### INTERACTIVE Data Analysis

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Data Analysis & Statistics, Tukey & Wilk 1966



**Four major influences** act on data analysis today:

- 1. The formal theories of statistics.
- 2. Accelerating developments in computers and display devices.
- 3. The challenge, in many fields, of more and larger bodies of data.
- 4. The emphasis on quantification in a wider variety of disciplines.



While some of the influences of statistical theory on data analysis have been helpful, others have not.



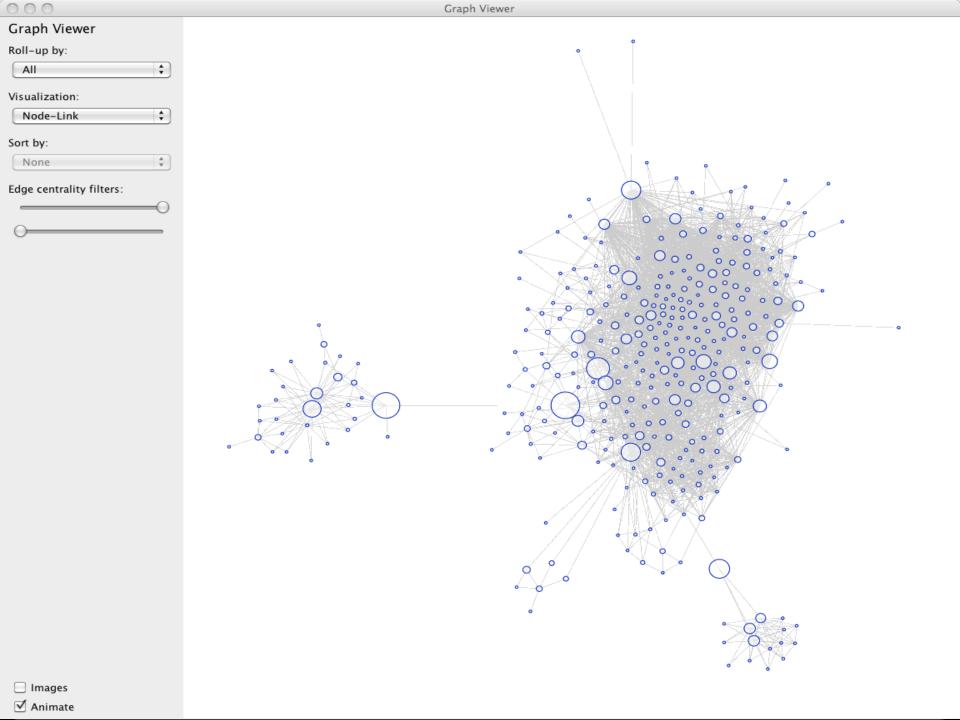
**Exposure**, the effective laying open of the data to **display the unanticipated**, is to us a major portion of data analysis...

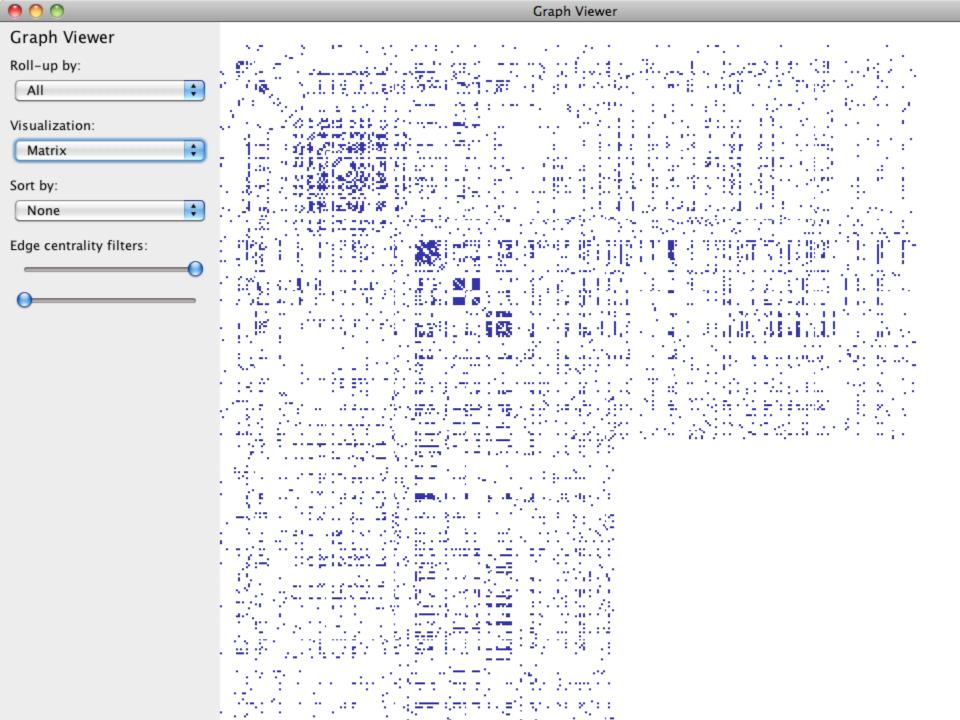
It is not clear how the **informality** and **flexibility** appropriate to the **exploratory character** of exposure can be fitted into any of the structures of formal statistics so far proposed.

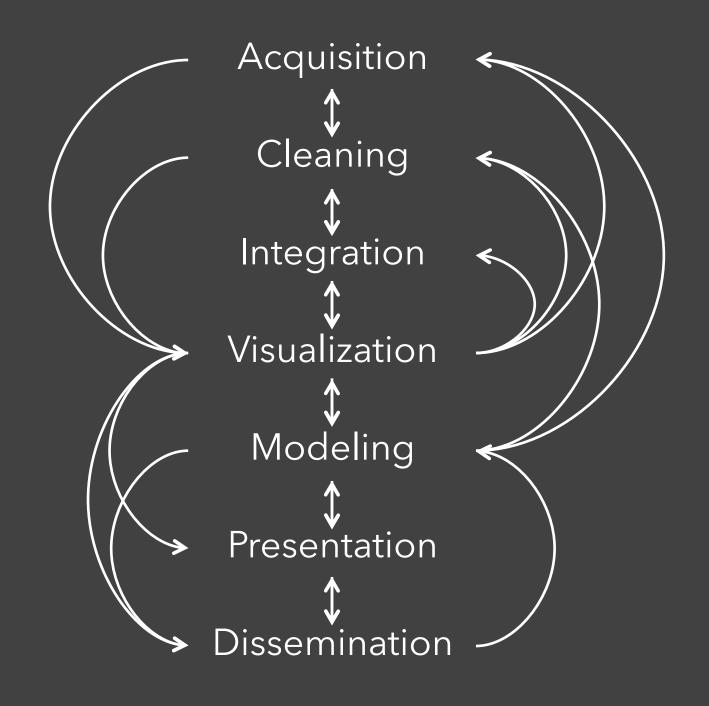


Accordingly, both approaches and techniques need to be structured so as to **facilitate human involvement and intervention**.

Some implications for effective analysis are: (1) it is essential to have convenience of interaction of people and intermediate results and (2) at all stages of data analysis, the outputs need to be matched to the capabilities of the people who use it and want it.







# How can we transform data without programming?

I spend more than half of my time integrating, cleansing and transforming data without doing any actual analysis. Most of the time I'm lucky if I get to do any "analysis" at all.

Anonymous Data Scientist from our interview study [VAST'12]



Bureau of Justice Statistics - Data Online http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/ Reported crime in Alabama

Year	Population
2004	4525375 4029.3

4548327 3900

4599030 3937

Population

657755

663253

670053

683478

686293

Reported crime in Arizona

Population

Reported crime in Arkansas

Population |

5739879 5073.3

6166318 4741.6

6338755 4502.6

6500180 4087.3

2750000 4033.1

2810872 4021.6

2834797 3945.5

2855390 3843.7

Reported crime in California

Population |

35842038

36154147

36457549

36553215

36756666

Reported crime in Colorado

Population

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946.2

935.4

894.2

1096.4

1085.1

1154.4

1124.4

1182.7

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2712.6 Property crime rate 573.6 622.8

2456.7 340.6 2601 391 2588.5 378.3 2480 355.1

Property crime rate 2732.4

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Property crime rate

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Property crime rate

686.1

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Property crime rate

2679.5 521.6

Property crime rate

2720

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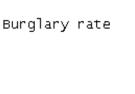
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Burglary rate

Burglary rate

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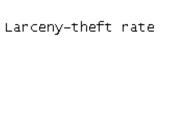
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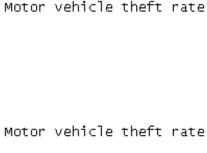
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Burglary rate Larceny-theft rate

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Motor vehicle theft rate

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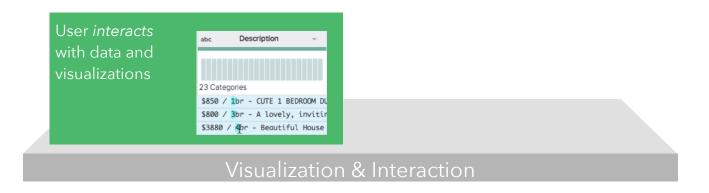
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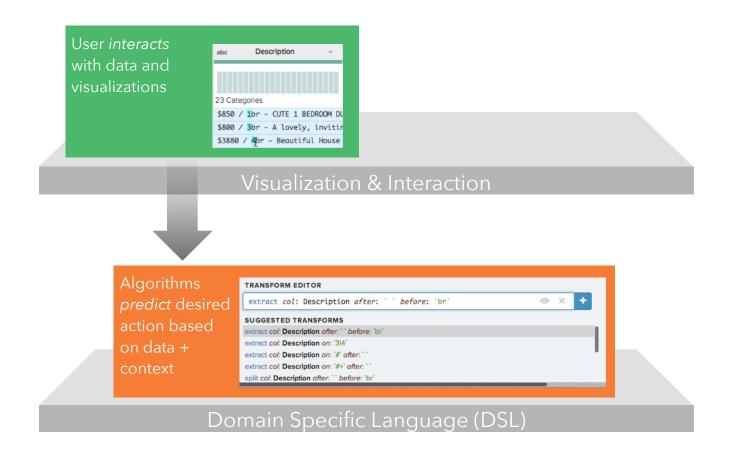
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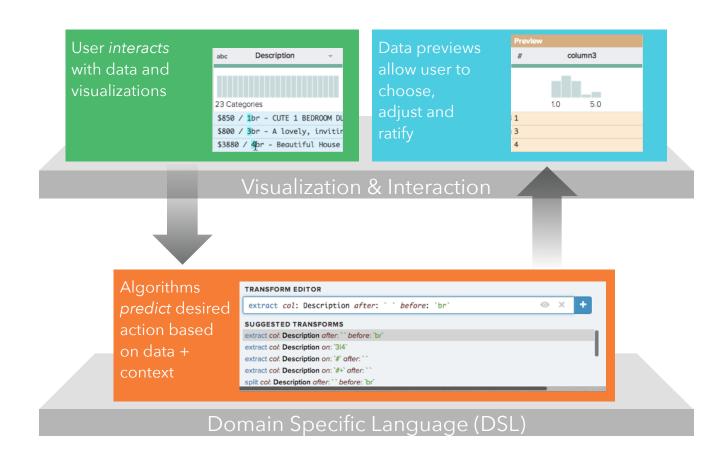
Visualization & Interaction

Domain Specific Language (DSL)



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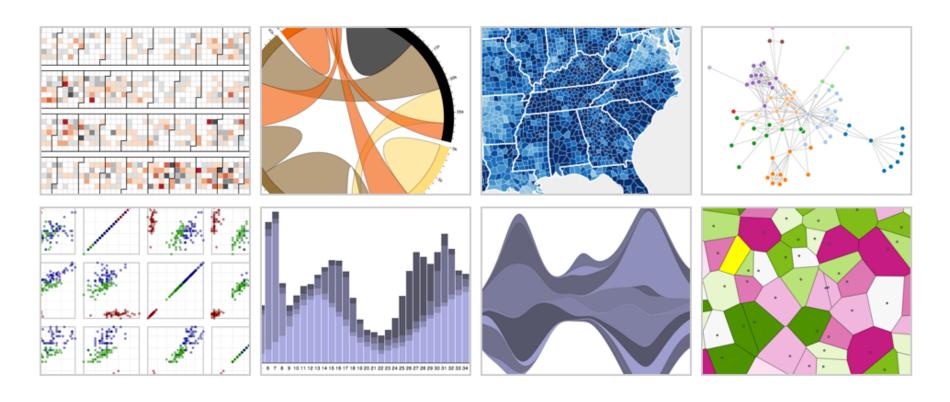






# How might we support **expressive** and **effective** visualization designs?

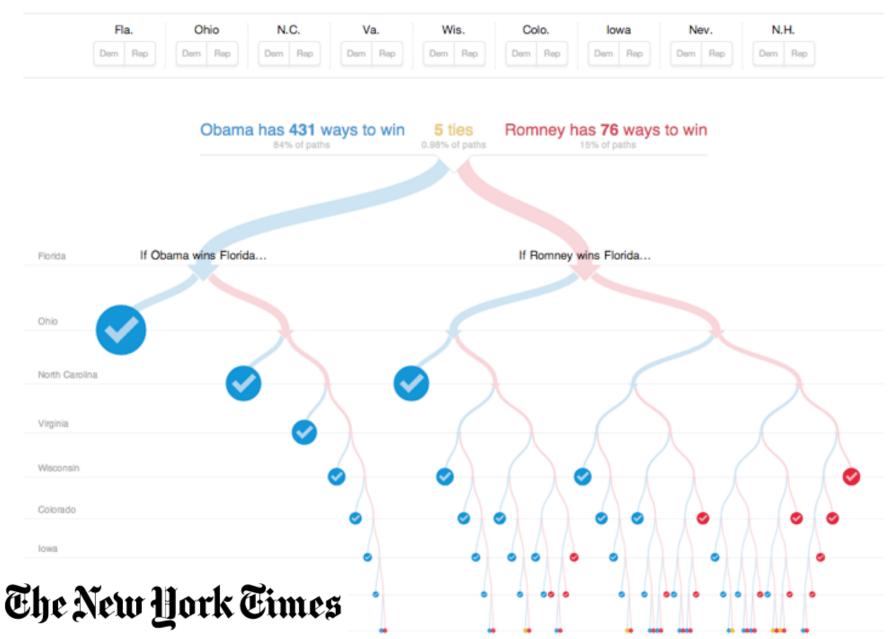
### d3.js Data-Driven Documents



with M. Bostock, V. Ogievetsky [InfoVis '11]

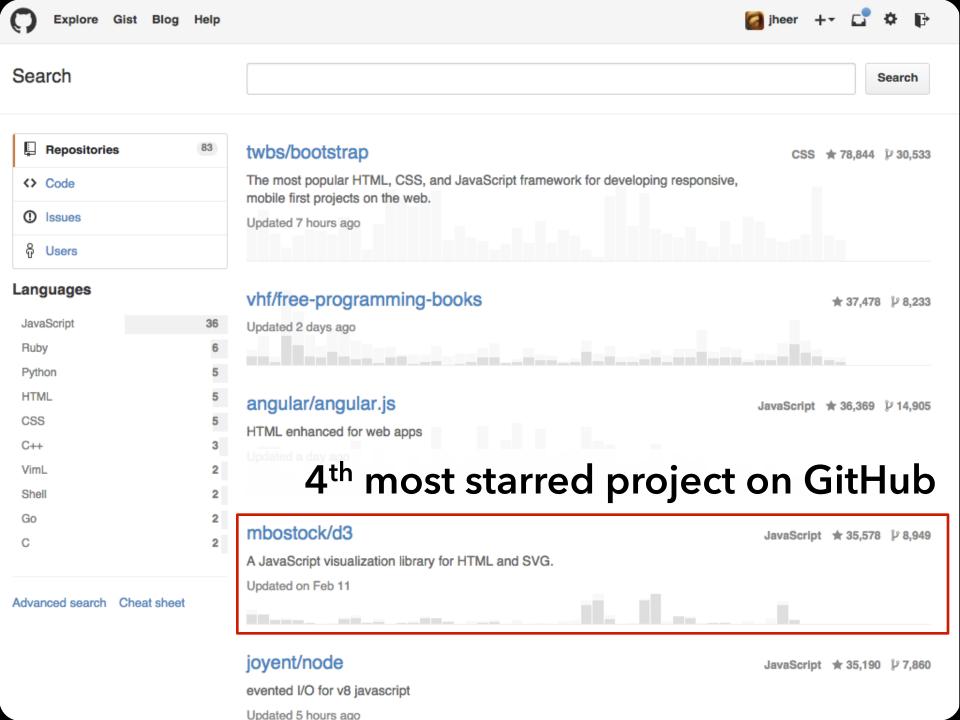
### 512 Paths to the White House

Select a winner in the most competitive states below to see all the paths to victory available for either candidate.













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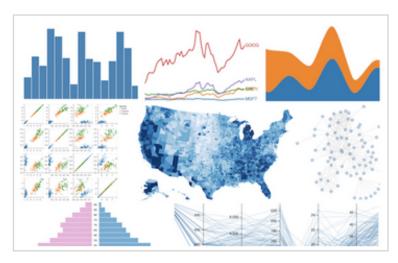






Vega is a declarative format for creating, saving, and sharing visualization designs. With Vega, visualizations are described in JSON, and generate interactive views using either HTML5 Canvas or SVG.

### TOOLKITS

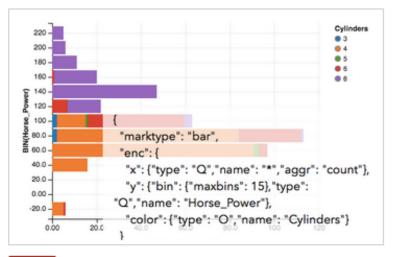


**VEGA** offers a full declarative visualization grammar, suitable for expressive custom interactive visualization design and programmatic generation.

Tutorial | Documentation | Discussion Forum

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NEW v2.0 (dev): download, examples, github

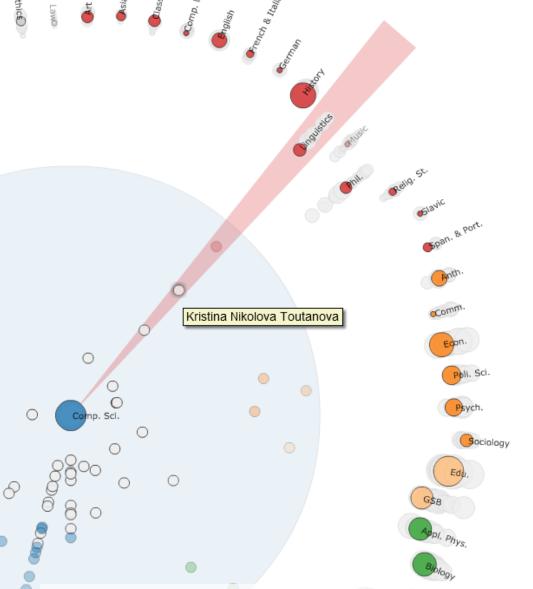


NEW VEGALITE provides a higher-level grammar for visual analysis, comparable to ggplot or Tableau, that generates complete Vega specifications.

Online Editor | GitHub

vega.github.io

## How might we support model interpretation and refinement?



### Effective statistical models for syntactic and semantic disambiguation

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Computer Science (2005)

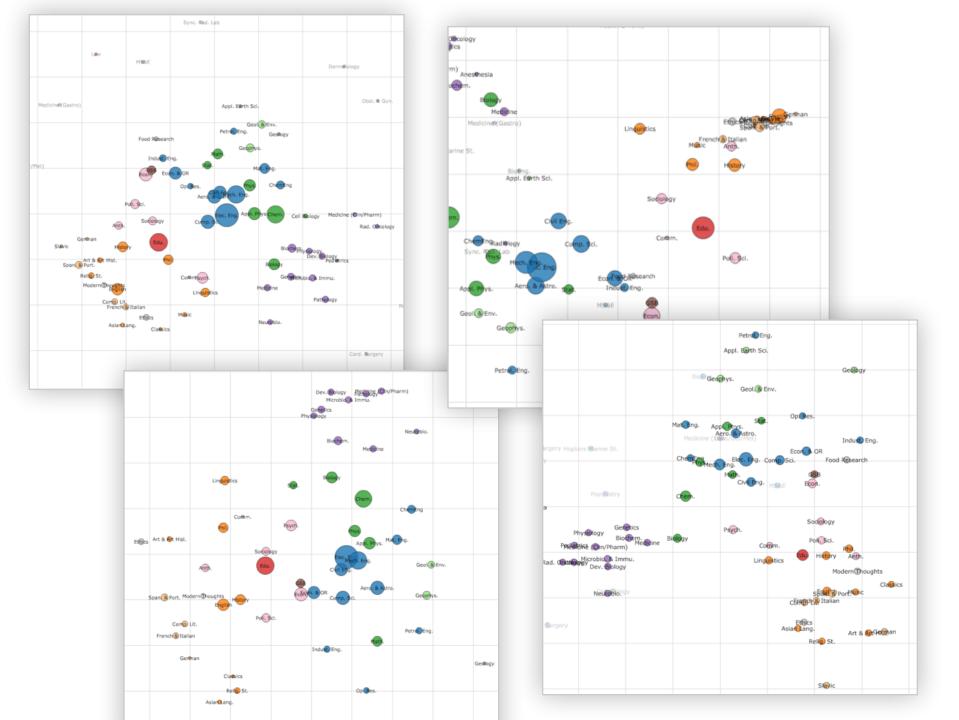
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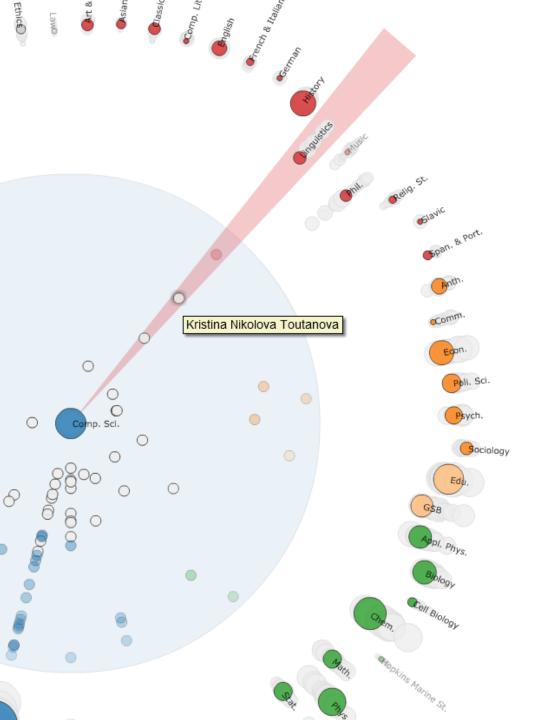
### Stanford Dissertation Browser

with Jason Chuang, Dan Ramage & Christopher Manning



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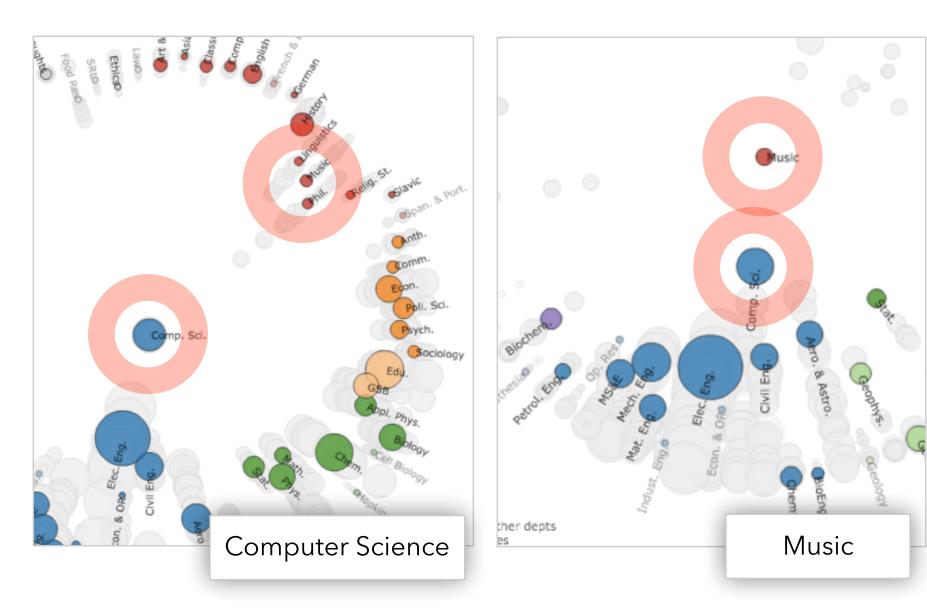
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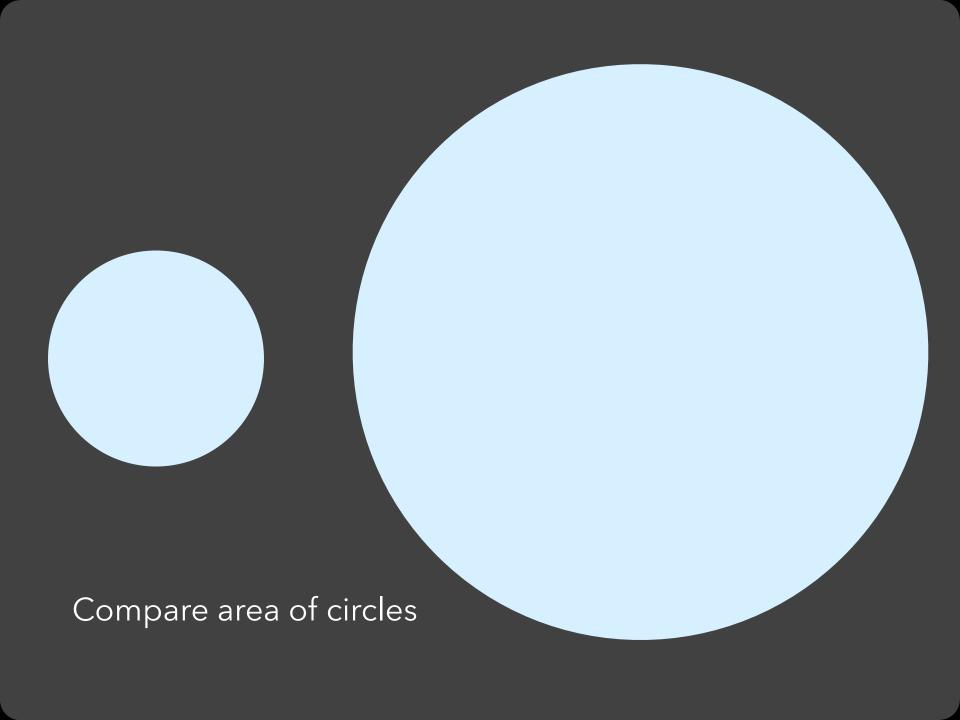
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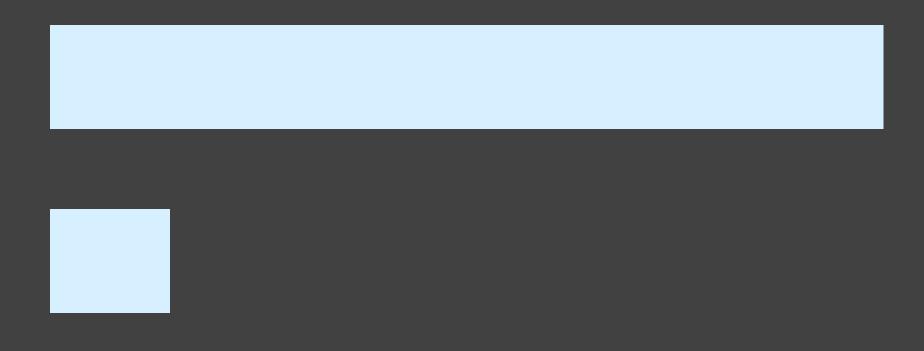
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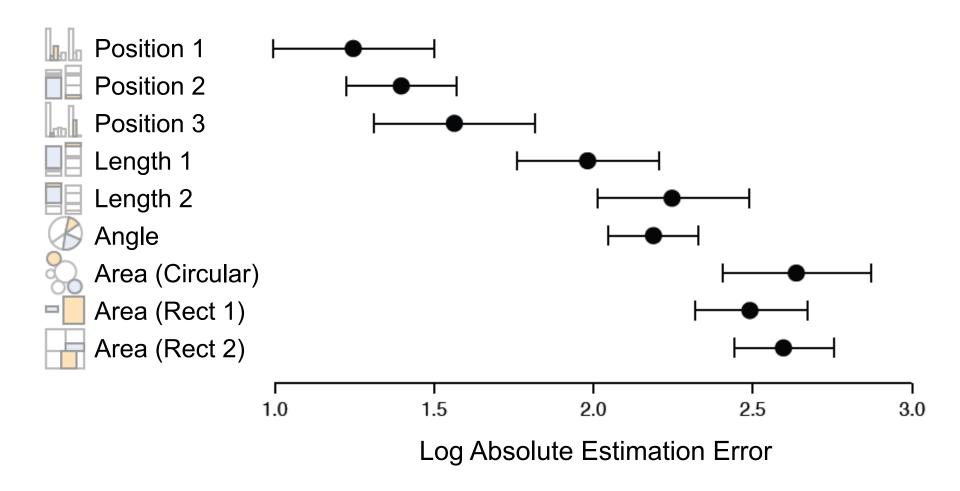
"Word Borrowing" via Labeled LDA

# What makes a visualization "good"?





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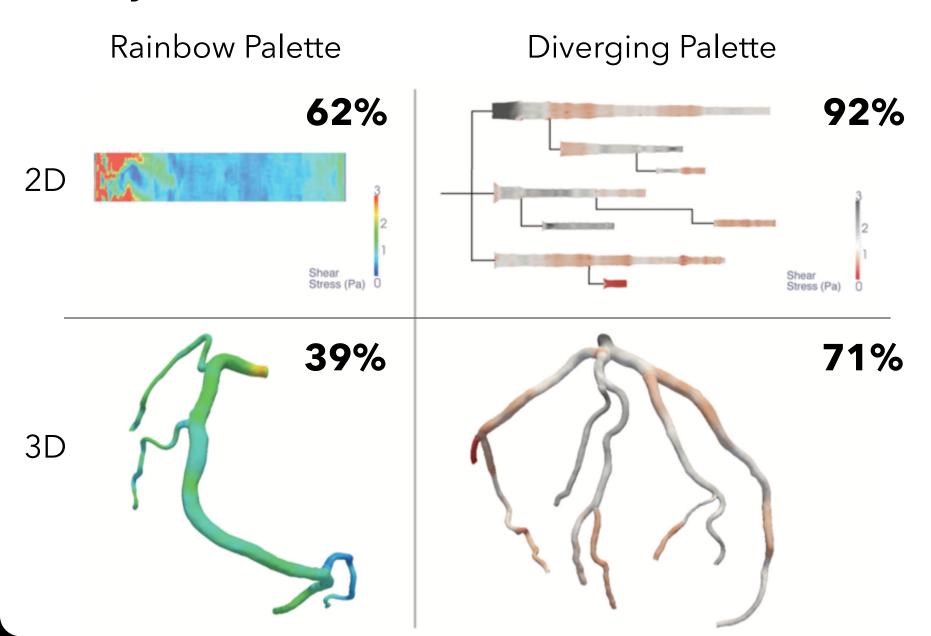
### **Graphical Perception Experiments**

Empirical estimates of encoding effectiveness

### **Estimating Proportions**

Position (common) scale Most accurate Position (non-aligned) scale Length Slope Angle Area Volume Color hue-saturation-density Least accurate

### **Artery Visualization** [Borkin et al. '11]



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