

Interaction

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CS 294-10: Visualization
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Assignment 2: Creating Visualizations

Use existing software to formulate & answer questions

First steps

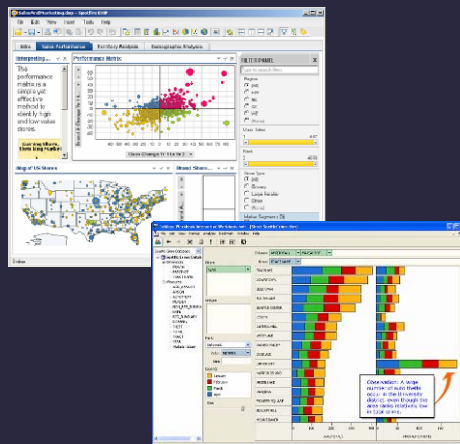
- Step 1: Pick a domain
- Step 2: Pose question
- Step 3: Find data
- May need to iterate

Create visualization

- Interact with data
- Question will evolve
- Tableau or Spotfire DXP

Make wiki notebook

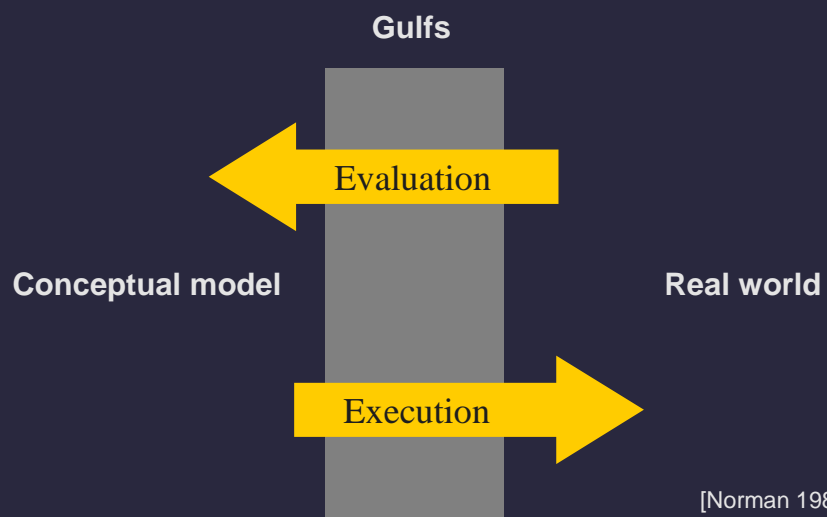
- Keep record of all steps you took to answer the questions



Due before class on Sep 24, 2007

Interaction

Gulfs of execution & evaluation



Gulf of evaluation

Gulf

Evaluation

Conceptual model:
x,y correlated?

Real world:

X	Y
0.67	0.79
0.32	0.63
0.39	0.72
0.27	0.85
0.71	0.43
0.63	0.09
0.03	0.03
0.20	0.54
0.51	0.38
0.11	0.33
0.46	0.46

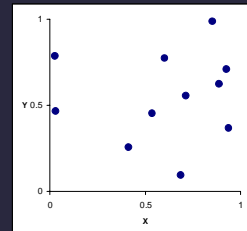
Gulf of evaluation

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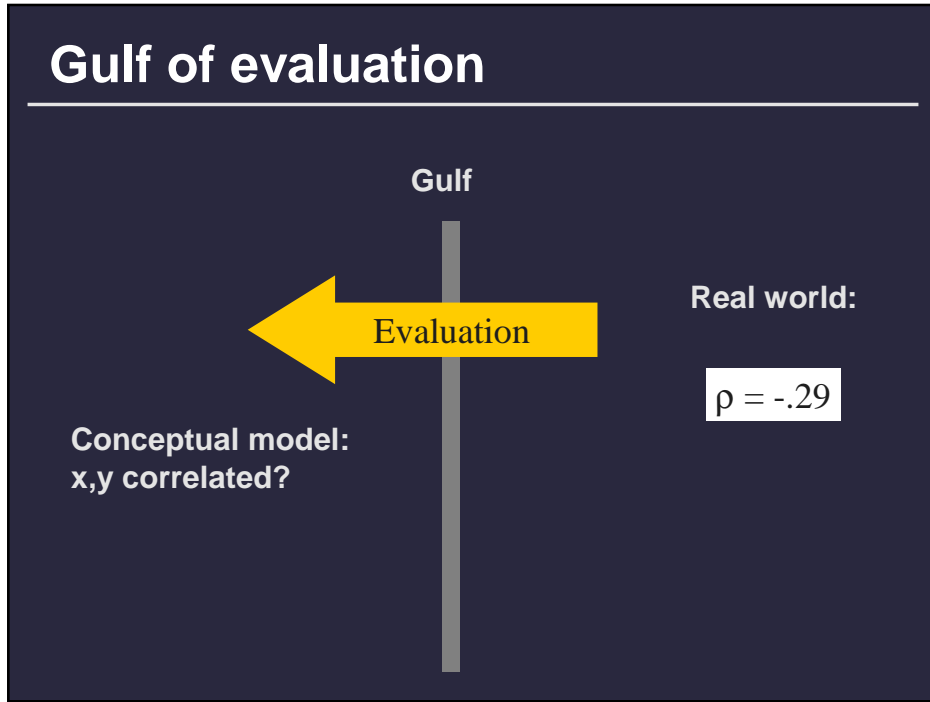
Evaluation

Conceptual model:
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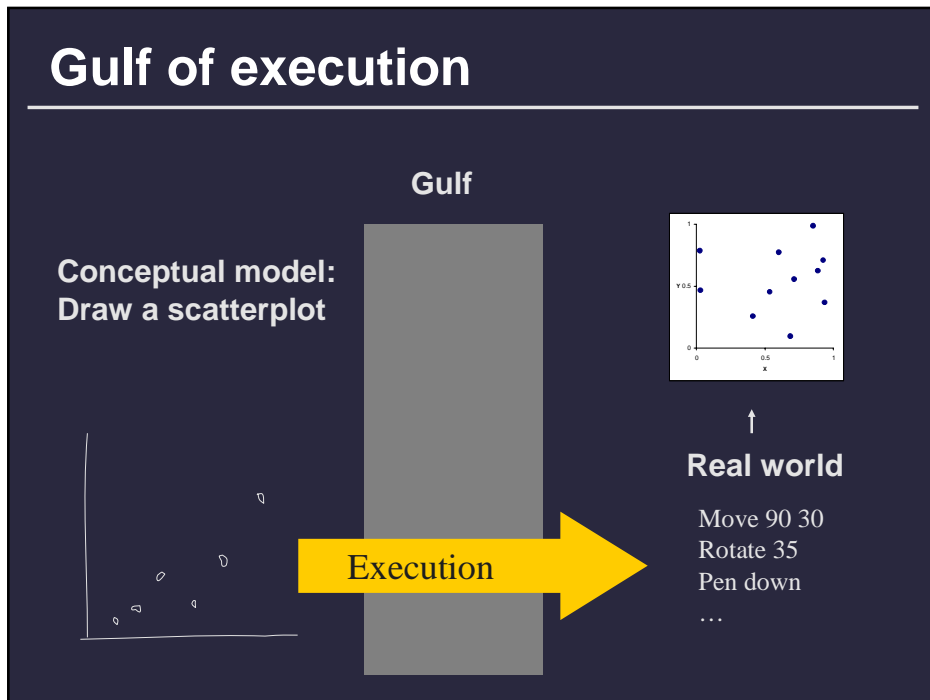
Real world:



Gulf of evaluation

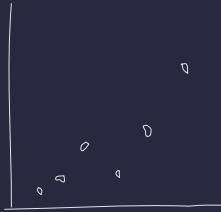


Gulf of execution

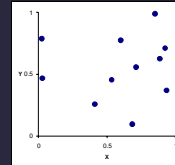


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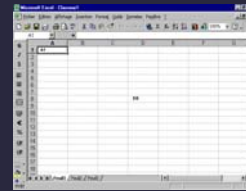
Conceptual model:
Draw a scatterplot



Gulf



Real world



Execution



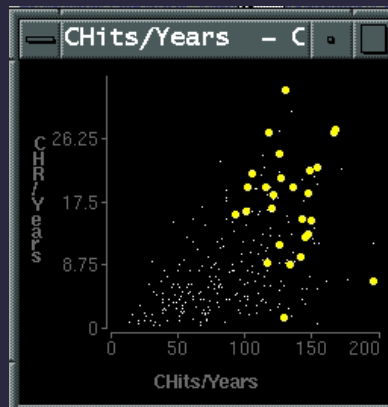
Topics

- Brushing and linking
- Dynamic queries
- Rearrangements

Brushing and Linking

Highlighting

Focus user attention on a subset of the data within one graph [from Wills 95]

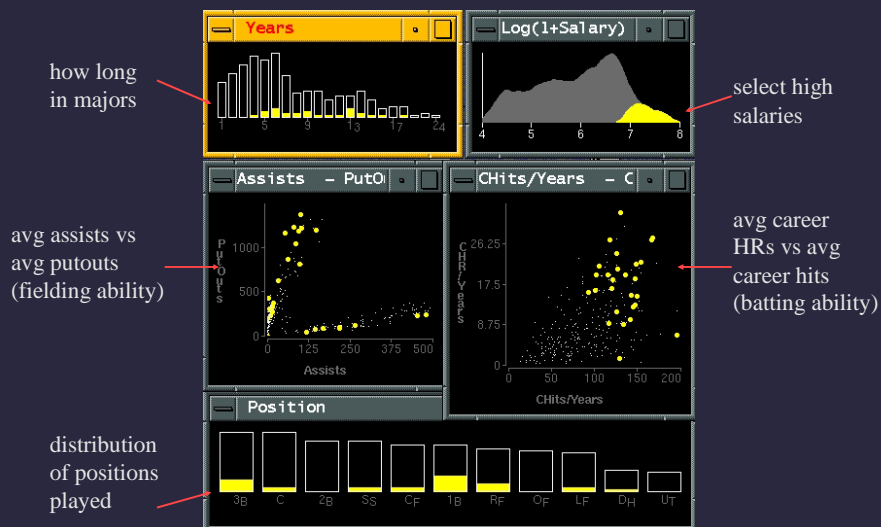


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Brushing

- Interactively select subset of data
- See selected data in other views
- Two things (normally views) must be *linked* to allow for brushing

Baseball statistics [from Wills 95]



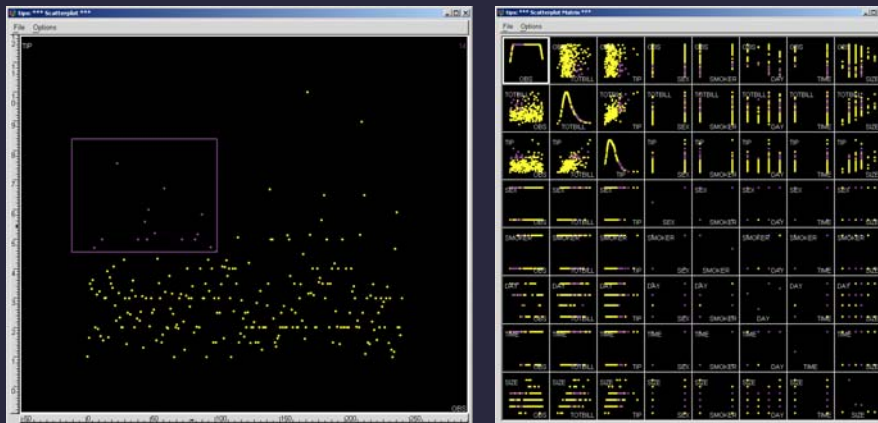
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Linking assists to positions



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GGobi: Brushing



<http://www.ggobi.org/>

Dynamic Queries

Query and results

```
SELECT house  
FROM east bay  
WHERE price < 1,000,000 AND bedrooms > 2  
ORDER BY price
```

IdNumber	Dwelling	Address	City
2	House	5256 S. Capitol St.	Beltsville, MD
4	House	5536 S. Lincoln St.	Beltsville, MD
5	House	5165 Jones Street	Beltsville, MD
8	House	5007 Jones Street	Beltsville, MD
9	House	4872 Jones Street	Beltsville, MD
17	House	5408 S. Capitol St.	Beltsville, MD
20	House	5496 S. Capitol St.	Beltsville, MD
85	Condo	5459 S. Lincoln St.	Laurel, MD
86	Condo	5051 S. Lincoln St.	Laurel, MD
88	Condo	5139 Hamilton Street	Laurel, MD
92	Condo	5132 Hamilton Street	Laurel, MD
93	Condo	5221 S. Lincoln St.	Laurel, MD
94	Condo	5043 S. Lincoln St.	Laurel, MD
95	Condo	4970 Jones Street	Laurel, MD
97	Condo	4677 Jones Street	Laurel, MD
98	Condo	4896 S. Capitol St.	Laurel, MD
99	Condo	5048 S. Capitol St.	Laurel, MD
100	Condo	4597 31st Street	Laurel, MD
101	Condo	5306 S. Lincoln St.	Laurel, MD
103	Condo	5562 Glass Road	Laurel, MD
105	Condo	5546 Hamilton Street	Laurel, MD
152	House	7670 31st Street	Upper Marlboro, MD

Issues

1. For programmers
2. Rigid syntax
3. Only shows exact matches
4. Too few or too many hits
5. No hint on how to reformulate the query
6. Slow question-answer loop
7. Results returned as table

HomeFinder



Dynamic HomeFinder

Reset Quit
Save Print

Dist to A:
1 30
10

Dist to B:
1 30
10

Bedrooms:
1 7
3

Cost:
\$50k \$500k
100k

Look at:
Hse TH Cnd

Features:
Grq Fp1
CAC New

The yellow dots above are homes in the DC area for sale. You may get more information on a home by selecting it. You may drag the 'A' and 'B' distance markers to your office or any other location you want to live near. Select distances, bedrooms, and cost ranges by dragging the corresponding slider boxes on the right. Select specific home types and services by pressing the labeled buttons on the right.

[Ahlberg and Schneiderman 92]

Direct manipulation

1. Visual representation of objects and actions
2. Rapid, incremental and reversible actions
3. Selection by pointing (not typing)
4. Immediate and continuous display of results

Alphaslider

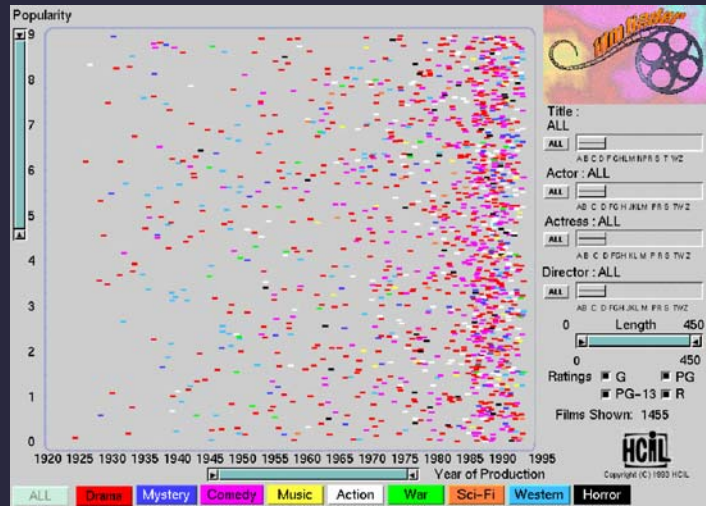
Title :
Moonstruck

ALL

A B C D F G H L M N P R S T W Z

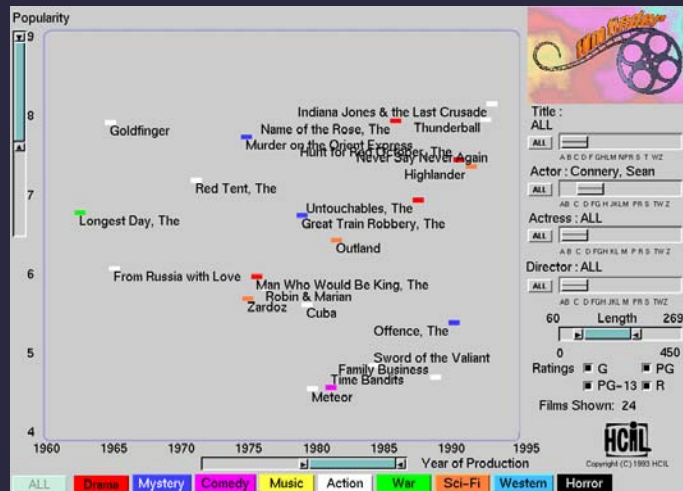
[Ahlberg and Schneiderman 94]

FilmFinder



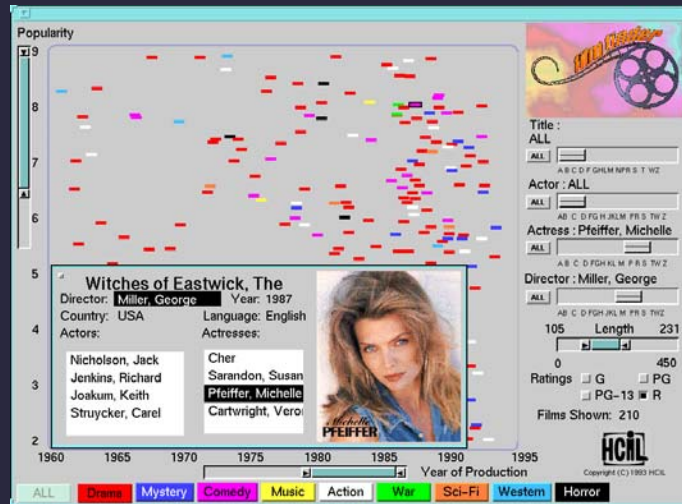
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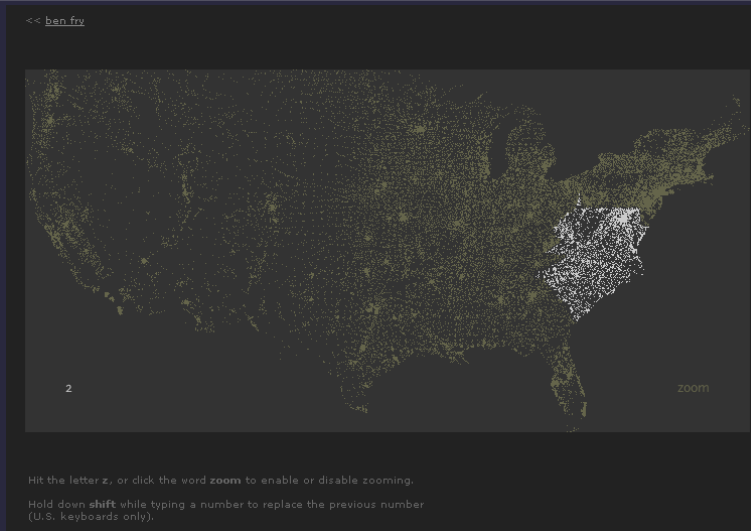
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Cellphones



<http://www.myrateplan.com/cellphones/>

Zipdecode [from Fry 04]

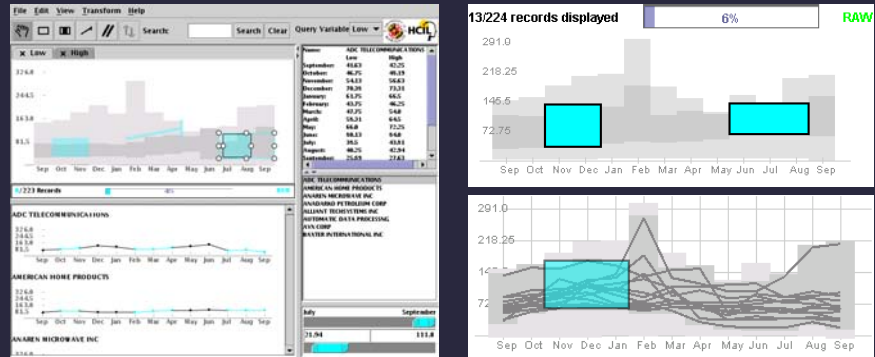


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Attribute explorer [Spence and Tweedie 98]

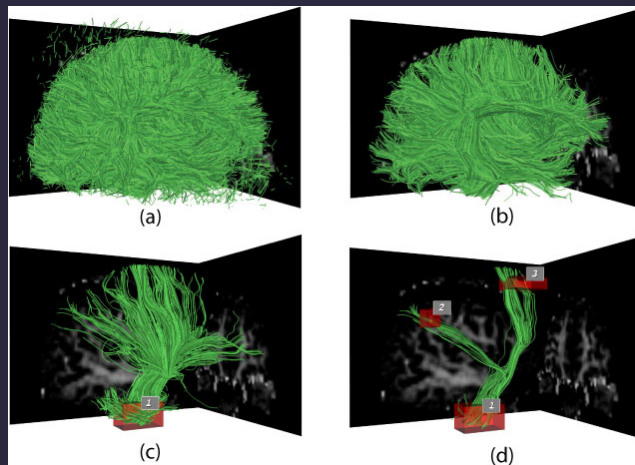
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TimeSearcher [Hochheiser & Schneiderman 02]

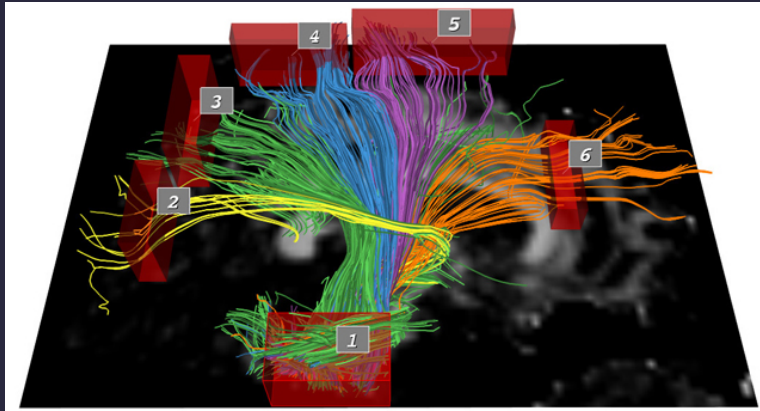


Based on Wattenberg's [2001] idea for sketch-based queries of time-series data.

3D dynamic queries [Akers et al. 04]



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Pros and cons

Pros

- Controls useful for both novices and experts
- Quick way to explore data

Cons

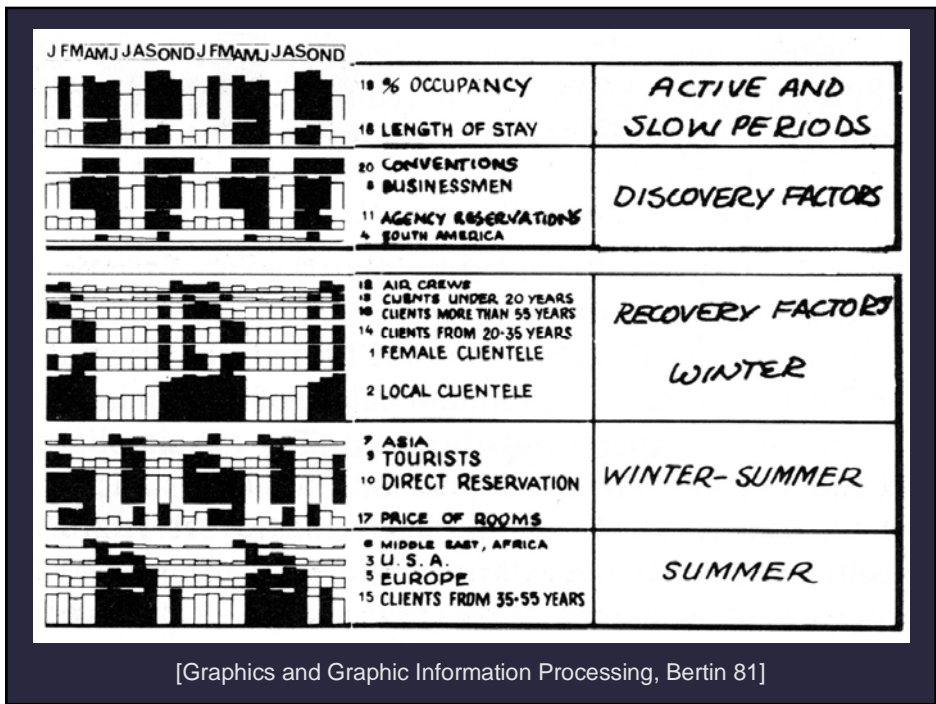
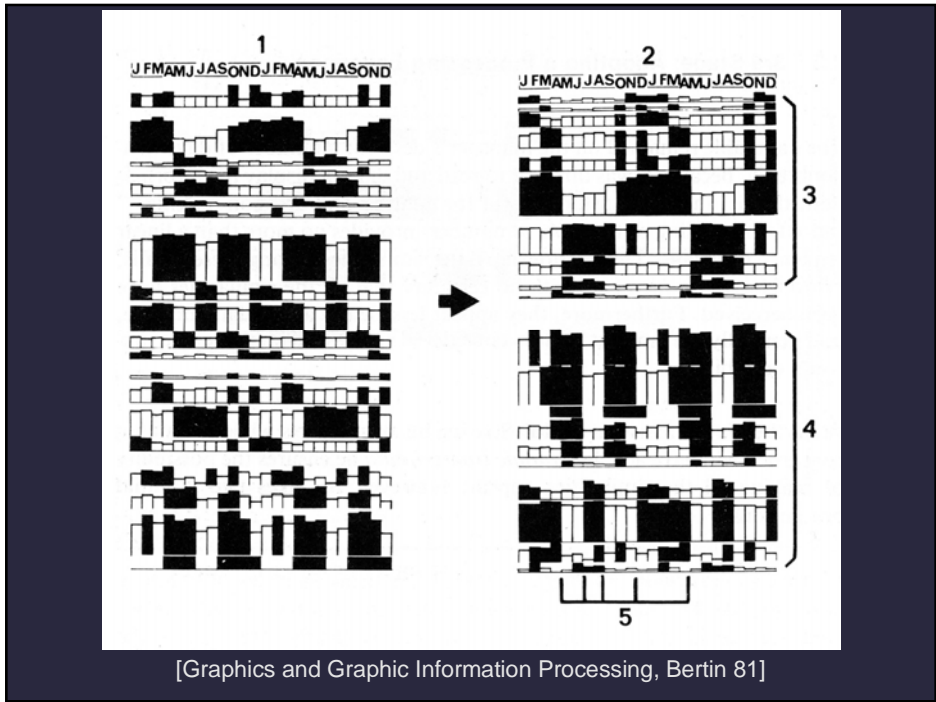
- Simple queries
- Lots of controls
- Amount of data shown limited by screen space

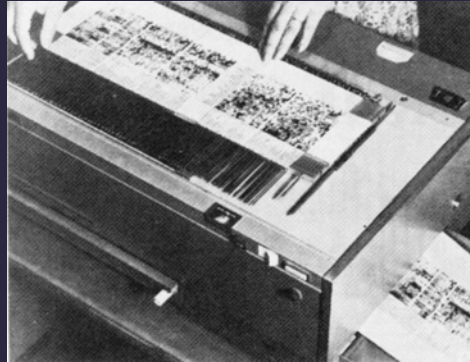
Who would use these kinds of tools?

Rearrangements

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	
26	21	26	28	20	20	20	20	40	15	40	1	% CLIENTELE FEMALE
69	70	77	71	37	36	39	39	55	60	68	2	% ——— LOCAL
7	6	3	6	23	14	19	14	9	6	8	3	% ——— U.S.A.
0	0	0	0	8	6	6	4	2	12	0	4	% ——— SOUTH AMERICA
20	15	14	15	23	27	22	30	27	19	19	5	% ——— EUROPE
1	0	0	8	6	4	6	4	2	1	0	6	% ——— M.EAST, AFRICA
3	10	6	0	3	13	8	9	5	2	5	7	% ——— ASIA
78	80	85	86	85	87	70	76	87	85	87	8	% BUSINESSMEN
22	20	15	14	15	13	30	24	13	15	13	9	% TOURISTS
70	70	75	74	69	68	74	75	68	68	64	10	% DIRECT RESERVATIONS
20	18	19	17	27	27	19	19	26	27	21	11	% AGENCY ———
10	12	6	9	4	5	7	6	6	5	15	12	% AIR CREWS
2	2	4	2	2	1	1	2	2	4	2	13	% CLIENTS UNDER 20 YEARS
25	27	37	35	25	25	27	28	24	30	24	14	% ——— 20-35 ———
48	49	42	48	54	55	53	57	55	46	55	15	% ——— 35-55 ———
25	22	17	15	19	19	19	19	19	20	19	16	% ——— MORE THAN 55 ———
163	167	166	174	152	155	145	170	157	174	165	17	PRICE OF ROOMS
1.65	1.71	1.65	1.91	1.90	2.	1.54	1.60	1.73	1.82	1.66	18	LENGTH OF STAY
67	82	70	83	74	77	56	62	90	92	78	19	% OCCUPANCY
			X	X	X			X	X	X	20	CONVENTIONS

[Graphics and Graphic Information Processing, Bertin 81]



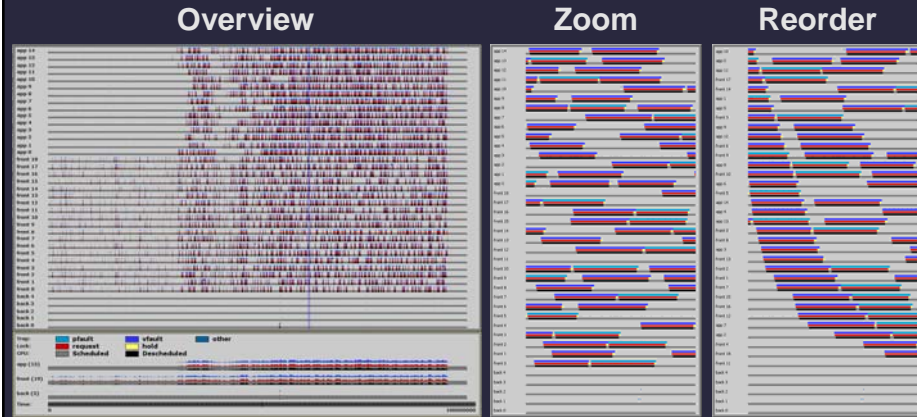


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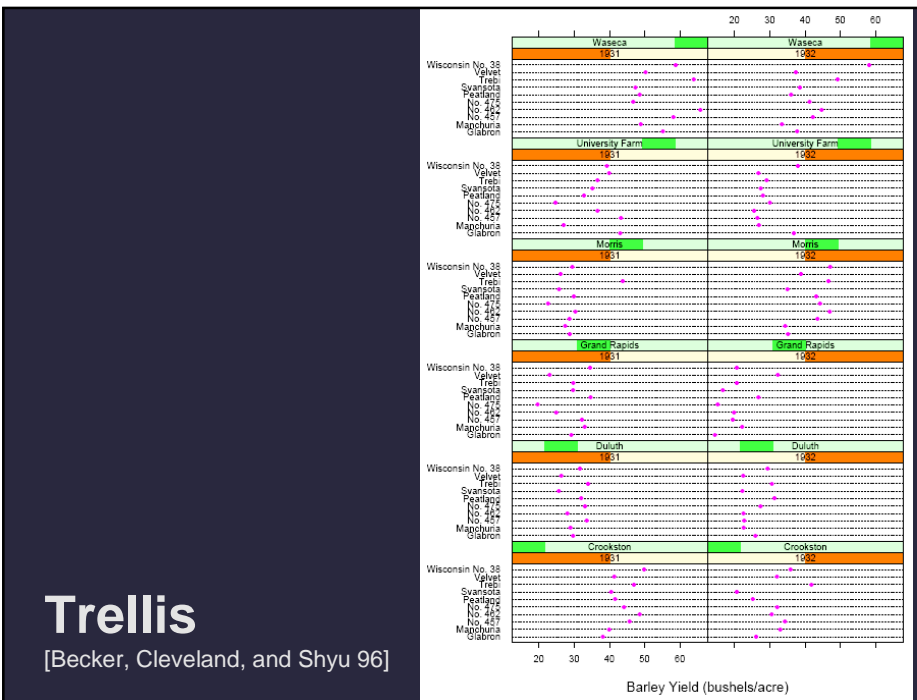


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Rivet: Interactive reordering

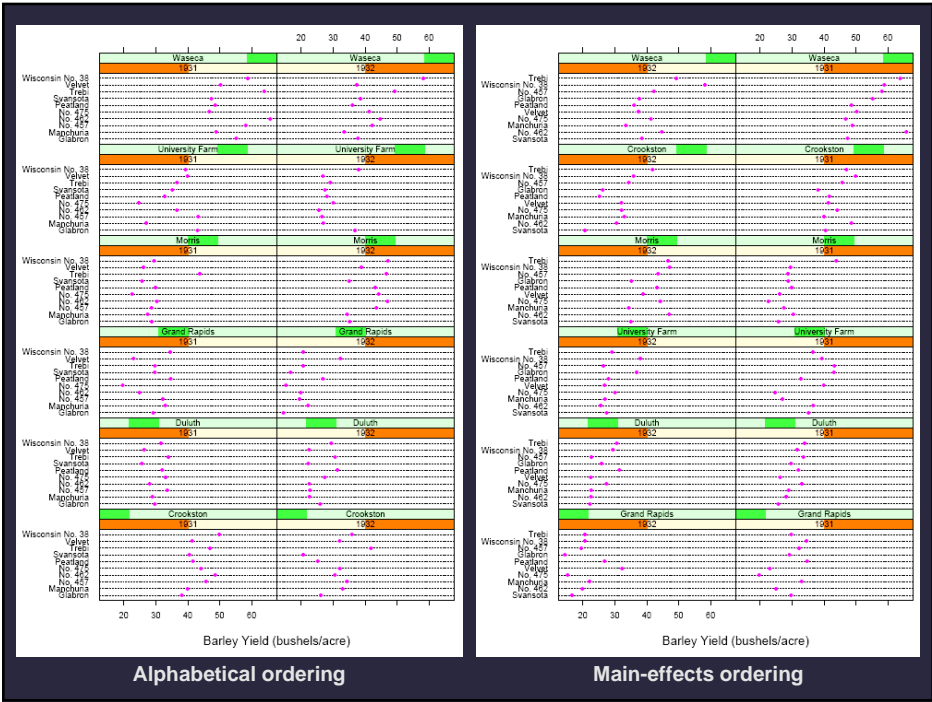
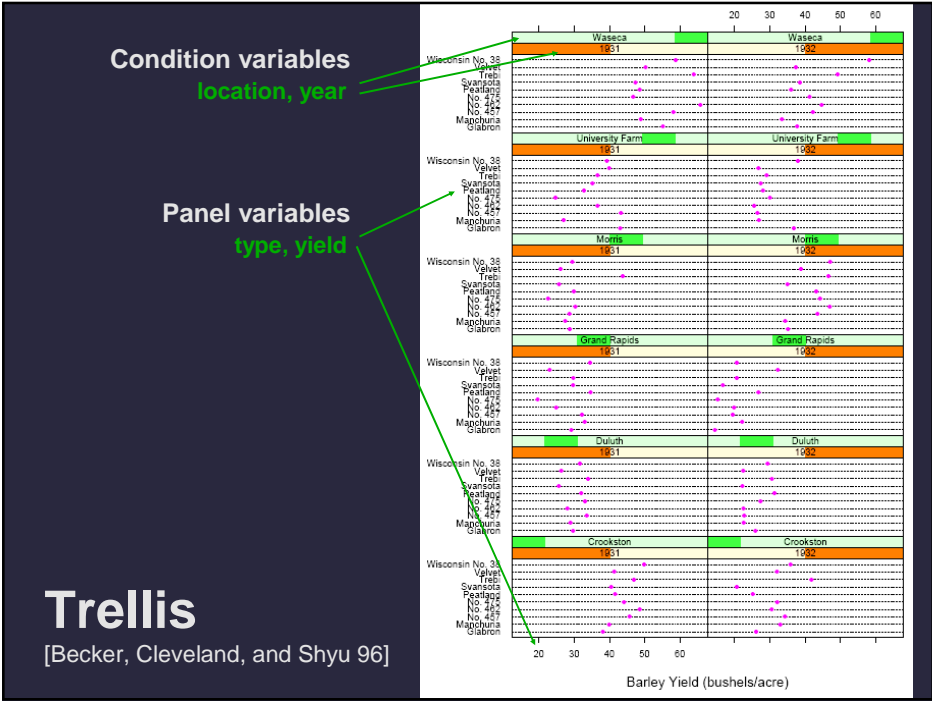


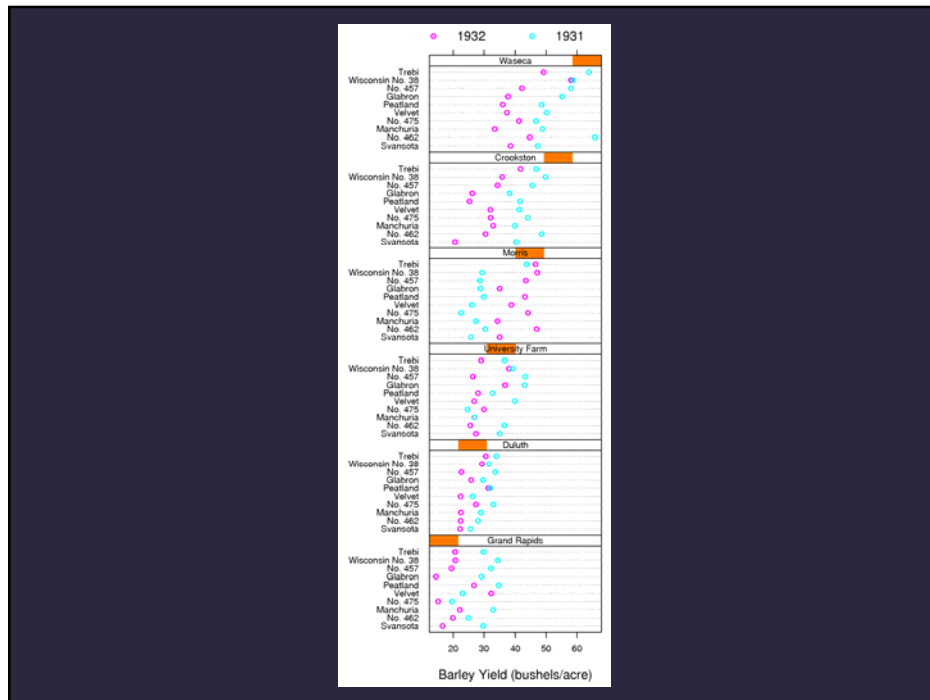
Performance Analysis and Visualization of Parallel Systems Using SimOS and Rivet: A Case Study [Bosch et al. 00]



Trellis

[Becker, Cleveland, and Shyu 96]





Summary

Most visualizations are interactive

- Even passive media elicit interactions

Good visualizations are task dependant

- Choose the right space
- Pick the right interaction technique

Human factors are important

- Leverage human strengths
- Assist to get past human limitations