

# **D3 Introduction**

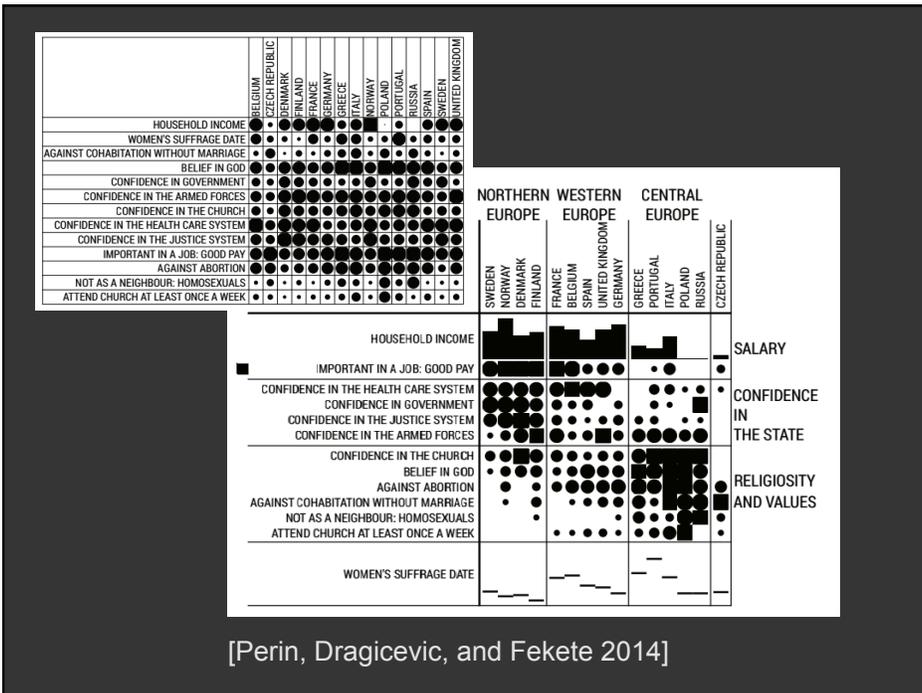
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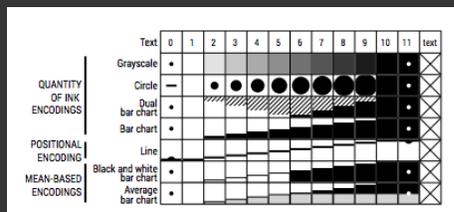
**From Interaction II  
(last week)**



[Perin, Dragicevic, and Fekete 2014]

# Visual encodings

Visual encodings ensure that visual differences are roughly proportional to numerical differences.



# Announcements

## Assignment 3: Visualization Software

Create a **small** interactive visualization application – you choose data domain and visualization technique.

1. Describe data and storyboard interface
2. Implement interface and produce final writeup
3. Submit the application and a final writeup on the wiki



Can work alone or in pairs  
Final write up due before class on **Oct 15, 2014**

# D3 Introduction

## Topics

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Motivation  
Getting started

Selections

Scales  
Axes  
Coordinate system  
Path generators  
Layouts

[Adapted from Mike Bostock's D3 Workshop]

# Motivation

## Visualization with Web Standards

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Transformation, not representation (HTML, SVG)

Constructing a DOM from data

Benefits:

Expressivity

Debugging tools

Better documentation

## hello-world.html

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<body>
Hello, world!
```

## hello-svg.html

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<svg width="960" height="500">
  <text x="10" y="10">
    Hello, world!
  </text>
</svg>
```

## hello-css.html

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style>
body { background: steelblue; }
</style>
<body>
Hello, world!
```

## hello-javascript.html

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<script>
console.log("Hello, world!");
</script>
```

## hello-d3.html

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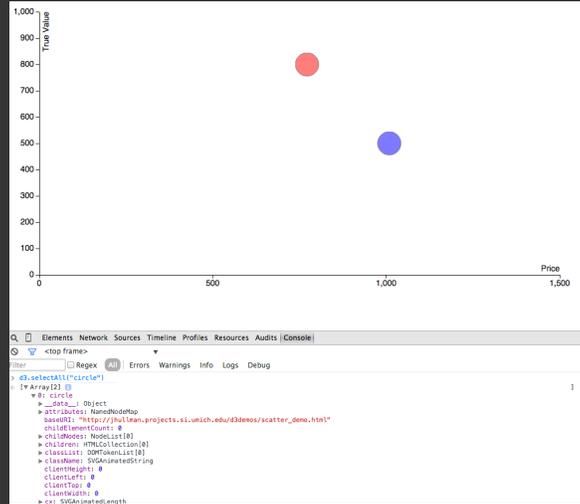
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style> /* CSS */</style>
<body>
<script src="d3.v2.js"></script>
```

## Getting Started



# Debugging tools

## JavaScript console



# Selections

## Operating on a selection

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```
var ps = document.getElementsByTagName("p");    a
for (var i = 0; i < ps.length; i++) {
  var p = ps.item(i);
  p.style.setProperty("color", "white", null);
}
```

```
p { color: white; }                                b
```

```
$("#p").css("color", "white");                     c
```

```
d3.selectAll("p").style("color", "white");         d
```

Selections in d3 are associated with operators to set properties.

## Select SVG circles

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```
//select all SVG circle elements
var circle=d3.selectAll("circle")
```

```
//set attributes and styles
circle.attr("cx", 20);
circle.attr("cy", 12);
circle.attr("r", 24);
circle.style("fill", "red");
```

```
//method chaining
d3.selectAll("circle")
  .attr("cx", 20)
  .attr("cy", 12)
  .attr("r", 24)
  .style("fill", "red");
```

## Other basic shapes

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```
var rect = d3.selectAll("rect")
  .attr("x", 20)
  .attr("y", 12)
  .attr("width", 24)
  .attr("height", 24);
```

```
var line = d3.selectAll("line")
  .attr("x1", 20)
  .attr("y1", 12)
  .attr("x2", 40)
  .attr("y2", 24);
```

```
var text = d3.selectAll("text")
  .attr("x", 20)
  .attr("y", 12);
```

## Selection.append

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```
// select the <body> element
var body = d3.select("body");

// add an <h1> element
var h1 = body.append("h1");
h1.text("Hello!");
```

Selects one element, adds one element.

## Selection.append

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```
// select the <body> element
var body = d3.selectAll("body");

// add an <h1> element
var h1 = body.append("h1");
h1.text("Hello!");
```

Selects multiple elements, adds one element to each.

## Data → multiple elements

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```
var data = [1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8];           //array
```

```
var data = [                           //object
  {x: 10.0, y: 9.14},
  {x: 8.0, y: 8.14},
  {x: 13.0, y: 8.74},
  {x: 9.0, y: 8.77},
  {x: 11.0, y: 9.26}
];
```

## Data → multiple elements

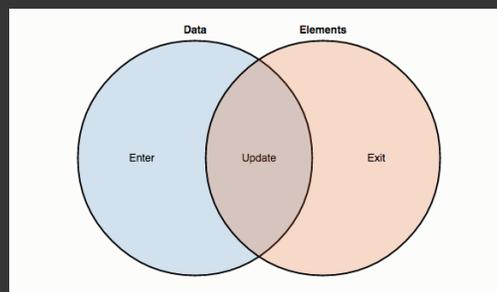
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```
svg.selectAll("circle")  
  .data(data) //data join  
  .enter().append("circle")  
  .attr("cx", x)  
  .attr("cy", y)  
  .attr("r", 2.5);
```

D3's data join: Defines enter, update, and exit subselections

## Data → multiple elements

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### 3 selections:

- *Enter*: Missing elements
- *Update*: Data points joined to existing elements
- *Exit*: Leftover unbound elements

## Data → multiple elements

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```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle") //Returns a new empty selection
    .data(data) //Join the selection to data: 3 new
                //selections (enter, update, exit)

circle.enter().append("circle") //Appending to the enter selection
    .attr("cx", x) //adds the missing elements to the
    .attr("cy", y) //SVG container
    .attr("r", 2.5);
```

Accessor functions: `function x(d) { return d.x; }`

Why joins?

## Enter, update, exit

---

```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle") //Selecting circles
    .data(data) //Recompute the join

circle.exit().remove() //Remove surplus elements

circle.enter().append("circle") //Add new elements (set constant
    .attr("r", 2.5); //attribute)

circle //Update the x and y position with
    .attr("cx", x) //the new data
    .attr("cy", y)
```

## Update pattern tutorial

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abcgjmnpruxy

## Setting things up

---

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style /* CSS */>
<body>
<script src="d3.v2.js"></script>

<script>
var alphabet = "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz".split("");

var width = 960,
    height = 500;

var svg = d3.select("body").append("svg")
    .attr("width", width)
    .attr("height", height)
    .append("g")
    .attr("transform", "translate(32," + (height / 2) + ")");
```

## Initialize, update on interval

```
// The initial display.
update(alphabet);

// Grab a random sample of letters from the alphabet, in alphabetical order.
setInterval(function() {
  update(shuffle(alphabet)
    .slice(0, Math.floor(Math.random() * 26))
    .sort());
}, 1500);

// Shuffles the input array.
function shuffle(array) {
  var m = array.length, t, i;
  while (m) {
    i = Math.floor(Math.random() * m--);
    t = array[m], array[m] = array[i], array[i] = t;
  }
  return array;
}

</script>
```

## Update function

```
function update(data) {
  // DATA JOIN
  var text = svg.selectAll("text")
    .data(data);

  // UPDATE
  text.attr("class", "update");

  // ENTER
  text.enter().append("text")
    .attr("class", "enter")
    .attr("x", function(d, i) { return i * 32; })
    .attr("dy", ".35em");

  // ENTER + UPDATE
  text.text(function(d) { return d; });

  // EXIT
  text.exit().remove();
}

<style>
text {
  font: bold 48px monospace;
}
.enter {
  fill: green;
}
.update {
  fill: #333;
}
</style>
```

## Entering letters at end

```
function update(data) {  
  
  // DATA JOIN  
  var text = svg.selectAll("text")  
    .data(data);  
  
  // UPDATE  
  text.attr("class", "update");  
  
  // ENTER  
  text.enter().append("text")  
    .attr("class", "enter")  
    .attr("x", function(d, i) { return i * 32; })  
    .attr("dy", ".35em");  
  
  // ENTER + UPDATE  
  text.text(function(d) { return d; });  
  
  // EXIT  
  text.exit().remove();  
}
```

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy

crtw

acfkmoqrutwxyz

## Initialize, update on interval

```
// The initial display.  
update(alphabet);  
  
// Grab a random sample of letters from the alphabet, in alphabetical order.  
setInterval(function() {  
  update(shuffle(alphabet)  
    .slice(0, Math.floor(Math.random() * 26))  
    .sort());  
}, 1500);  
  
// Shuffles the input array.  
function shuffle(array) {  
  var m = array.length, t, i;  
  while (m) {  
    i = Math.floor(Math.random() * m--);  
    t = array[m], array[m] = array[i], array[i] = t;  
  }  
  return array;  
}  
  
</script>
```

# Key function

## Defaults to index

To update same letter each time:

```
var alphabet = [  
  {name: "a", val: "a"},  
  {name: "b", val: "b"},  
  {name: "c", val: "c"}, ...  
];
```

```
function key(d) { return d.name; }
```

```
function update(data) {
```

```
  // DATA JOIN  
  var text = svg.selectAll("text")  
    .data(data, key);
```

## Scatterplot example

```
var data = [  
  {name: "Alice", x: 10.0, y: 9.14},  
  {name: "Bob", x: 8.0, y: 8.14},  
  {name: "Carol", x: 13.0, y: 8.74},  
  {name: "Dave", x: 9.0, y: 8.77},  
  {name: "Edith", x: 11.0, y: 9.26}  
];
```

```
function key(d) { return d.name; }  
function x(d) { return d.x; }  
function y(d) { return d.y; }
```

```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle")  
  .data(data, key)  
  .attr("cx", x)  
  .attr("cy", y)  
  .attr("r", 2.5);
```

# Loading Data

## d3.csv

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### stocks.csv

```
symbol,date,price
S&P 500,Jan 2000,1394.46
S&P 500,Feb 2000,1366.42
S&P 500,Mar 2000,1498.58
S&P 500,Apr 2000,1452.43
S&P 500,May 2000,1420.6
S&P 500,Jun 2000,1454.6
S&P 500,Jul 2000,1430.83
```

```
var format = d3.time.format("%b %Y"); //format generator for dates

d3.csv("stocks.csv", function(stocks) {
  stocks.forEach(function(d) { //array.forEach iterates over rows
    d.price = +d.price; //Coerce from strings
    d.date = format.parse(d.date);
  });
});
```

## d3.json

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### stocks.json

```
[{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "Jan 2000", "price": 1394.46},
{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "Feb 2000", "price": 1366.42},
{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "Mar 2000", "price": 1498.58},
{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "Apr 2000", "price": 1452.43},
{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "May 2000", "price": 1420.6},
{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "Jun 2000", "price": 1454.6},
{"symbol": "S&P 500", "date": "Jul 2000", "price": 1430.83}...
```

```
var format = d3.time.format("%b %Y");

d3.csv("stocks.json", function(stocks) {
  stocks.forEach(function(d) { //array.forEach iterates over rows
    d.date = format.parse(d.date);
  });
});
```

# Scales

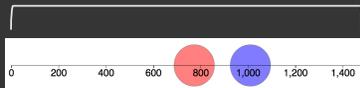
## Data space → Visual space

```
var x = d3.scale.linear()  
  .domain([0, 1500])  
  .range([0, w])
```

```
//define your own  
function x(d) {  
  return d * 0.48;  
}
```

```
var data = [{name: "A", price: 1009},  
            {name: "B", price: 772}];
```

```
var w = 960;
```



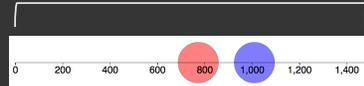
```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle")  
  .data(data)  
  .enter()  
  .append("circle")  
  .attr("cx", function(d) { return x(d); })  
  .attr("cy", 0)  
  .attr("r", 50)  
  .style("stroke", "black")  
  .style("fill", function(d) { return col(d.name);})  
  .style("opacity", 0.5);
```

## Ordinal mappings

```
var col = d3.scale.ordinal()  
  .domain(["A", "B"])  
  .range(["blue", "red"]);
```

```
var data = [{name: "A", price: 1009},  
            {name: "B", price: 772}];
```

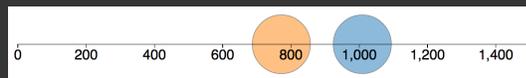
```
var w = 960;
```



```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle")  
  .data(data)  
  .enter()  
  .append("circle")  
  .attr("cx", function(d) { return x(d); })  
  .attr("cy", 0)  
  .attr("r", 50)  
  .style("stroke", "black")  
  .style("fill", function(d) { return col(d.name);})  
  .style("opacity", 0.5);
```

## Categorical mappings

```
var col = d3.scale.category10()  
  .domain(["A", "B"]);
```



```
var col = d3.scale.ordinal()  
  .range(colorbrewer.Set1[9]);
```



# Interpolators (quantitative scales)

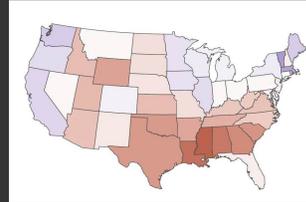
```
var col = d3.scale.linear()  
  .domain([12, 24])  
  .range(["steelblue", "brown"]);
```

```
x(16); // #666586
```

```
var x = d3.scale.linear()  
  .domain([12, 24])  
  .range(["0px", "720px"]);
```

```
x(16); // 240px
```

Diverging scale

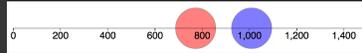


```
var col = d3.scale.linear()  
  .domain([0, 50, 100])  
  .range(["blue", "white", "red"]);
```

## Axes

## Creating and rendering an axis

```
var x = d3.scale.linear()  
  .domain([0, 1500])  
  .range([0, w])
```



Define axis element

```
var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()  
  .scale(x);
```

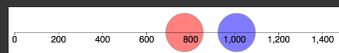
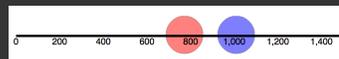
Render by calling a <g> selection

```
svg.append("g")  
  .attr("class", "x axis")  
  .call(xAxis);
```

## Creating and rendering an axis

Customize using CSS

```
.axis path, .axis line {  
  fill: none;  
  stroke: #000;  
  shape-rendering: crispEdges;  
}
```



```
var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()  
  .scale(y)  
  .ticks(4);
```



# SVG Coordinate System

## SVG Coordinates

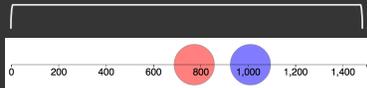
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Use transforms on `<g>` to define a new origin (e.g., plotting area)

# Axis example

```
var data = [{name: "A", price: 1009, Value: 500},  
            {name: "B", price: 772, Value: 900}];  
  
var w = 960;
```

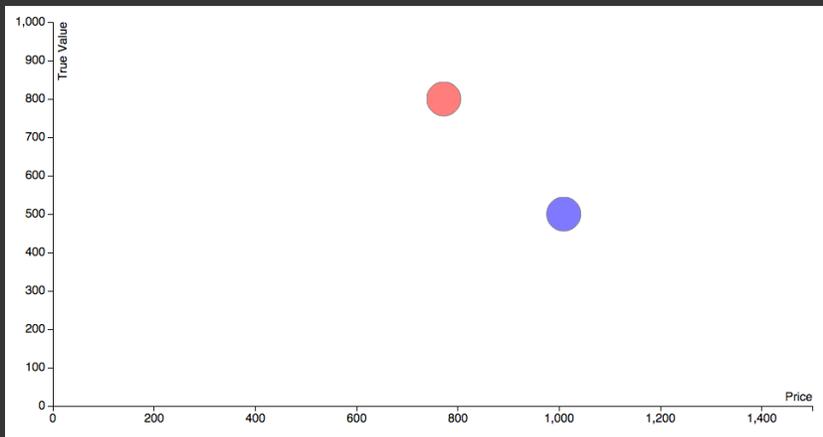


```
var x = d3.scale.linear()  
  .domain([0, 2000])  
  .range([0, w])
```

```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle")  
  .data(data)  
  .enter()  
  .append("circle")  
  .attr("cx", function(d) { return x(d); })  
  .attr("cy", 0)  
  .attr("r", 50)  
  .style("stroke", "black")  
  .style("fill", function(d) { return col(d.name);})  
  .style("opacity", 0.5);
```

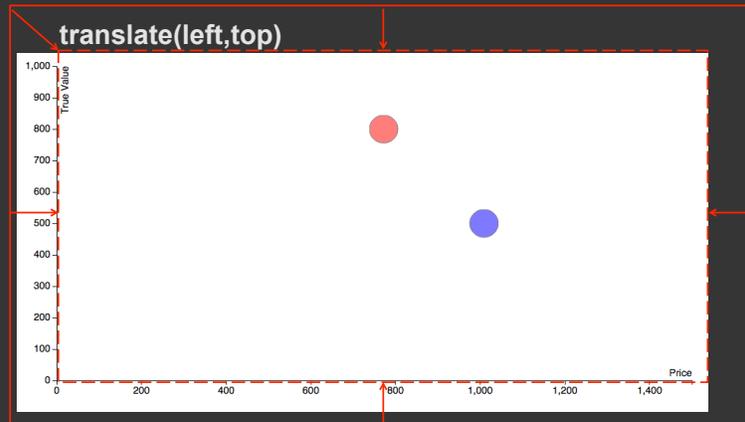
```
var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()  
  .scale(x);
```

```
svg.append("g")  
  .attr("class", "x axis")  
  .call(xAxis);
```



## Transform on <g> attribute

origin



Define a new origin for plotting area  
Axes appear in margin

## Transform on <g> attribute

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style> /* CSS */</style>
<body>

<script src="http://d3js.org/d3.v3.min.js"></script>
<script>

var margin = {top: 20, right: 20, bottom: 30, left: 50},
    w = 960 - margin.left - margin.right,
    h = 500 - margin.top - margin.bottom;

var svg = d3.select("body").append("svg")
    .attr("width", w + margin.left + margin.right)
    .attr("height", h + margin.top + margin.bottom)
    .append("g")
    .attr("transform", "translate(" + margin.left + "," + margin.top + ")");
```

## Create the axes, marks

```
var x = d3.scale.linear()
  .domain([0, 1500])
  .range([0, w])

var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()
  .scale(x)
  .orient("bottom");

var y = d3.scale.linear()
  .domain([0, 1000])
  .range([h, 0])

var yAxis = d3.svg.axis()
  .scale(y)
  .orient("left");

var col = d3.scale.ordinal()
  .domain(["A", "B"])
  .range(["blue", "red"]);

var data = [{name: "A", price: 1009, tValue: 500},
            {name: "B", price: 772, tValue: 900}];

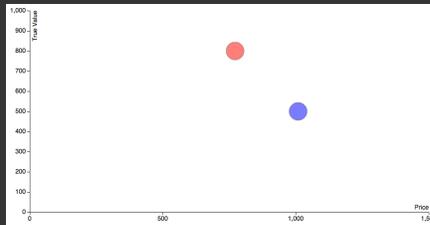
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle")
  .data(data)
  .enter()
  .append("circle")
  .attr("cx", function(d) { return x(d.price); })
  .attr("cy", function(d) { return y(d.tValue); })
  .attr("r", 50)
  .style("stroke", "black")
  .style("fill", function(d) { return col(d.name);})
  .style("opacity", 0.5);
```

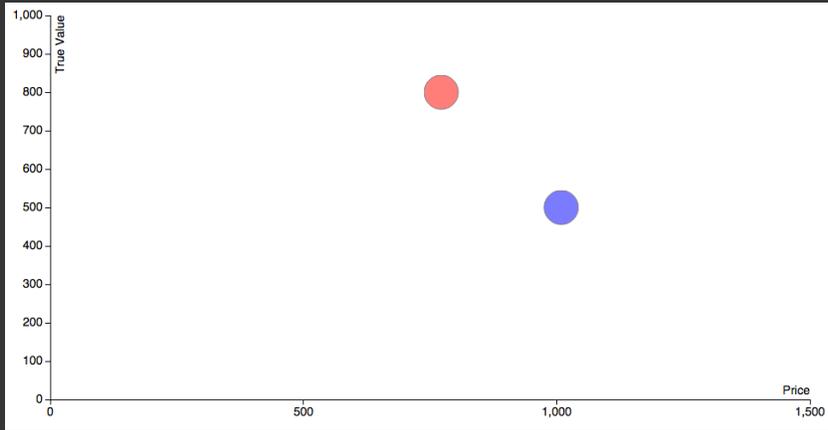
## Add the axes

```
svg.append("g")
  .attr("class", "x axis")
  .attr("transform", "translate(0," + h + ")")
  .call(xAxis);
svg.append("text")
  .attr("class", "label")
  .attr("x", w)
  .attr("y", -6)
  .style("text-anchor", "end")
  .text("Price");

svg.append("g")
  .attr("class", "y axis")
  .call(yAxis)
  .append("text")
  .attr("class", "label")
  .attr("transform", "rotate(-90)")
  .attr("y", 6)
  .style("text-anchor", "end")
  .text("True Value");

</script>
```





## Path Generators

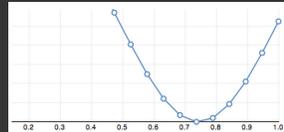
```
<path d="M152.64962091501462,320.5600780855698L133.88913955606318,325.4363177123538L134.96890954443046,330.37917634921996L131.19348249532786,331.158393614812L98.56681109628815,335.53933807857004L91.14450799488135,333.79662025279L72.1880101321918,333.74733970068166L69.51723455785742,332.8569681440152L62.37313911354066,333.2100666843387L62.248334309137434,335.3677272708405L58.843440998888326,335.0574959605036L53.97667317214221,331.36075125633175L56.30952738
```

## d3.svg.line

Path defined by *x* and *y*

```
var x = d3.scale.linear(),
    y = d3.scale.linear();
```

```
var line = d3.svg.line()
  .x(function(d) { return x(d.x); })
  .y(function(d) { return y(d.y); });
```



```
var objects = [(0.47,0.55), (0.52,0.4), ...]
```

Append closepath (Z) to close

```
svg.append("path")
  .datum(objects)
  .attr("class", "line")
  .attr("d", line);
```

```
g.append("path")
  .attr("d", function(d) { return line(d) + "Z"; });
```

Linear, step, and basis interpolation

## d3.svg.area

Path defined by  $x$ ,  $y_0$ , and  $y_1$

```
var x = d3.scale.linear(),
    y = d3.scale.linear();

var area = d3.svg.area ()
  .x(function(d) { return x(d.x); })
  .y0(height)
  .y1(function(d) { return y(d.y); });
```



For non-stacked area charts,  $y_0$  is constant

## d3.geo.path

Like d3 line

GeoJSON/TopoJSON format

```
var projection = d3.geo.albersUsa()
  .scale(1280)
  .translate([width / 2, height / 2]);

var path = d3.geo.path()
  .projection(projection);
```



## Other path generators

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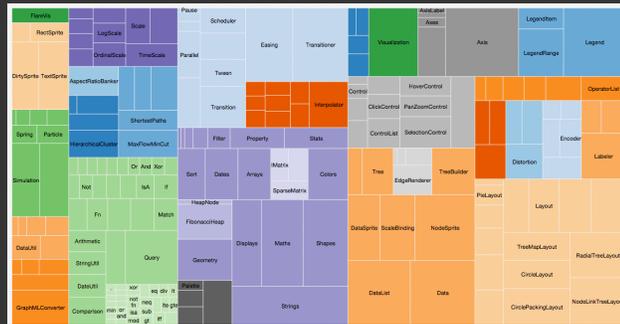
- *d3.svg.line* - create a new line generator
- *d3.svg.line.radial* - create a new radial line generator
- *d3.svg.area* - create a new area generator
- *d3.svg.area.radial* - create a new radial area generator
- *d3.svg.arc* - create a new arc generator
- *d3.svg.symbol* - create a new symbol generator
- *d3.svg.chord* - create a new chord generator
- *d3.svg.diagonal* - create a new diagonal generator
- *d3.svg.diagonal.radial* - create a new radial diagonal generator

## Layouts

# Hierarchical layouts

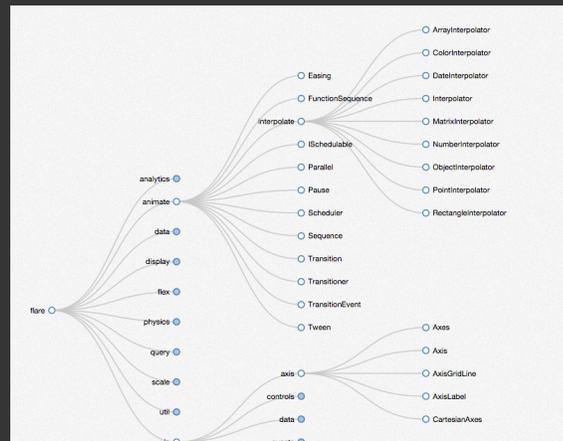
```
var treemap = d3.layout.treemap()
  .padding(4)
  .size([width, height]);

var parent = {"children": [...]},
    child = {"value": ...};
```



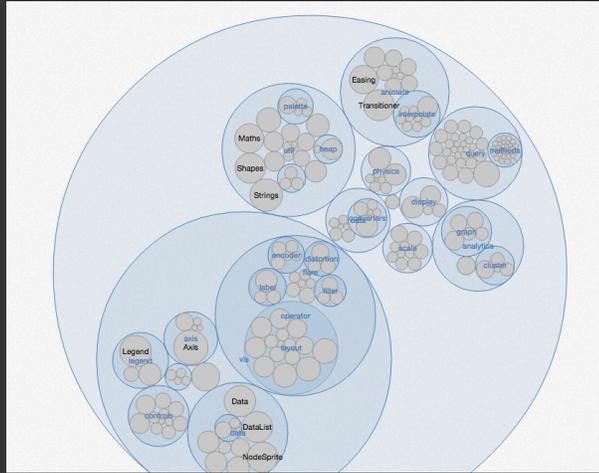
# Hierarchical layouts

d3.layout.tree



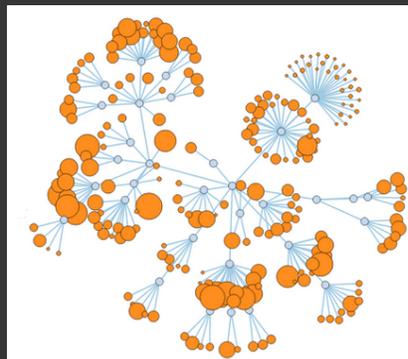
# Hierarchical layouts

d3.layout.pack



# Network layout

d3.layout.force



# Resources

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D3 API Documentation at <https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki>,  
D3 wiki, D3 google group

## Example code

- Mike Bostock
- Also Scott Murray, Jerome Cukier

## YouTube tutorials

- D3.js tutorial series

# Interaction Resources for D3

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## Write functions to update the visualization on mouse events

```
var circle = svg.selectAll("circle")
  .data(data)
  .enter()
  .append("circle")
  .attr("cx", function(d) { return x(d.price); })
  .attr("cy", function(d) { return y(d.tValue); })
  .attr("r", 50)
  .style("stroke", "black")
  .style("fill", function(d) { return col(d.name);})
  .style("opacity", 0.5)
  .on("mouseover", function(d,i){ showDetails(i); })
  .on("mouseout", function(d,i){ hideDetails(i); });
```

## CSS can simplify simple interactions

```
.circle:hover {
  fill: yellow;
}
```

## Interaction Resources for D3

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### Use HTML inputs or JavaScript widgets as needed

- e.g., <http://www.d3noob.org/2014/04/using-html-inputs-with-d3js.html>

### See `d3.behaviors` for drag and zoom

- Zoom example: <http://bl.ocks.org/mbostock/9656675>
- Drag + zoom: <http://bl.ocks.org/mbostock/6123708>

### Use `transition()` for smooth animations between states

- <http://blog.visual.ly/creating-animations-and-transitions-with-d3-js/>

```
circle.transition()  
  .attr("r",40)  
  .duration(1000)  
  .delay(100)
```