### Data Visualization (CSCI 627/490)

D3

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## Visualization for Production

- Generate new material
- Annotate:
  - Add more to a visualization
  - Usually associated with text, but can be graphical
- Record:
  - Persist visualizations for historical record
  - Provenance (graphical histories): how did I get here?
- Derive (Transform):
  - Create new data
  - Create derived attributes (e.g. mathematical operations, aggregation)









## Actions: Search

- What does a user know?
  - Lookup: check bearings
  - Locate: find on a map
  - Browse: what's nearby
  - Explore: where to go
    - Patterns

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- Number of targets: One, Some (Often 2), or All
- Identify: characteristics or references
- Compare: similarities and differences
- Summarize: overview of everything

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### Roadmap



- What?  $\rightarrow$  Data
  - Types
  - Semantics
- Why?  $\rightarrow$  Tasks
  - Actions
  - Targets
- How  $\rightarrow$  Vis Idioms/Techniques
  - Data Representation
  - Visual Encoding
  - Interaction Encoding









## "Idiom" Comparison



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SpaceTre → Encod	ee e → Navigate → Select → Filter	→ Aggregate

[Munzner (ill. Maguire), 2014]



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## <u>Assignment 2</u>

- Due Monday
- Process Data
- Create Bar Charts using SVGs and JavaScript
- Interaction: Select by Decade
- Wording Updates
- Skipping 2010?

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## <u>d3.js</u>













# Data-Driven Documents (D3)

- Open-Source JavaScript Library
- <u>http://d3js.org/</u>
- Original Authors: Mike Bostock, Vadim Ogievestky, and Jeff Heer
- Focus on Web standards, customization, and usability
- Grew from work on Protovis: more standard, more interactive
- By nature, a **low-level** library; you have control over all elements and styles
- A top project on GitHub (over 93,000 stars as of Sept. 2020)
- Lots of impressive examples
  - Bostock was a New York Times Graphics Editor
  - https://bost.ocks.org/mike/ and https://observablehq.com/@mbostock





## D3 Key Features

- Supports data as a core piece of Web elements
  - Loading data
- Dealing with changing data (joins, enter/update/exit) - Correspondence between data and DOM elements Selections (similar to CSS) that allow greater manipulation
- Method Chaining
- Integrated layout algorithms, axes calculations, etc.
- Focus on interaction support
  - Straightforward support for transitions
  - Event handling support for user-initiated changes





## D3 Introduction

- the major features of D3
- <u>https://observablehq.com/@dakoop/d3-intro</u>
- Standalone version: <u>http://dakoop.github.io/IntroD3/</u> - (Updated from <u>original</u>)
- Other references:
  - https://observablehq.com/@d3/learn-d3
  - <u>https://observablehq.com/@d3/gallery</u>
  - Murrary's book on Interactive Data Visualization for the Web
  - The D3 website: <u>d3js.org</u>

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### Ogievetsky has put together a nice set of interactive examples that show off





## D3 Data Joins

- Two groups: data and visual elements
- Three parts of the join between them: enter, update, and exit
- enter: s.enter(), Update: s, exit: s.exit()



Enter

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Visual Elements





## Merge vs. Join

- Merge creates a new selection that includes the items from both selections - If you want to update all elements (including those just added via enter), use
  - merge!
  - Useful when enter+update have similar transitions
- Join allows you to modify different parts of the selection in a single statement
  - Also will create the final selection
  - Does enter+append and exit+remove automatically
  - Pass functions to modify the enter, update, and exit parts of the selection - Examples: <u>https://observablehq.com/@d3/selection-join</u>

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## Transitions

 Nested transitions (those that "hang off" of a parent transition) follow immediately after the parent transition



