Data Visualization (CSCI 627/490)

Trees & Sets

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Networks

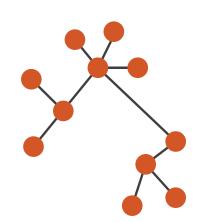
- Network: nodes and edges connecting the nodes
- Formally, G = (V,E) is a set of nodes V and a set of edges E where each edge connects two nodes.
- Nodes == items, edges connect items
- Both nodes and edges may have attributes

Arrange Networks and Trees

Node-Link Diagrams **Connection Marks**



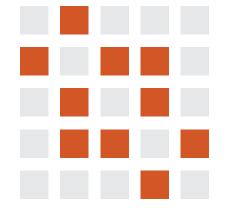




Adjacency Matrix Derived Table





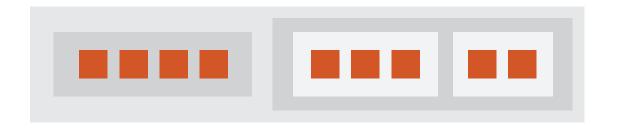


Enclosure

Containment Marks







[Munzner (ill. Maguire), 2014]



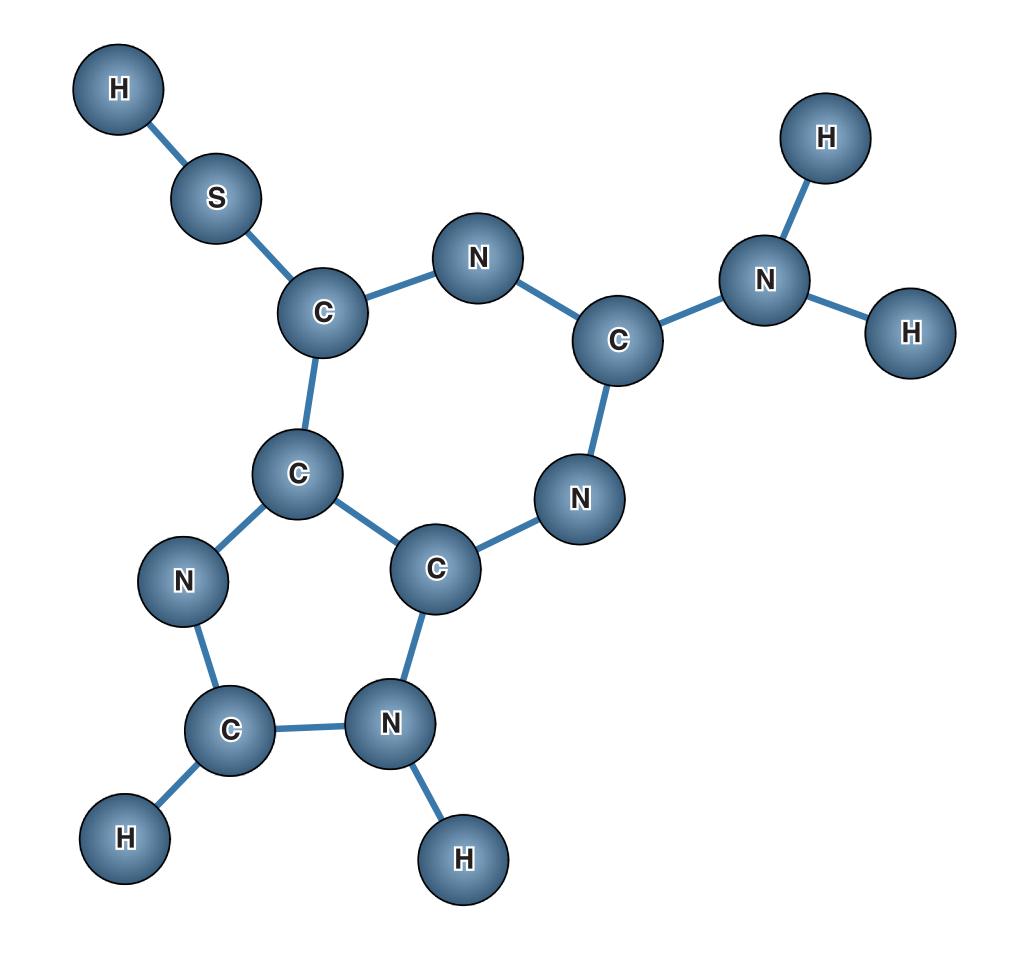
Network Data Represented in Tables

Nodes

ID	Atom	Electrons	Protons
0	Z	7	7
1	С	6	6
2	S	16	16
3	С	6	6
4	Ν	7	7

Edges

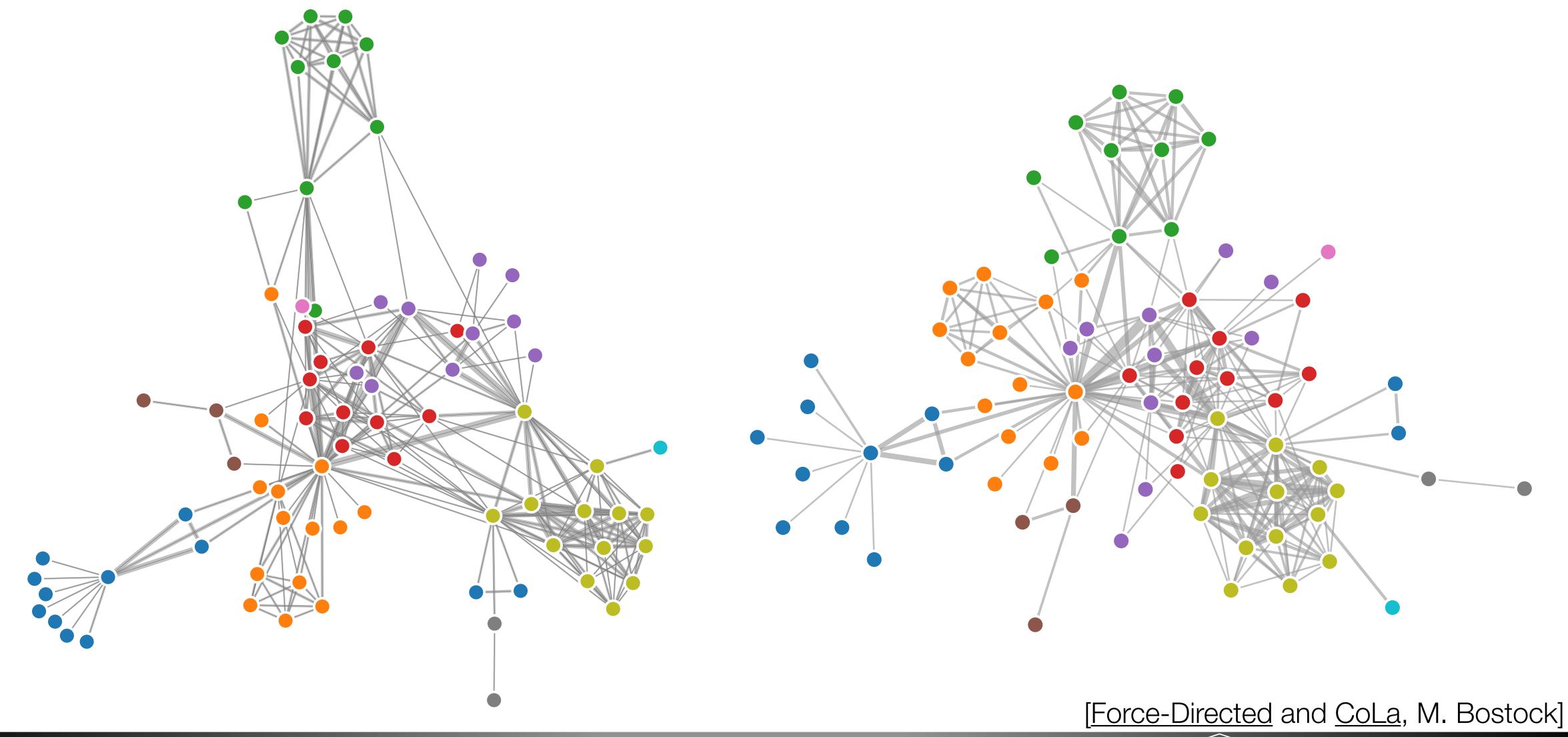
ID1	ID2	Bonds
0	1	1
1	2	1
1	3	2
3	4	1



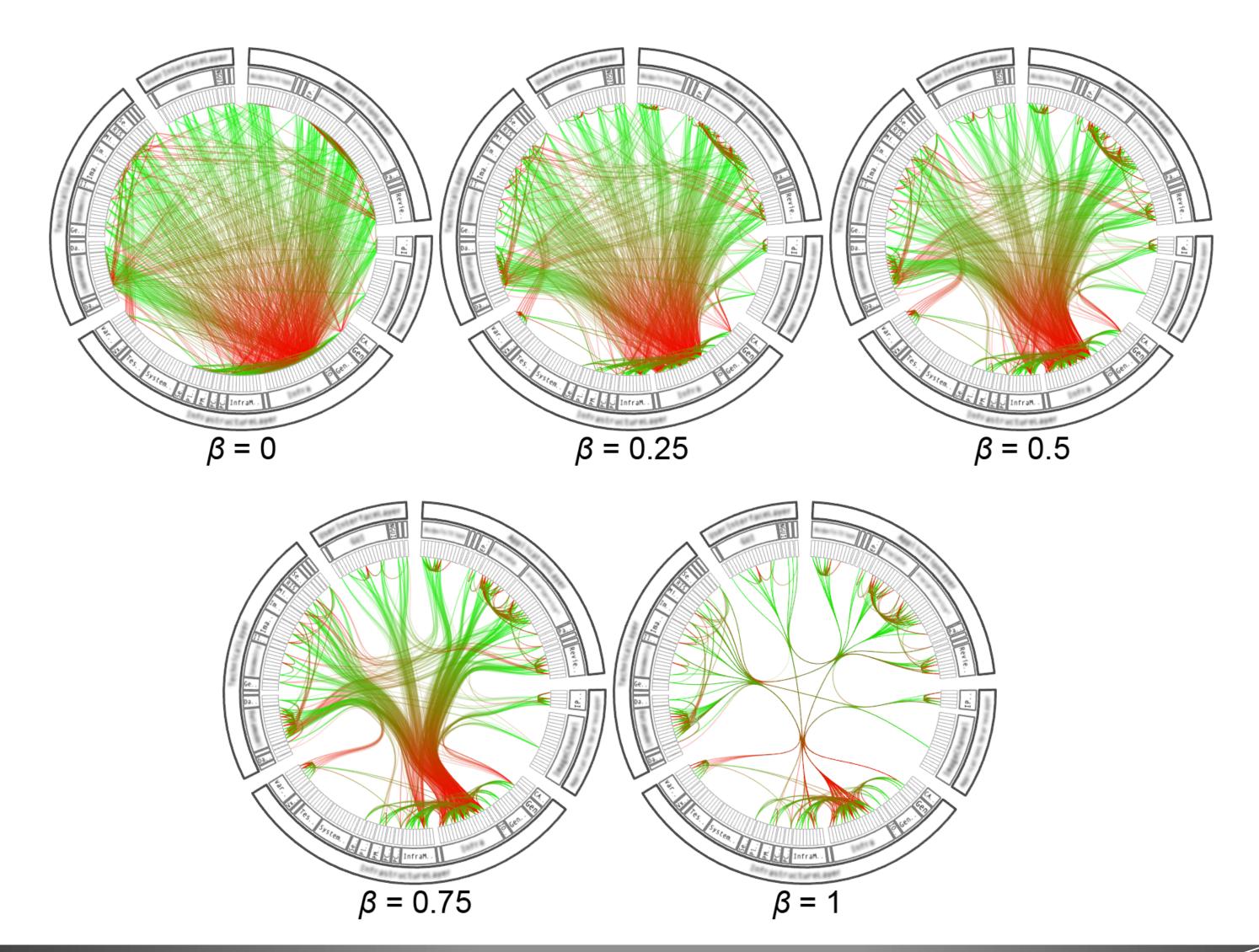
Networks Need Layouts!

- Need to use spatial position when designing network visualizations
- Otherwise, nodes can occlude each other, links hard to distinguish
- How?
 - With bar charts, we could order using an attribute...
 - With networks, we want to be able to see connectivity and topology (not in the data usually)
- Possible metrics:
 - Edge crossings
 - Node overlaps
 - Total area

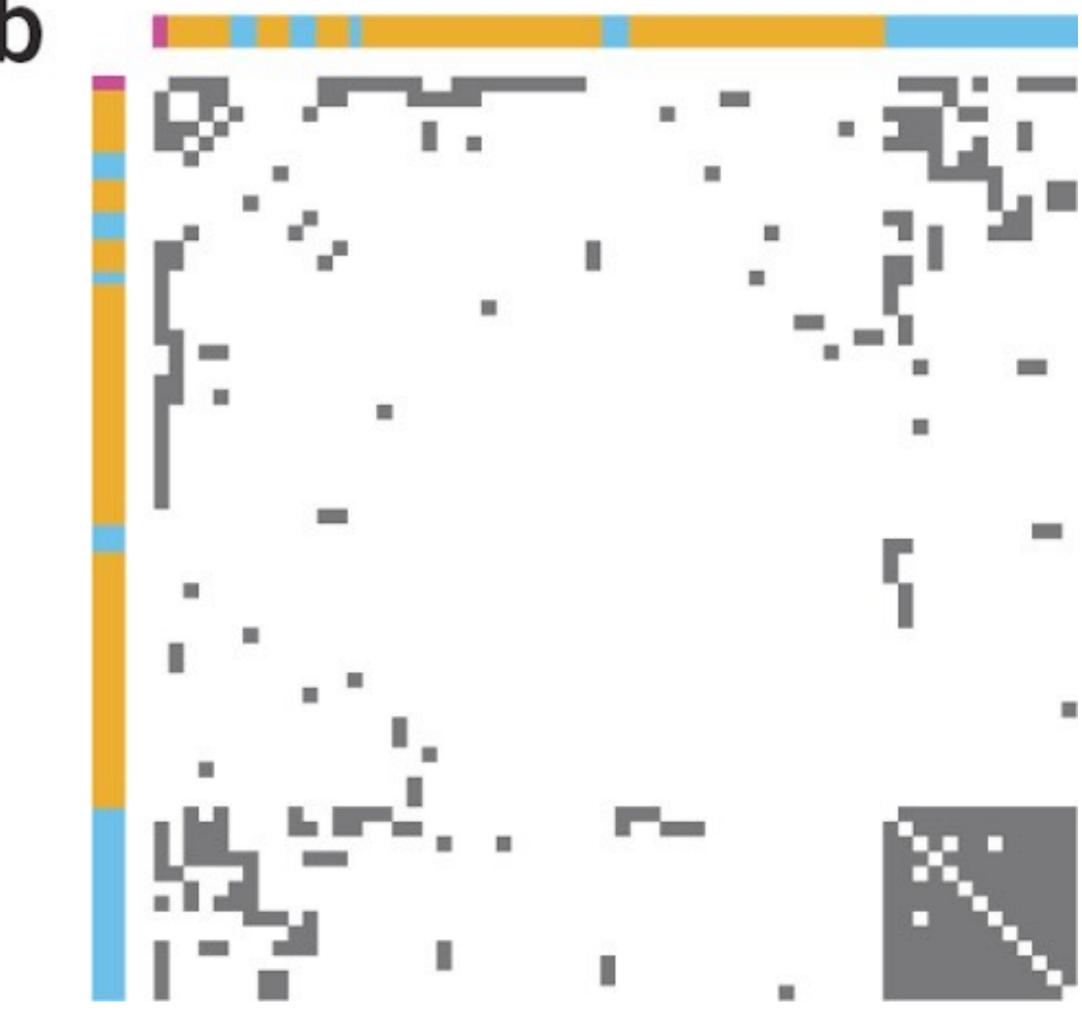
Layout Algorithms



Bundling Strength



Adjacency Matrices



[Gehlenborg and Wong]



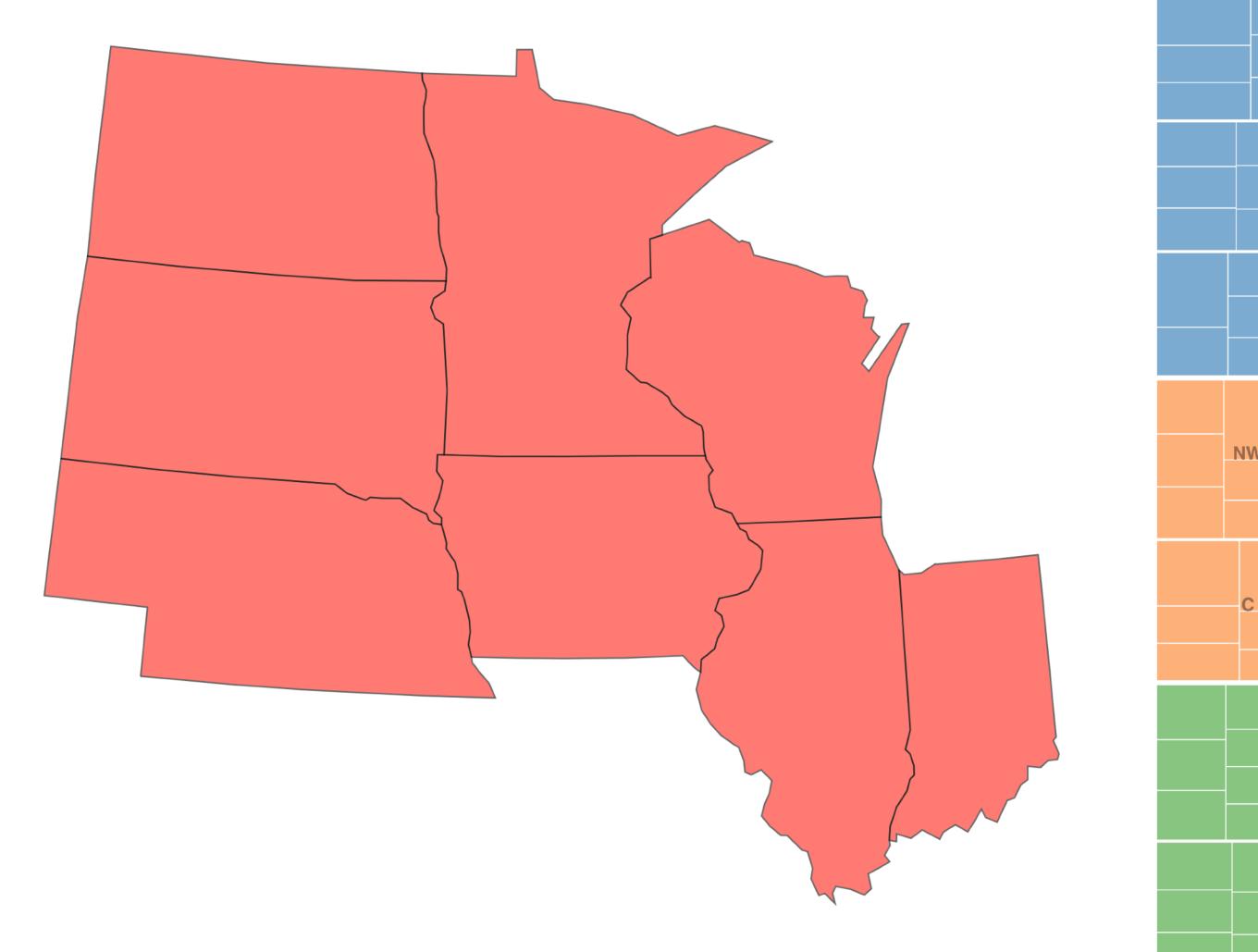
Node-Link or Adjacency Matrix?

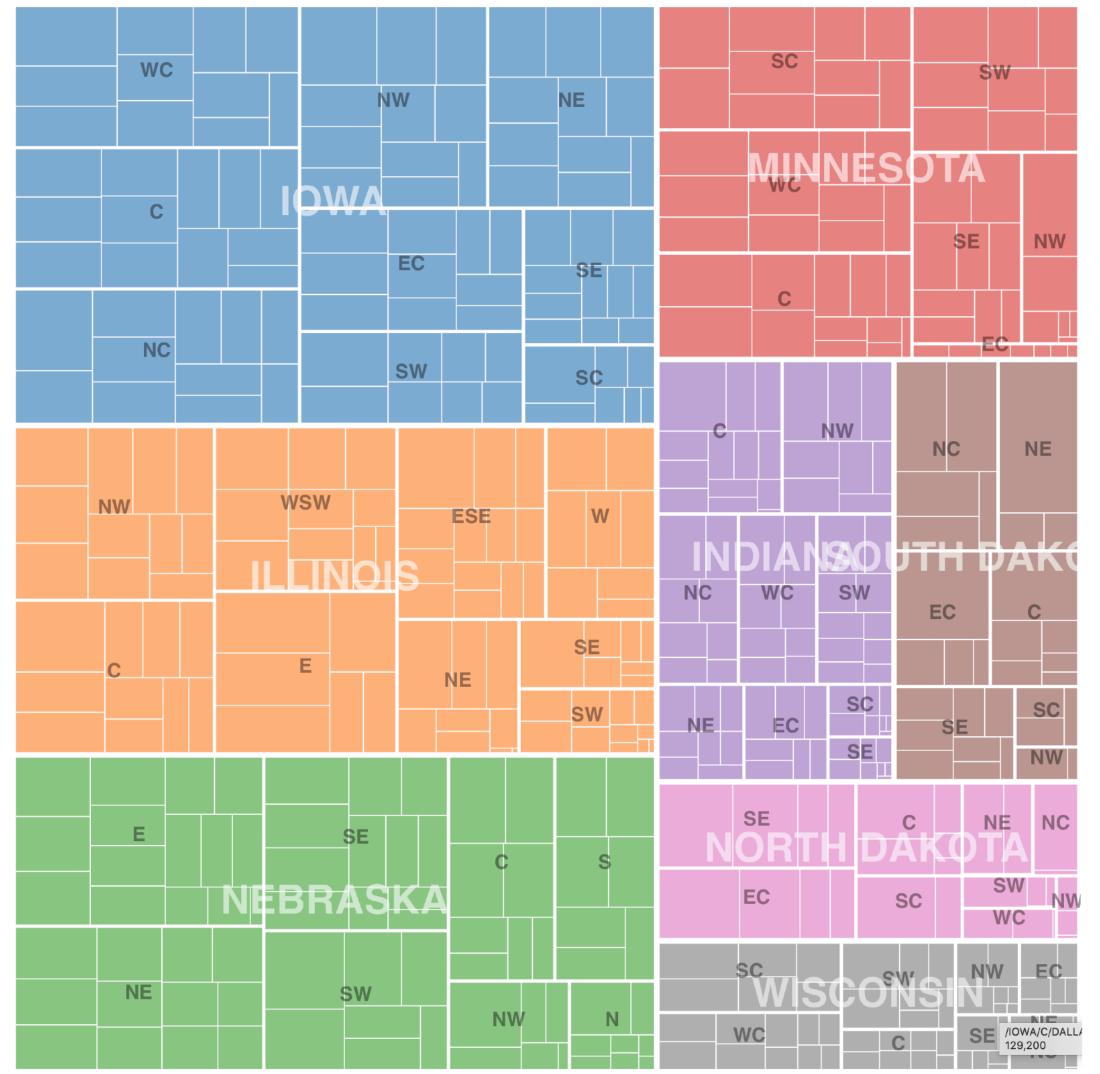
- Empirical study: For most tasks, node-link is better for small graphs and adjacency better for large graphs
- Multi-link paths are hard with adjacency matrices
- Immediate connectivity or neighbors are ok, estimating size (nodes & edges also ok)
- People tend to be more familiar with node-link diagrams
- Link density is a problem with node-link but not with adjacency matrices

<u>Project</u>

- Two Possibilities:
 - Create an interactive visualization
 - Work on a research project
- Dataset Choices:
 - Information Wanted: A dataset of immigrants looking for family & relatives
 - Vessel Tracking: A dataset of ship movements near the United States
 - Prescription Drug Costs: A dataset of medicine costs in the United States
- First step:
 - Examine data, determine format, attribute characteristics, etc.
 - Think of questions a visualization can help answer

Assignment 4

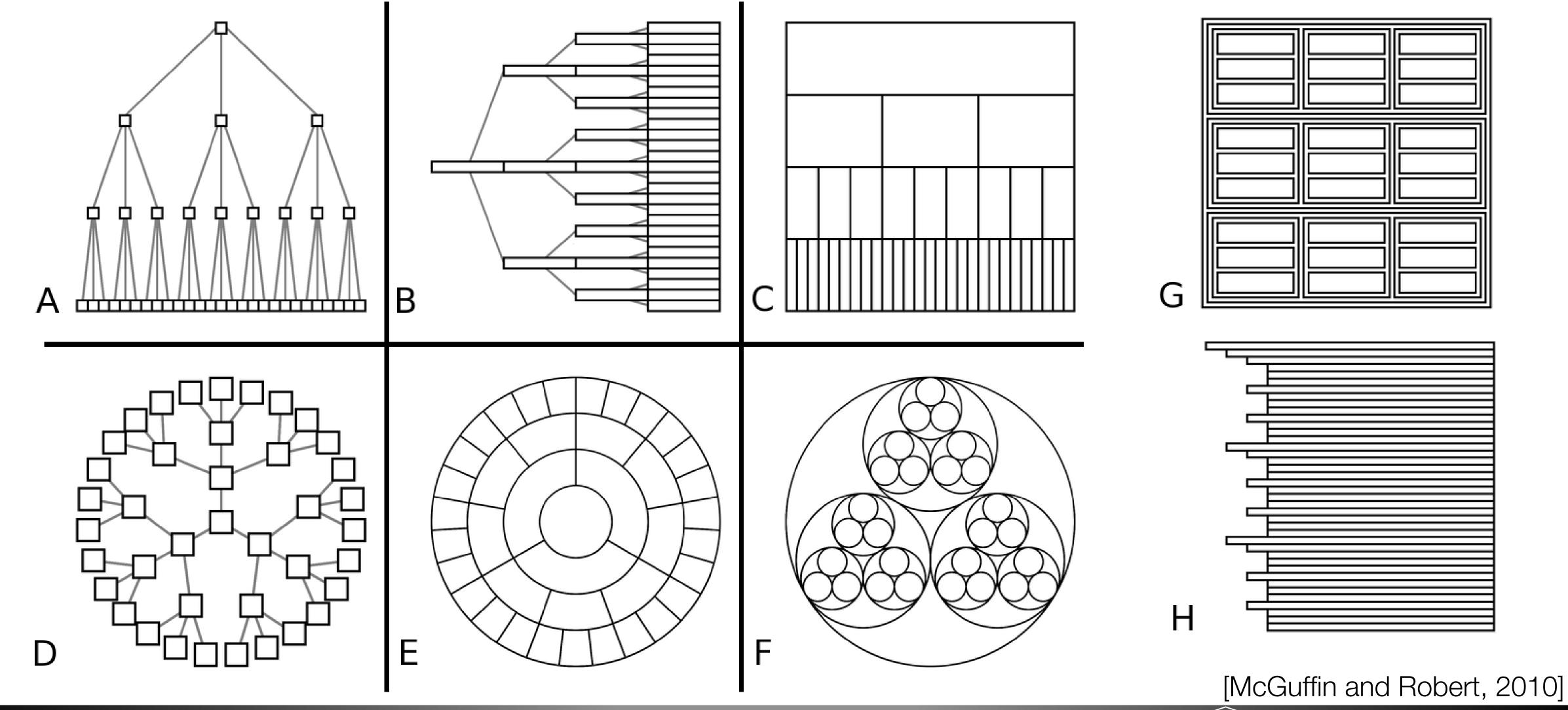




Trees

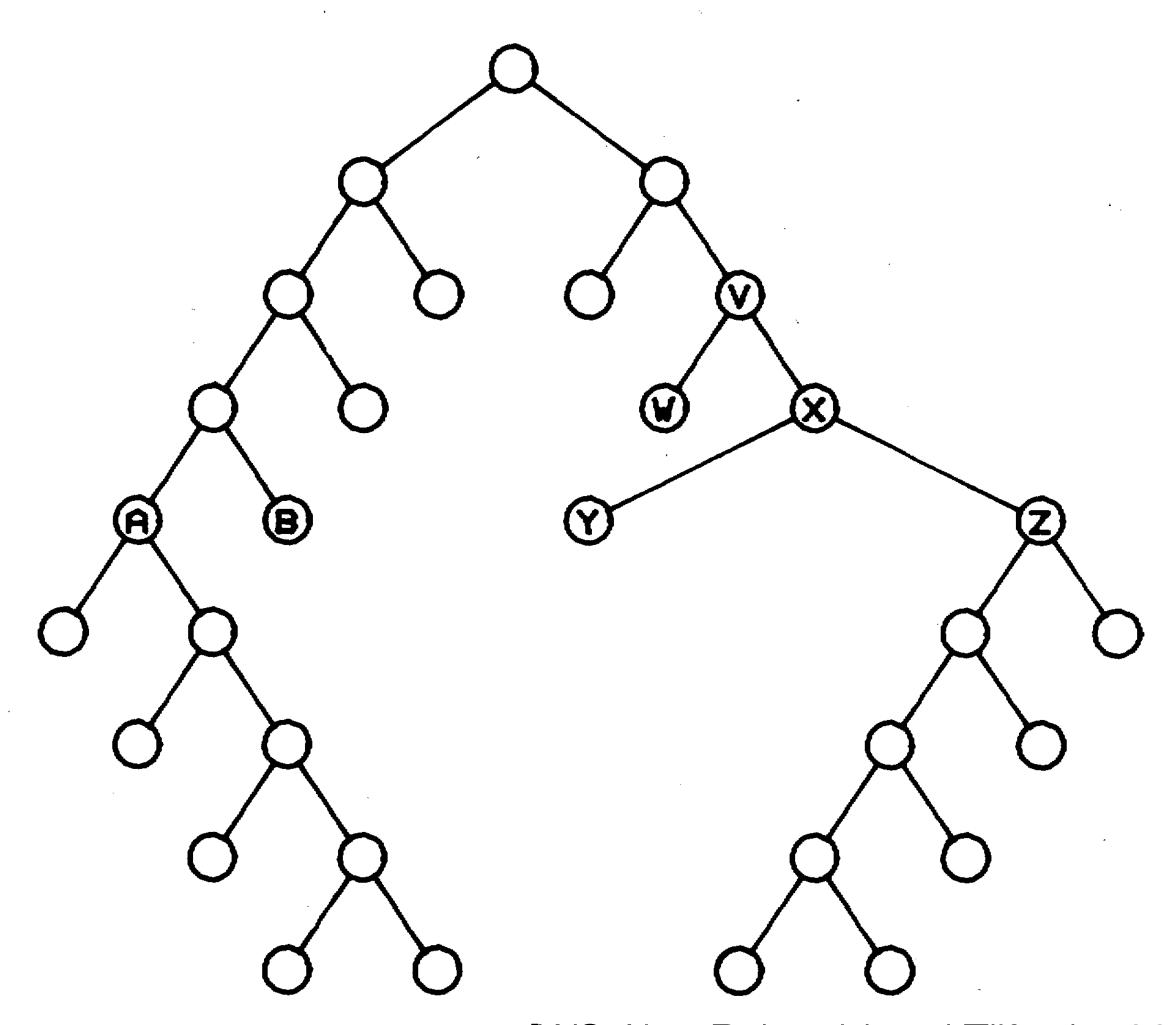
- Trees are directed acyclic networks
 - each edge has a direction: the origin is the parent, the destination is the child
 - cannot get back to a node after leaving it
- ...plus each node has at most one parent node
- A tree has a **root** (every other node hangs off it)
- Can consider enclosure in trees using parent-child relationships

Tree Visualizations



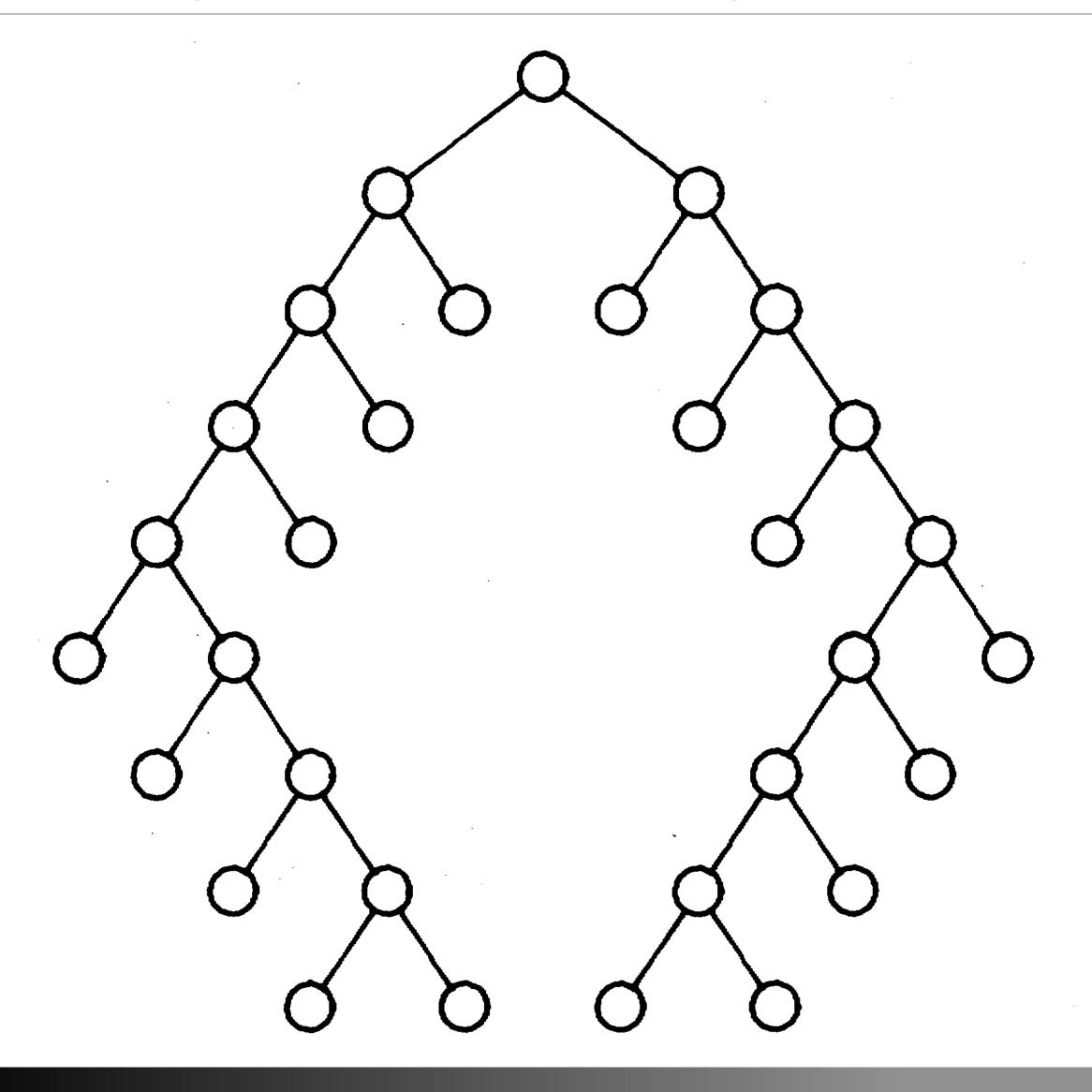
Node-Link Diagram

- Trees are graphs
- ...but we have more structure
- Horizontal or vertical
- Idea 1: partition space for each node via recursion
- Idea 2: "Tidy" Drawing
 - Wetherell & Shannon: Don't waste space (overlapping parent nodes is ok)
 - Reingold and Tilford: Keep symmetry, subtrees look similar



[WS Alg., Reingold and Tilford, 1981]

Reingold-Tilford Algorithm



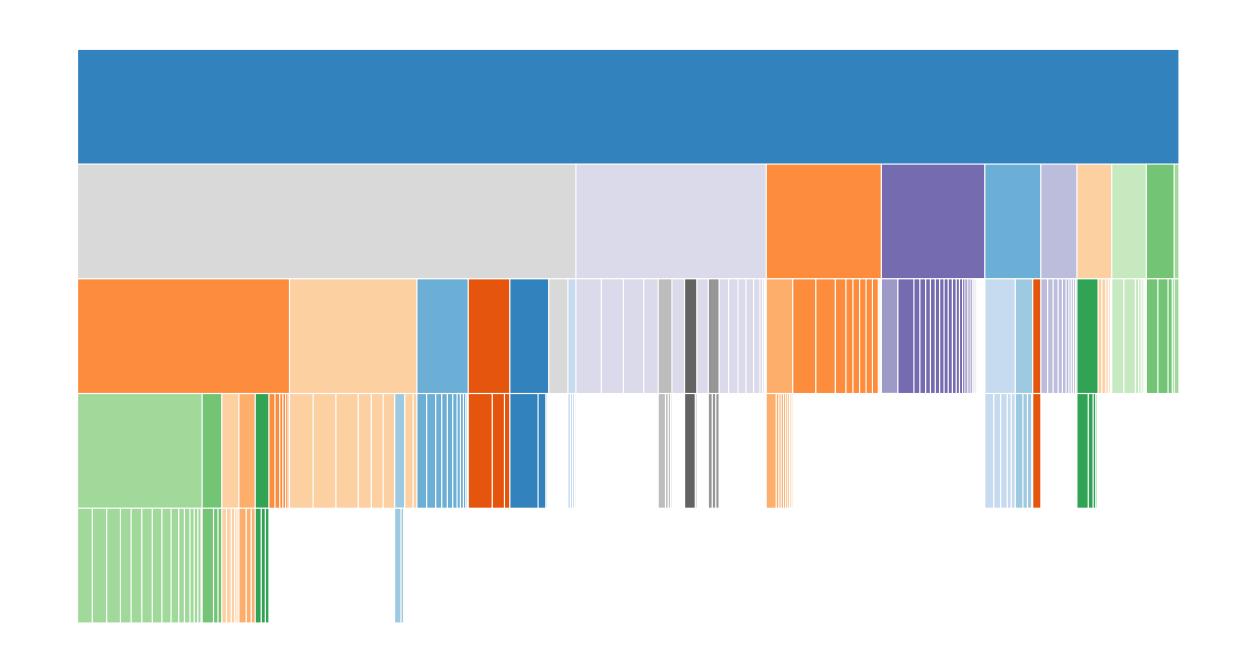
- Recurse on left and right subtrees
- Shift subtree over as long as it doesn't overlap
- Place parent centered above the subtrees
- Originally, only binary trees, extended by Walker

[Reingold and Tilford, 1981]



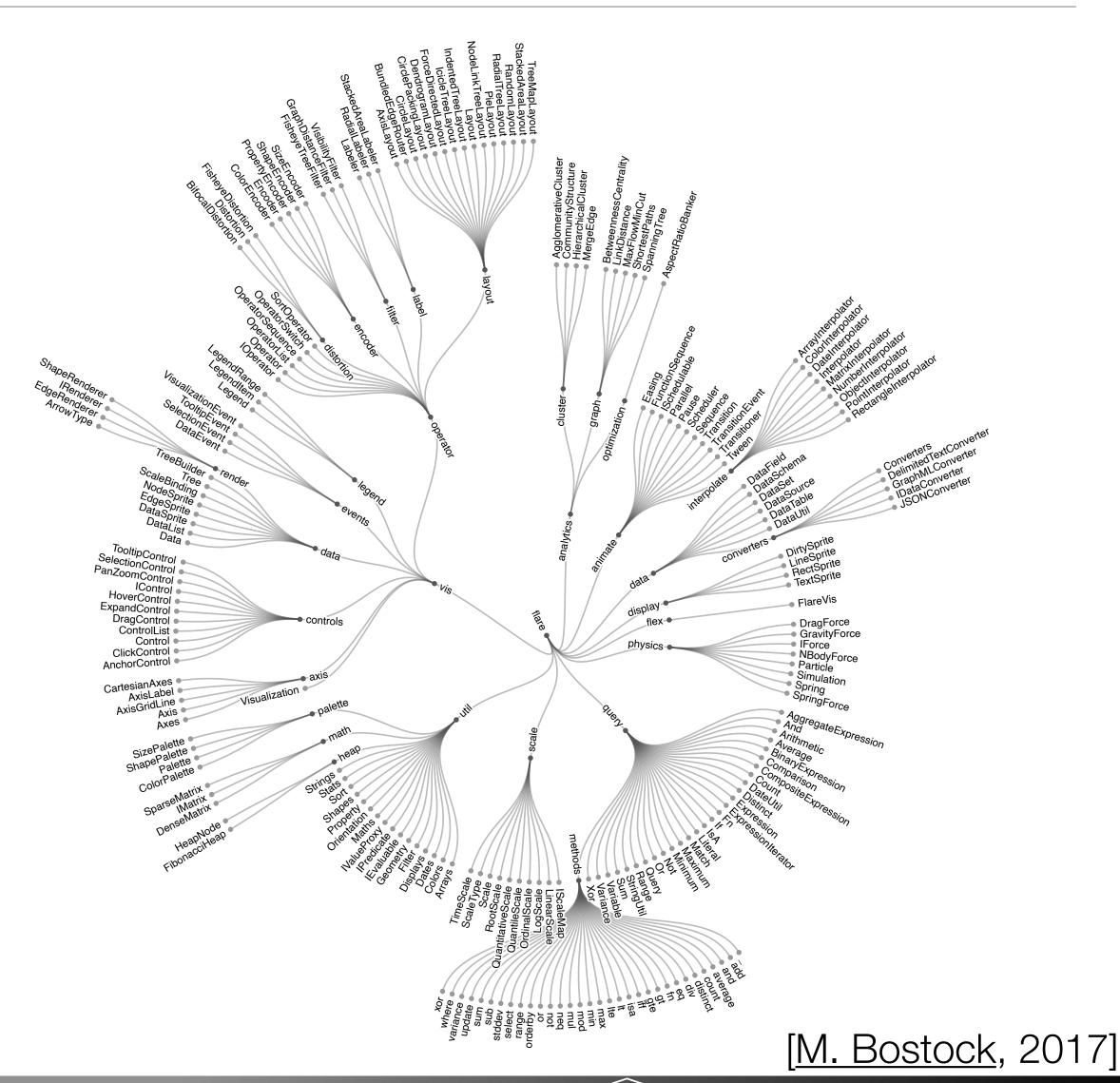
Icicle Plot

- Line marks
- Vertical position shows depth
- Horizontal position shows links and sibling order
- Scalability: 1 pixel leaves, but harder to label



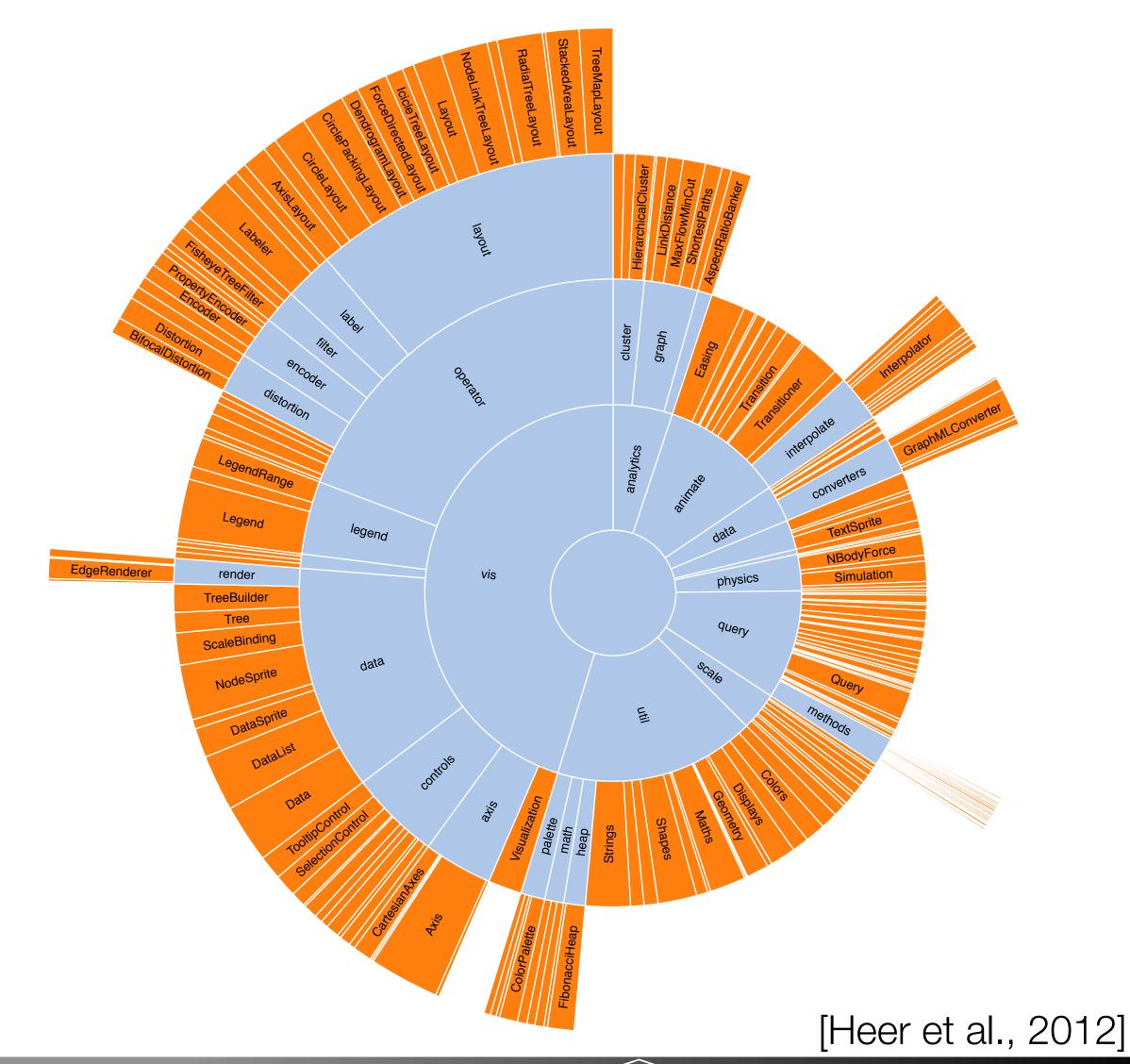
Radial Node-Link

- Use polar coordinates instead of rectilinear
- Same layout algorithms work (e.g. Reingold-Tilford)
- Benefit: space usage, labels

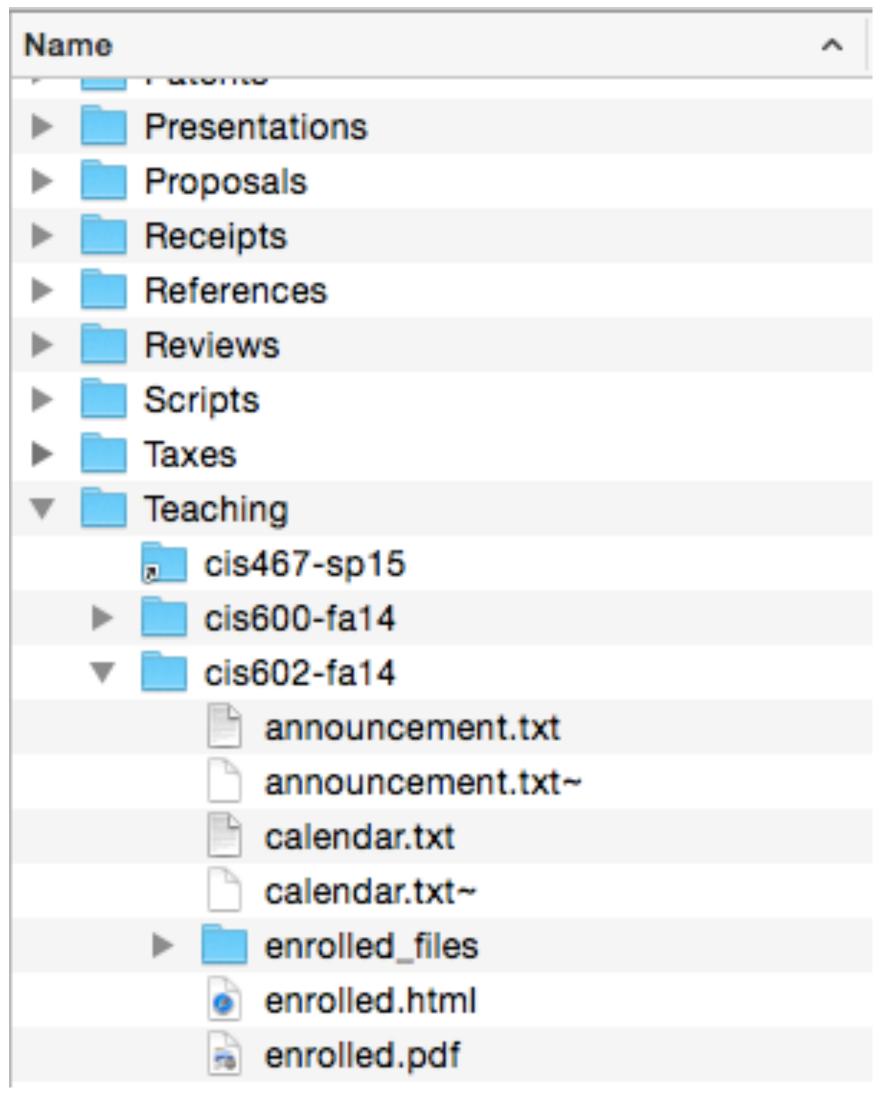


Sunburst

- Icicle plot in a radial layout
- Reading labels?
- Intuitive navigation

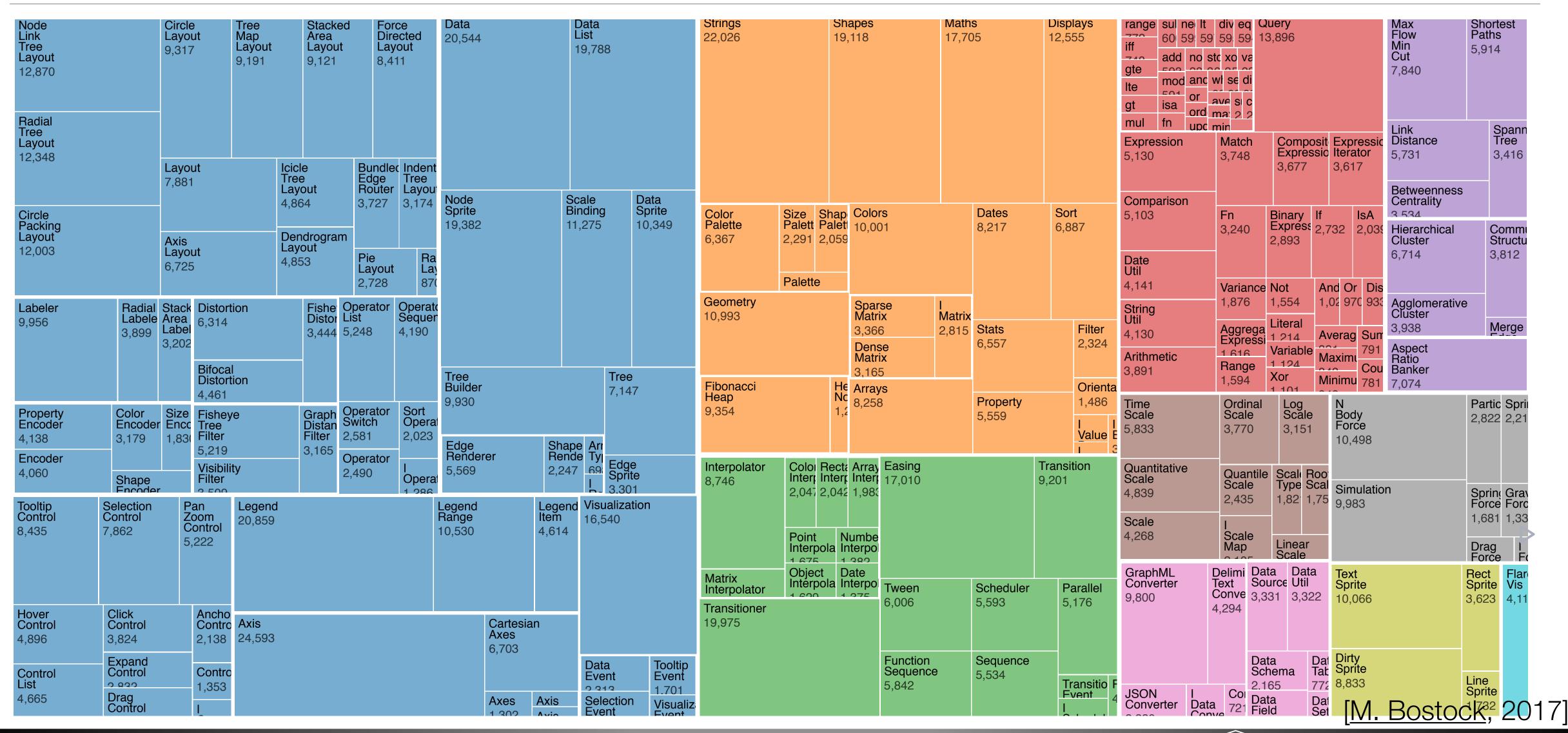


Indented Outline



- Like a filesystem tree
 - Use horizontal position to show depth, vertical positions show sibling/order

Treemap



Car/Truck Treemap

Truck Sales Slip, Tripping Up Chrysler

Over the past few years, Chrysler executives said they were following the lead of Toyota and Honda, focusing on vehicles that met the needs of their customers. But as American consumers turned away from large trucks and S.U.V.'s in 2006, Chrysler continued to churn out big vehicles, which are now sitting unsold at dealerships across the country.

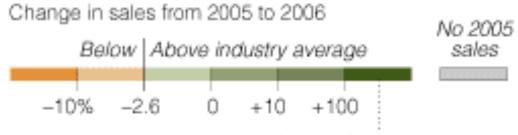
READING THE CHART

CARS ▶

Boxes are scaled proportionally according to number of cars sold in 2006

◆ TRUCKS, VANS, S.U.V.'S





Toyota

Many of these vehicles were introduced in 2005.

+12.5%

SALES CHANGE '05 TO '06

Chrysler Group

-7.0%

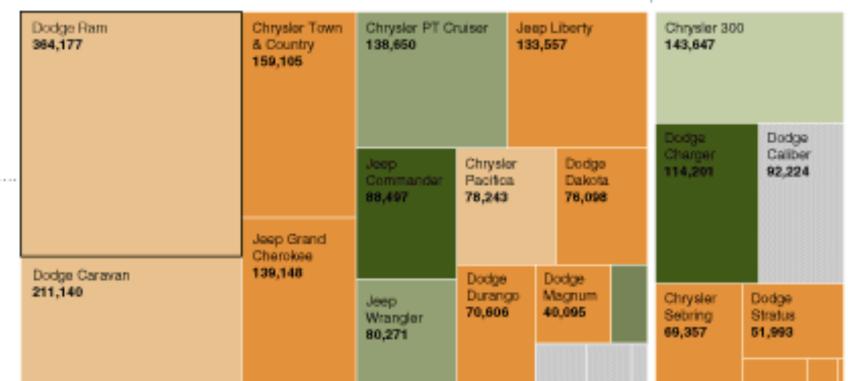
Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 1.6 million

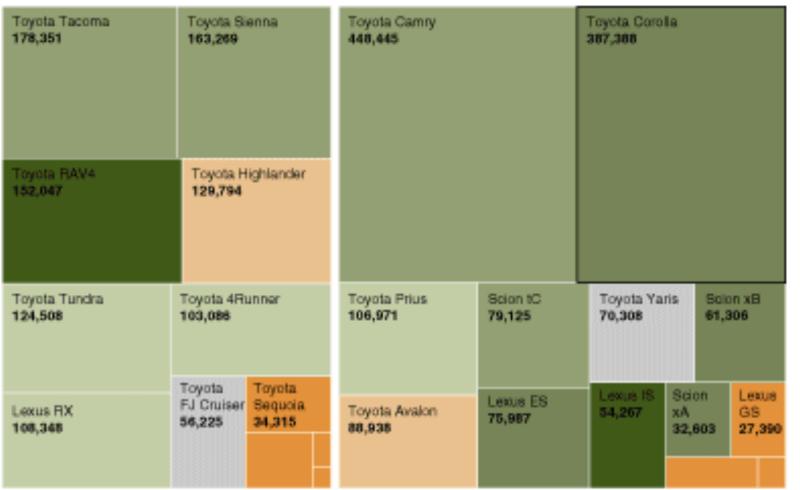
Cars 0.5 million

Pickups, minivans and S.U.V.'s made up 76 percent of Chrysler's sales, which left it vulnerable when consumers shifted to cars.



▼TRUCKS, VANS, S.U.V.'S | CARS ►





Cars 1.5 million Toyota rolled out a new version of the Camry, and once again it was the country's best-selling car. Toyota Corolla

Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 1.1 million

Corolla sales also jumped, along with gas prices. Toyota could not escape the decline in sales of supersized S.U.V.'s like its Sequoia.

General Motors

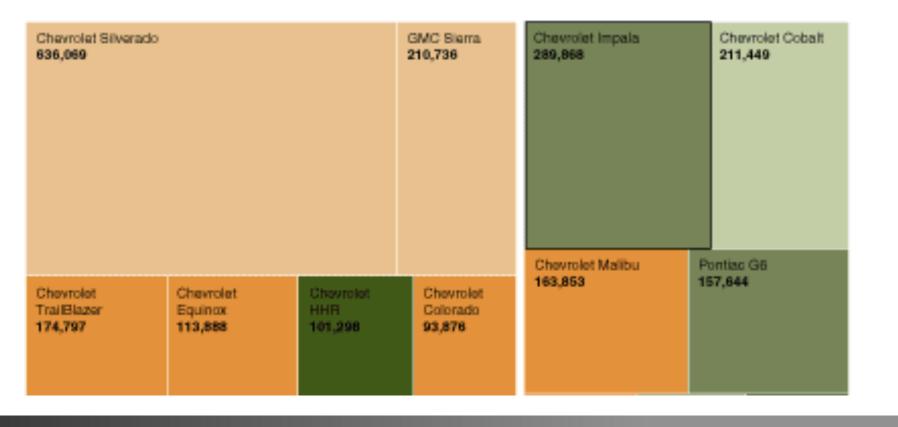
-8.7%

Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 2.5 million Cars 1.6 million

G.M. introduced new versions of its large S.U.V.'s in late 2005, hoping they would bolster sales. Instead, sales of big vehicles were hurt when gas prices climbed. One of the few standouts was the Chevrolet HHR, new in 2005.



Chevrolet





Honda

+3.2%

Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 0.7 million
Cars 0.8 million

Like the Corolla, the small Honda Civic did well. But the Accord stalled. Buyers, it seems, are waiting for the new version to be released this year.

[A. Cox and H. Fairfield, <u>NYTimes</u>, 2012]

Car/Truck Treemap

Ford -8.3%

Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 1.8 million

Cars 1.1 million

Even the country's best-selling vehicles, the F-Series, slumped in 2006, with sales dropping 13 percent. One of Ford's bright spots was the new Fusion sedan, which made its debut in late 2005 and sold well in its first full year.







BMW +2.1%
Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 0.1 million
Cars 0.3 million

Mercedes-Benz +10.3%
Trucks/vans/S.U.V.'s 0.1 million
Cars 0.2 million

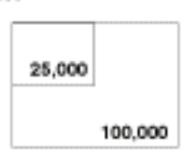
Mercedes-Benz, owned by DaimlerChrysler, had a comeback in 2006, thanks to a new version of its flagship S-Class. BMW sales were helped by a new version of its 3 Series sport sedan.

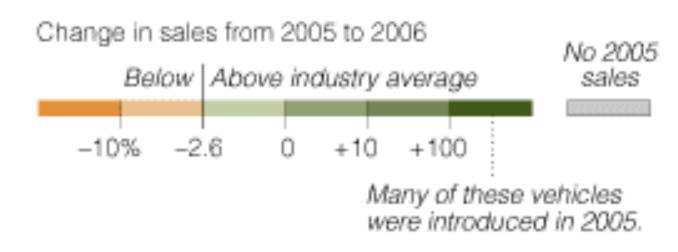
Sources: Ward's AutoInfoBank; Edmunds

Amanda Cox and Hannah Fairfield/ The New York Times

READING THE CHART

Boxes are scaled proportionally according to number of cars sold in 2006





[A. Cox and H. Fairfield, NYTimes, 2012]



Treemap

- Containment marks instead of connection marks
- Encodes some attribute of the items as the size of the rectangles
- Not as easy to see the intermediate rectangles
- Scalability: millions of leaf nodes and links possible

Need a layout algorithm!

Layout Algorithms

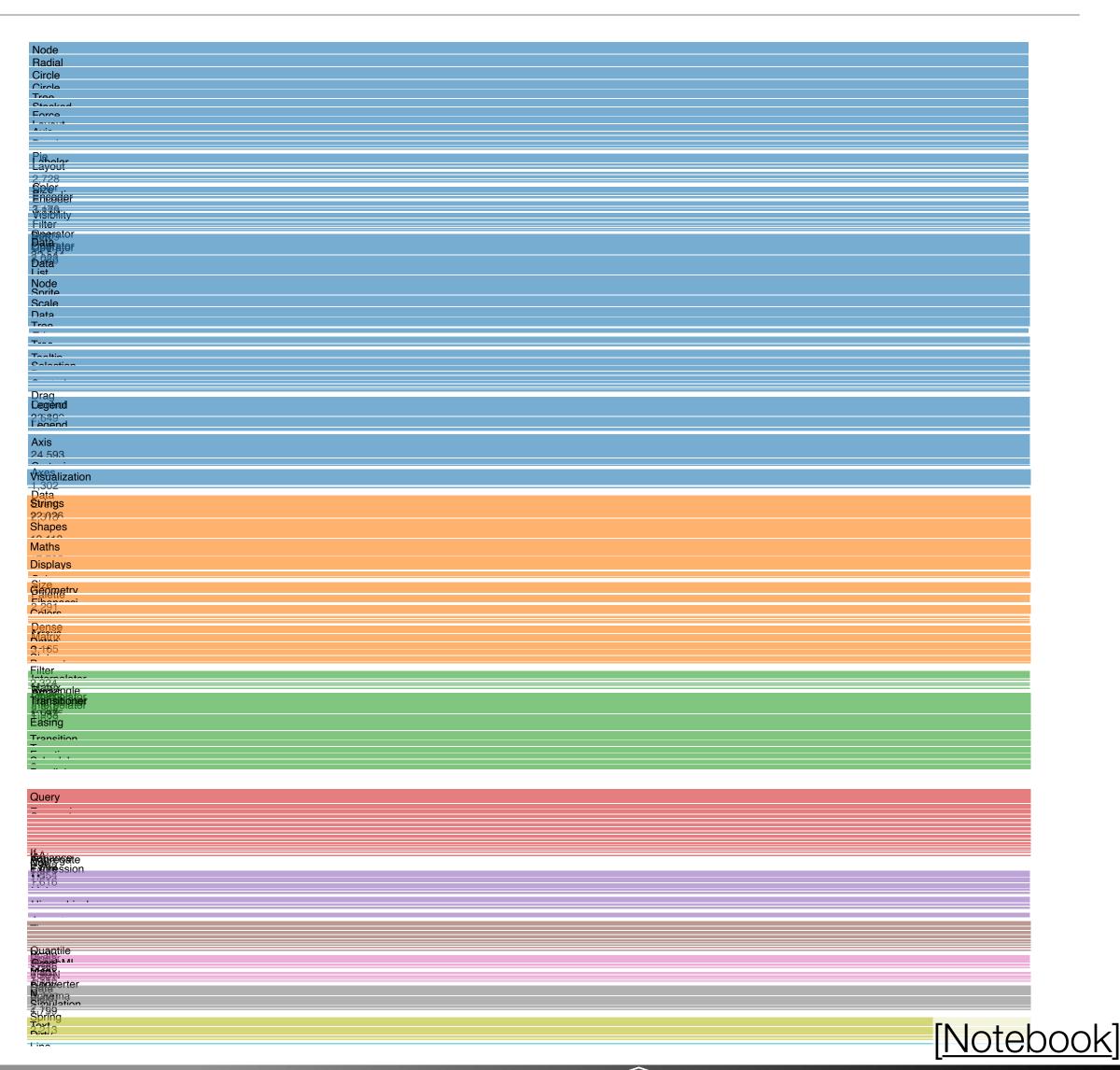
- How do we generate the area marks?
- What considerations should we try to keep in mind?

Layout Algorithms

- How do we generate the area marks?
- What considerations should we try to keep in mind?
 - area true to quantitative value
 - show hierarchy
 - aspect ratio
- Also...
 - ordering
 - stability

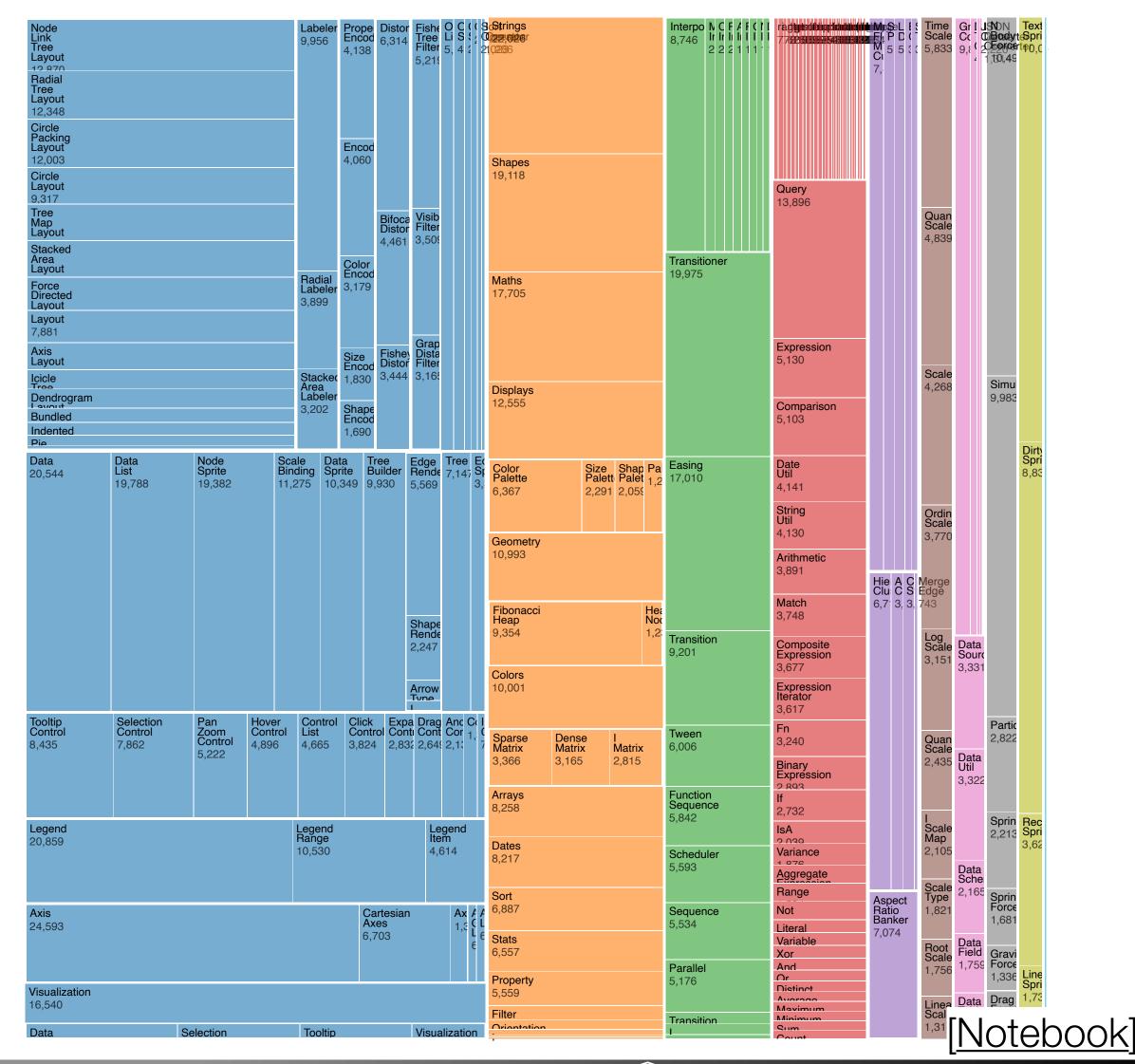
Treemap Layouts: Slice

- Just divide horizontally
- Dice is similar, just vertical
- Problem: Bad aspect ratio!
 - Very skinny rectangles
 - Makes it harder to compare sizes, see labels, select rectangles
 - Want rectangles that are closer to squares
 - Aspect ratio = width/height



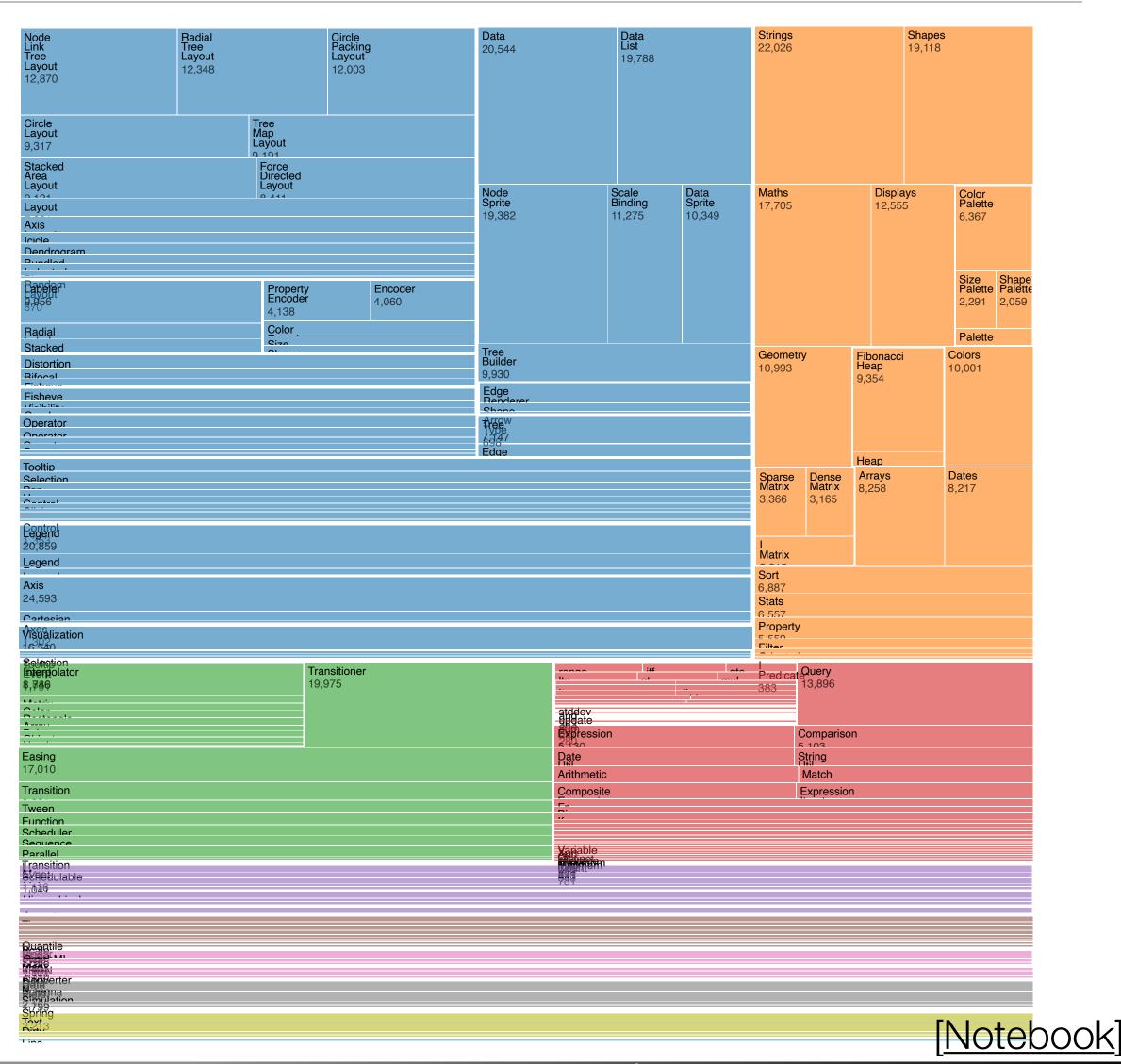
Treemap Layouts: Slice & Dice

- Split at each level into strips
- At each step, orientation of division (horizontal/vertical) changes
- Better, but some rectangles still have bad aspect ratio



Treemap Layouts: Strip

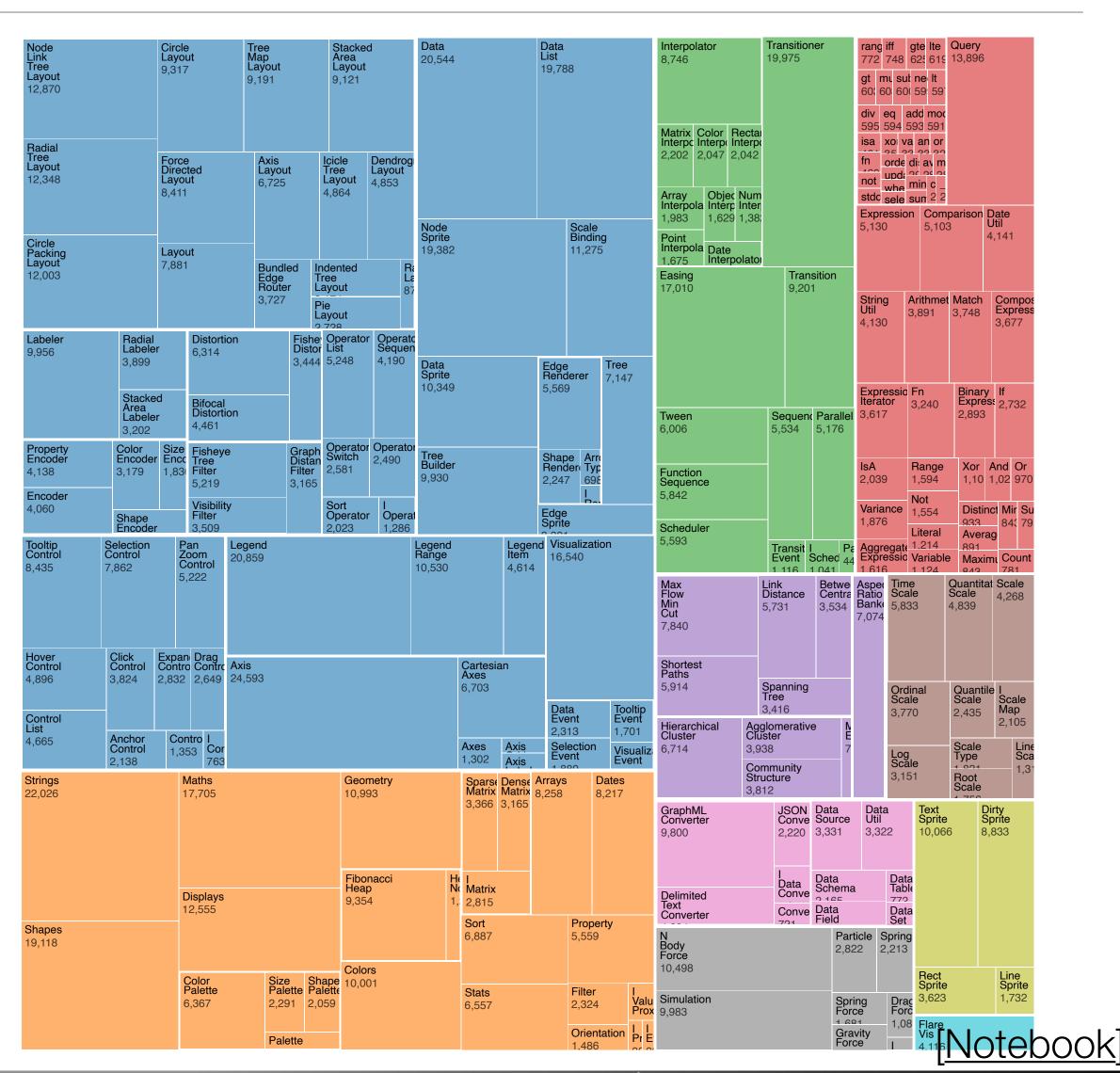
- Consider aspect ratio when adding rectangles
- Do one row at a time by processing rectangles in sorted order by size
 - Check if adding the next rectangle to the row improves aspect ratio
 - When it doesn't, go to next row
- Problem: Last rectangles have bad aspect ratios
- Solution: Look ahead to decide if would be better to add to previous row



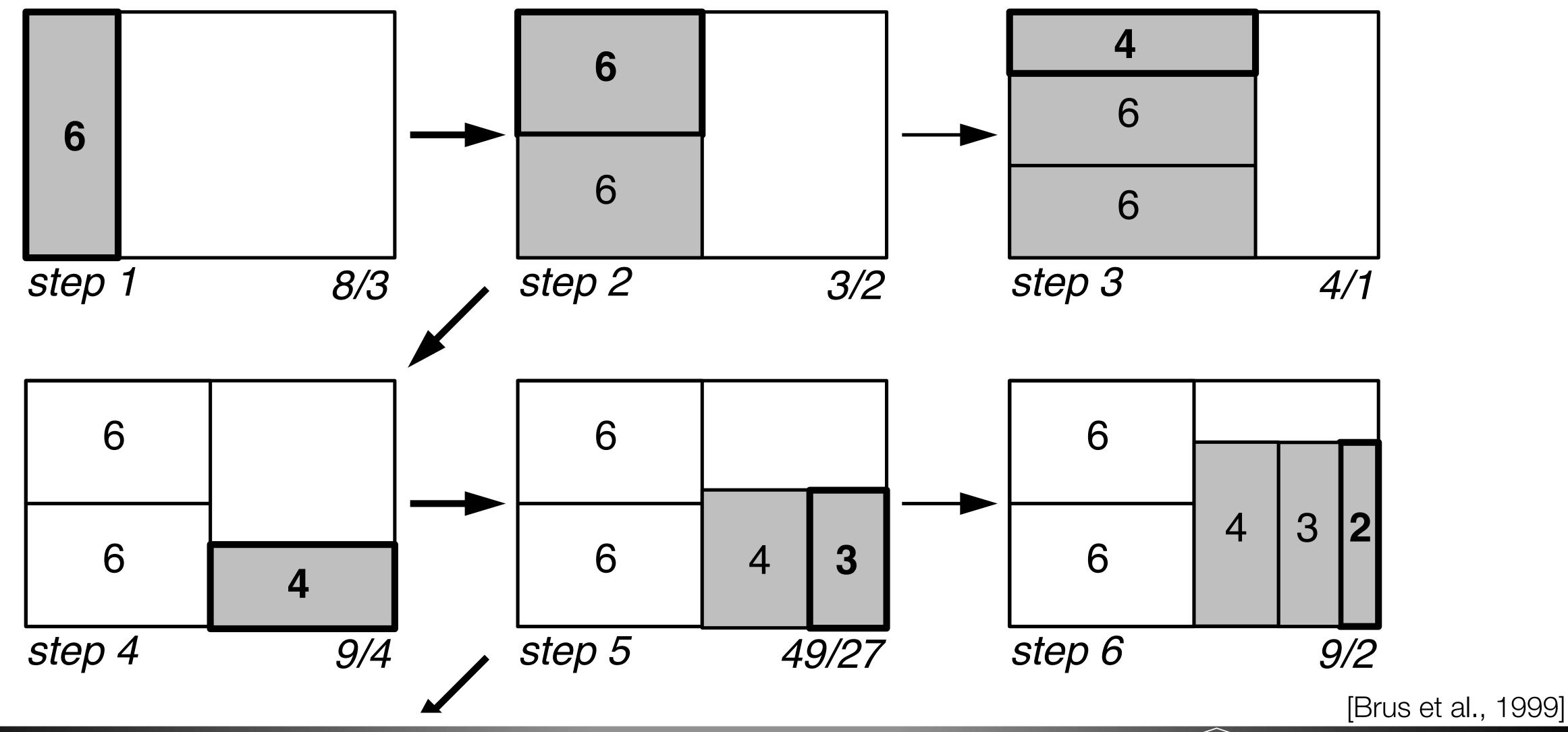


Treemap Layouts: Squarify

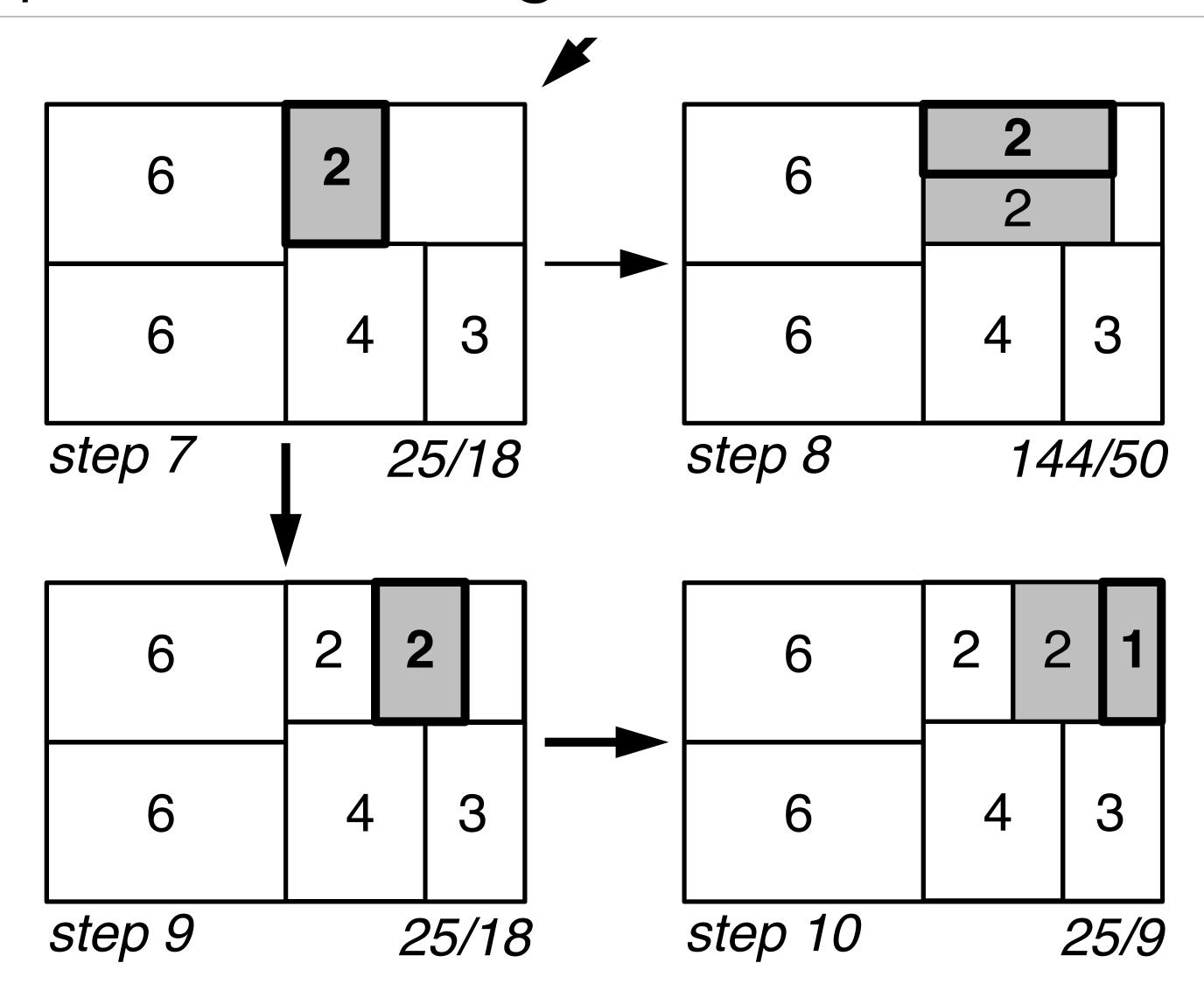
- Slice & Dice and Strip can lead to bad aspect ratios
- Solution: Strip only uses rows, allow columns to be used, too
- Choose divisions (x/y) based on the width/height of region in order to maintain good aspect ratios
 - Use left and right side
 - Process large rectangles first
- Ordering not preserved which may cause issues if the data is updated



Squarification Algorithm

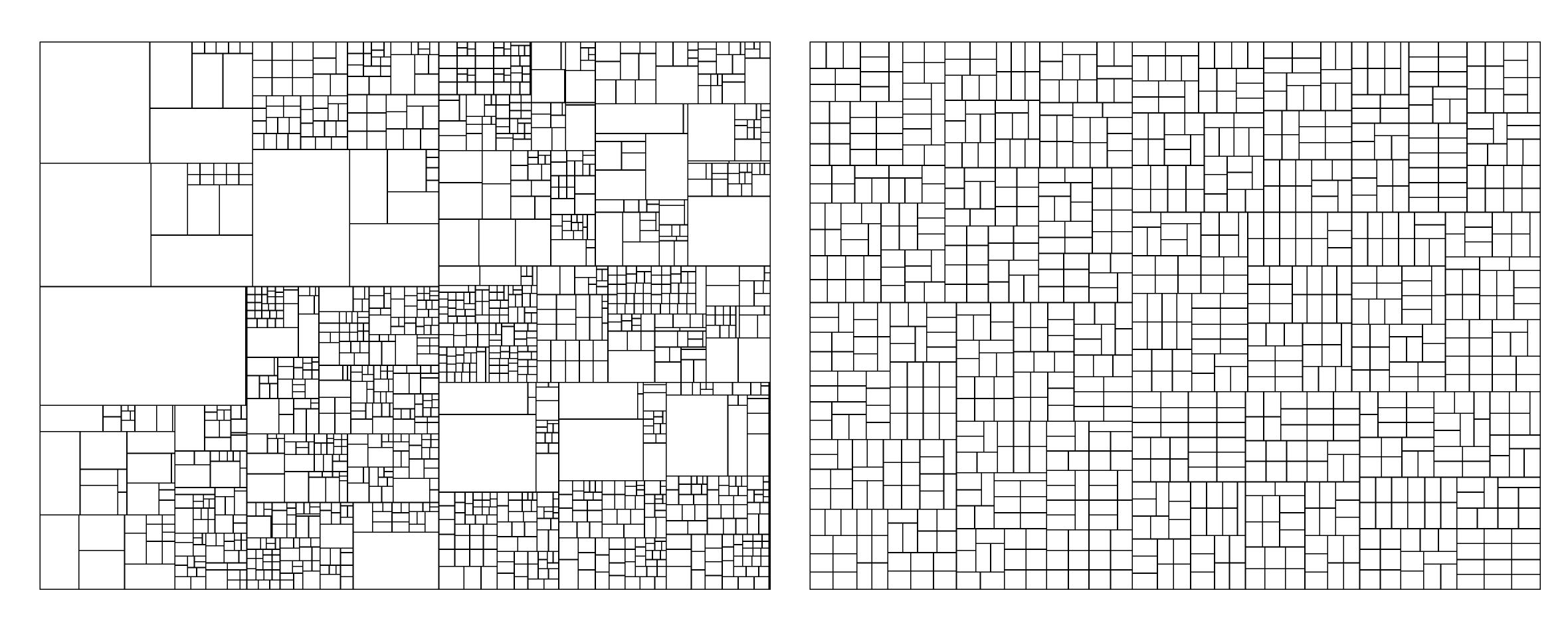


Squarification Algorithm



[Brus et al., 1999]

Squarified Treemaps



(a) File system

(b) Organization

[Brus et al., 1999]

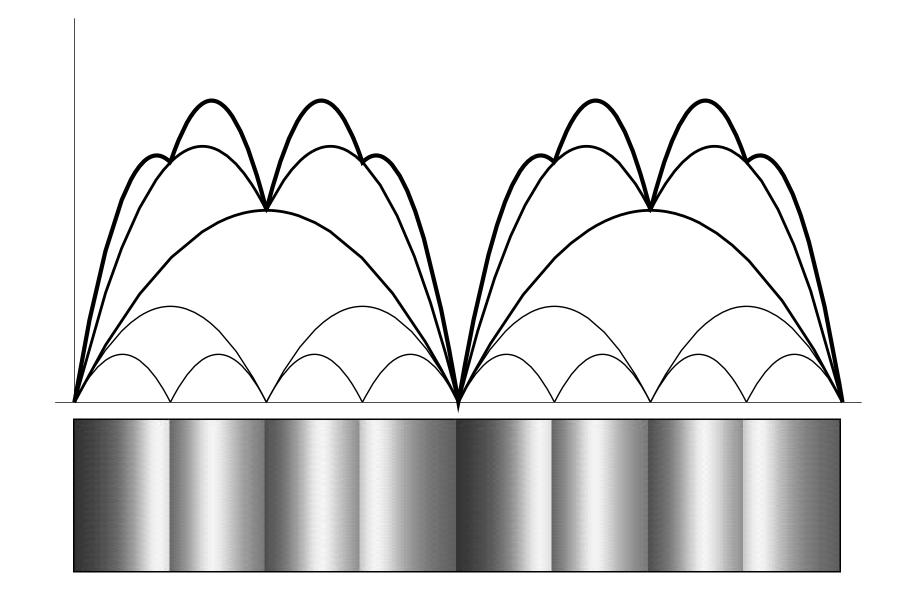


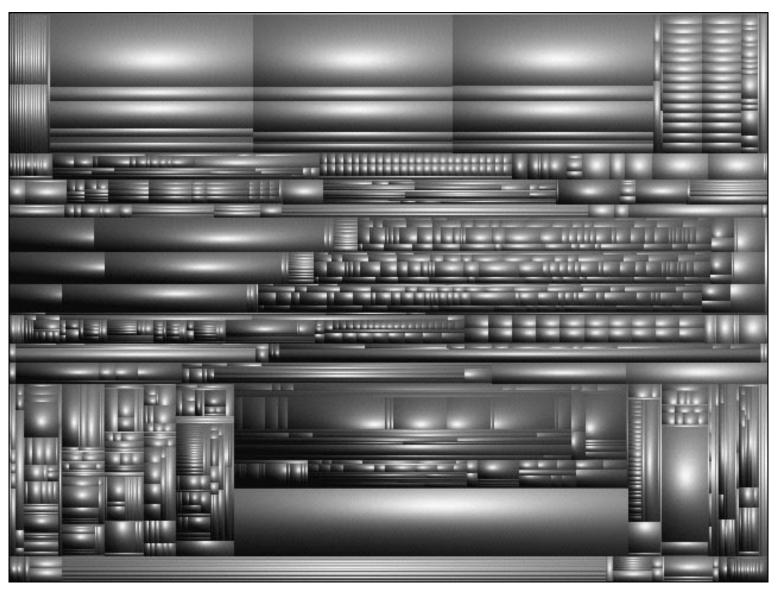
Squarified Layout

- Sort values
- Switch orientation whenever necessary to obtain best aspect ratios

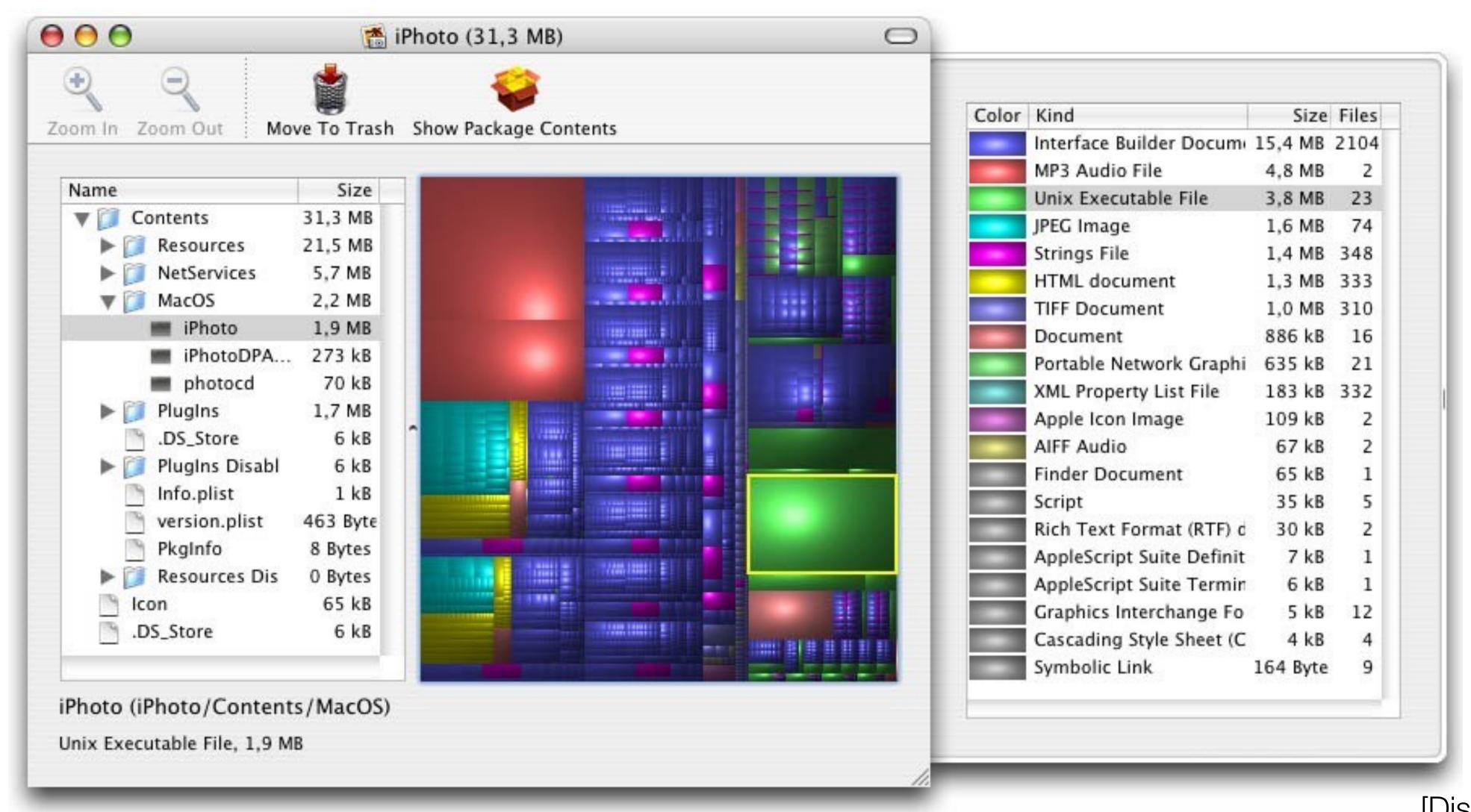
Improving Treemaps (Cushion)

- Leaves are ok, but it can be difficult to find the hierarchy
- Encode this as shading information
- More effective to understand hierarchy

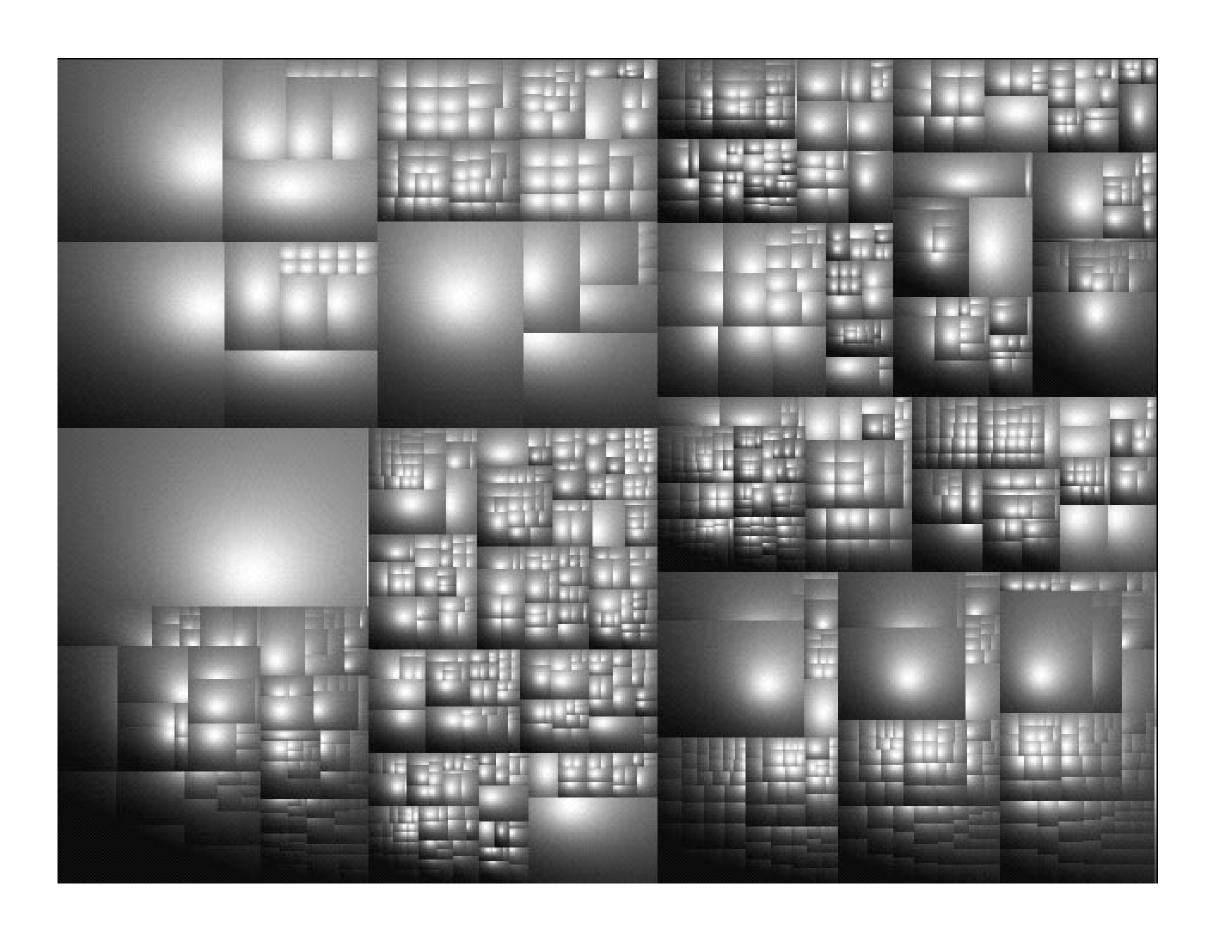




Disk Inventory



Squarified + Cushioned Treemaps



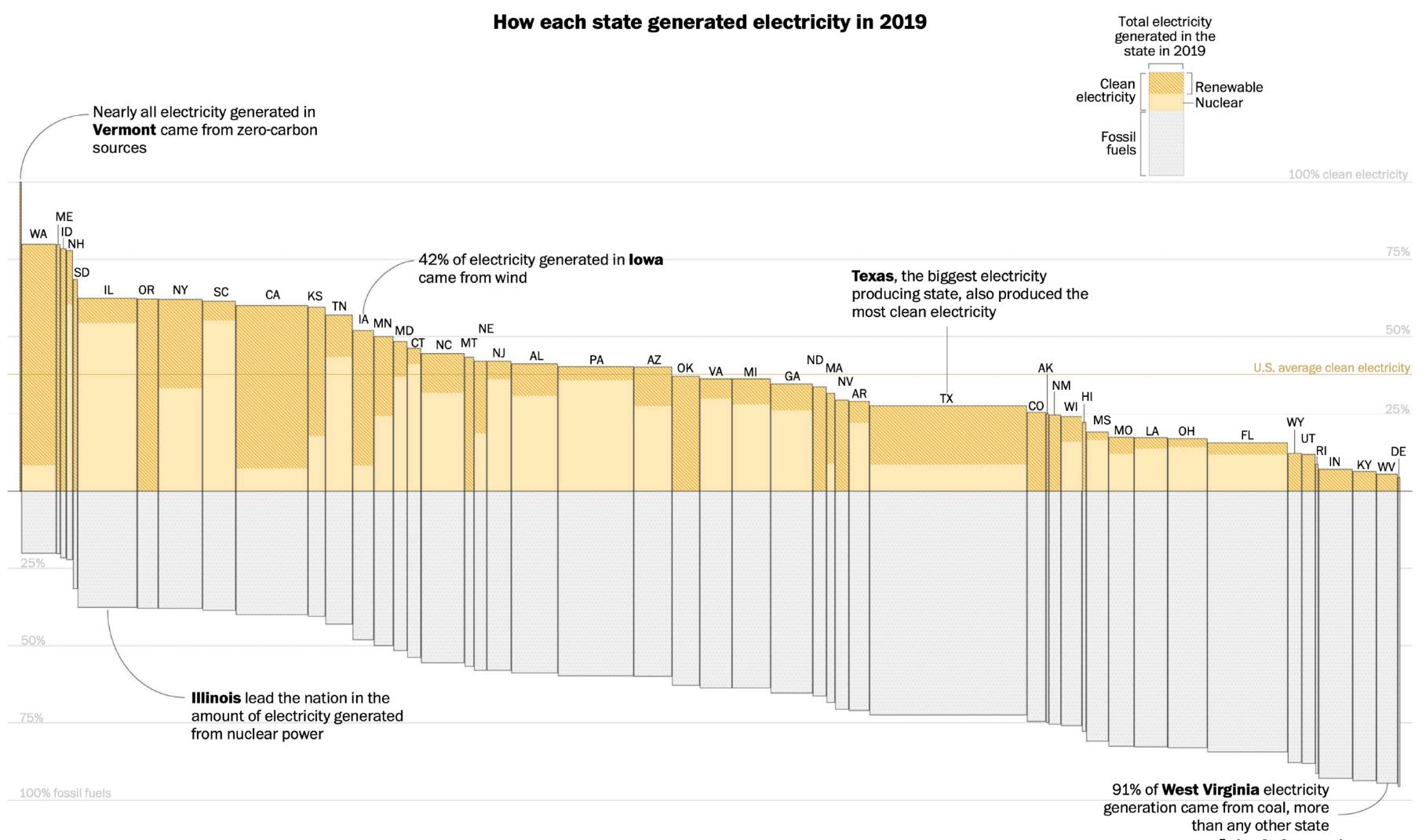
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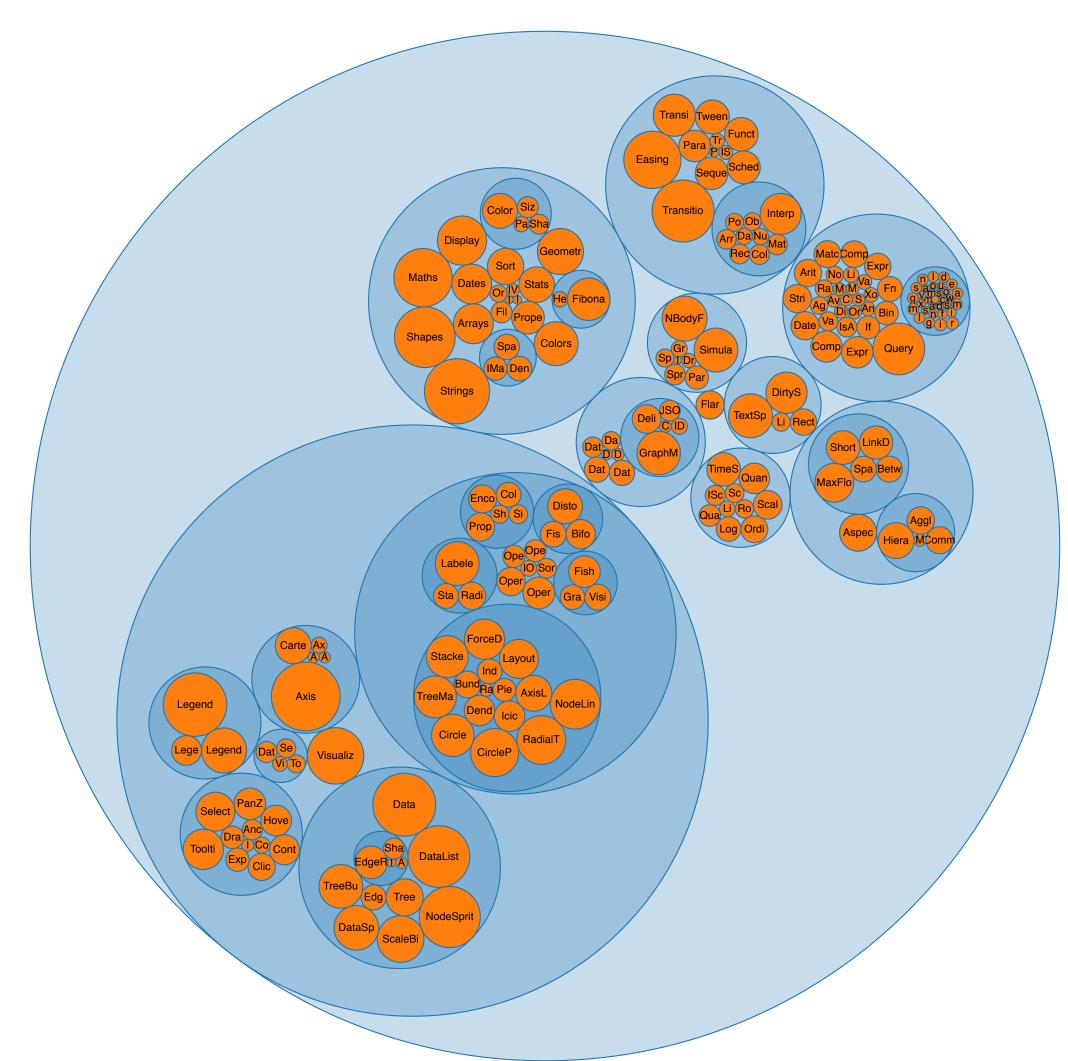
Variations: Marimekko Chart





Nested Circles

- Looks more like cluster diagram, but shows hierarchy
- Containment shown by the layering of semi-transparent circles
- Labeling becomes more difficult

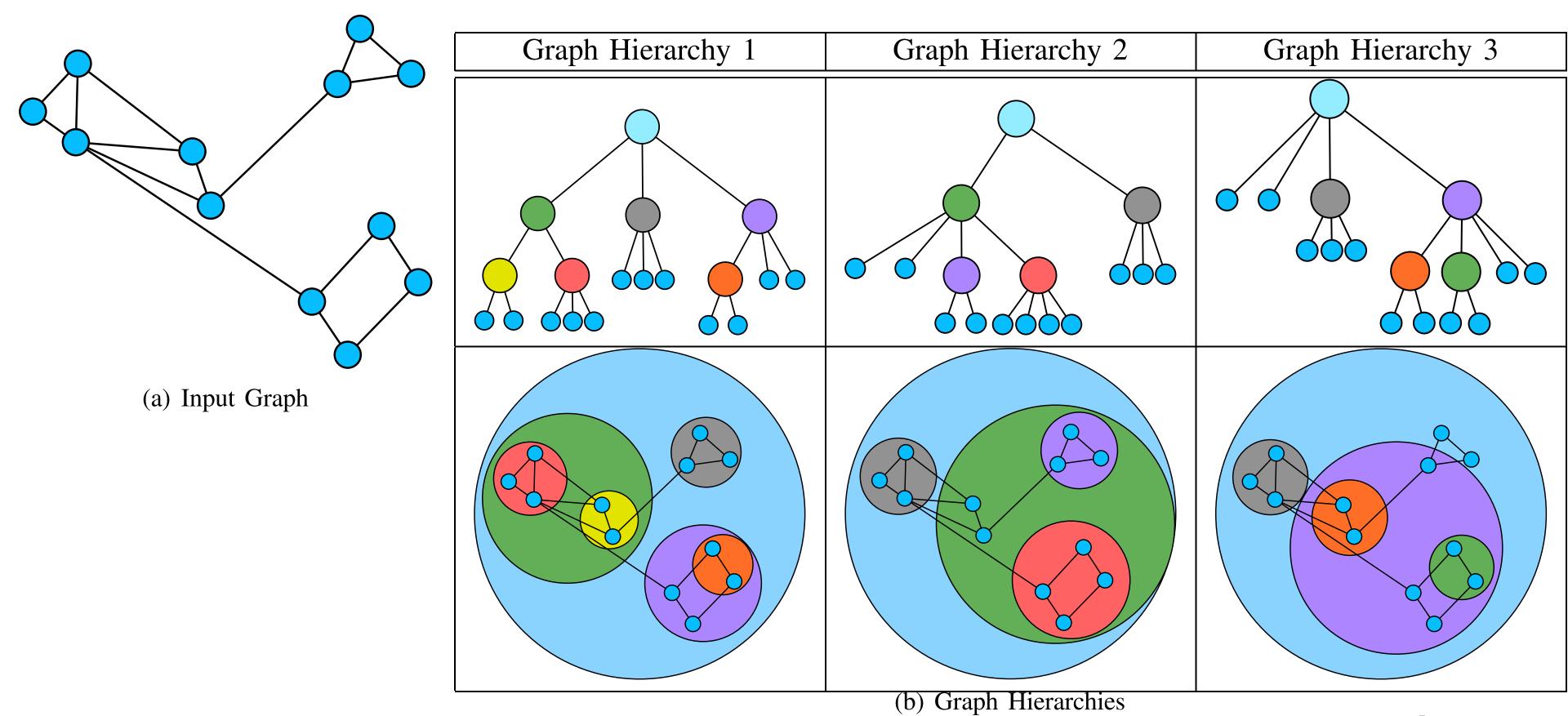


[Bostock, 2012]



Compound Networks

- Add a hierarchy to the network (e.g. from clustering)
- GrouseFlocks: uses nested circles with colors

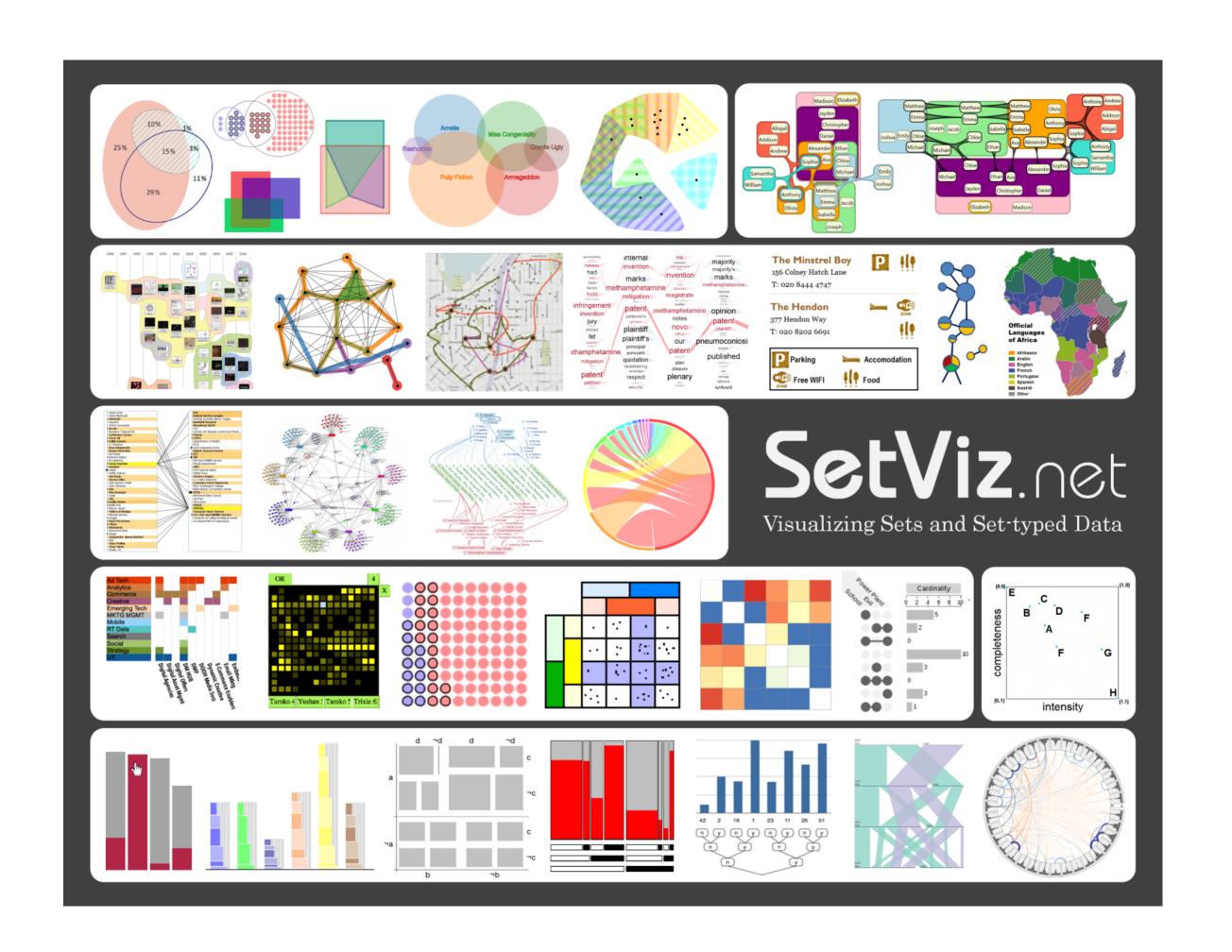


[Archambault et al., 2008]

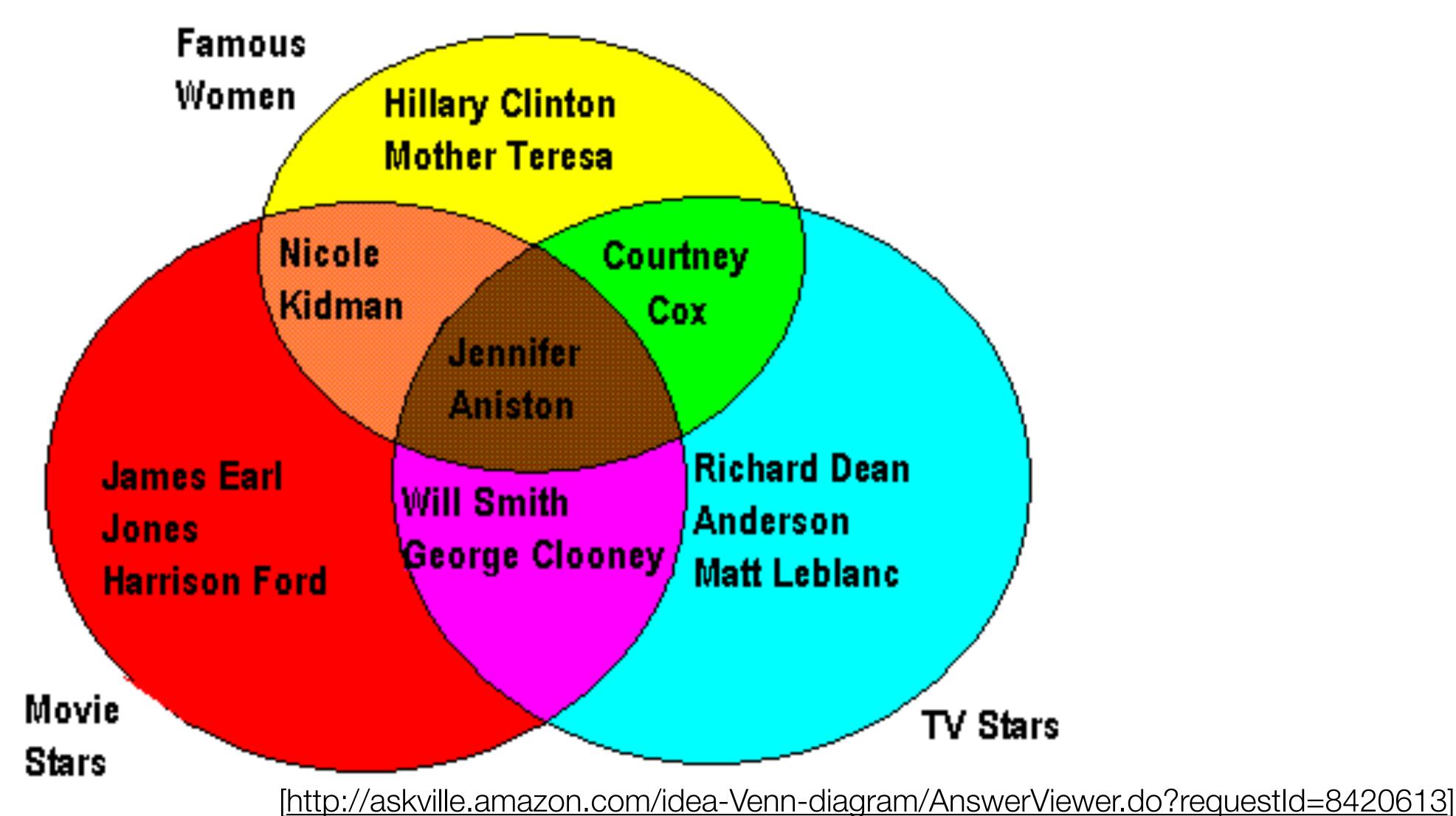
Sets

Set and Cluster Visualization

- Set and cluster visualization not covered in depth in the textbook
- Nice summary of set visualization in the following paper:
 - Visualizing Sets and Set-typed Data, B. Alsallakh et al., 2014
 - Also: http://www.setviz.net



Venn Diagram



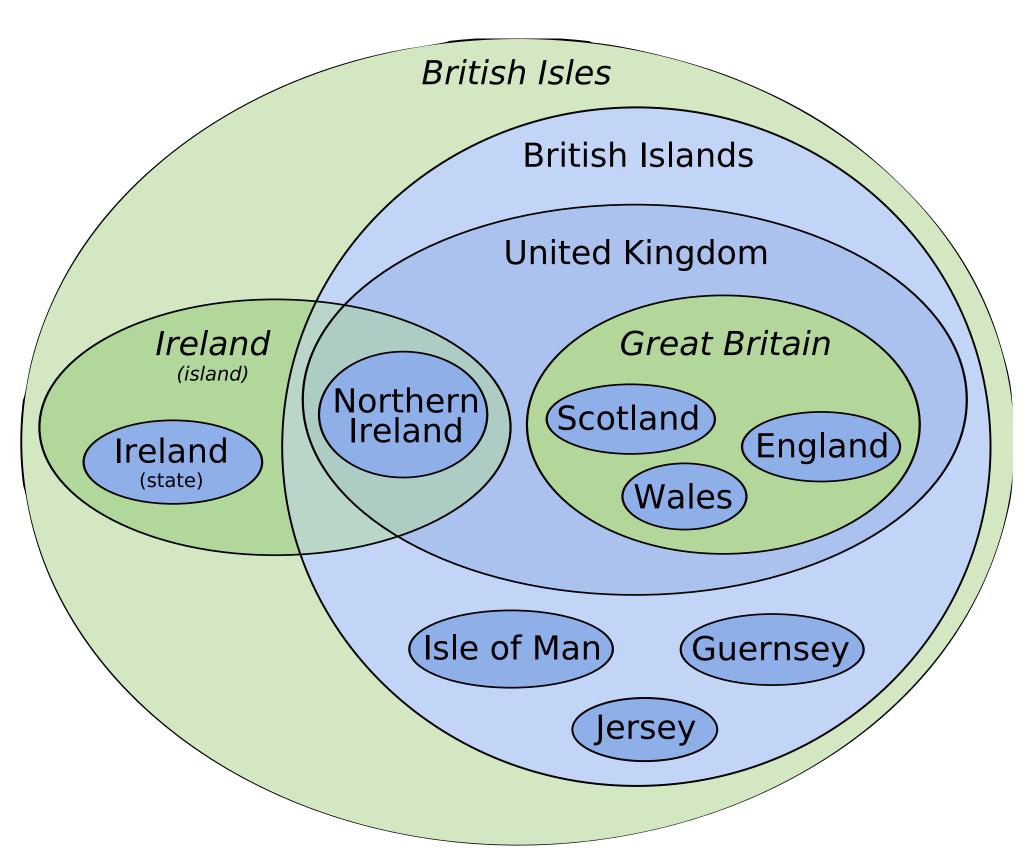
Venn Diagram?



[viz.wtf]

Scalability

- How to show the intersection of four sets? 8?
- Euler Diagrams: only show intersections/containments that exist
- Still run into scalability issues

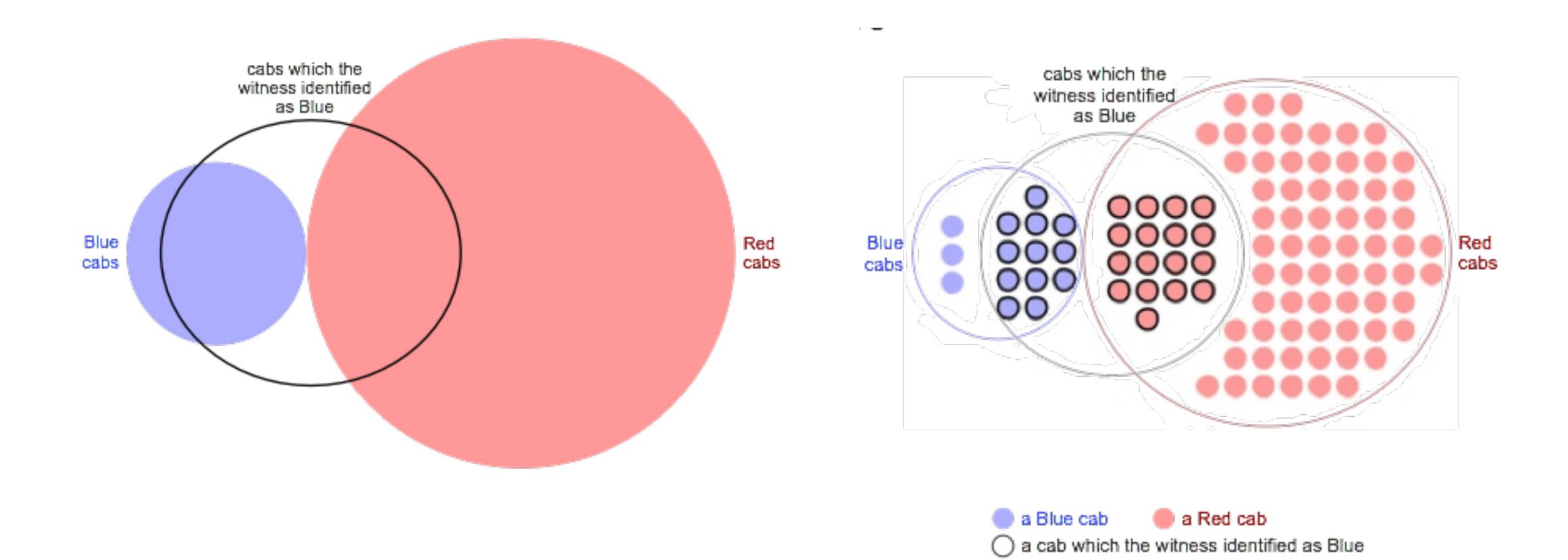


[Wikipedia]

What about cardinality?

Area encoding

Using glyphs

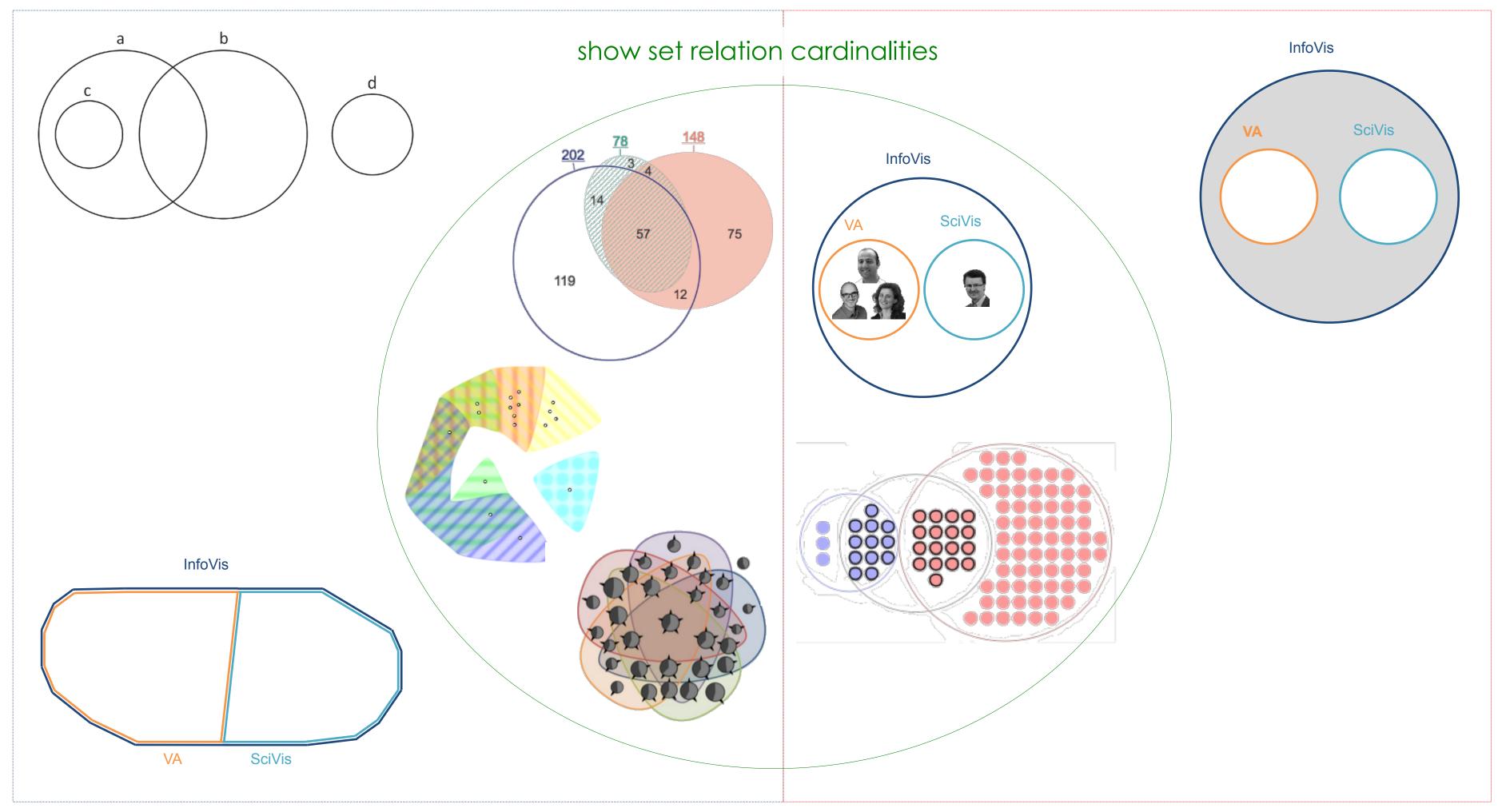


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Venn Diagram Visualizations

show only required set relations

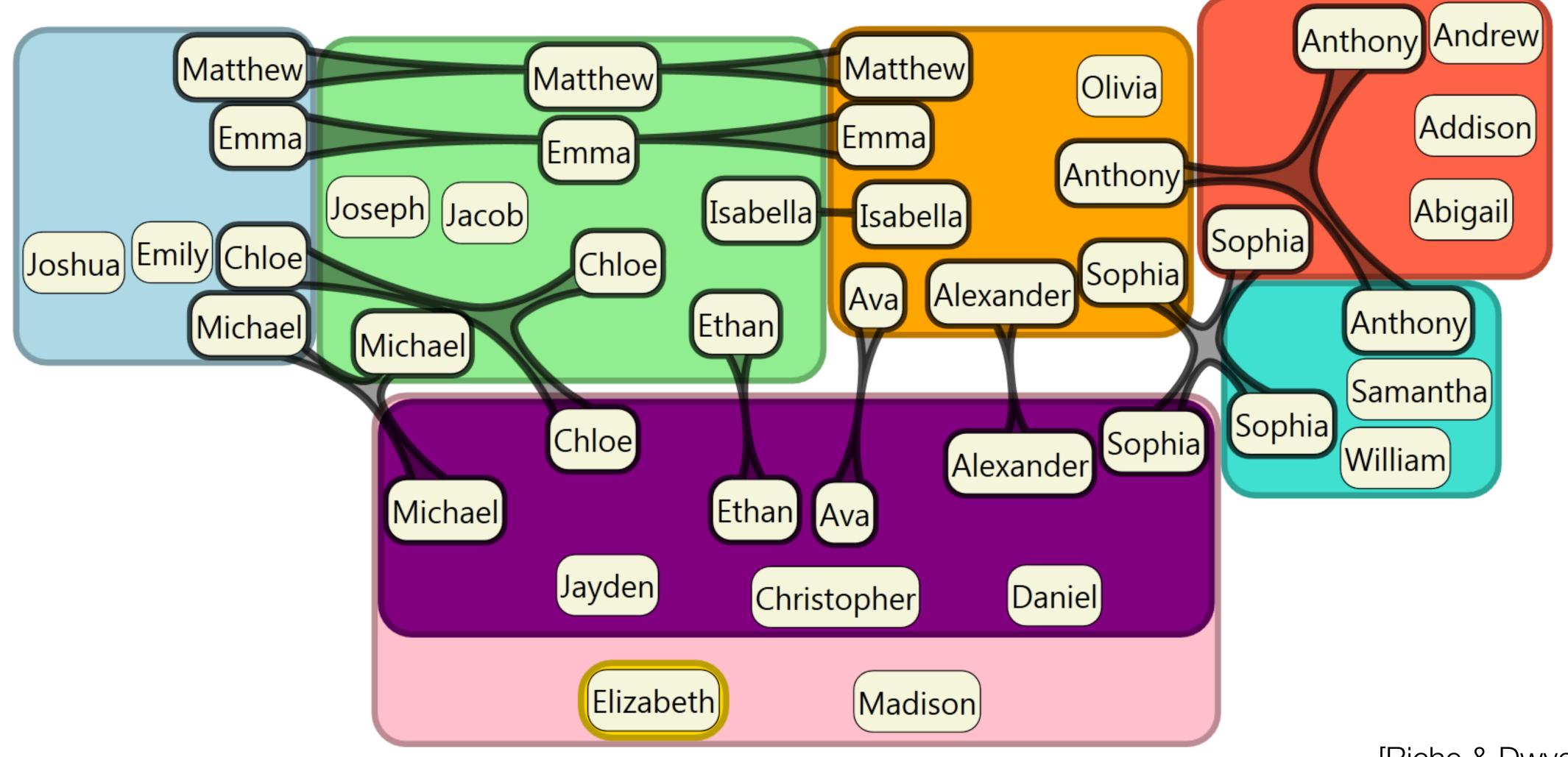
show unwanted set relations



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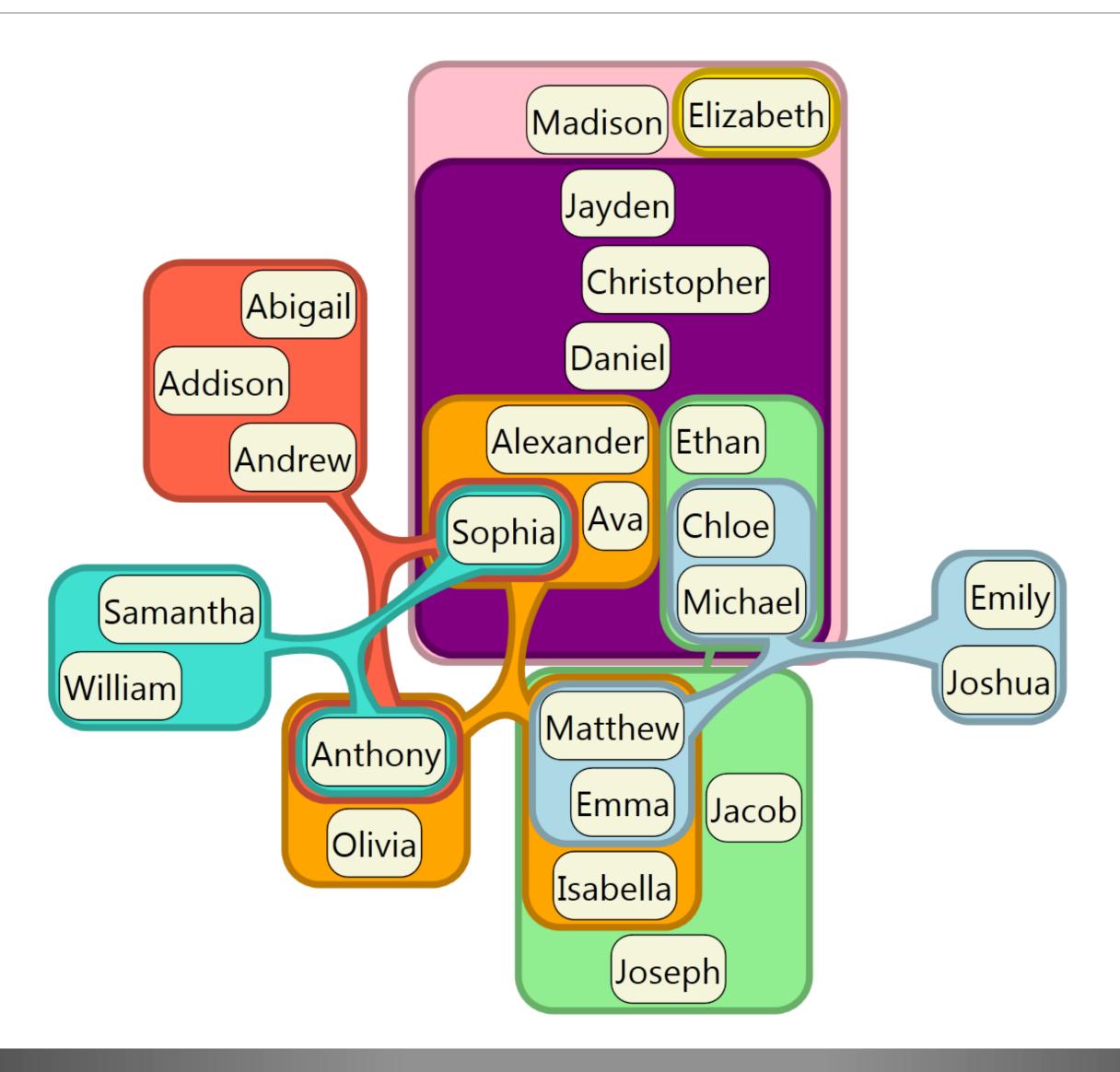
What if we don't worry so much about nice circles/ ellipses?

Compact Euler Diagrams: Use edges



[Riche & Dwyer, 2010]

Compact Euler Diagrams: Use nesting



[Riche & Dwyer, 2010]