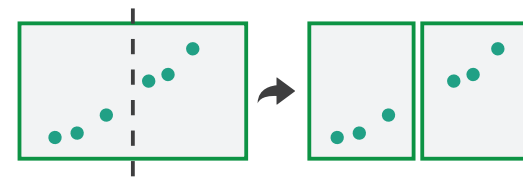


Facet

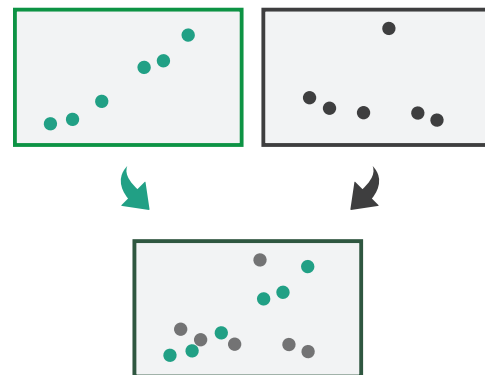
➔ Juxtapose



➔ Partition



➔ Superimpose



Reduce

➔ Filter



➔ Aggregate



➔ Embed



➔ *Derive*



- facet data across multiple views

Idiom: **Linked highlighting**

System: **EDV**

- see how regions contiguous in one view are distributed within another
 - powerful and pervasive interaction idiom
- encoding: different
- data: all shared



[Visual Exploration of Large Structured Datasets. Wills. Proc. New Techniques and Trends in Statistics (NTTS), pp. 237–246. IOS Press, 1995.]

Idiom: **bird's-eye maps**

System: **Google Maps**

- encoding: same
- data: subset shared
- navigation: shared
 - bidirectional linking
- differences
 - viewpoint
 - (size)
- **overview-detail**

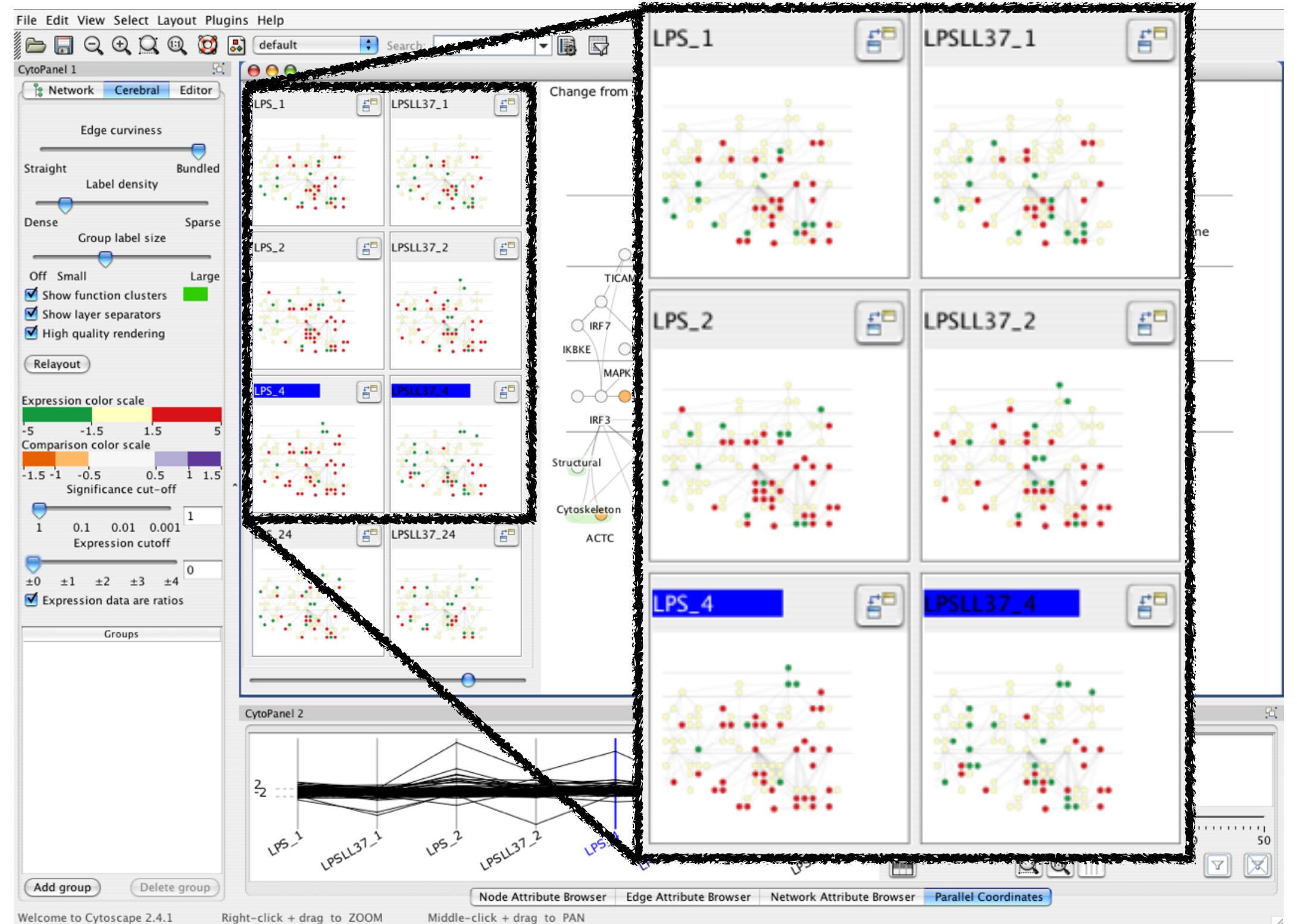


[A Review of Overview+Detail, Zooming, and Focus+Context Interfaces. Cockburn, Karlson, and Bederson. *ACM Computing Surveys* 41:1 (2008), 1–31.]

Idiom: Small multiples

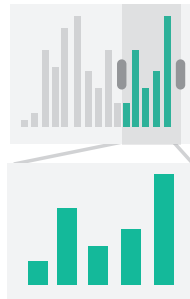
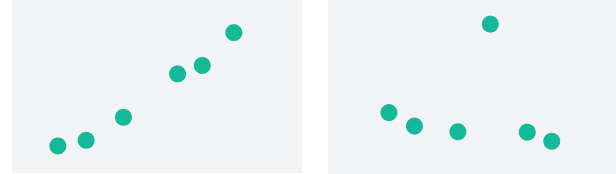


System: Cerebral

- encoding: same
- data: none shared
 - different attributes for node colors
 - (same network layout)
- navigation: shared



[Cerebral: Visualizing Multiple Experimental Conditions on a Graph with Biological Context. Barsky, Munzner, Gardy, and Kincaid. *IEEE Trans. Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. InfoVis 2008)* 14:6 (2008), 1253–1260.]

Coordinate views: Design choice interaction

		Data		
		All	Subset	None
Encoding	Same	Redundant	 Overview/ Detail	 Small Multiples
	Different	 Multiform	 Multiform, Overview/ Detail	No Linkage

- why juxtapose views?

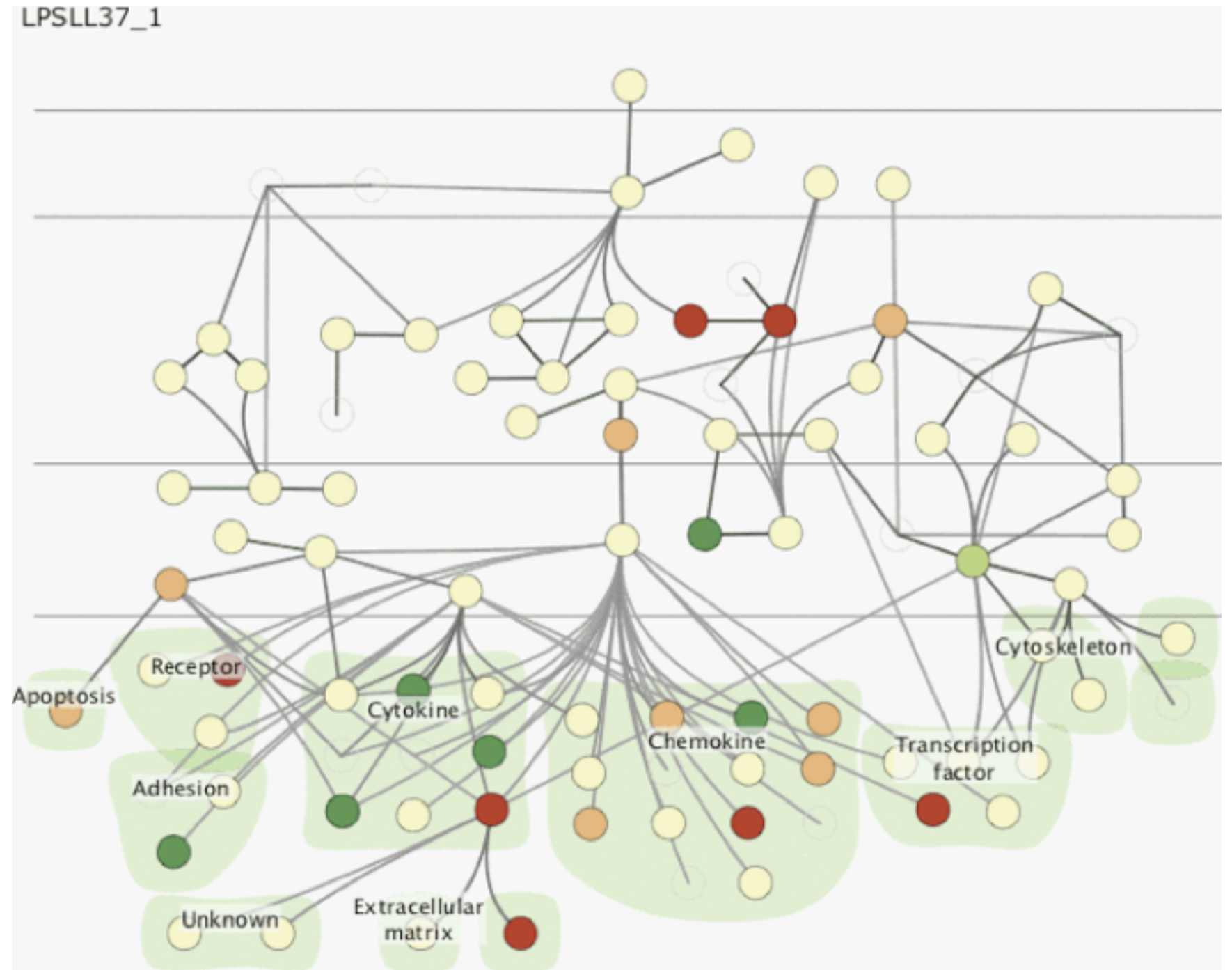
- benefits: eyes vs memory

- lower cognitive load to move eyes between 2 views than remembering previous state with single changing view

- costs: display area, 2 views side by side each have only half the area of one view

Idiom: Animation (change over time)

- weaknesses
 - widespread changes
 - disparate frames
- strengths
 - choreographed storytelling
 - localized differences between contiguous frames
 - animated transitions between states



How to handle complexity: 3 more strategies

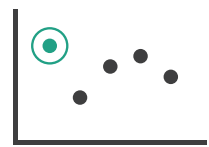
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Manipulate

→ Change



→ Select

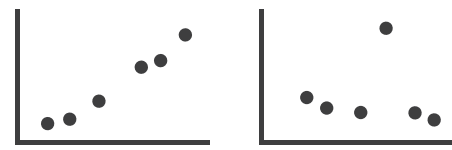


→ Navigate

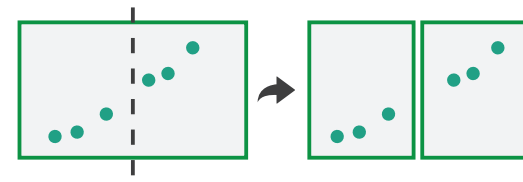


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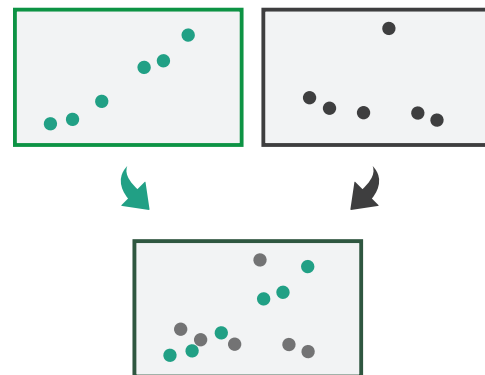
→ Juxtapose



→ Partition



→ Superimpose



Reduce

→ Filter



→ Aggregate



→ Embed



→ *Derive*



- reduce what is shown within single view

Reduce items and attributes

- reduce/increase: inverses
- filter
 - pro: straightforward and intuitive
 - to understand and compute
 - con: out of sight, out of mind
- aggregation
 - pro: inform about whole set
 - con: difficult to avoid losing signal
- not mutually exclusive
 - combine filter, aggregate
 - combine reduce, facet, change, derive

Reducing Items and Attributes

→ Filter

→ Items

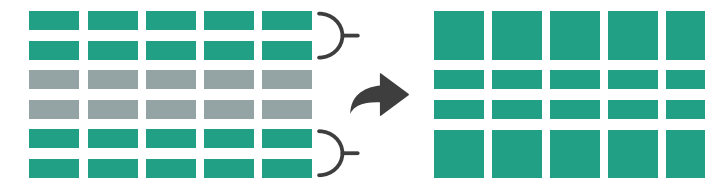


→ Attributes

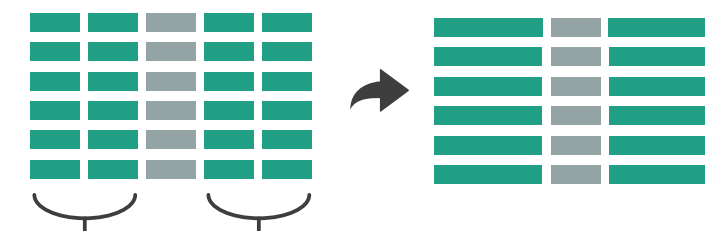


→ Aggregate

→ Items



→ Attributes



Reduce

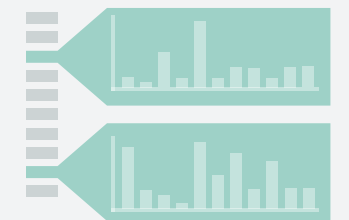
→ Filter



→ Aggregate

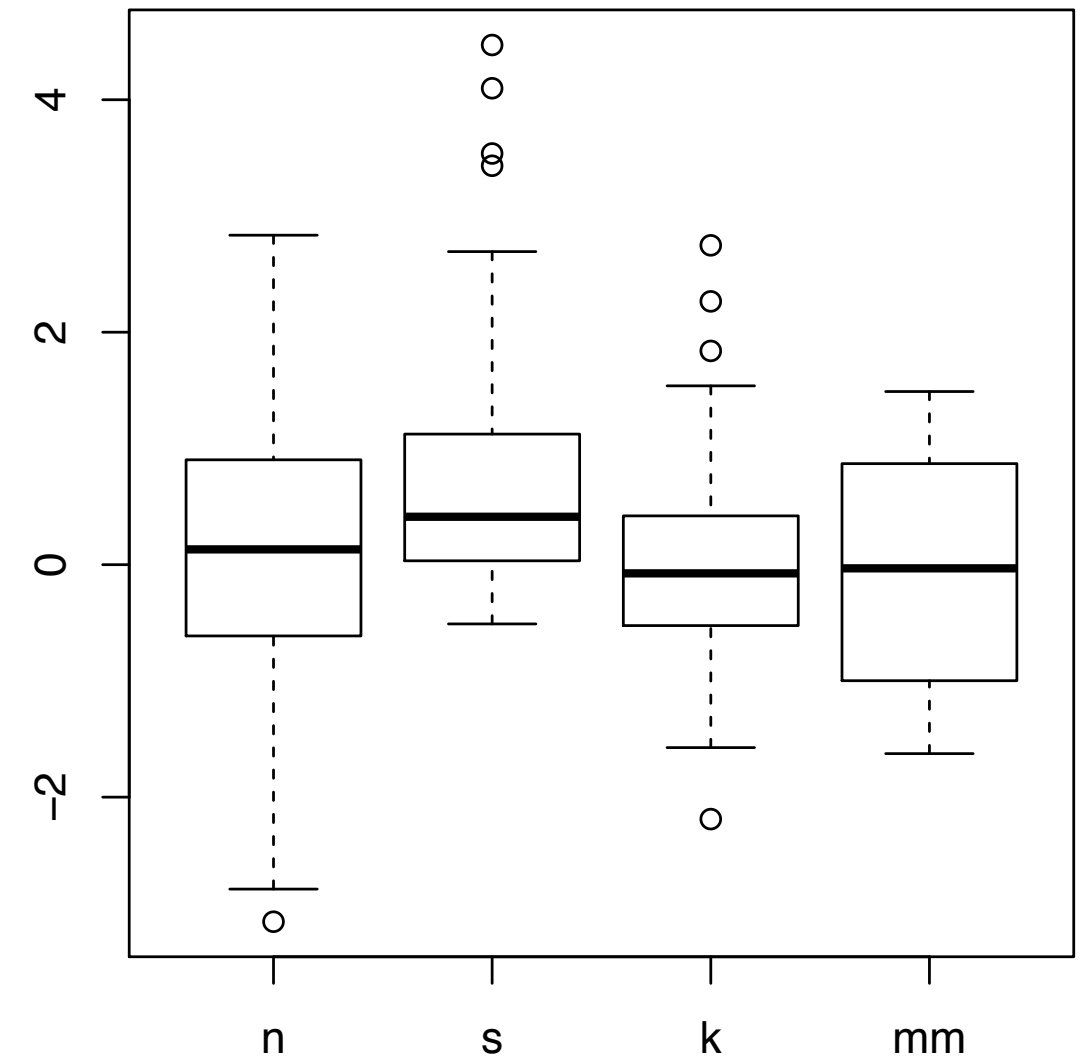


→ Embed



Idiom: **boxplot**

- static item aggregation
- task: find distribution
- data: table
- derived data
 - 5 quant attribs
 - median: central line
 - lower and upper quartile: boxes
 - lower upper fences: whiskers
 - values beyond which items are outliers
 - outliers beyond fence cutoffs explicitly shown

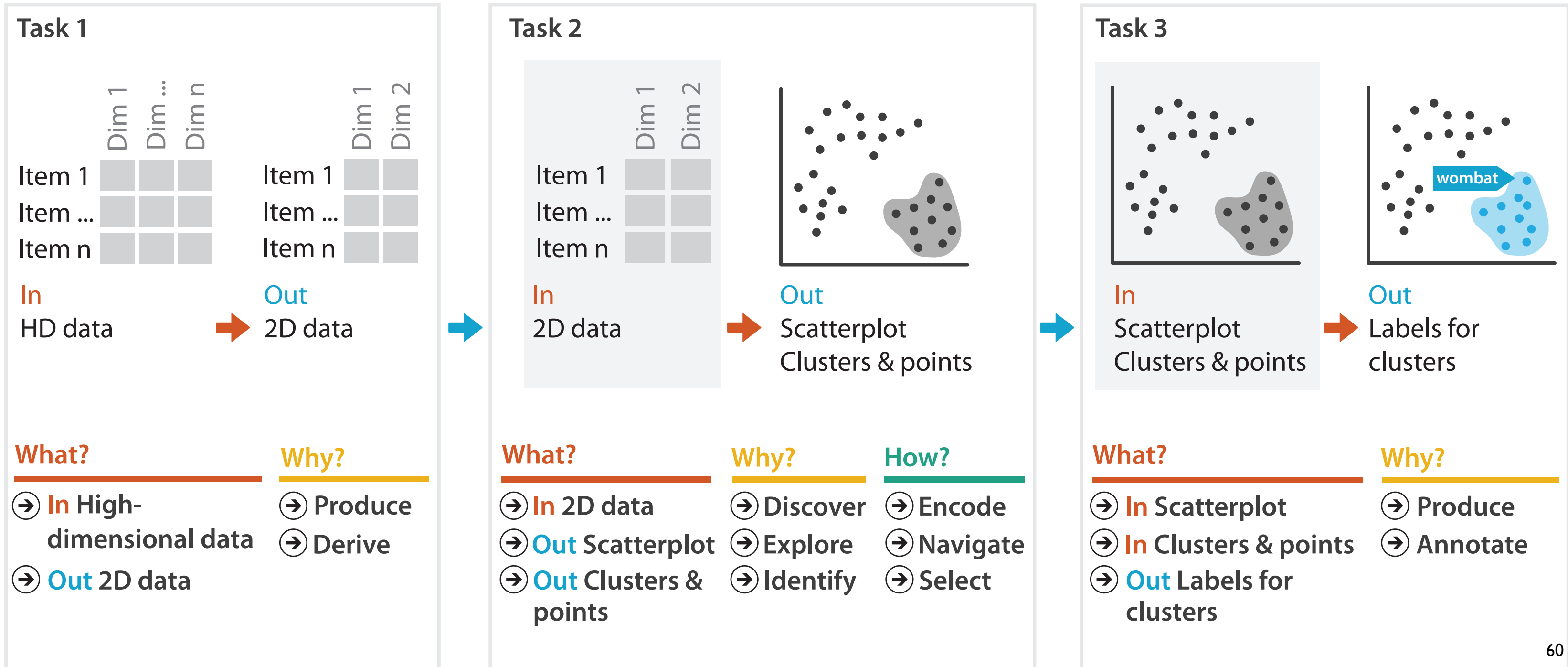


[40 years of boxplots. Wickham and Stryjewski. 2012. had.co.nz]

Idiom: Dimensionality reduction for documents

- attribute aggregation

–derive low-dimensional target space from high-dimensional measured space



What?

Datasets

Attributes

domain

abstraction

What?

Why?

idiom

How?

algorithm

Why?

Actions

Targets

→ Data Types

→ Items

→ Data and D

Tables

Items

Attributes

→ Analyze

→ Consume

→ Discover



→ Present



→ Enjoy



→ All Data

→ Trends



→ Outliers

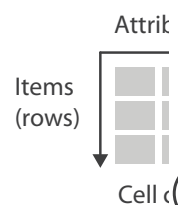


→ Features



→ Dataset Typ

→ Tables



→ Produce

→ Annotate



→ Search

	Target
Location known	
Location unknown	

Encode

→ Arrange

→ Express



→ Separate



→ Order



→ Align



→ Use



→ Map

from **categorical** and **ordered** attributes

→ Color

→ Hue



→ Saturation



→ Luminance



→ Size, Angle, Curvature, ...



→ Shape



→ Motion

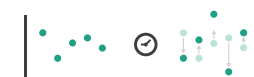
Direction, Rate, Frequency, ...



How?

Manipulate

→ Change



→ Select



→ Navigate



Facet

→ Juxtapose



→ Partition



→ Superimpose



Reduce

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→ Aggregate



→ Embed



What?

Why?

→ Geometr

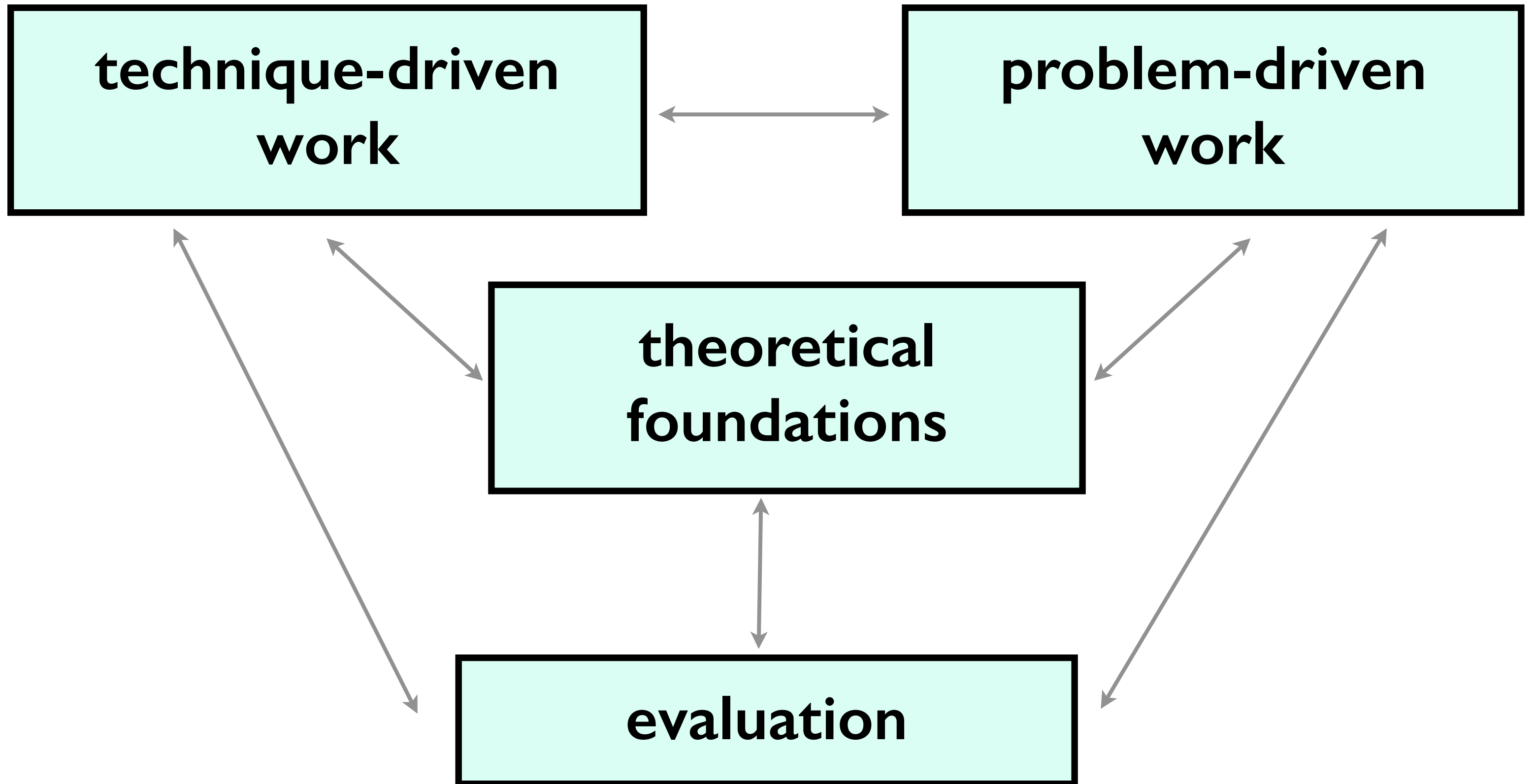


→ Query

→ Identify



A quick taste of other work!



Problem-driven: Genomics

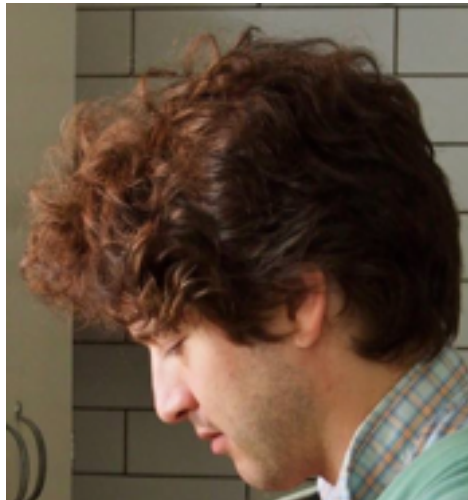
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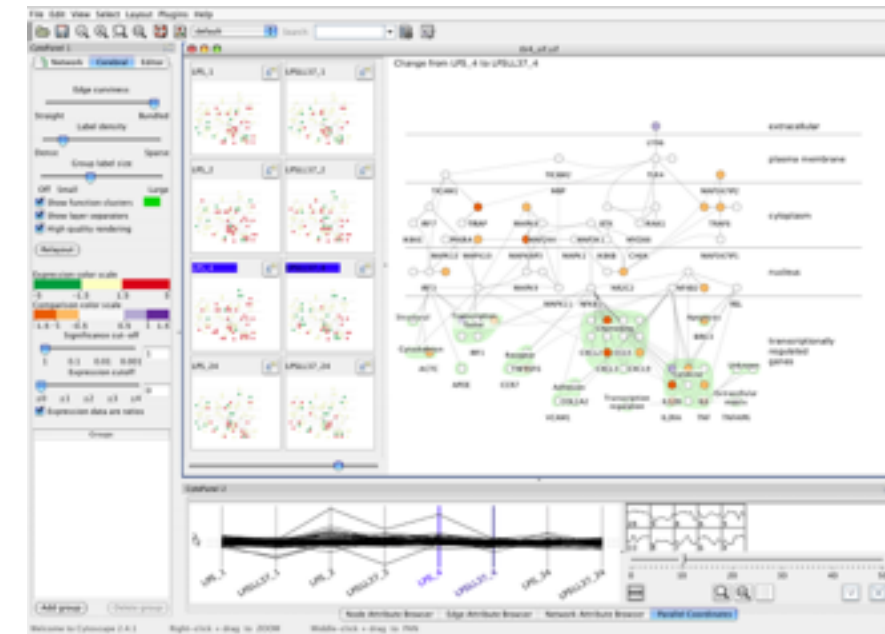
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Robert Kincaid
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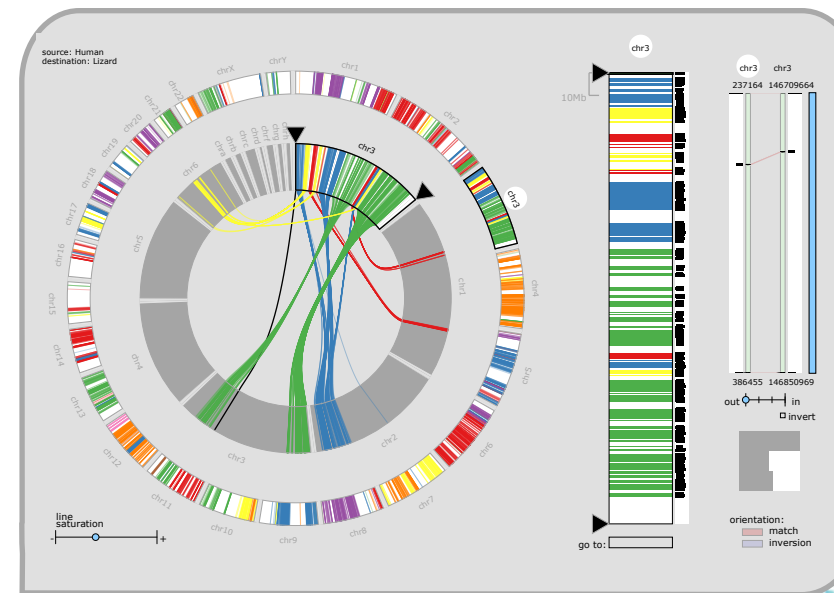


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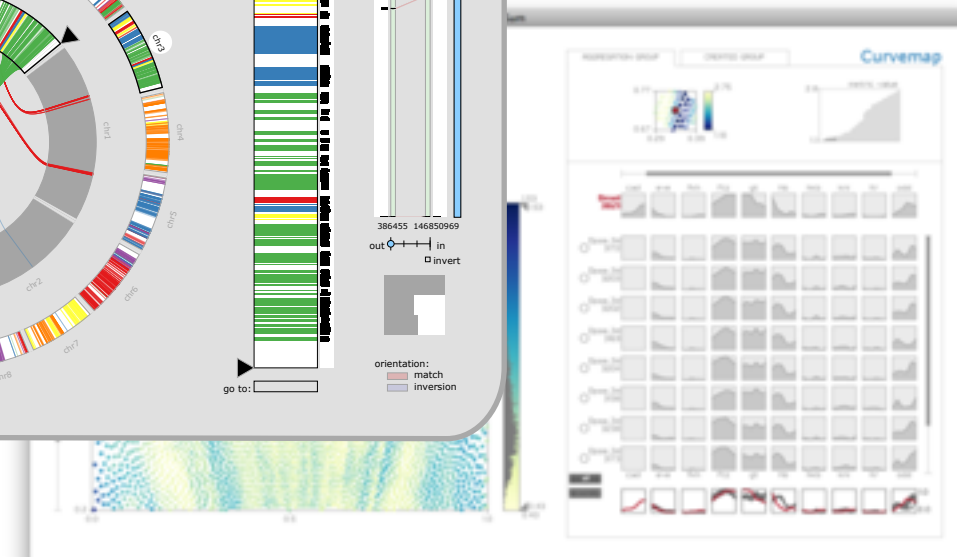
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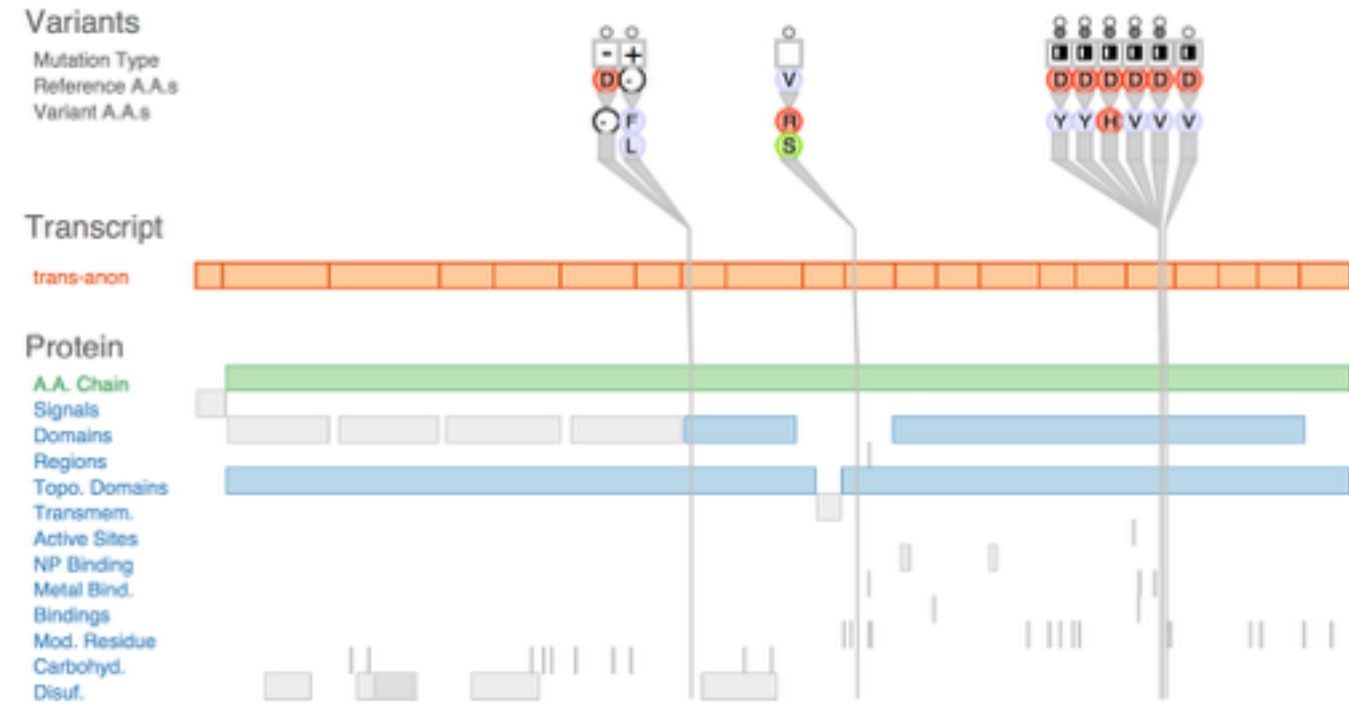
Problem-driven: Genomics, fisheries

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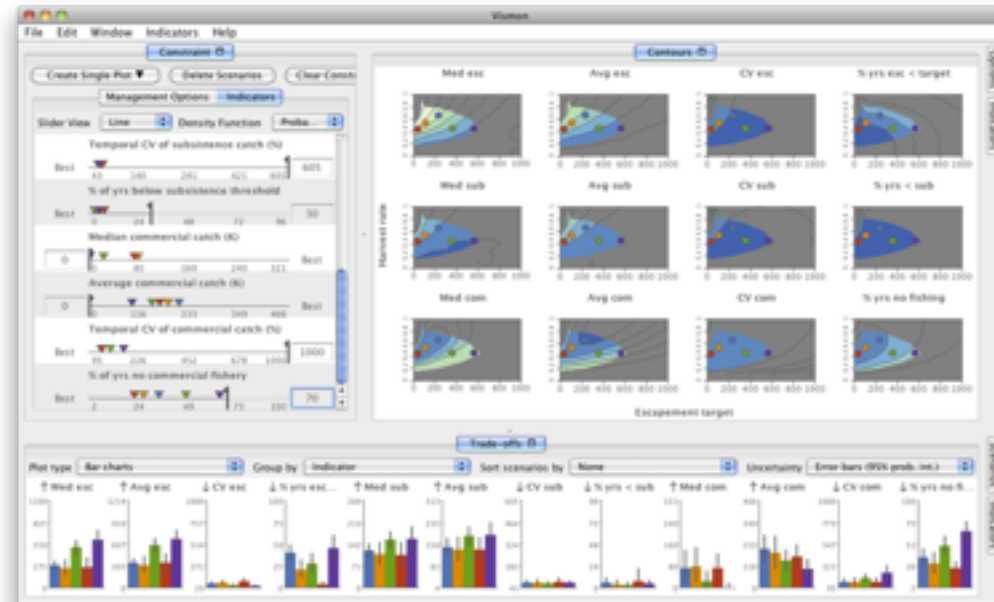
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Variant View



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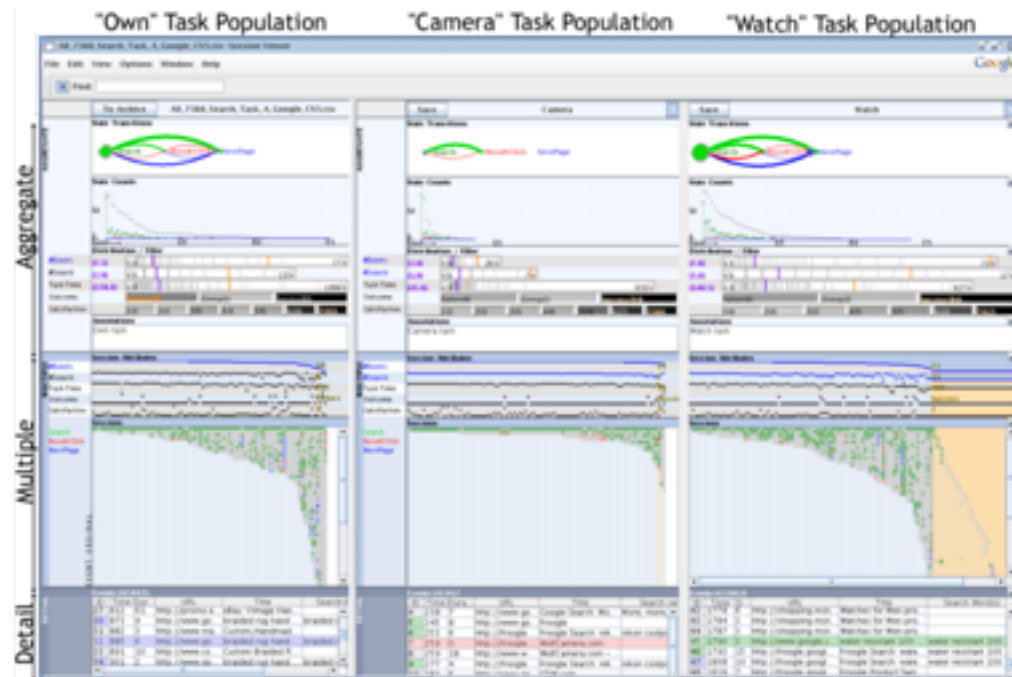
Problem-driven: Tech industry

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SessionViewer: web log analysis

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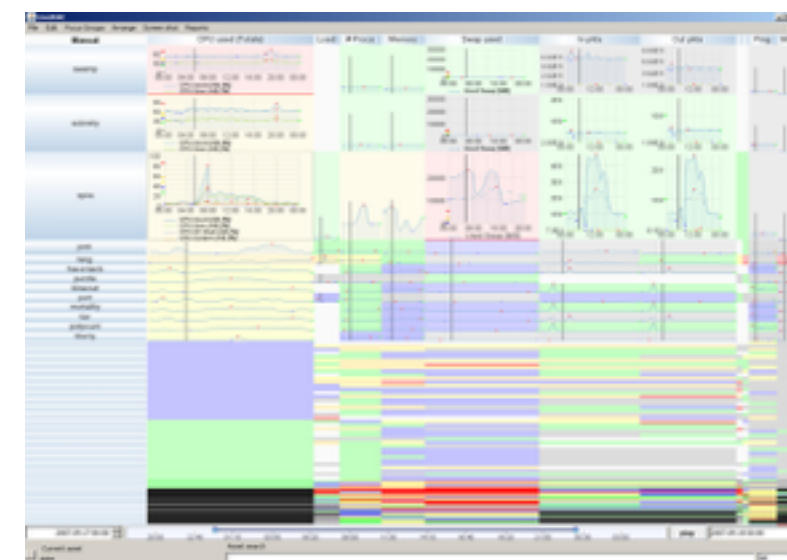
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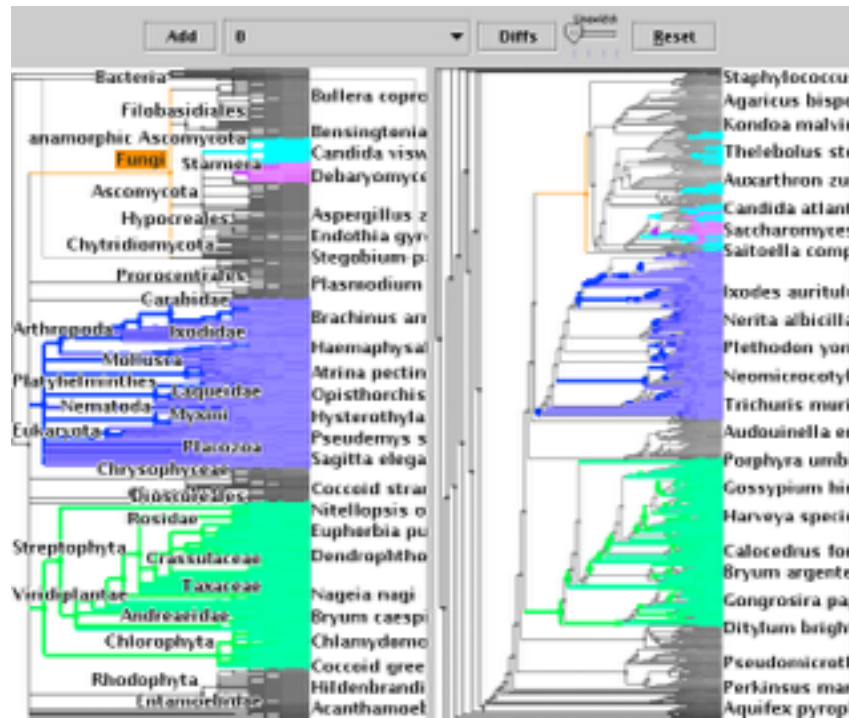
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Overview

Technique-driven: Graph drawing

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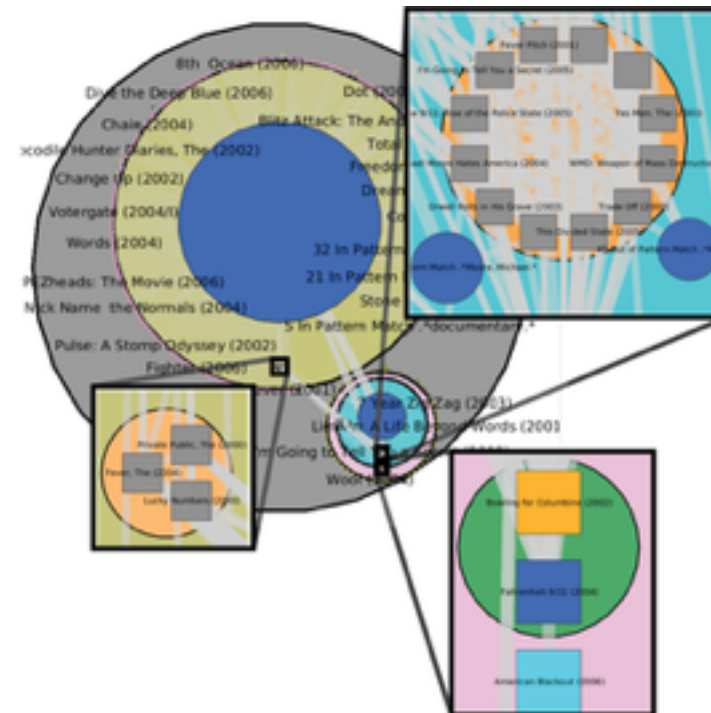


TreeJuxtaposer

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- TopoLayout
- SPF
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- TugGraph

Technique-driven: Dimensionality reduction

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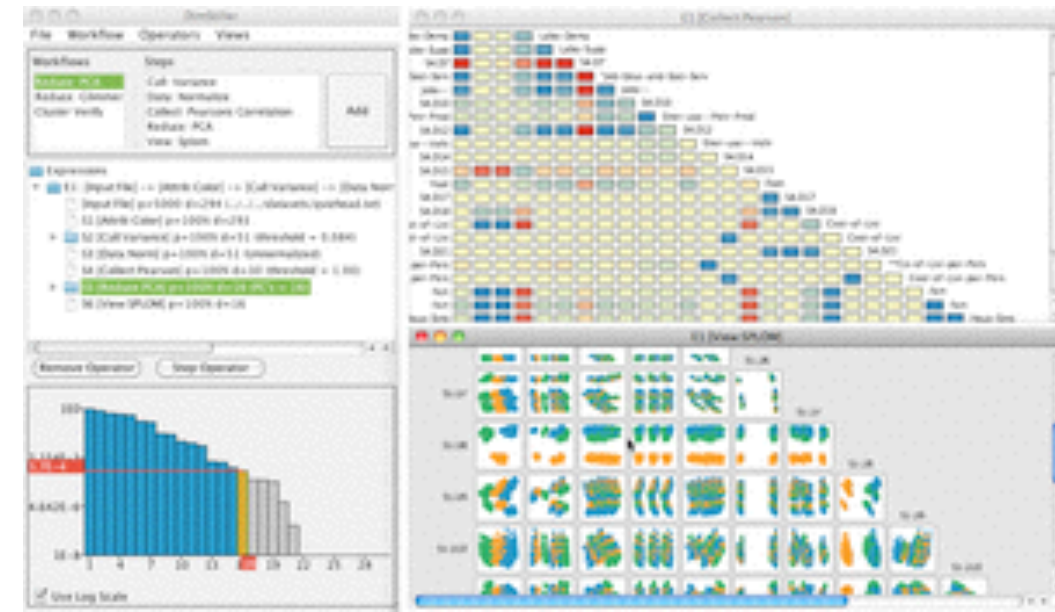
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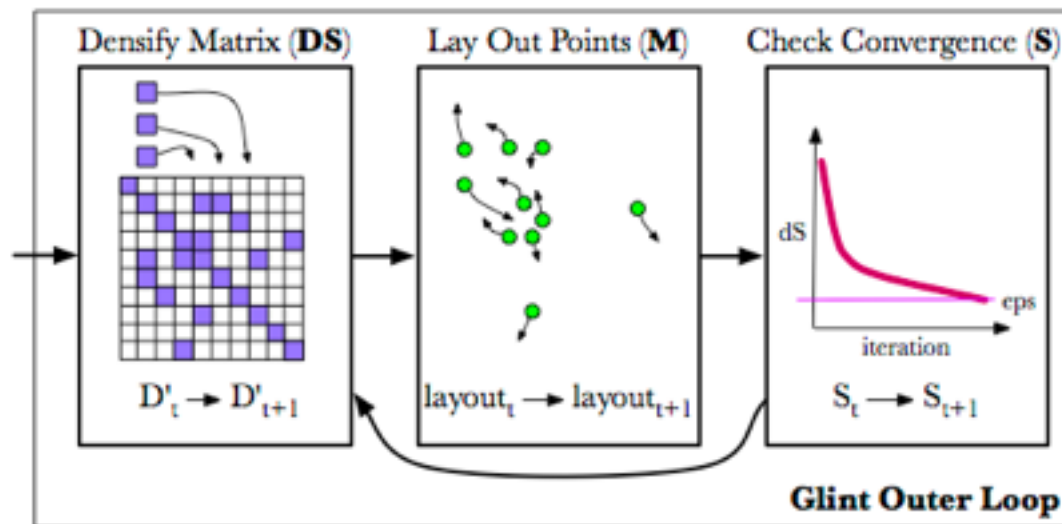
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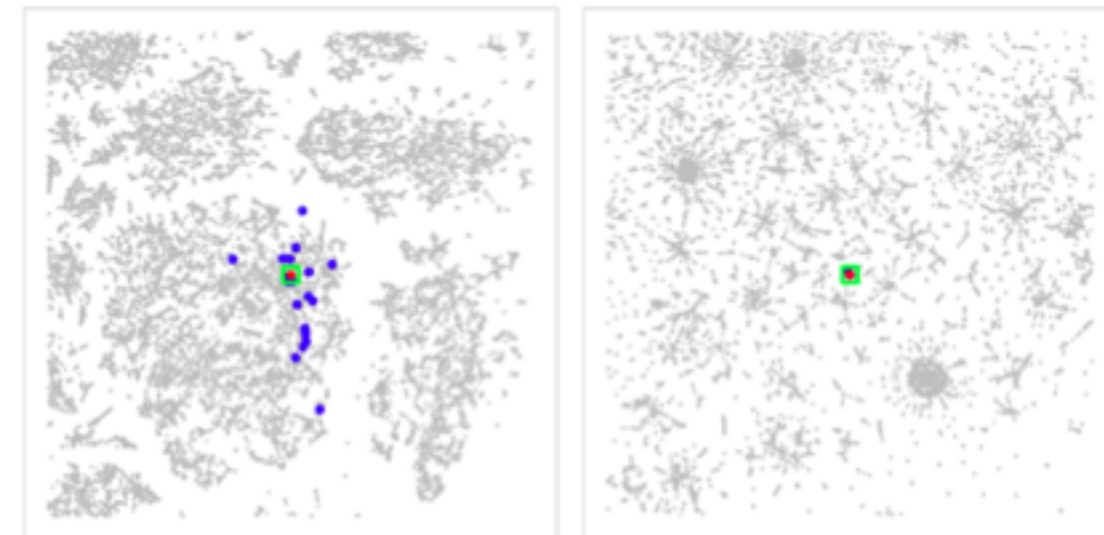
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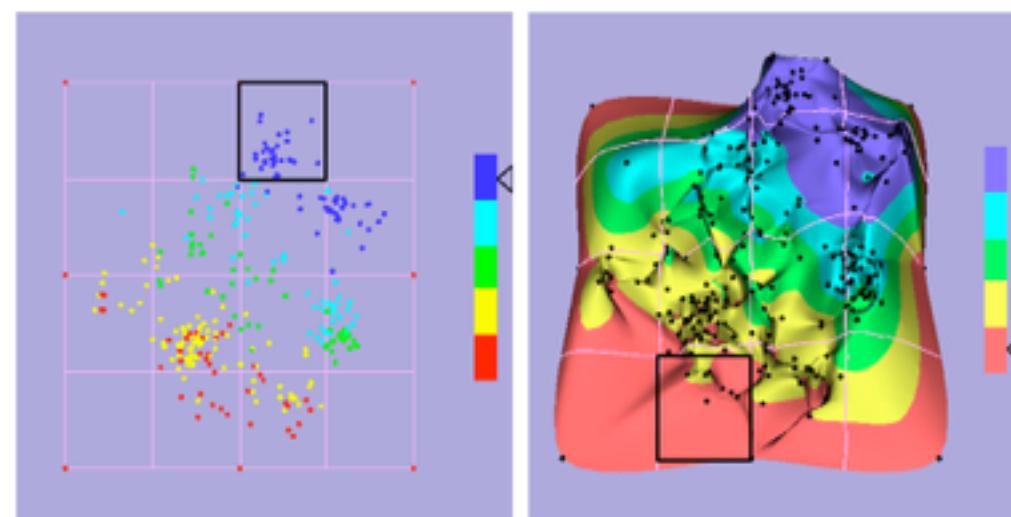
Evaluation: Dimensionality reduction

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Points vs landscapes for dimensionally reduced data



Guidance on DR & scatterplot choices

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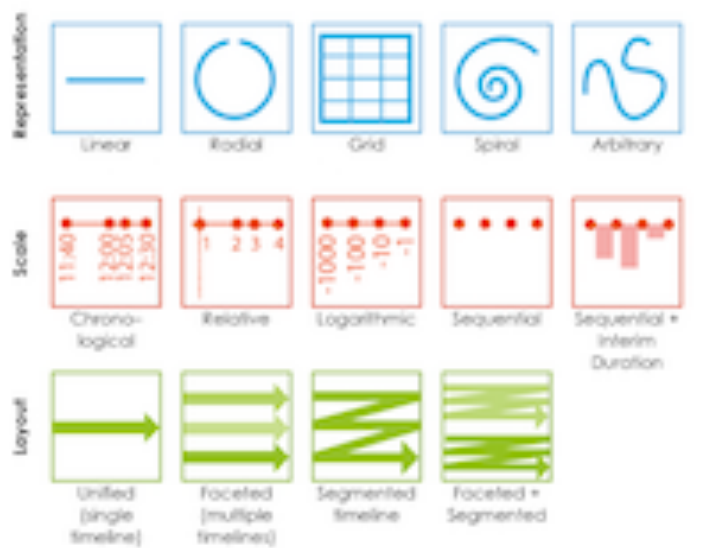
Taxonomy of cluster separation factors

Curation & Presentation: Timelines

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TimeLineCurator
<https://vimeo.com/123246662>



Timelines Revisited
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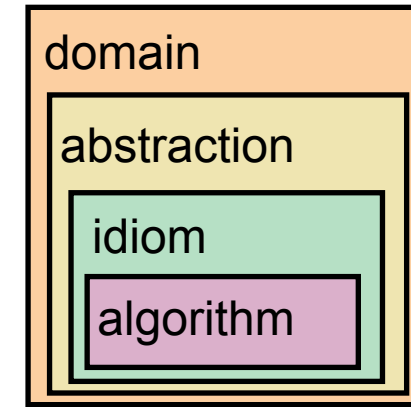
Theoretical foundations

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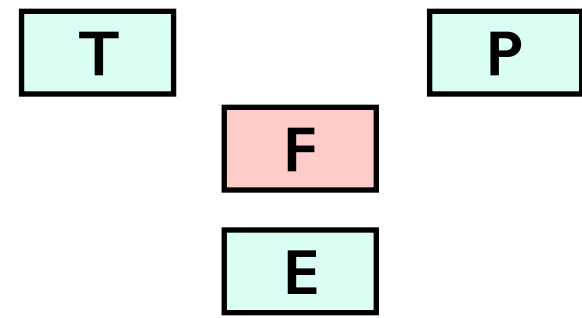
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- 2D Good, 3D Better
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- Rainbows Just Like In The Sky

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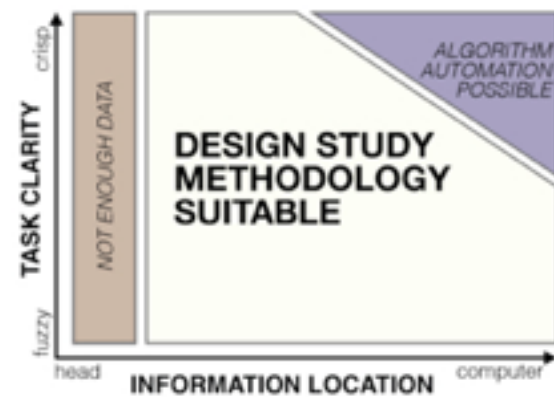
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Nested Model



Papers Process & Pitfalls



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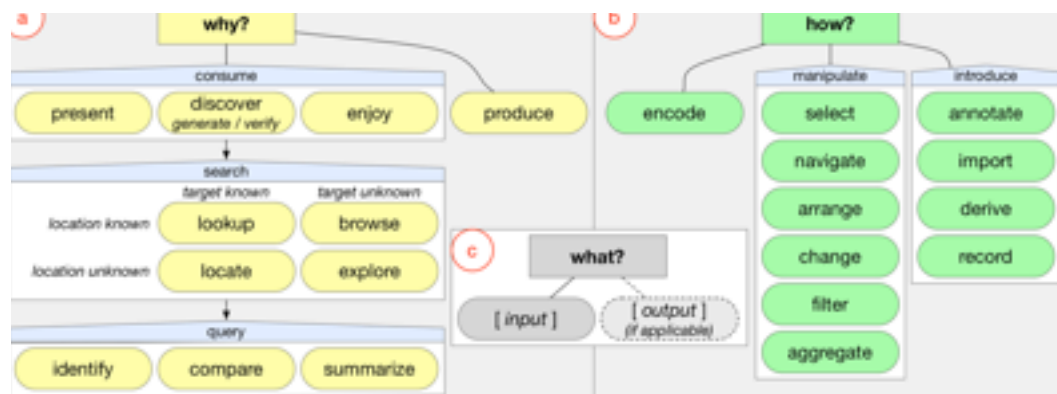
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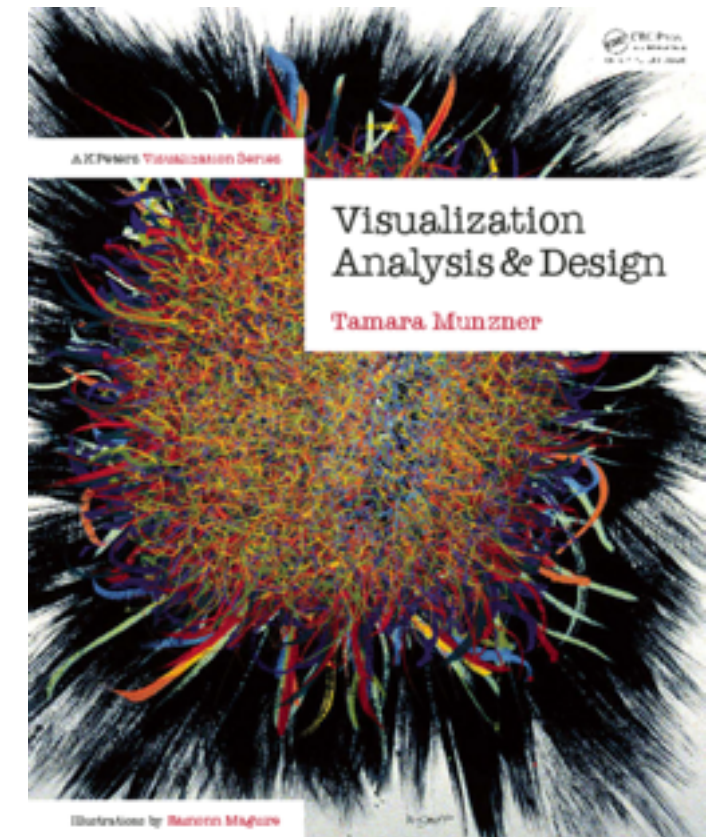
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Abstract Tasks



Visualization Analysis & Design

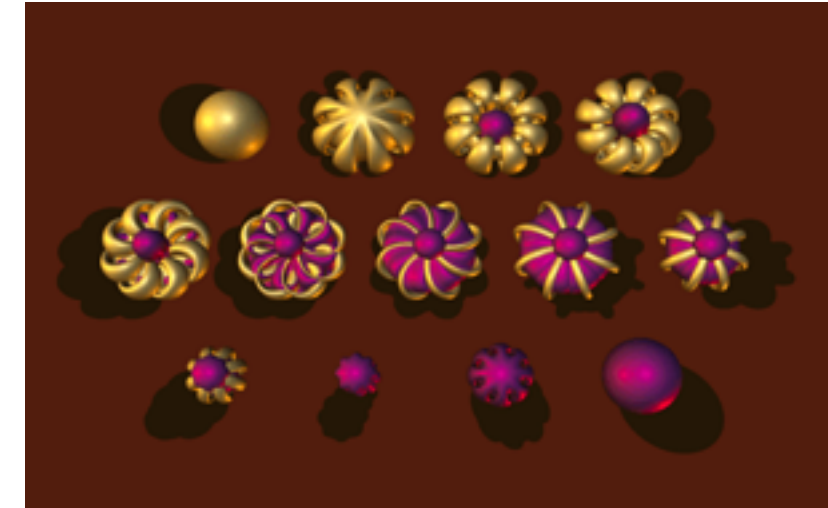
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Geomview



The Shape of Space



Outside In

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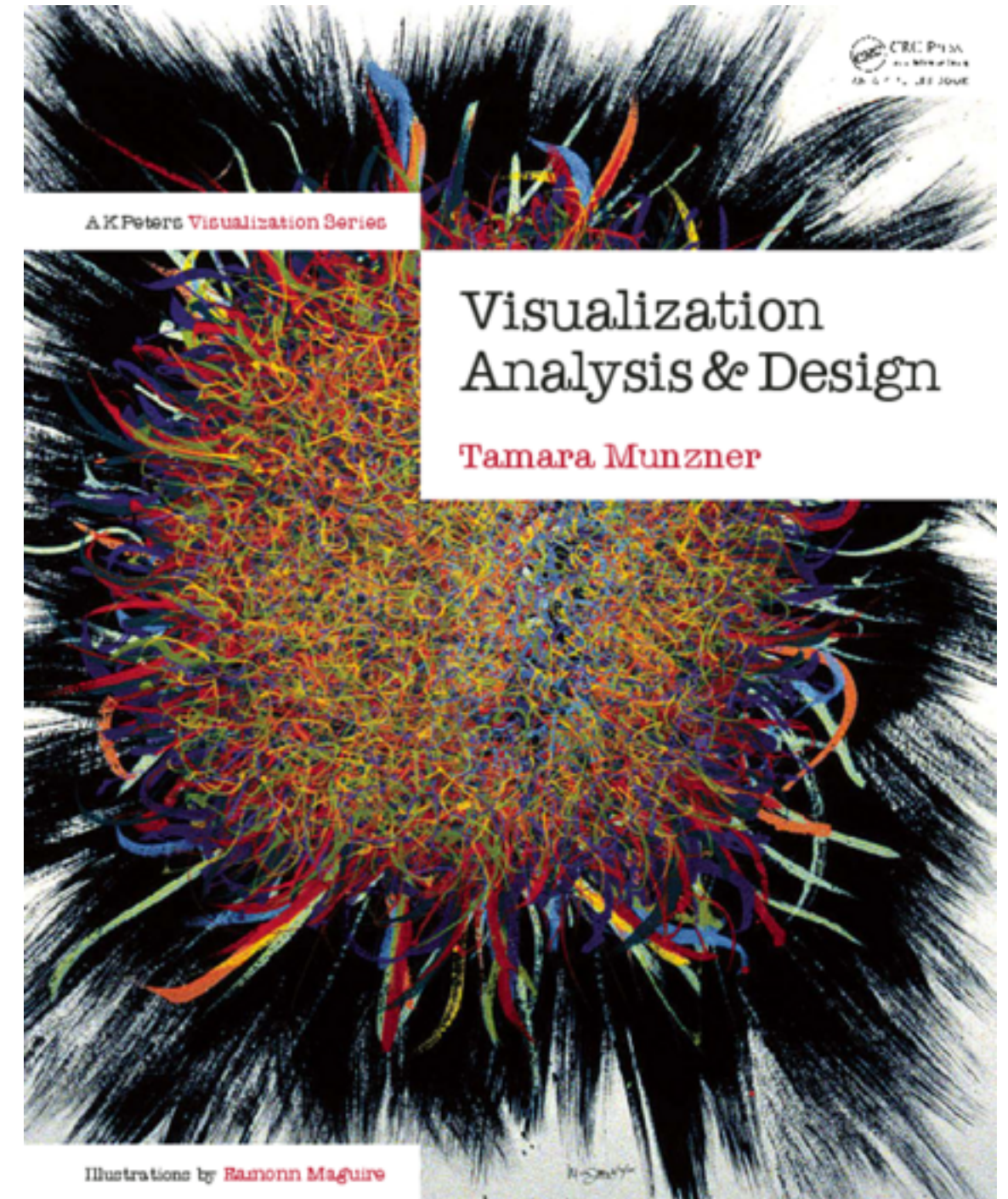
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