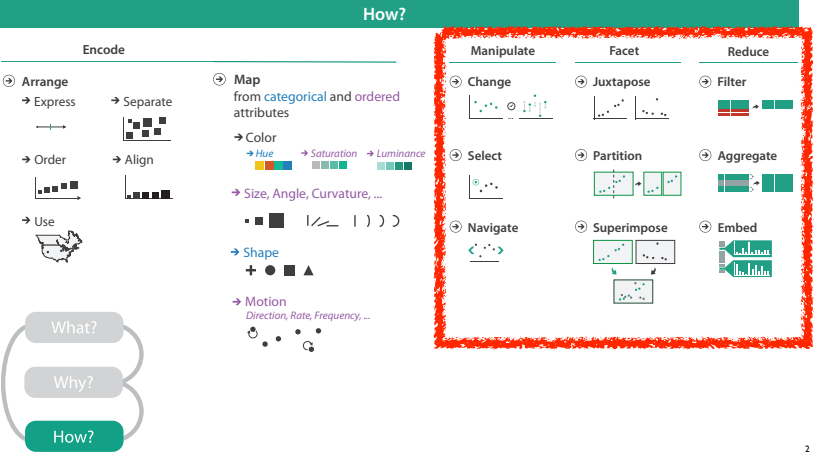


# Lectures 3&4: Facet into Multiple Views

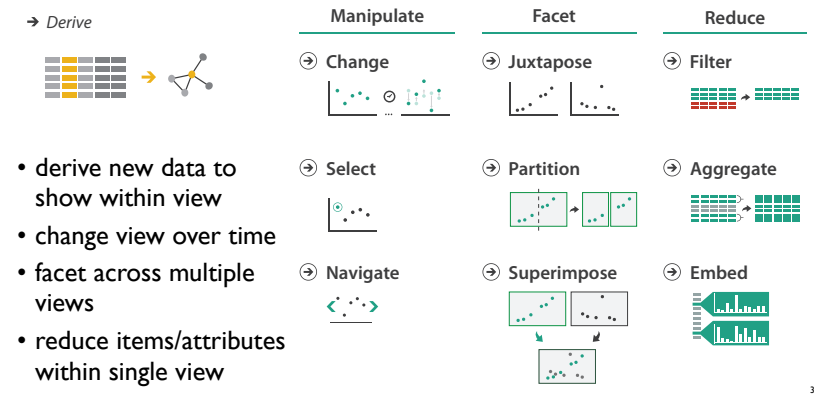
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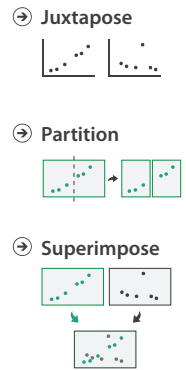
[https://github.ubc.ca/ubc-mds-2016/DSCI\\_532\\_viz-2\\_students](https://github.ubc.ca/ubc-mds-2016/DSCI_532_viz-2_students)



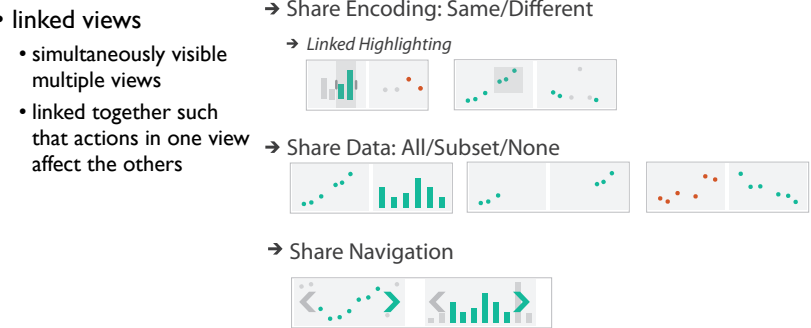
## How to handle complexity: 1 previous strategy + 3 more



## Facet



## Juxtapose and coordinate views



## Idiom: Linked highlighting

- see how regions contiguous in one view are distributed within another
  - powerful and pervasive interaction idiom
- encoding: different
  - multiform
    - rationale: single monolithic view has strong limits on number of attributes that can be shown simultaneously
- data: all shared

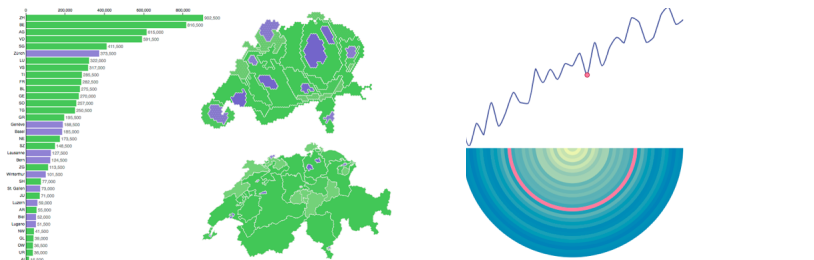
## System: EDV



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

## Linked views

- unidirectional vs bidirectional linking

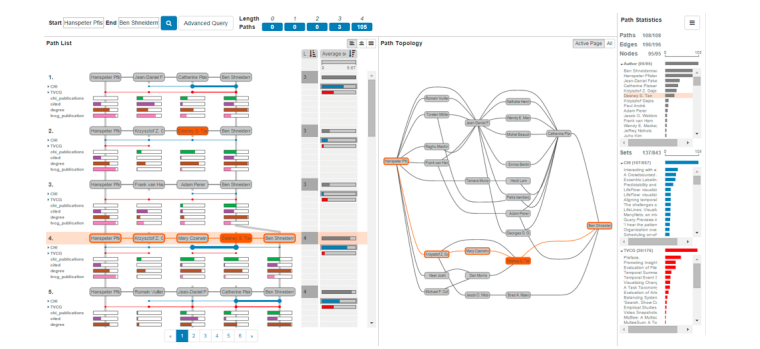


<http://www.ralphstraumann.ch/projects/swiss-population-cartogram/>

<http://peterbeshai.com/linked-highlighting-react-d3-reflux/>

## Complex linked multiform views

## System: Pathfinder



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aZF7AC8aNXo>

## Idiom: bird's-eye maps

## System: Google Maps

- encoding: same
- data: subset shared
- navigation: shared
  - bidirectional linking

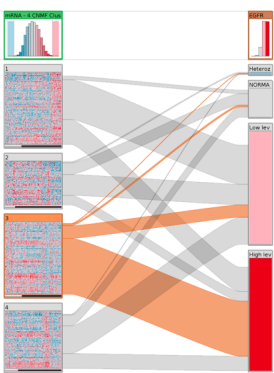


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- overview-detail

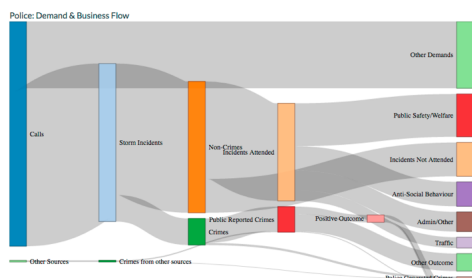
## Overview-detail

## System: StratomeX



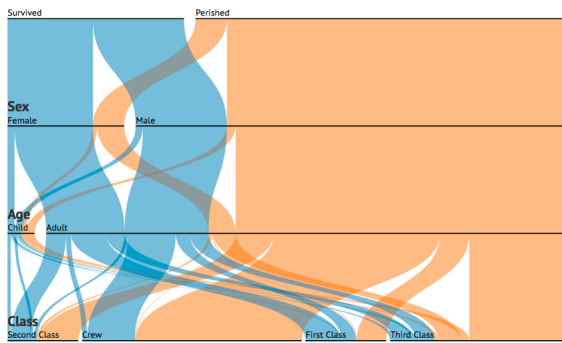
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## Shiny example



<https://gallery.shinyapps.io/TSupplyDemand/>

## Idiom: Parallel sets

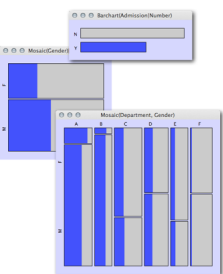


<https://www.jasondavies.com/parallel-sets/>

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## Idiom: Mosaic plots

## System: Mondrian



<http://www.theusrus.de/blog/understanding-mosaic-plots/>

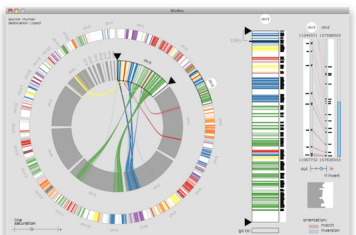
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## Overview-detail

## System: MizBee

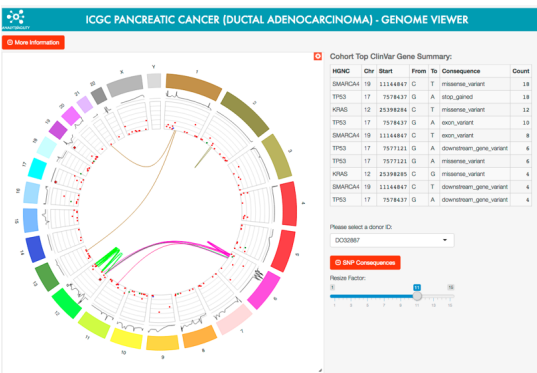
- multiscale: three viewing levels
  - tooling: processing (modern version: p5.js.org)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=86p7brwuz2g>

## Shiny example

- APGI genome browser
  - tooling: R/Shiny
  - interactivity
    - tooltip detail on demand on hover
    - expand/contract chromosomes
    - expand/contract control panes

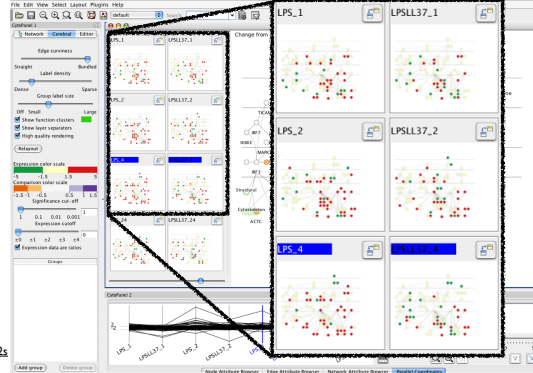


[https://gallery.shinyapps.io/genome\\_browser/](https://gallery.shinyapps.io/genome_browser/)

## 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.]

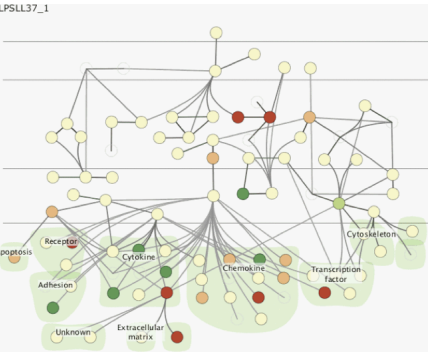
Coordinate views: Design choice interaction

		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

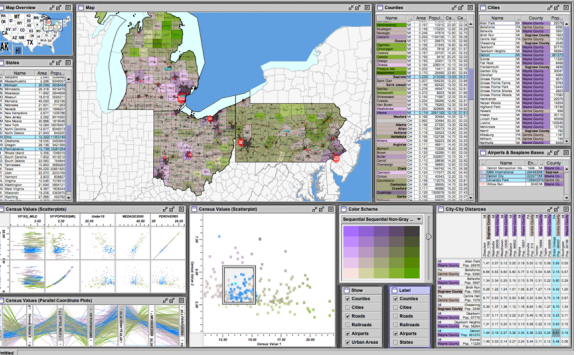
Why not animation?

- disparate frames and regions: comparison difficult
  - vs contiguous frames
  - vs small region
  - vs coherent motion of group
- safe special case
  - animated transitions



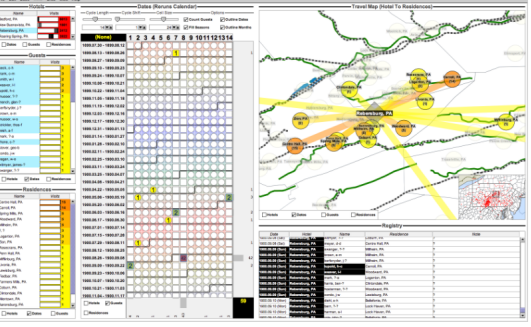
System: **Improvise**

- investigate power of multiple views
  - pushing limits on view count, interaction complexity
  - how many is ok?
    - open research question
  - reorderable lists
    - easy lookup
    - useful when linked to other encodings



[Building Highly-Coordinated Visualizations In Improvise. Weaver. Proc. IEEE Symp. Information Visualization (InfoVis), pp. 159–166, 2004.]

Video: Visual Analysis of Historical Hotel Visitation Patterns

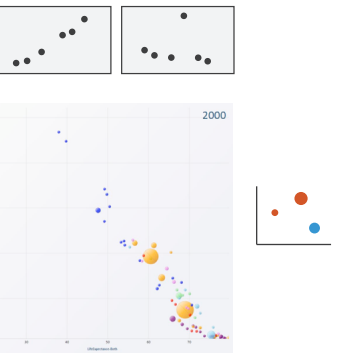


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tzsv6wkZoiQ>

<http://www.cs.ou.edu/~weaver/improvise/examples/hotels/>

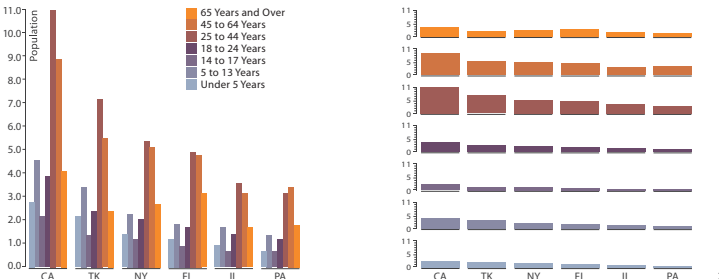
Partition into views

- how to divide data between views → Partition into Side-by-Side Views
  - split into regions by attributes
  - encodes association between items using spatial proximity
  - order of splits has major implications for what patterns are visible
- no strict dividing line
  - view: big/detailed
    - contiguous region in which visually encoded data is shown on the display
  - glyph: small/iconic
    - object with internal structure that arises from multiple marks



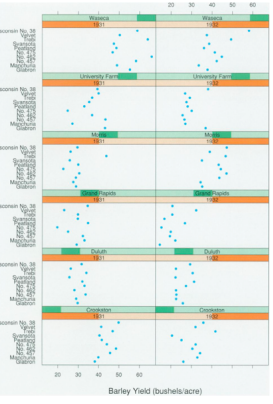
Partitioning: List alignment

- single bar chart with grouped bars
  - split by state into regions
    - complex glyph within each region showing all ages
  - compare: easy within state, hard across ages
- small-multiple bar charts
  - split by age into regions
    - one chart per region
  - compare: easy within age, harder across states



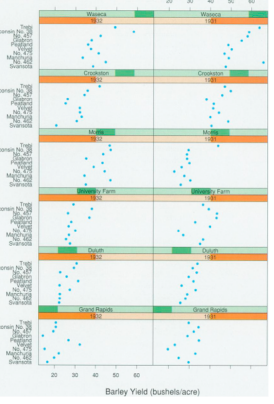
Idiom: **Trellis plots**

- matrix alignment for small multiple plots
  - same issues as alignment for marks within plot!
- partition by
  - year for columns
  - site for rows (alphabetical)
- within pane
  - variety for vertical axis
  - yield for vertical position



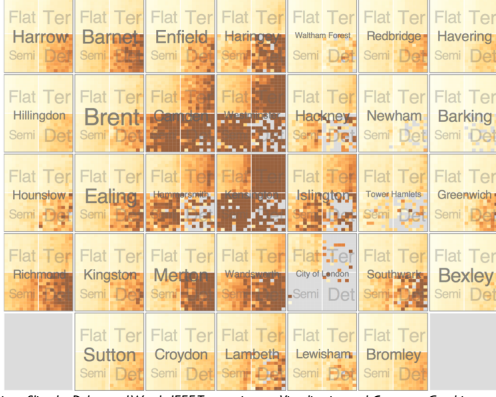
Idiom: **Trellis plots**

- main effects ordering
  - order small-multiples plots based on derived data to see trends
  - order plots by median values
  - shared vertical axis within each plot ordered by median values within varieties



Partitioning: Recursive subdivision


- split by neighborhood
- then by type
- then time
  - years as rows
  - months as columns
- color by price
- neighborhood patterns
  - where it's expensive
  - where you pay much more for detached type



[Configuring Hierarchical Layouts to Address Research Questions. Slingsby, Dykes, and Wood. IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. InfoVis 2009) 15:6 (2009), 977–984.]

Partitioning: Recursive subdivision

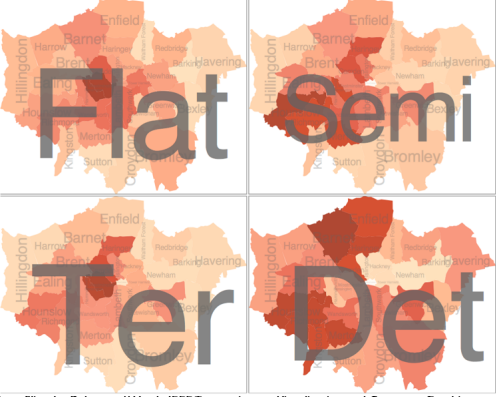
- switch order of splits
  - type then neighborhood
- switch color
  - by price variation
- type patterns
  - within specific type, which neighborhoods inconsistent



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Partitioning: Recursive subdivision

- different encoding for second-level regions
  - choropleth maps



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Partitioning: Recursive subdivision


- size regions by sale counts
  - not uniformly
- result: treemap



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Superimpose layers

- layer: set of objects spread out over region
  - each set is visually distinguishable group
  - extent: whole view
- design choices
  - how many layers, how to distinguish?
    - encode with different, nonoverlapping channels
    - two layers achievable, three with careful design
  - small static set, or dynamic from many possible?



Static visual layering

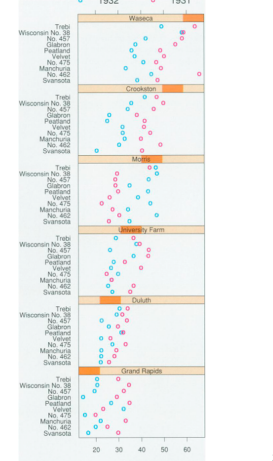
- foreground layer: roads
  - hue, size distinguishing main from minor
  - high luminance contrast from background
- background layer: regions
  - desaturated colors for water, parks, land areas
- user can selectively focus attention
- “get it right in black and white”
  - check luminance contrast with greyscale view



[Get it right in black and white. Stone. 2010. <http://www.stonesc.com/wordpress/2010/03/get-it-right-in-black-and-white>]

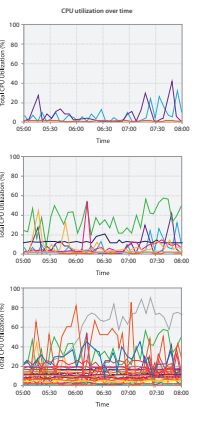
Idiom: **Trellis plots**

- superimpose within same frame
  - color code by year



Superimposing limits

- few layers, but many lines
  - up to a few dozen
  - but not hundreds
- superimpose vs juxtapose: empirical study
  - superimposed for local, multiple for global
  - tasks
    - local: maximum, global: slope, discrimination
  - same screen space for all multiples vs single superimposed

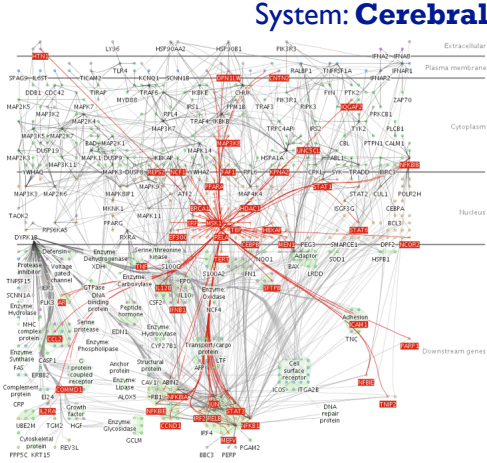


[Graphical Perception of Multiple Time Series. Javed, McDonnell, and Elmquist. IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics (Proc. IEEE InfoVis 2010) 16:6 (2010), 927–934.]

Dynamic visual layering

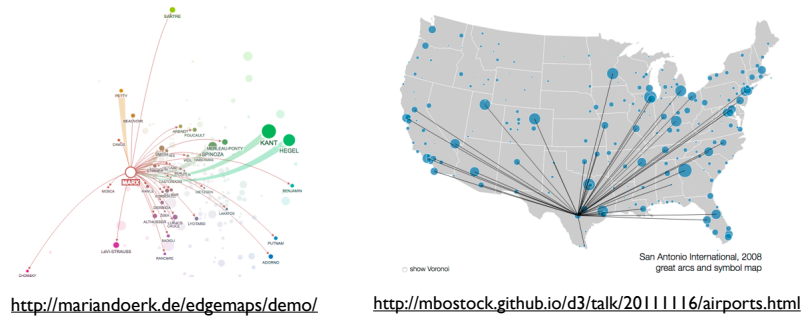
- interactive, from selection
  - lightweight: click
  - very lightweight: hover
- ex: l-hop neighbors

[Cerebral: a Cytoscape plugin for layout of and interaction with biological networks using subcellular localization annotation. Barsky, Gardy, Hancock, and Munzner. Bioinformatics 23:8 (2007), 1040–1042.]



Dynamic visual layering

- one-hop neighbour highlighting demos: click vs hover



Further reading

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