# DATA VISUALIZATION AND VISUAL ANALYTICS

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#### HIERARCHY

- Oxford Dictionary:
  - a system in which members of an organization or society are ranked according to relative status or authority
  - an arrangement or classification of things according to relative importance or inclusiveness
- Hierarchical systems are ordered sets where elements are organized in a given relationship to one another
  - Parent-node relationship
  - Sibling relationship



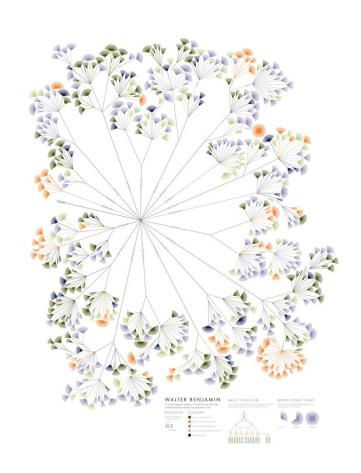


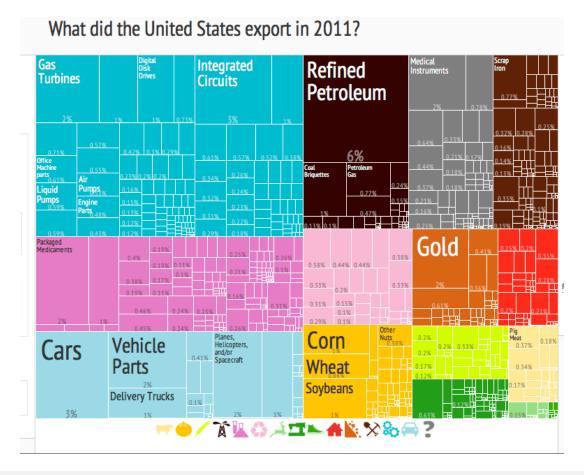
#### HIERARCHY

- Complexity often takes form of hierarchy
- Hierarchy is one of the central structures to represents complexity



## HIERACHICAL STRUCTURES









#### REPRESENTATION

- Two main visualization approaches
  - Stacked
    - Higher ranks are arranged in a directional relationship
      - Vertically, top to bottom
      - Horizontally, left to right, right to left
      - Centrally, center to periphery
    - Lines connect elements in the sets
      - One-dimensional visual elements
  - Nested





#### REPRESENTATION

- Two main visualization approaches
  - Stacked
  - Nested
    - Elements organized in containers
    - Higher ranking elements contains lower ranked ones
    - Container is a geometric object: two-dimensional plane, three dimensional solid
    - Container provides the grouping for all the descendant





#### VISUAL HIERARCHIES

## Hierachical systems



Hierachical Visual Encoding

- Spatial encoding is crucial for visualization
- Two separate cognitive processes
  - Spatial properties (position and size)
  - Object properties (shape, color, texture, etc.)

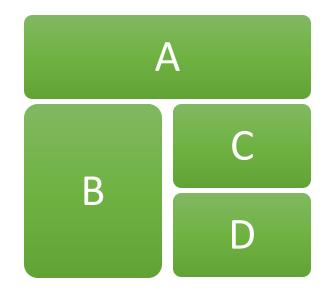


## PROXIMITY,

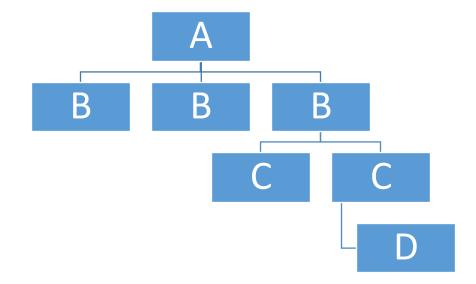
Proximity describes the tendency to group visual elements that are near one another

Visual proximity (should) corresponds to real proximity

#### **Physical Systems**



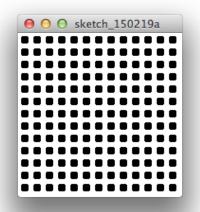
#### **Abstract Systems**

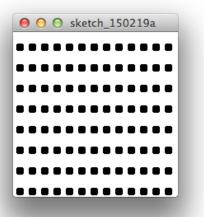


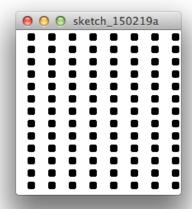




## PROXIMITY, GROUPS, CLUSTERS







- Space between dots allows us to perceive groups as columns or rows
- Spatial proximity facilitate the detection of related data
- Conceptually related concepts should be represented spatially close







#### HIERARCHICAL ABSTRACT DOMAINS

- Abstract domains usually do not provide visual clues
- Assigning a visual representation to abstract data is crucial for a robust visualization



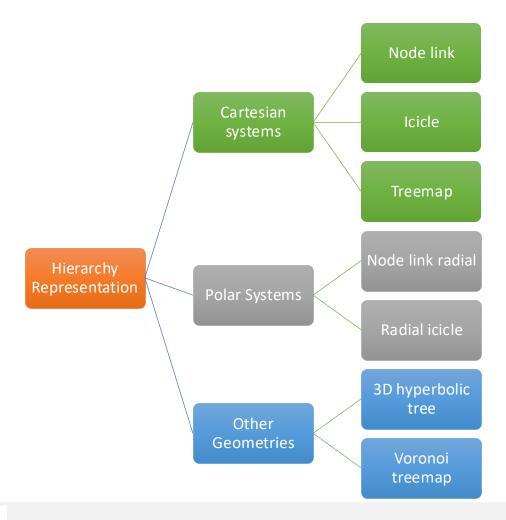
## **VISUAL TAXONOMY**

#### The Data Visualisation Catalogue About · Suggest · Shop · Resources View by List Search by Function Arc Diagram Area Graph Bar Chart Box & Whisker Plot Brainstorm **Bubble Chart** 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 Bubble Map Calendar Chord Diagram Choropleth Map Circle Packing Connection Map ••••





## TAXONOMY OF VISUAL REPRESENTATIONS

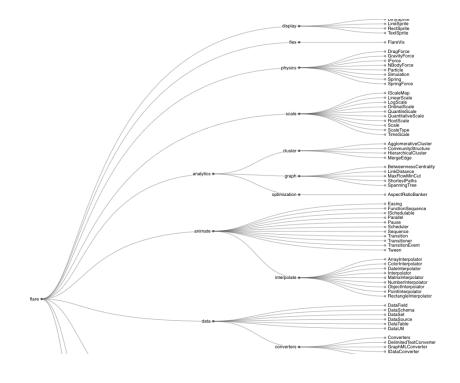






#### **NODE LINK LAYOUT**

- Stacked scheme
- Node link
- Direction for arrangement
  - Vertically
  - Horizontally
  - Centrally
- Sometimes lines encode properties of the relationship

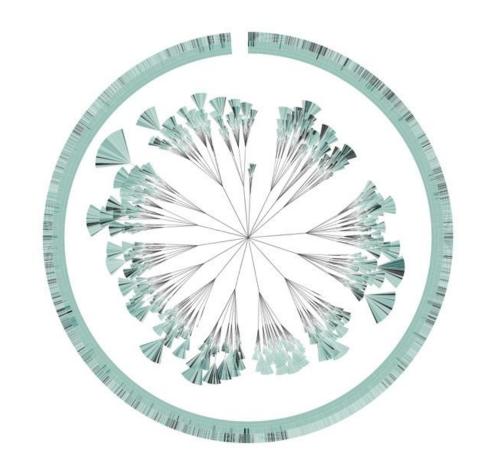






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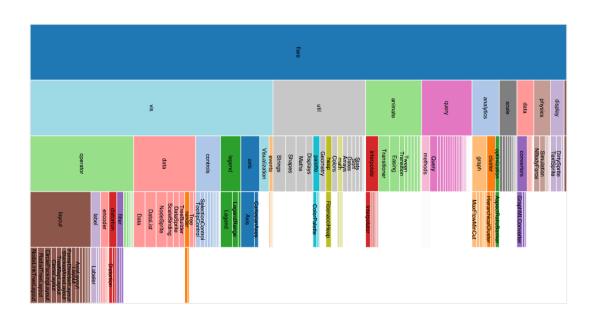






#### **ICICLE LAYOUT**

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- Height/color of each shape/node may encode properties

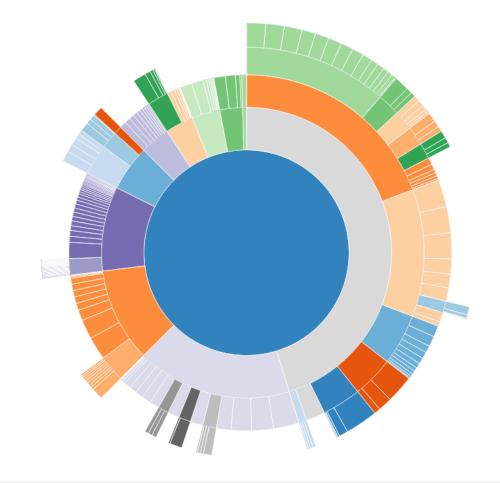






#### RADIAL ICICLE LAYOUT

- Stacked scheme
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  - Vertically
  - Horizontally
  - Centrally
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#### TREEMAP LAYOUT

- Container scheme
- No direction for arrangement
- Height/color of each shape/node may encode properties
- Usually additional linked display are useful to explore data

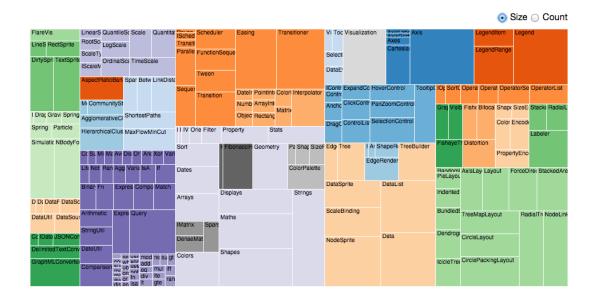






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#### **VORONOI TREEMAP**

May 3, 200

#### All of Inflation's Little Parts

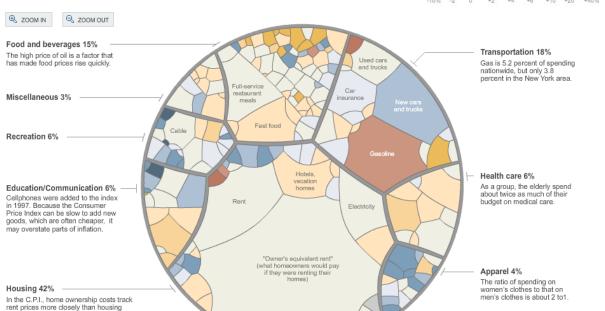
Each month, the Bureau of Labor Statistics gathers 84,000 prices in about 200 categories — like gasoline, bananas, dresses and garbage collection — to form the Consumer Price Index, one measure of inflation.

It's among the statistics that the Federal Reserve considered when it cut interest rates on Wednesday. The categories are weighted according to an estimate of what the average American spends, as shown below.

#### An Average Consumer's Spending

Each shape below represents how much the average American spends in different categories. Larger shapes make up a larger part of spending. Color shows change in prices from March 2007 to March 2008

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## **LAYOUTS**





#### **LAYOUTS**

- A layout encapsulate a strategy to position elements on the screen
- For example: alignment along a reference axis
  - Exploit d3.scale to handle the projection on the screen



#### **LAYOUT**

- A layout works on a set of elements (unlinke for selection)
- In d3, a layout enrich the input data to provide new properties to determine the position on the screen



#### **AVAILABLE LAYOUTS**

- D3 provides a vast library of layouts
  - Hierarchies
     https://github.com/d3/d3-hierarchy
  - Chords
     https://github.com/d3/d3-chord
  - Force
     https://github.com/d3/d3 force









