DSCI LECTURE 2

SURVEY OF VISUALIZATION TECHNIQUES, INTRODUCTION TO WEB TECHNOLOGIES

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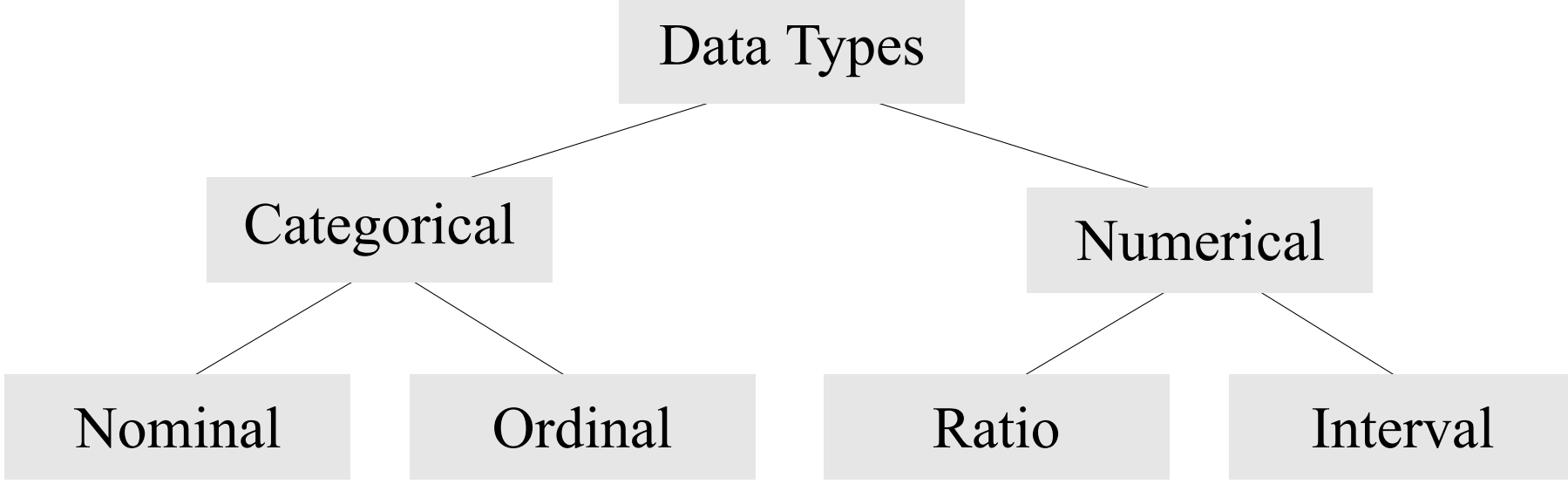
OUTLINE

- Data
- Visualization Techniques
- Introduction to WEB Technologies

Data *is plural*
(from the latin “what is given”)

A given piece of data is called a ***datum***


Data Types
Categorical
Numerical
Nominal
Ordinal
Ratio
Interval

CATEGORICAL DATA

Nominal No natural ordering

$=\neq$

Ex: gender, ethnicity, nationality

CATEGORICAL DATA

Nominal	No natural ordering =≠ Ex: gender, ethnicity, nationality
Ordinal	Logical ordering but difference not meaningful =≠<> Ex: levels of happiness, levels of difficulty

QUALIFIED CATEGORICAL DATA

Binomial (e.g., right/left, true/false)

Dichotomous (e.g., hot/cold)
vs.
Non-dichotomous (e.g., Likert scale)

NUMERICAL DATA

Ratio Ordered, differences & doubling meaningful, 0 fixed

$=\neq<>\ -\%$

Ex: temperature in Kelvin ($40^o K = 2 \times 20^o K$), length, height

NUMERICAL DATA

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Interval	Ordered, differences meaningful, doubling not meaningful, 0 arbitrary $=\neq<>\ -$ Ex: temperature in Celsius ($40^oC \neq 2 \times 20^oC$), dates, locations

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C. Interval
D. Ratio

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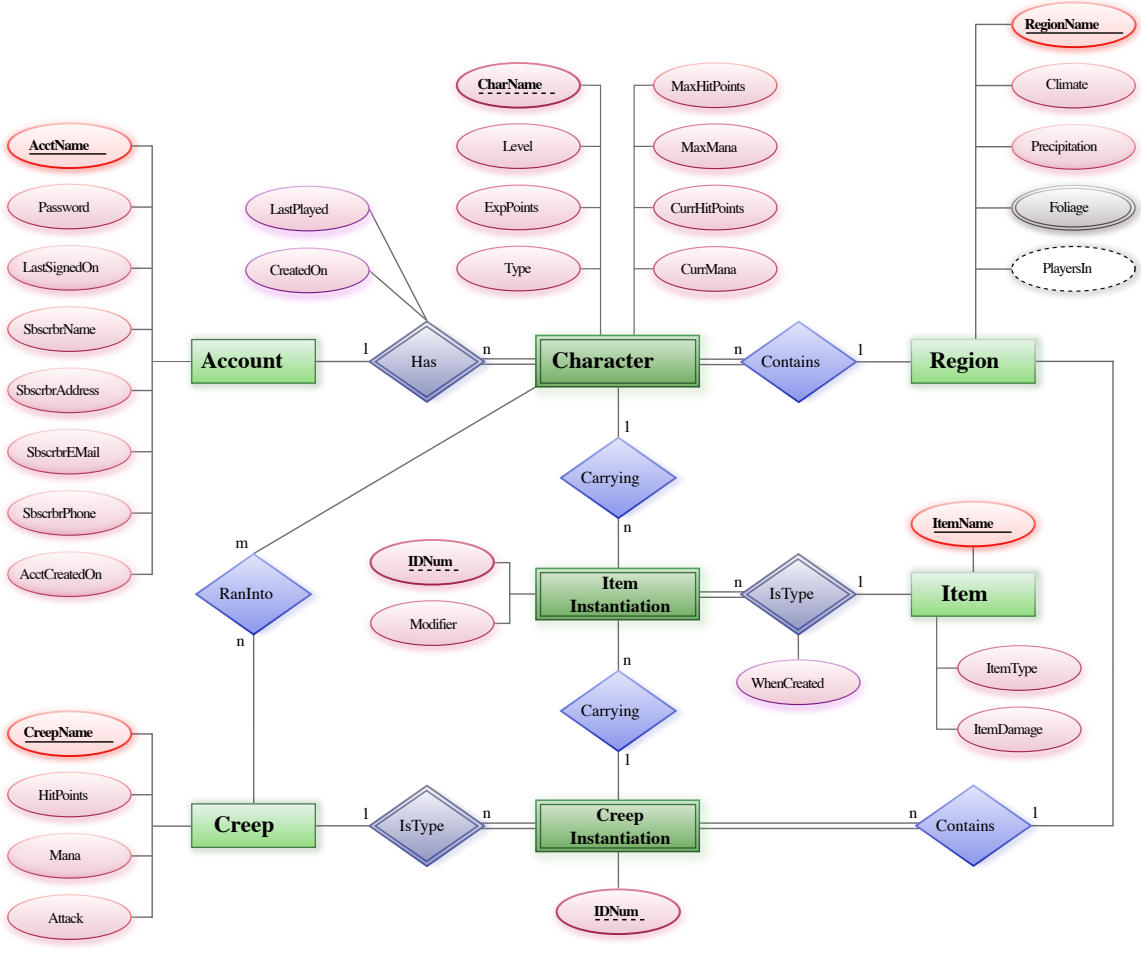
DATA MODELS

Conceptual	Semantic description of data entities and their relations
Logical	*Implementation independent* data design representation
Physical	*Implementation dependent* details by which data is actually stored



Logical data model example: an entity–relationship diagram for an MMORPG using Chen's notation.

Conceptual model

Logical model

Physical model

Relational data model example

VISUALIZATION REFERENCE MODEL

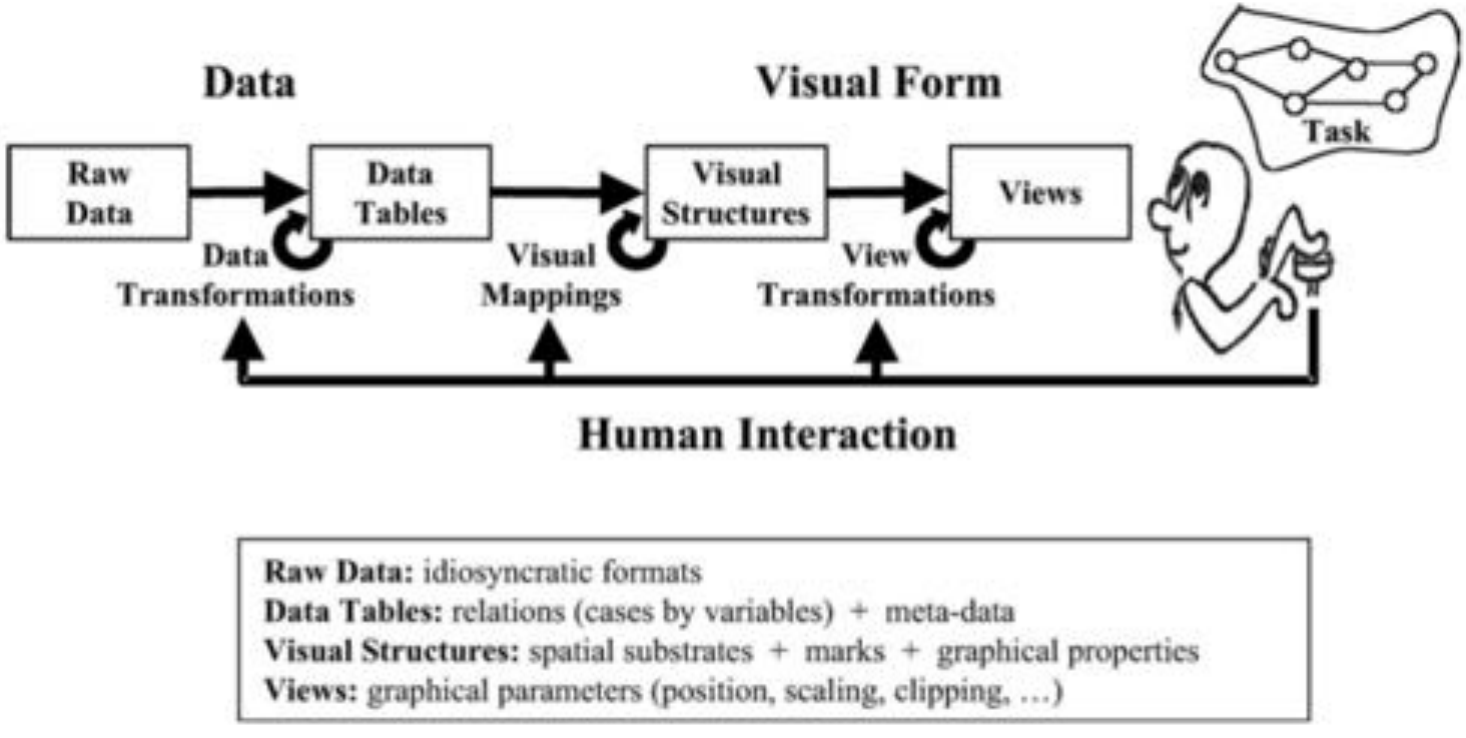


FIGURE 10.10. Reference model for visualization (Card et al., 1999). Visualization can be described as the mapping of data to visual form that supports human interaction in a workplace for visual sense making.

Card, Stuart, J. D. Mackinlay, and B. Shneiderman. "Information visualization." Human-computer interaction: design issues, solutions, and applications. 2009.

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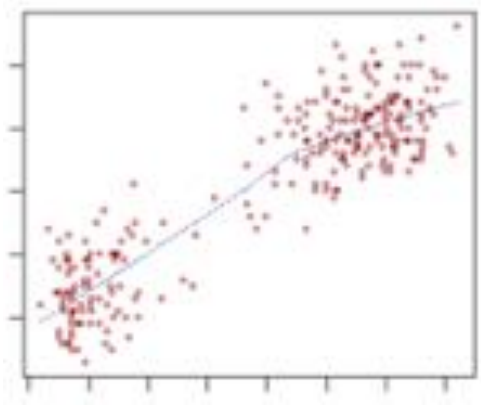
COMMON VISUALIZATIONS TECHNIQUES

1. Charts
2. Graphs and Trees
3. Clouds
4. Temporal
5. Geospatial and Mapping

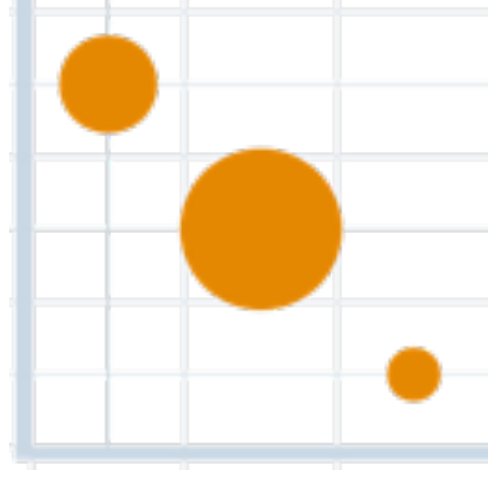
1. CHARTS: DOTS

SCATTERPLOT



2+ variables in Cartesian coordinates

BUBBLE CHART



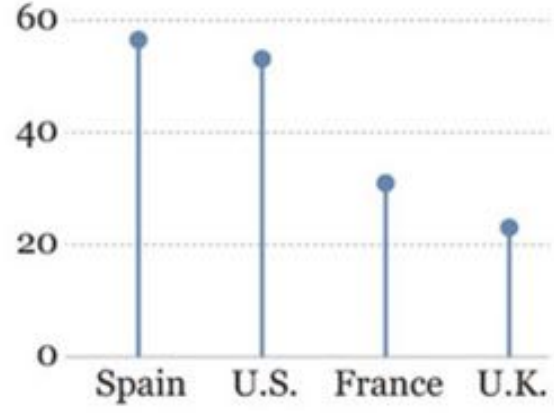
3 continuous variables: bubble center (2) and radius (1)

1. CHARTS: BARS

BAR CHART

Bar length proportional to continuous variable

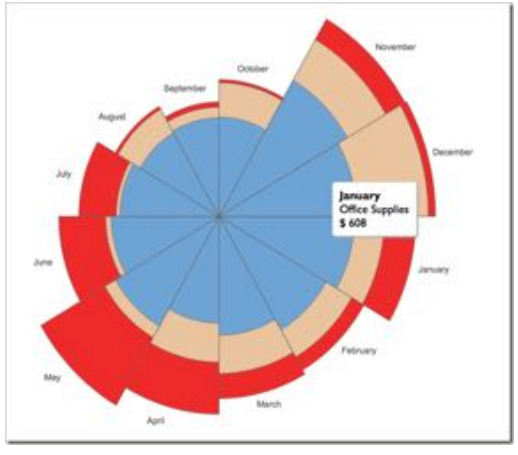
LOLLIPOP CHART



Line length proportional to continuous variable and data point

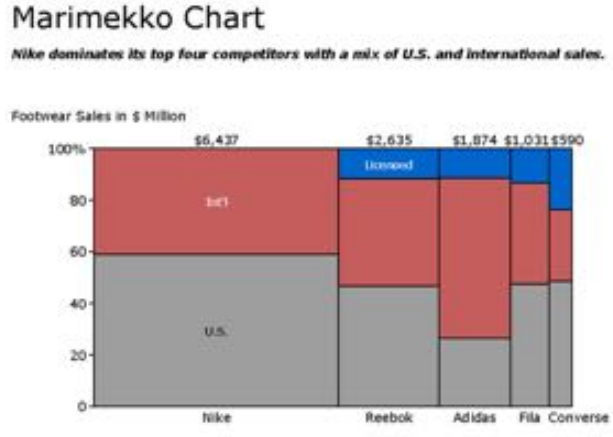
1. CHARTS: BAR LAYOUTS

COXCOMB CHART



Same angle, radius encodes value, colors different categories. Stacked bar chart with radial layout.

MARIMEKKO CHART



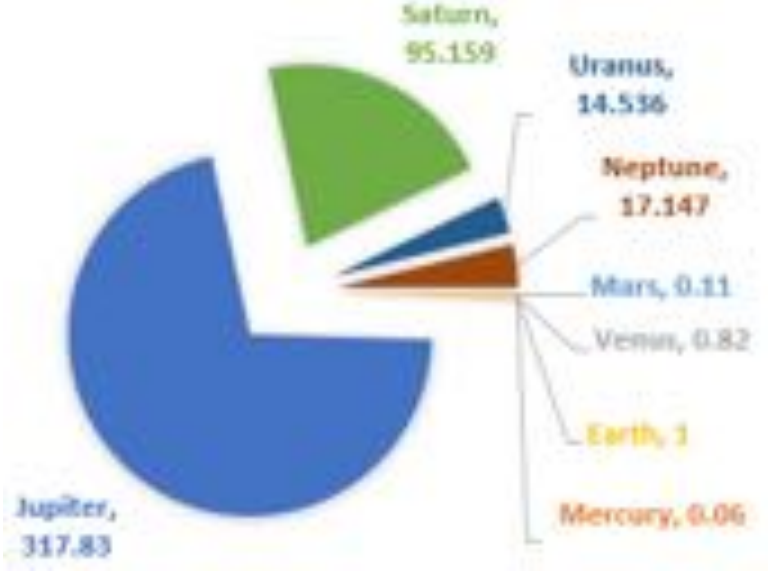
Bar chart where the width encodes relative size. Also called Mekko chart.

WATERFALL CHART

Cumulative effects of sequence of positive and negative variations

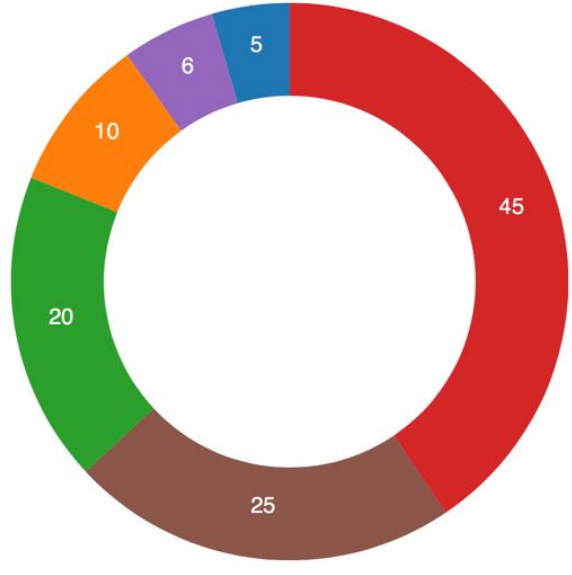
1. CHARTS: PIES

PIE CHART



Exploded pie chart. Pie charts, are a stacked bar charts in polar coordinates. Angle encodes proportion.

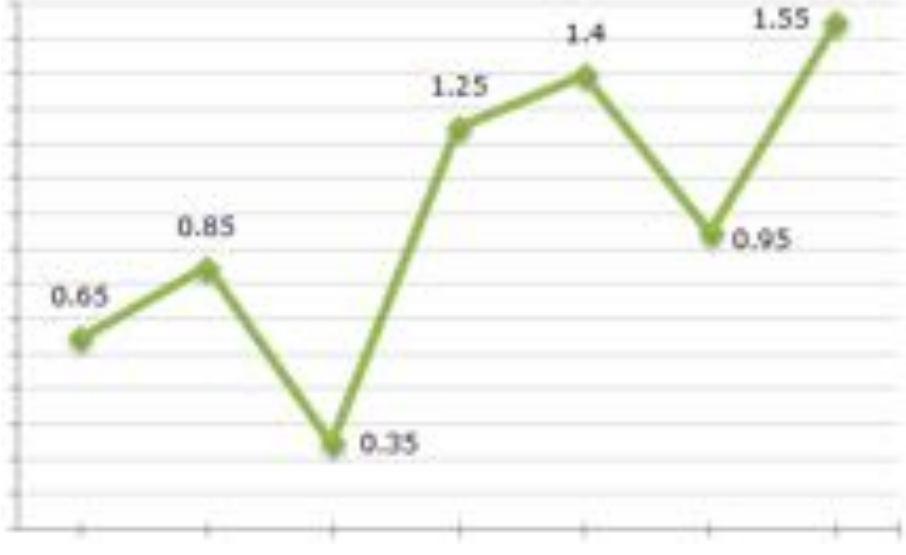
DONUT CHART



Pie Chart with centre area cut out. Angle encodes proportion.

1. CHARTS: LINES

LINE CHART



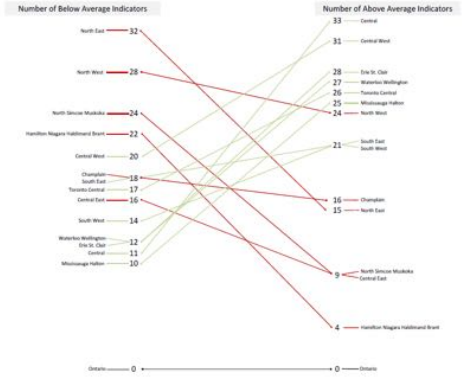
Trends on continuous variables, e.g., time-series

SPARKLINE

Trends on small window size [Tufte 2004]

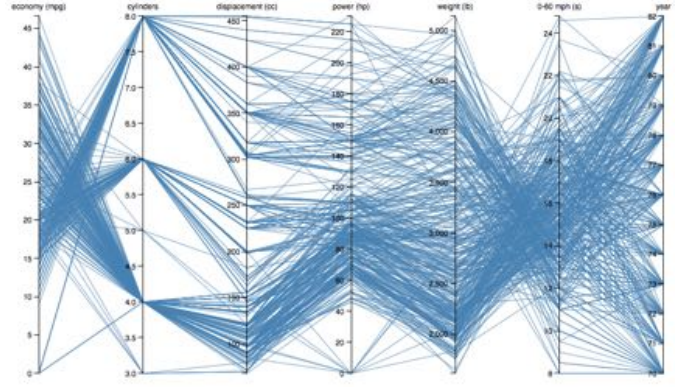
1. CHARTS: LINE LAYOUTS

SLOPEGRAPH



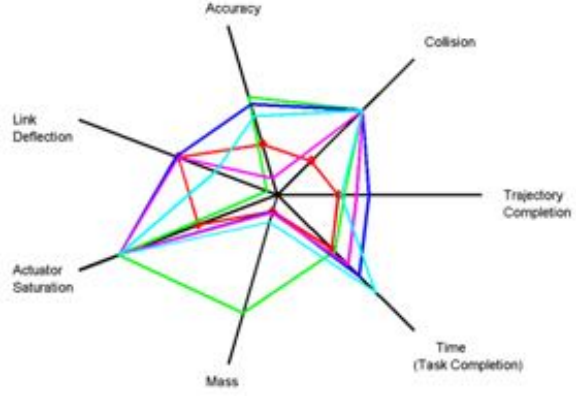
Shows data values, trends [Tufte 1983]

PARALLEL COORDINATES



Multivariate data.

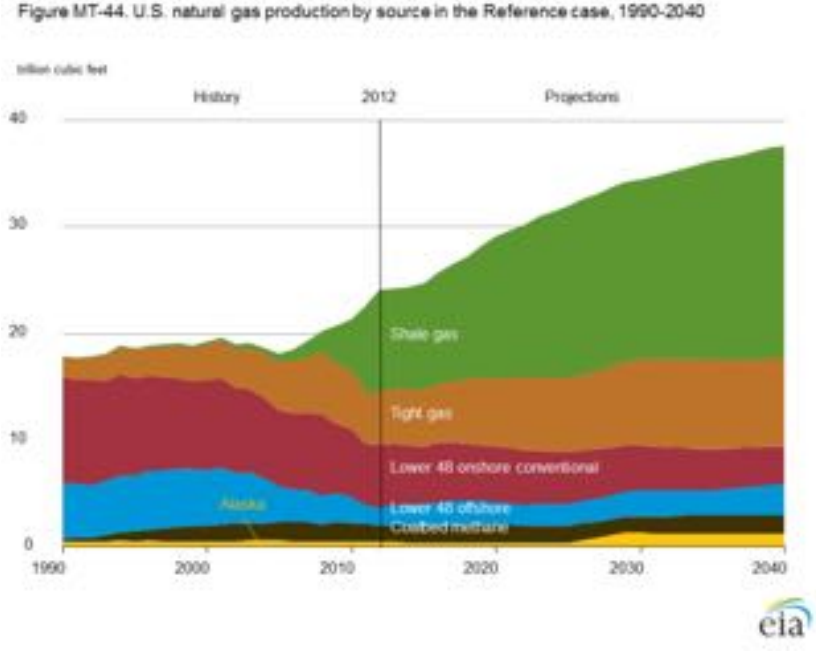
RADAR CHART



Multivariate data. Also named web, spider, star, cobweb, polar, or Kiviat.

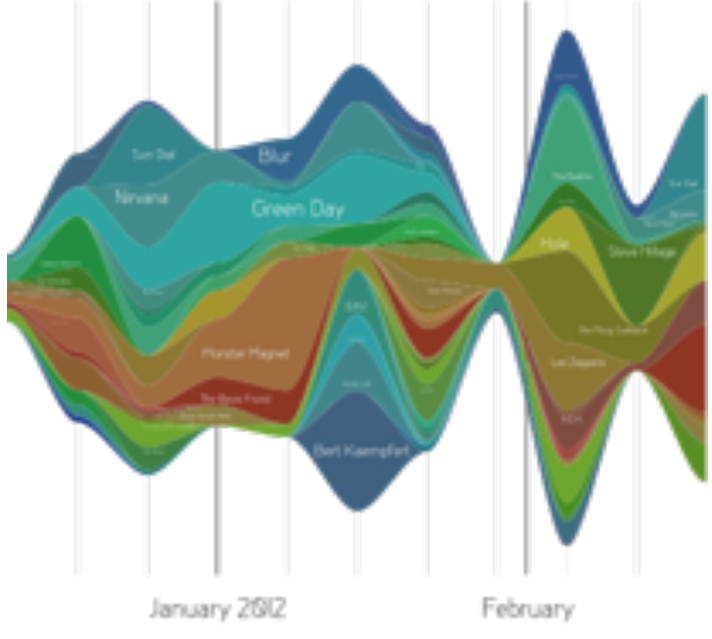
1. CHARTS: AREA

AREA CHART



Show cumulative or proportions and trends

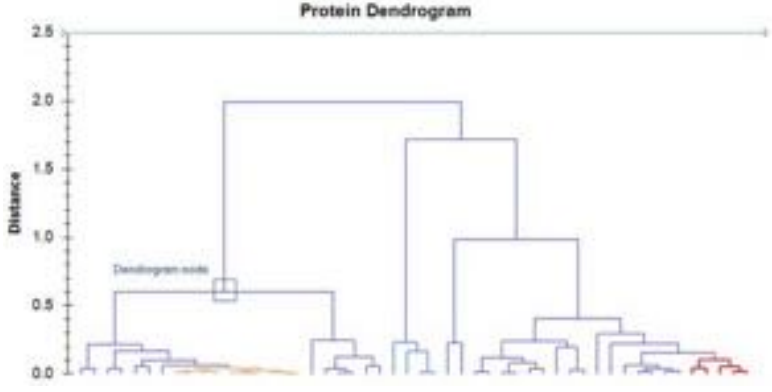
STREAMGRAPH



Type of stacked area graph which is displaced around a central axis, resulting in a flowing, organic shape

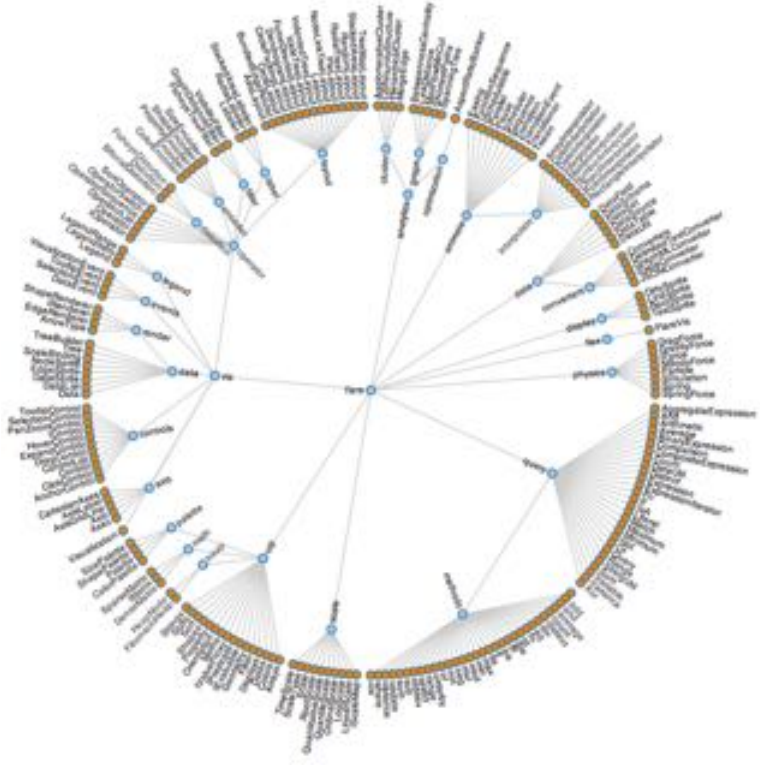
2. GRAPHS AND TREES: HIERARCHIES

DENDROGRAM



From Greek dendro *"tree"* and gramma *"drawing"*.

REINGOLD–TILFORD TREE



Hierarchical data as linked tree

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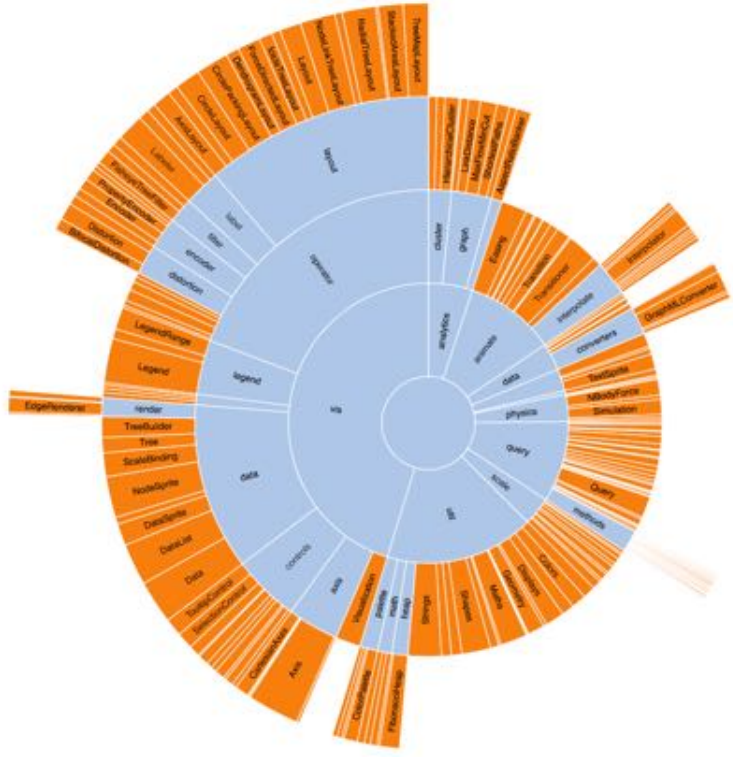
TREEMAP

Hierarchical data as nested rectangles. Area proportional to value.

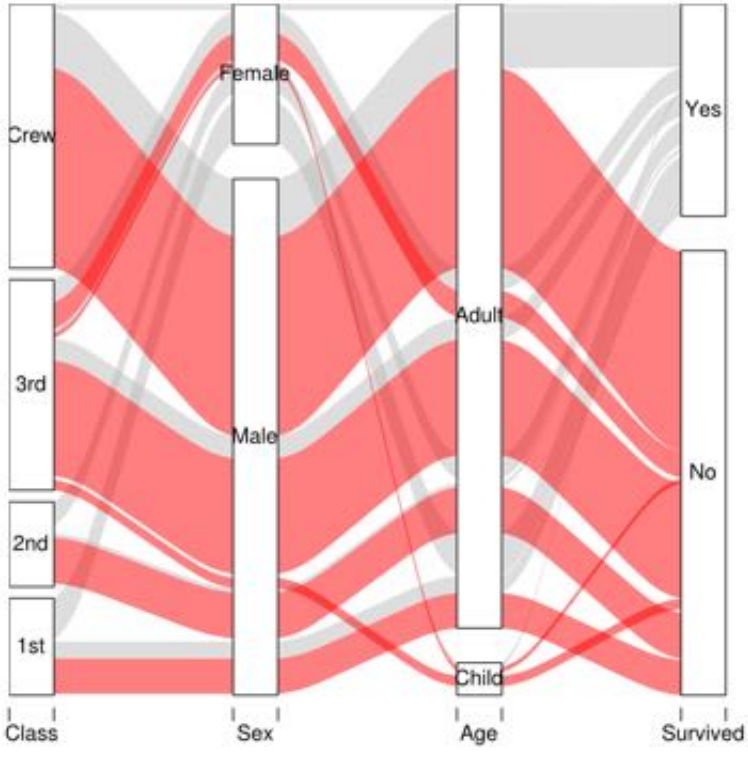
SUNBURST



Hierarchical data as rings. Center is root node. Angles are equal or proportional to value.

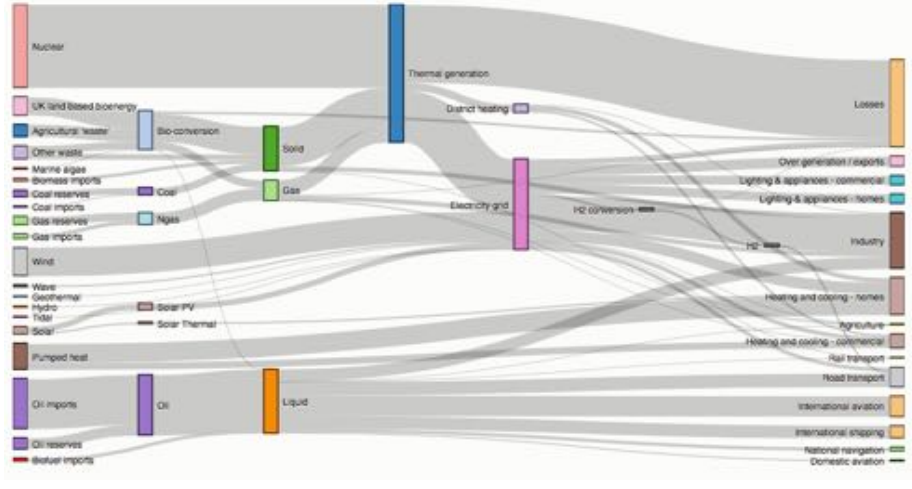
2. GRAPHS AND TREES: FLOWCHARTS

ALLUVIAL DIAGRAM



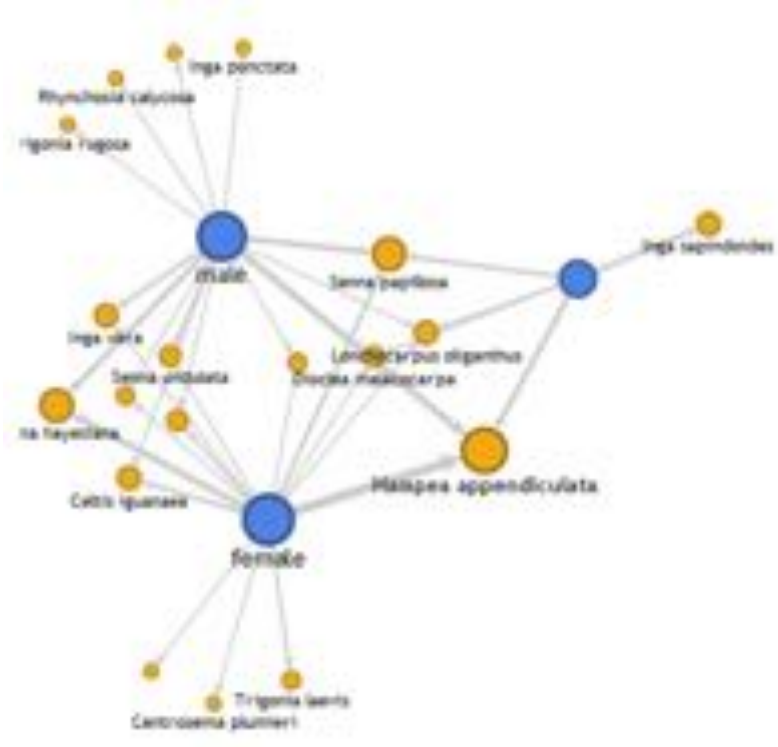
Shows relations between multivariate data. Named after alluvial fans formed by soil deposited by streaming water.

SANKEY DIAGRAM



Magnitude of flow between nodes in a network

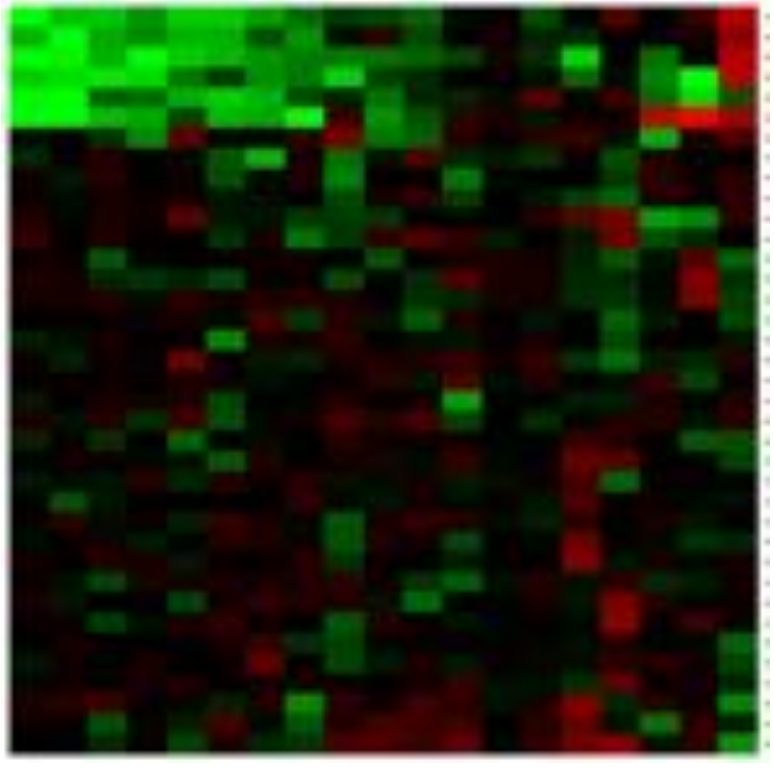
2. GRAPHS AND TREES: NETWORKS
NETWORK GRAPH



Relationships (lines) between entities (nodes)

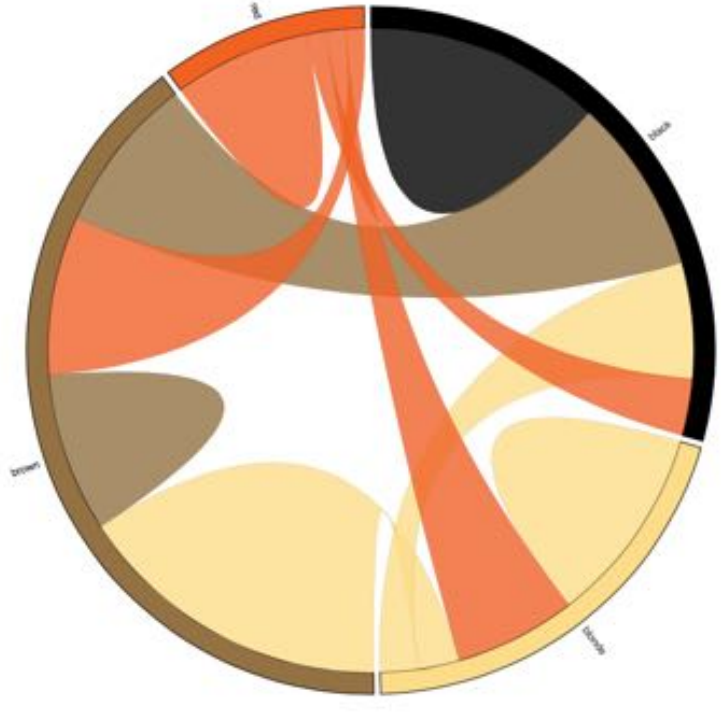
2. GRAPHS AND TREES: MATRIX

HEAT MAP



Matrix values as colors

CHORD DIAGRAM

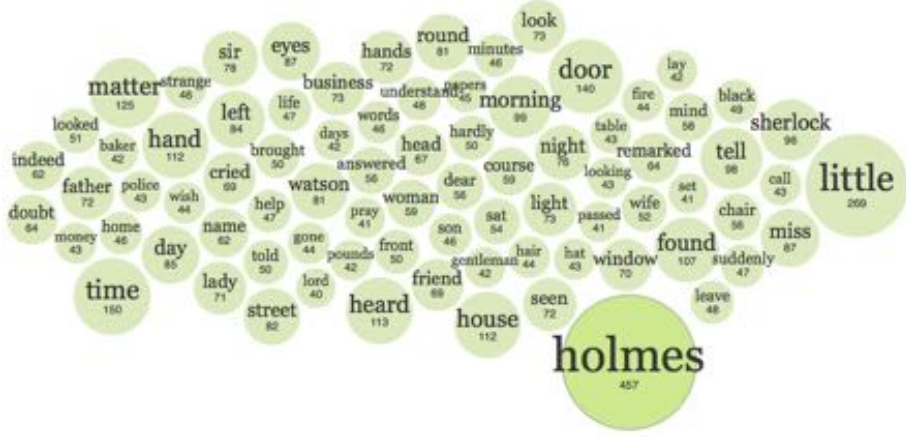


Shows directed relationships among a group of entities in a matrix

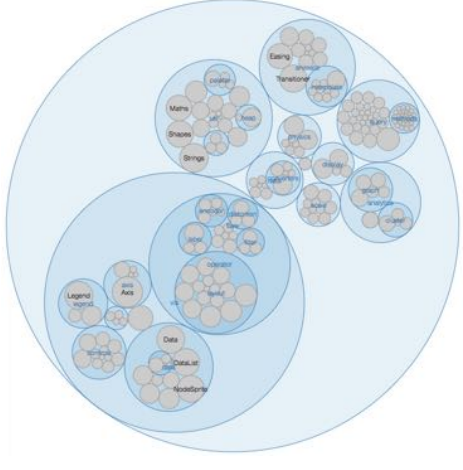
3. CLOUDS

WORD CLOUD

BUBBLE CLOUD



CIRCLE PACKING



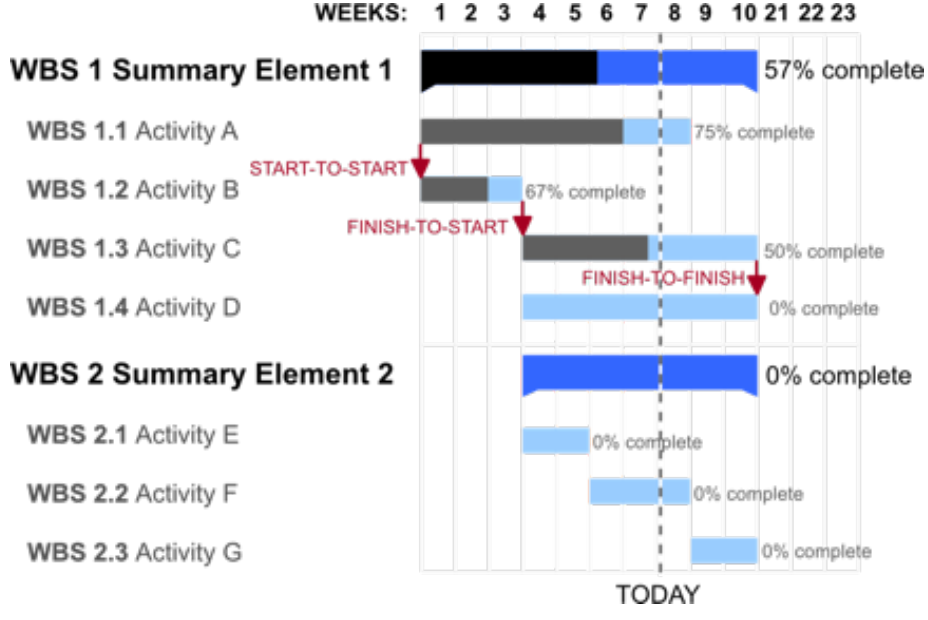
Bubble cloud technique with hierarchical information as enclosing circles

4. TEMPORAL

TIME SERIES PLOT

Values ordered in time as a line chart

GANTT CHART



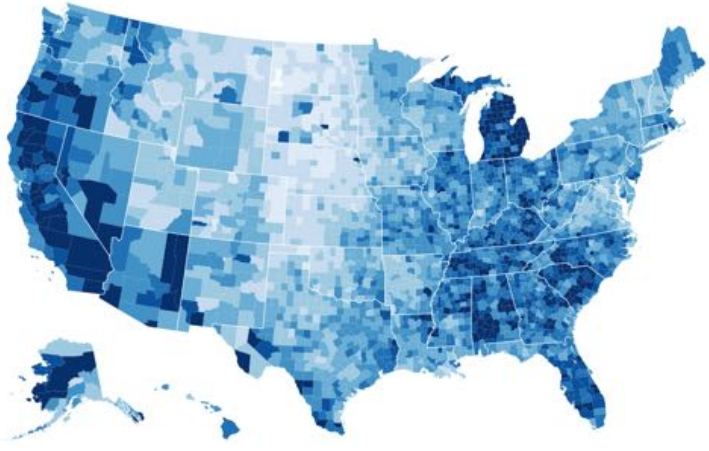
Schedule with tasks layed out on time axis

TIMELINE

Events layed out on time axis

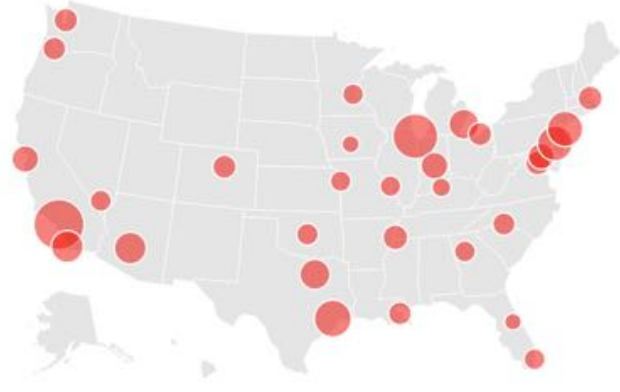
5. GEOSPATIAL AND MAPPING: THEMATIC MAPS (1)

CHOROPLETH



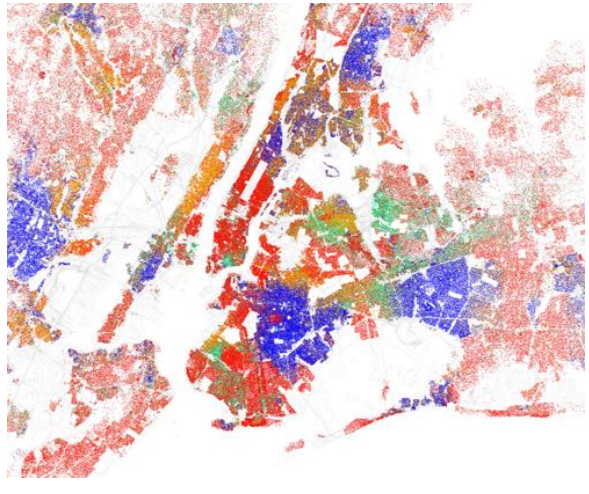
Areas are shaded or patterned in proportion to variable

PROPORTIONAL SYMBOL MAP



Scaled symbols show data for areas/locations. Also called Graduated Symbol Map.

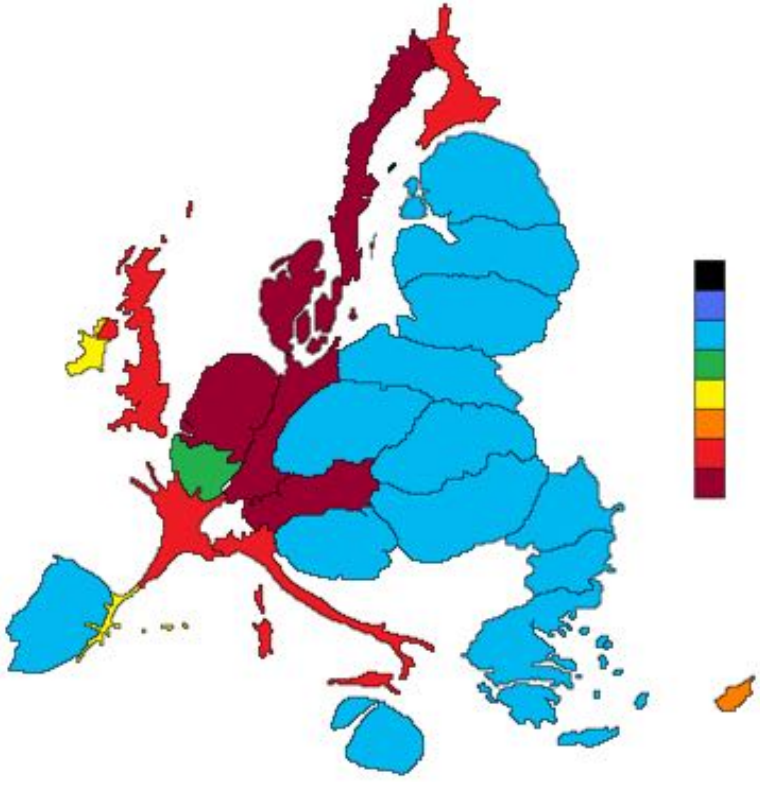
DOT MAP



Can be used to locate each occurrence of a phenomenon. One-to-one or one-to-many.

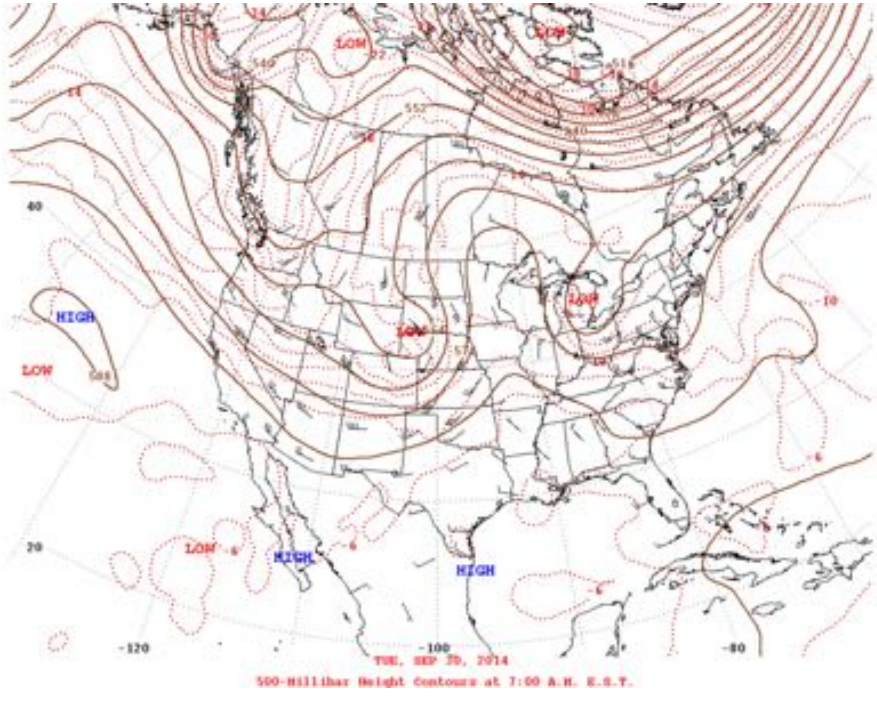
5. GEOSPATIAL AND MAPPING: THEMATIC MAPS (2)

CARTOGRAM



Area used to display value. Distortion used to show continuous variables

ISOPLETH



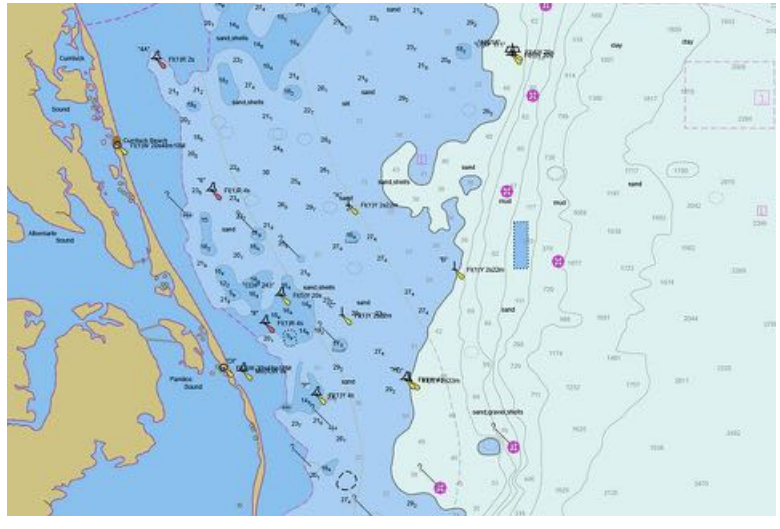
Use contours to show continuous variables. Also called Isarithmic.

5. GEOSPATIAL AND MAPPING: OTHER NAMED

TOPOGRAPHIC

Detailed quantitative representation of land relief using contour lines

NAUTICAL



Charts of maritime/coastal area

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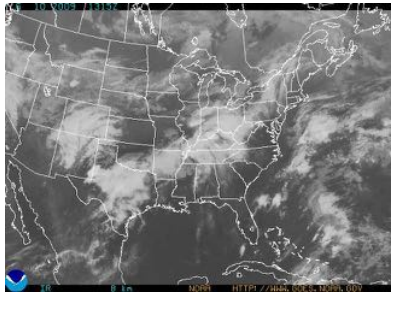
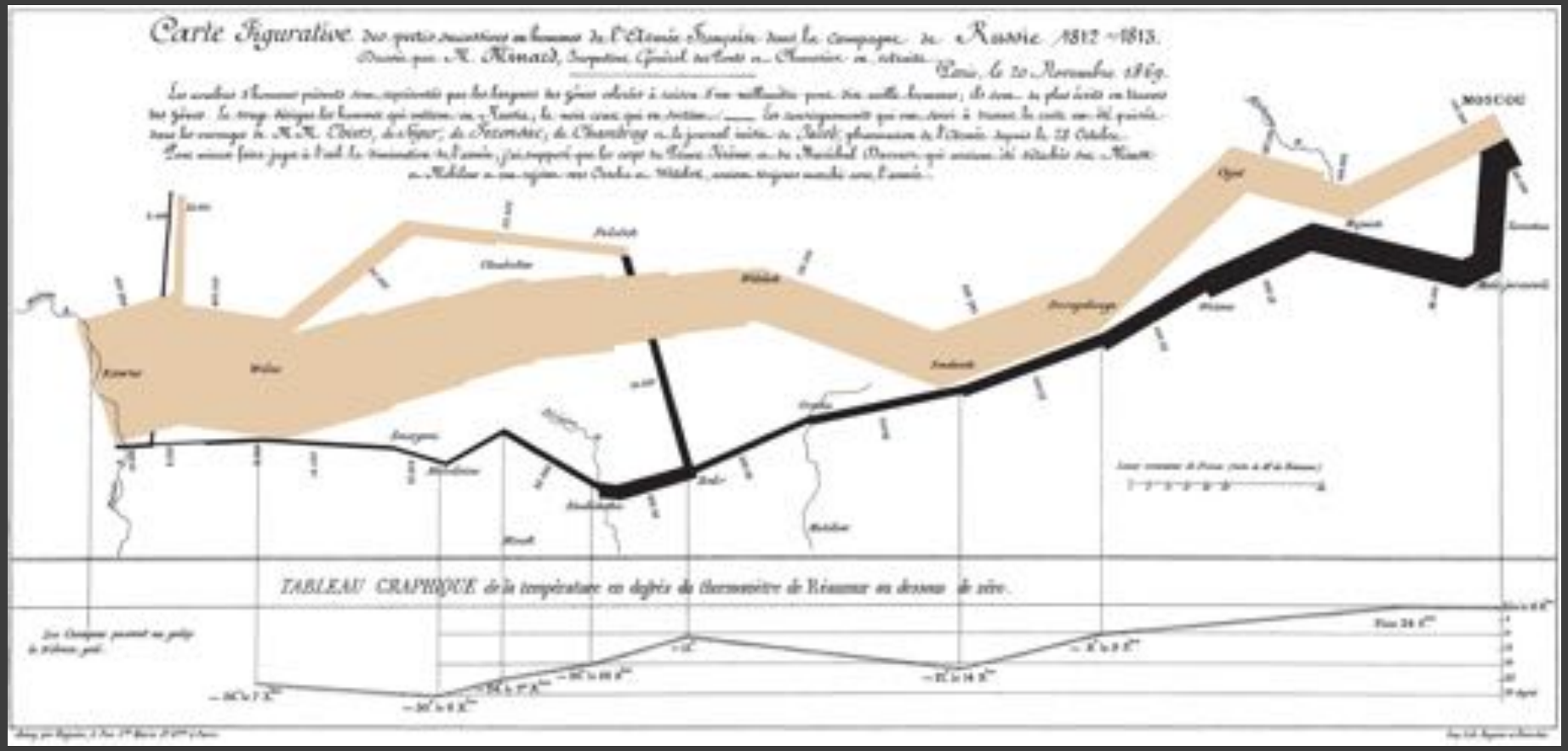


Using satellite or aerial imagery



Napoleon's Russian campaign of 1812, Charles Joseph Minard, 1861

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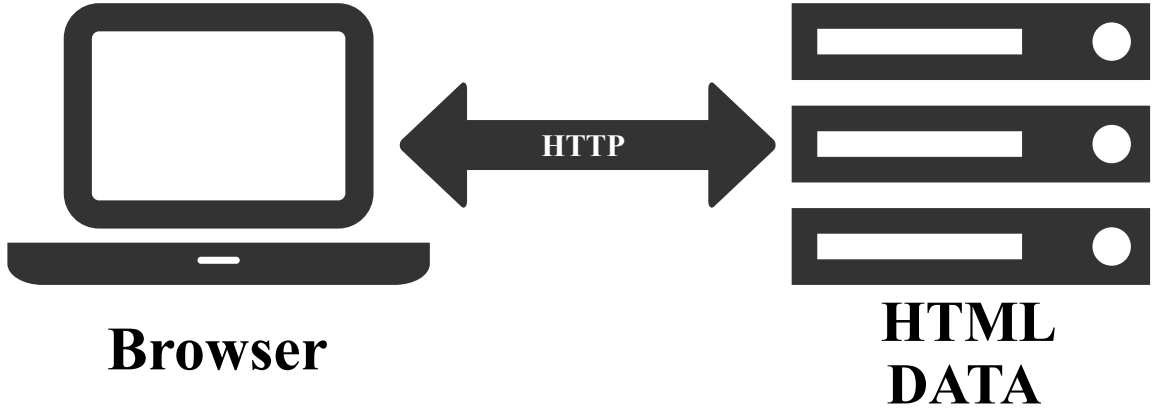
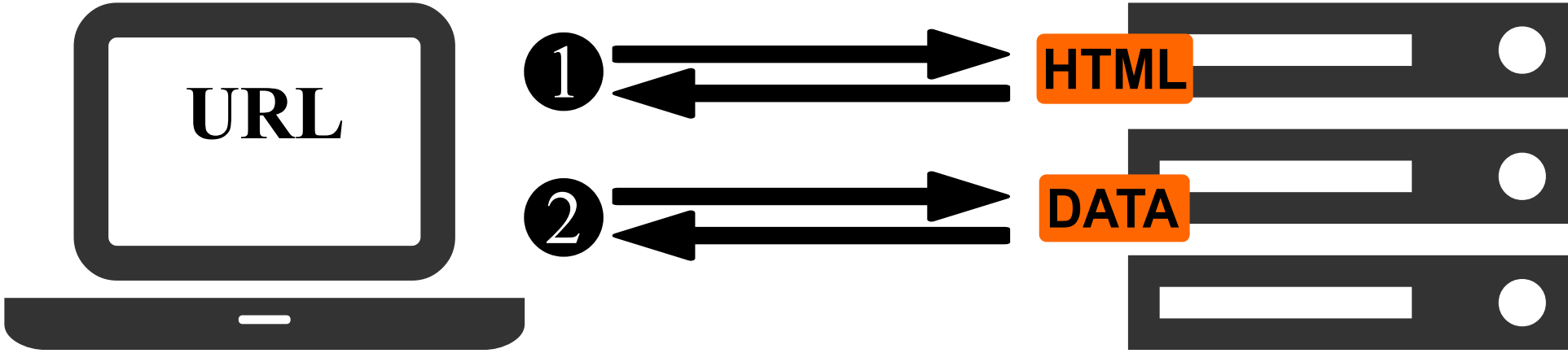
THE WEB



- URLs (Uniform Resource Locator) used to query servers
- HTTP (Hyper Text Transfer Protocol) used to transfer

Client	Server
Browsers render: ◦ HTML, CSS, SVG ◦ Execute Javascript	Servers (e.g., node, nginx, Apache) serve: ◦ Static and dynamic HTML pages ◦ Content: text, CSV, images,...

ASYNCHRONOUS JAVASCRIPT & HTML (AJAX)



WEB LANGUAGES

1. HTML
2. CSS
3. Javascript

1. HTML

- HTML stands for *"Hyper-Text Markup Language"*
- Defines the page semantics or meaning
- Whitespace and line breaks disregarded
- HTML document as a tree of HTML elements
- Elements specified as tags with attributes:

```
<tag attribute="value"></tag>
```

- Two attributes used to identify elements:
  - class: *"class"* of elements, multiple classes per element

```
<tag class="definition blue"></tag>
```

  - id: uniquely identify an element, only one id per document

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<tag id="tag0"></tag>
```

1. HTML > BASIC ELEMENTS

Element	Description
<!DOCTYPE html>	Standard document type declaration (first line of document).
html	Surrounds all HTML content in a document.
head	Tag containing all document metadata (e.g., title).
title	Title shown on top of browser window.
body	Visible content in the page.
h1, h2, h3, h4, h5, h6	Headers of different levels.
p	Paragraph (block-level element).
span	Portion of text (inline element).
div	Division within the document (block-level element).
em	Emphasize text, rendered in italic.
strong, b	Emphasize text, rendered in boldface.
a	Hyperlink, rendered in underlined, blue text.
svg	SVG element for rendering vector graphics.

1. HTML > PAGE TEMPLATE (INDEX.HTML)

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
        <title>Page title</title>
  </head>

  <body>
        <!-- This is an HTML comment -->
        <!-- Visible HTML elements are placed in the body -->
  </body>
</html>
```

1. HTML > SVG

- SVG stands for *"Scalable Vector Graphics"*
- Used for 2D vector graphics, not for raster (images) or 3D

```
<svg width="800" height="260" style="background-color: honeydew">
  <circle cx="300" cy="200" r="50" fill="steelblue"/>
  <text x="300" y="200">Apples</text>
  <circle cx="100" cy="100" r="50" fill="orange"/>
  <text x="100" y="100">Pears</text>
  <rect x="500" y="50" width="200" height="100" fill="orange"/>
  <text x="450" y="100">Oranges</text>
</svg>
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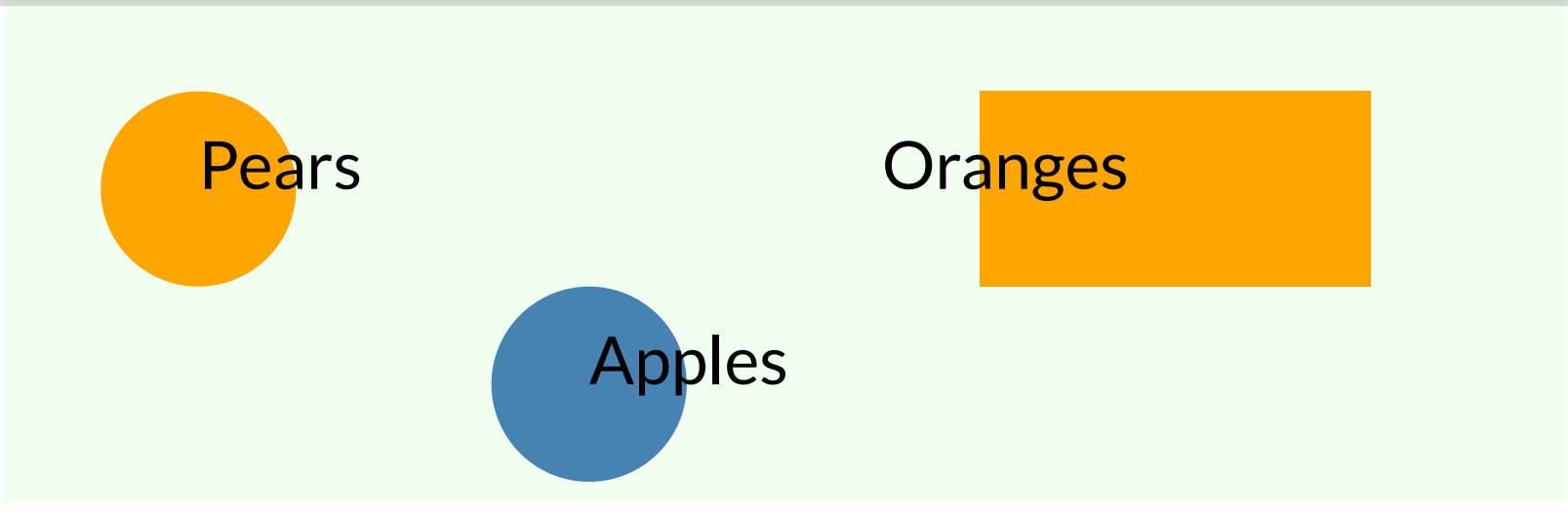


MDN - SVG: Scalable Vector Graphics

2. CSS

- CSS stands for *"Cascading Style Sheets"*
- Used to define the appearance of HTML elements

2. CSS > INCLUDING IN WEB PAGES

Inline overrides Embedded overrides External

1. Inline

```
<p style="color: blue">Inline style</p>
```

2. Embedded

```
<style>
  p { color: blue; }
</style>
```

3. External

```
<head>
  <link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="style.css">
  <!-- p { color: blue; } placed in style.css -->
</head>
```

2. CSS > SELECTORS

Selectors are specified as element name, class or id attributes

div	div elements
.foo	elements with class foo
#foo	elements with id foo
div.foo	div elements with class foo
div#foo	div elements with id foo
div .foo	elements with class foo inside a div
div #foo	elements with id foo inside a div
div, .foo	div elements and elements with class foo
div p .foo	elements with class foo in a p in a div

2. CSS > SELECTORS EXAMPLES

```
h1 {
  color: red; }  /* all h1 */

h1, h2 {
  font-weight: bold; } /* all h1 and h2 */

h1 h2 {
  font-weight: bold; } /* all h2 inside h1 */

p strong { /* all strong inside p */
  color: orange;
  font-weight: bold; }

#chapter1 {
  color: blue }  /* element with id chapter1 */

.pastoral {
  color: green }  /* all with class pastoral */
```

Later rules override earlier ones when more than one selector applies to an element

What elements the following CSS rule selects:

```
div,a.important {
  color: 'red'
}
```

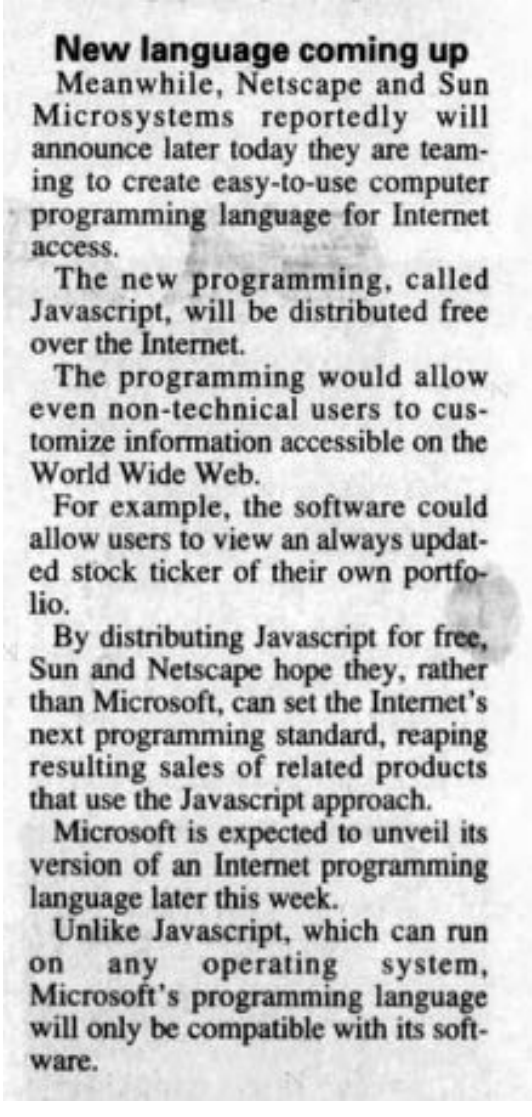
A. Hyperlinks with class important inside a div
B. Hyperlink with class important and div elements
C. Hyperlink with id important inside a div
D. Hyperlink with id important and div elements

What elements the following CSS rule selects:

```
div,a.important {
  color: 'red'
}
```

A. Hyperlinks with class important inside a div
B. Hyperlink with class important and div elements ←
C. Hyperlink with id important inside a div
D. Hyperlink with id important and div elements

3. JAVASCRIPT



New language coming up

Meanwhile, Netscape and Sun Microsystems reportedly will announce later today they are teaming to create easy-to-use computer programming language for Internet access.

The new programming, called Javascript, will be distributed free over the Internet.

The programming would allow even non-technical users to customize information accessible on the World Wide Web.

For example, the software could allow users to view an always updated stock ticker of their own portfolio.

By distributing Javascript for free, Sun and Netscape hope they, rather than Microsoft, can set the Internet's next programming standard, reaping resulting sales of related products that use the Javascript approach.

Microsoft is expected to unveil its version of an Internet programming language later this week.

Unlike Javascript, which can run on any operating system, Microsoft's programming language will only be compatible with its software.

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- Scripting language for Web pages
- Created by Brendan Eich
- Some resemblances with Java
- Implemented in browsers and non-browser, e.g., node
- MDN JavaScript documentation
- Web standard versions, e.g., ES5

3. JAVASCRIPT > USES IN BROWSERS

- User interaction
- Asynchronous communications
- Control the browser
- Alter the content

3. JAVASCRIPT > INCLUDING IN WEB PAGES

1. Inline

```
<script type="text/javascript">
  //JavaScript code here
</script>
```

2. External

```
<script src="script.js"></script>
```

3. JAVASCRIPT > MAIN FEATURES

- Object-oriented language
- Everything is mutable
- Dynamic typing
- Function level scope
- First-class functions

3. JAVASCRIPT > MAIN FEATURES

- Object-oriented language

```
//denotes a comment
obj = {first: 'Joseph', last: 'Priestley'}; //object literal
obj.first  //'Joseph'
```

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3. JAVASCRIPT > MAIN FEATURES

- Object-oriented language
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```
obj = {first: 'Joseph', last: 'Priestley'};
obj.first = 'Joe'  //now first is 'Joe'
```

- Dynamic typing
- Function level scope
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3. JAVASCRIPT > MAIN FEATURES

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```
//primitive types
var foo = true;         //Boolean
var foo = null;         //Null
var foo = undefined;    //Undefined
var foo = 2.3;          //Number
var foo = 'bar'         //String
```

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```
var b = 5;  //global scope, i.e., at the top of the script
function f(a) {
  var b = 3;  //local scope, i.e., within the scope of the function
  return a + b;
}
b;  //5
```

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```
//functions treated similar to any other variable
var pi = function() { return Math.PI; }  //assign functions to a variab

function add(a, f) { return a + f(); }
add(1, pi);  //pass functions as argument

function addPi() {
  return function(a) {  //return functions
    return a + Math.PI;
  }
}
```

3. JAVASCRIPT > HOISTING

Hoisting refers to the moving of variable declarations at the top of their scope when the script is parsed

Declarations are *moved*, initializations are *not moved*

BEFORE HOISTING

```
var a;  //declare
a = 2;  //initialize
var b;  //declare
b = 5;  //initialize

//function expression: declare & initialize
var add = function (a, b) {
  return a + b;
  };  //; at the end!

//function declaration
function func(a) {
  var b = 3;  //declare & initialize
  var c = a + b;  //declare & initialize
  return c;
}
```

AFTER HOISTING

```
var a;  //hoisted
var b;  //hoisted
var add;  //hoisted

function func(a) {  //hoisted
  var b;  //hoisted
  var c;  //hoisted
  b = 3;
  c = a + b;
  return c;
}

a = 2;
b = 5;
add = function (a, b) {
  return a + b;
};
```

3. JAVASCRIPT > CLOSURE

A closure is the combination of a function and the lexical environment within which that function was declared.

```
function exampleClosure(arg1, arg2) {  //closure example
  var localVar = 2;
  function exampleReturned(innerArg) {  //inner function (declaration)
    return ((arg1 + arg2) / (localVar + innerArg));
  }
  return exampleReturned;  //reference to inner function
}

var globalVar = exampleClosure(2, 4);

console.log(globalVar);  //[Function: exampleReturned]

globalVar(4);  //1 = ((2 + 4) / (2 + 4))
```

JAVASCRIPT ES6 TO KNOW

```
//...
const { NEIGHBORHOOD_MAP } = require('../lib/utils/xtown-api');
let neighborhoodIds = [];
printNewsCmd.neighborhoods.forEach(d => {
 let ids = NEIGHBORHOOD_MAP.get(d).id;
 if (!ids) {
  console.log(danger('ERROR'));
  console.log(danger('No such neighborhood id "' + info + '"'));
  exit(0);
 }
 ids = Array.isArray(ids) ? ids : [ids];
 neighborhoodIds = neighborhoodIds.concat(ids);
});
neighborhoodIds = [...new Set(neighborhoodIds)];  //remove duplicates

const { printNews } = require('../lib/utils/printer');
printNews({
 print_settings: {
  neighborhoods: neighborhoodIds,
  image: {
   dir: FOUNDRY_CONFIG.print_defaults.news.image.dir,
   format: printNewsCmd.imageFormat,
   width: +printNewsCmd.imageWidth,
   height: +printNewsCmd.imageHeight
  },
  user: user,
 },
 news: fs.readJSONSync(newsFile)
}).then(result => {
 console.log(info('PRINT:'));
 console.log(info(' id:'), important(result.print.id));
 console.log(info(' path:'), important(result.print_settings.path));
 console.log(info(' file:'), important(result.print.file));
 console.log(info('PRINTS:'));
 result.print_settings.neighborhoods.forEach(d => {
  console.log(info(' ' + d + ':'));
  console.log(info('  file:'), important(result.print_settings.path + d + '/index.html'));
  console.log(info('  url:'), important(FOUNDRY_CONFIG.prints_url + result.print.id + '/' + d + '/index.html'));
 });
 if (printNewsCmd.verbose) {
  console.log(info('\ntrace'));
  console.dir(result, CONSOLE_DIR_OPTIONS);
 }
}).catch(err => {
 console.log(danger('ERROR'));
 console.dir(err, CONSOLE_DIR_OPTIONS);
});
//...
```

JAVASCRIPT ES6 TO KNOW (CONTINUED)

```
/**
 * print news
 * @param {Object} context print context
 * @returns {Object} printed object
 */
const printNews = context => {
  return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
    const { FOUNDRY_CONFIG } = require('../config');

    const { v4: uuidv4 } = require('uuid');
    context.print = {
      id: uuidv4(),
      news_id: context.news.id,
      created: {
        user: context.print_settings.user,
        timestamp: Date.now(),
      },
      errors: []
    };

    context.print_settings = context.print_settings ? context.print_settings : FOUNDRY_CONFIG.print_defaults.news;
    context.print_settings.path = context.print_settings.path ? context.print_settings.path : FOUNDRY_CONFIG.prints_path;
    context.print_settings.path += context.print.id + '/';  //prints folder

    const { NEIGHBORHOOD_MAP } = require('./xtown-api');
    let neighborhoods = [];
    context.print_settings.neighborhoods.forEach(d => {
      let ids = NEIGHBORHOOD_MAP.get(d).id;
      if (!ids) {
        reject(err);
        return;
      }
      ids = Array.isArray(ids) ? ids : [ids];
      neighborhoods = neighborhoods.concat(ids);
    });
    context.print_settings.neighborhoods = [...new Set(neighborhoods)];  //remove duplicates

    fs.ensureDirSync(context.print_settings.path);
    const newsFile = context.print_settings.path + context.print.id + FOUNDRY_CONFIG.json_ext;
    fs.writeJSONSync(newsFile, {...context.print, neighborhoods: context.print_settings.neighborhoods});
    context.print.file = newsFile;

    printNewsFiles(context).then(results => {
      resolve(context);
    }).catch(e => reject(e));
  });
}
```