

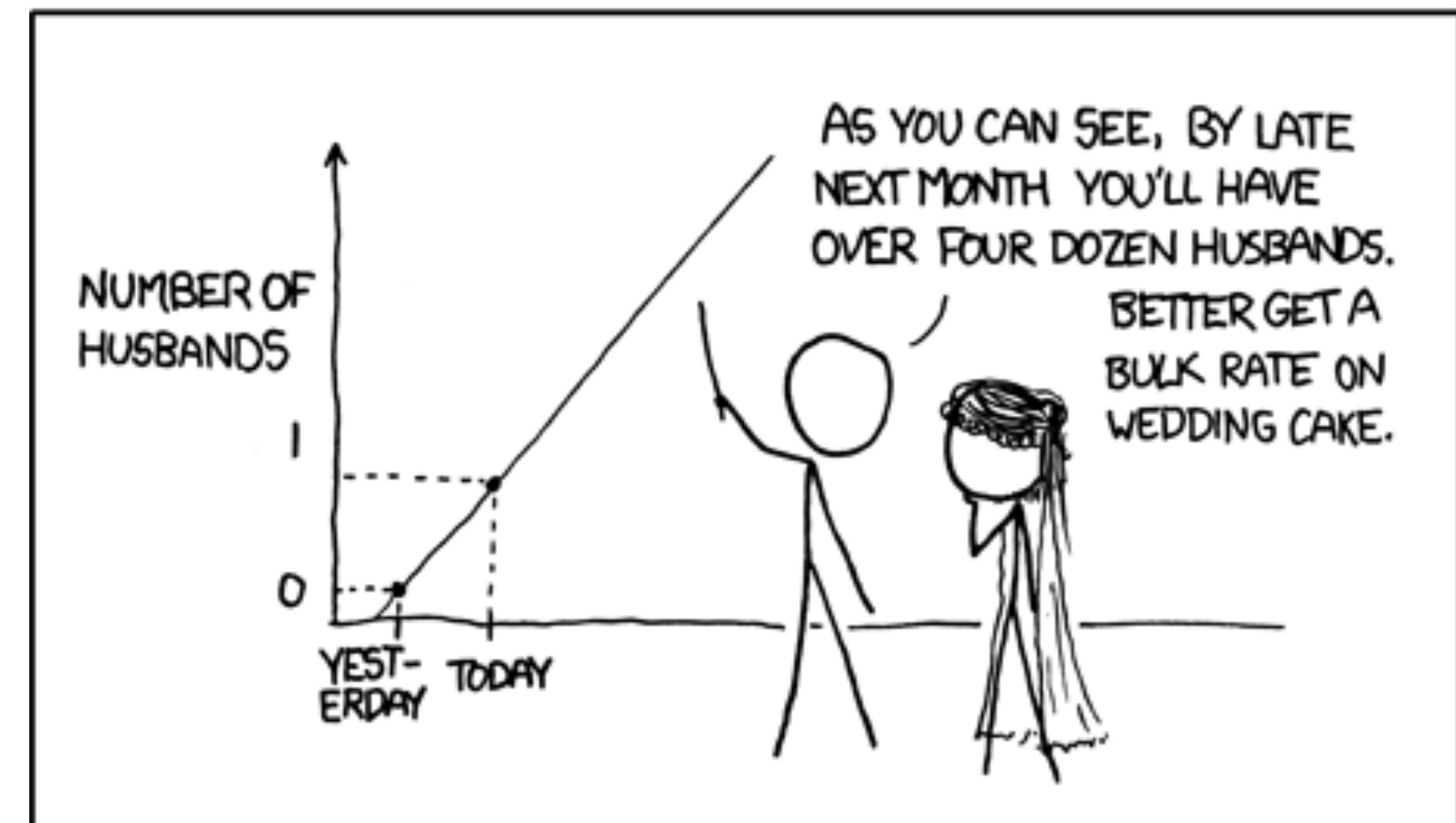
# CS-5630 / CS-6630 Visualization

## Tables

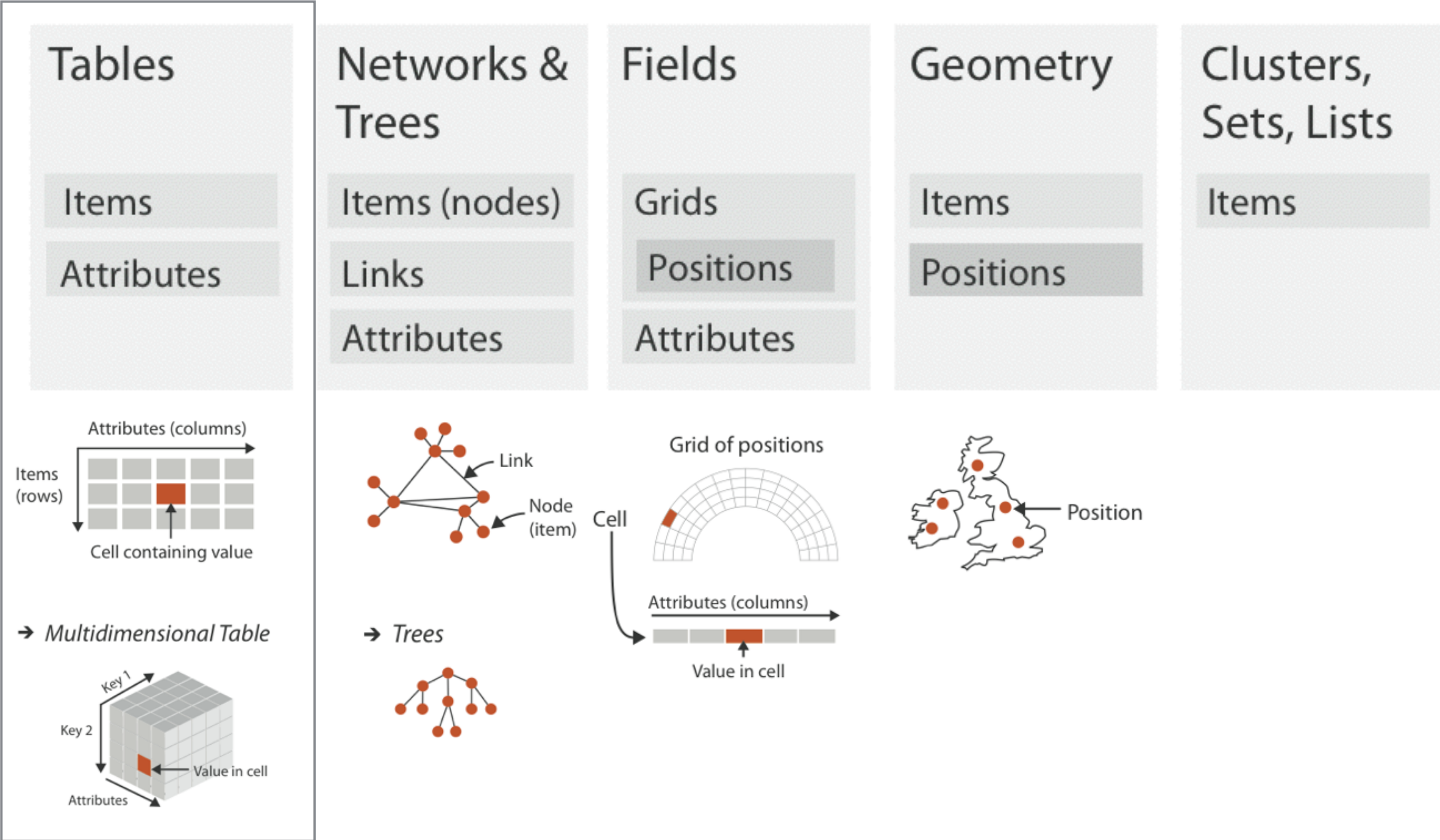
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[alex@sci.utah.edu](mailto:alex@sci.utah.edu)



MY HOBBY: EXTRAPOLATING



# dataset types



## Arrange Tables

### ① Express Values



### ② Separate, Order, Align Regions

→ Separate



→ Order



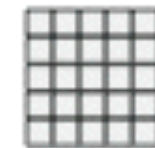
→ Align



→ 1 Key  
*List*



→ 2 Keys  
*Matrix*



→ 3 Keys  
*Volume*



→ Many Keys  
*Recursive Subdivision*



### ③ Axis Orientation

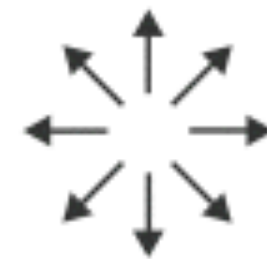
→ Rectilinear



→ Parallel

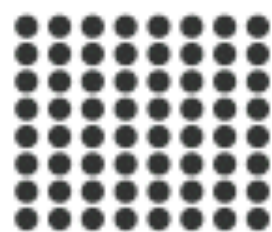


→ Radial



### ④ Layout Density

→ Dense

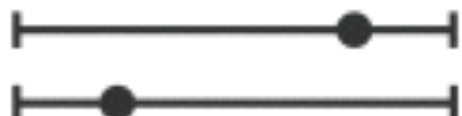


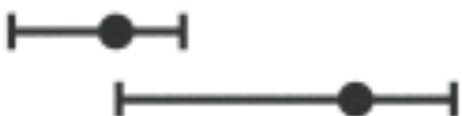
→ Space-Filling




# spatial channels are the most effective for all attribute types


➔ **Magnitude Channels: Ordered Attributes**

Position on common scale 

Position on unaligned scale 

Length (1D size) 

➔ **Identity Channels: Categorical Attributes**

Spatial region 

Most ▲

Effectiveness

—

Color hue



Motion



Shape



Tilt/angle



Area (2D size)



Depth (3D position)



Color luminance



Color saturation



Curvature

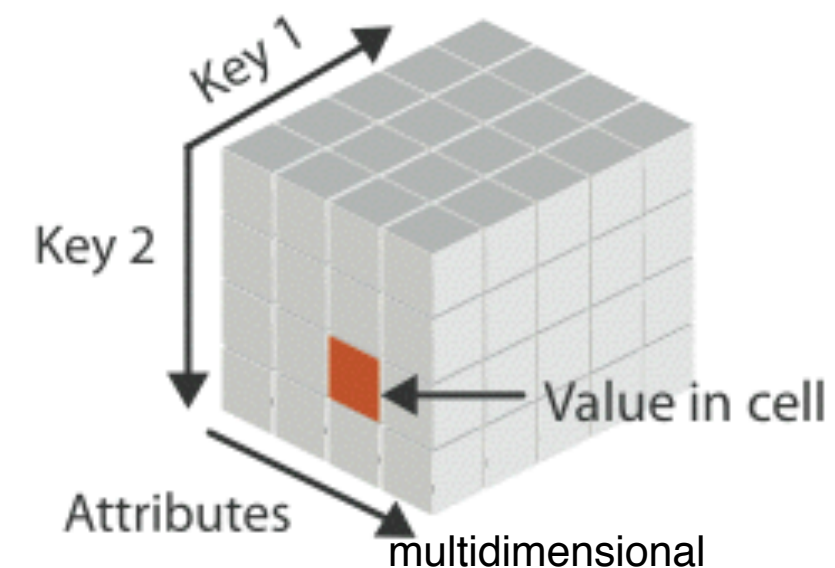
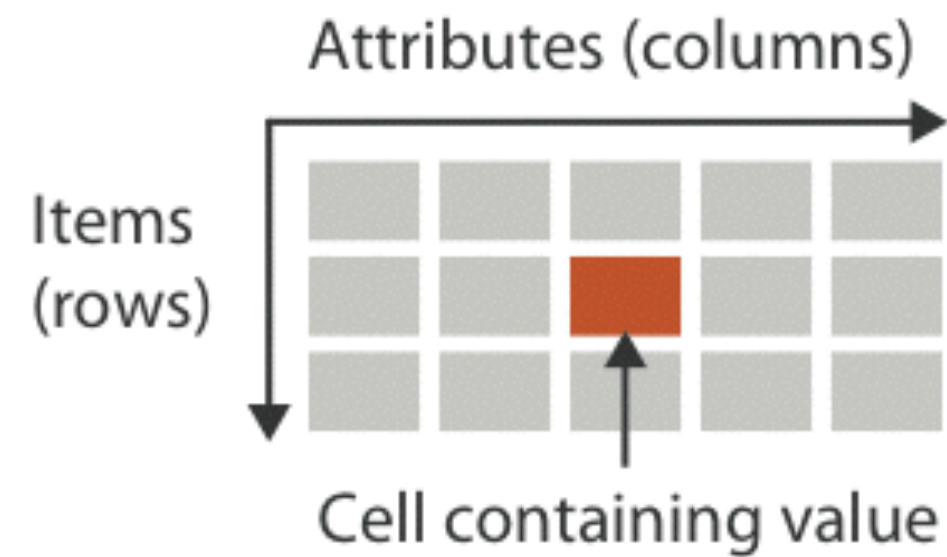


} Same



# recall: attribute semantics

when we arrange tabular data, attributes are chosen to be keys and values



# Scale of Tables

Need different approaches for “normal” and “high-dimensional” tables.

How many dimensions?

~50 – tractable with “just” vis

~1000 – need analytical methods

How many records?

~ 1000 – “just” vis is fine

>> 10,000 – need analytical methods

Homogeneity

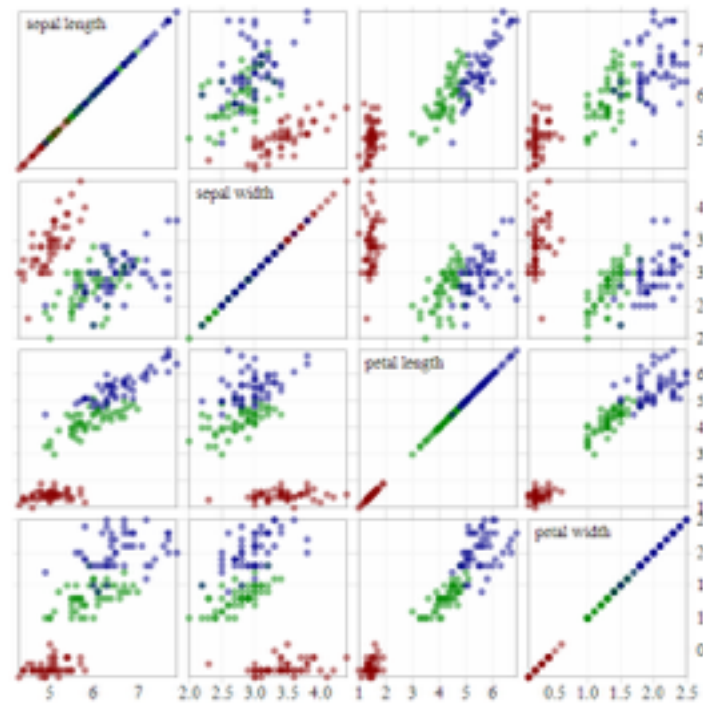
**Same data type?**

**Same scales?**

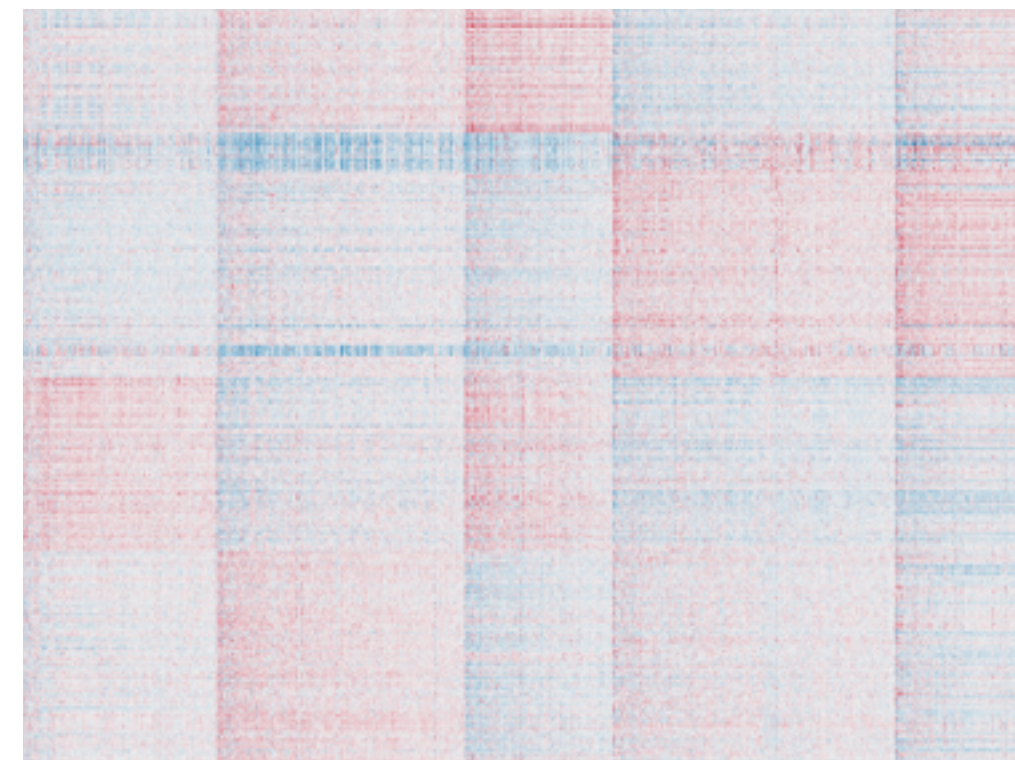
	<b>Age</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Height</b>
<b>Bob</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>181</b>
<b>Alice</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>185</b>
<b>Chris</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>175</b>

	<b>BPM 1</b>	<b>BPM 2</b>	<b>BPM 3</b>
<b>Bob</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>Alice</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>185</b>
<b>Chris</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>135</b>

# Analytic Component



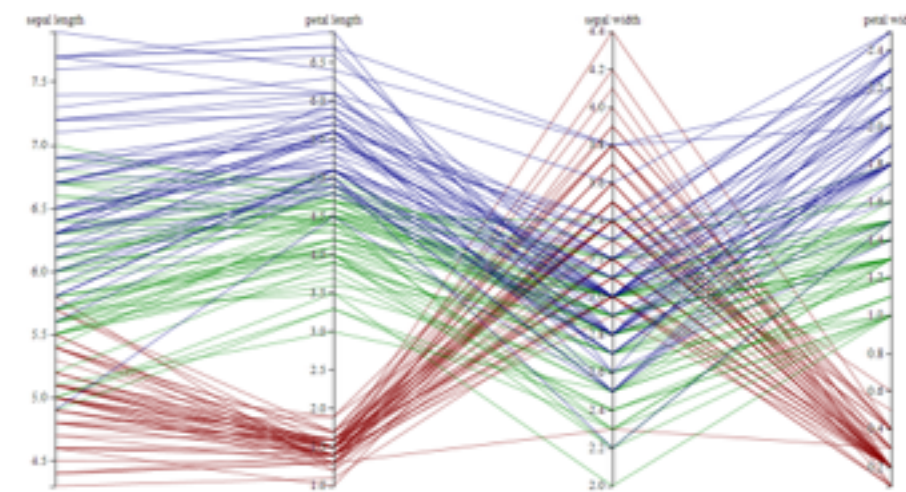
Scatterplot Matrices  
[Bostock]



Pixel-based visualizations /  
heat maps



Multidimensional Scaling  
[Doerk 2011]



Parallel Coordinates  
[Bostock]



[Chuang 2012]

no / little analytics

strong analytics  
component

# Express Values

No Keys



# encode using zero keys: scatterplots

## Arrange Tables

① Express Values



② Separate, Order, Align Regions

→ Separate



→ Order



→ Align



③ Axis Orientation

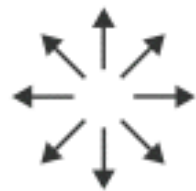
→ Rectilinear



→ Parallel

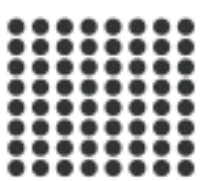


→ Radial

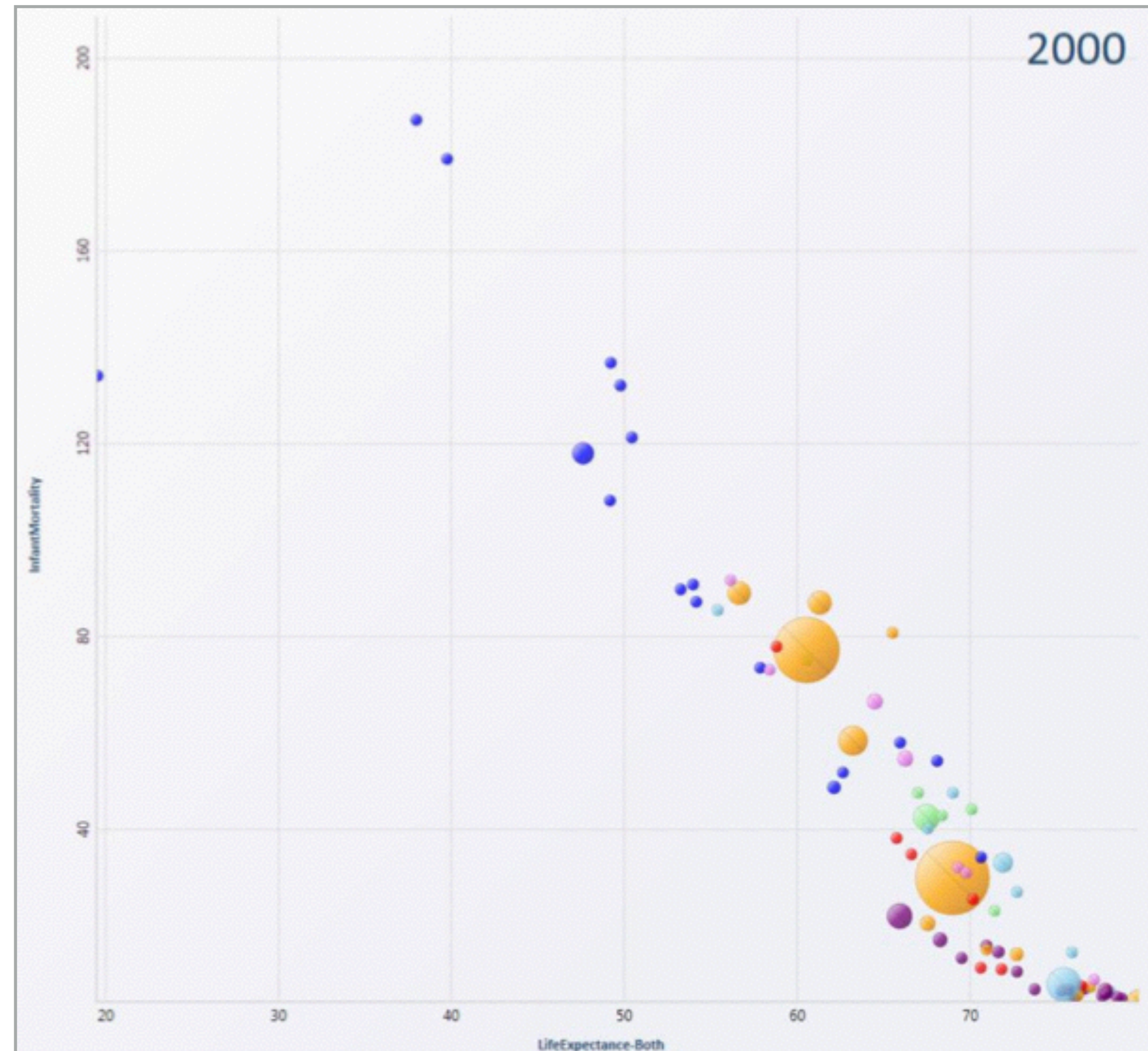


④ Layout Density

→ Dense



→ Space-Filling



Encode one Key  
Attribute

# encode one key attribute: bar, dot, & line charts

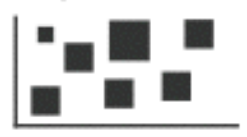
## Arrange Tables

⌚ Express Values



⌚ Separate, Order, Align Regions

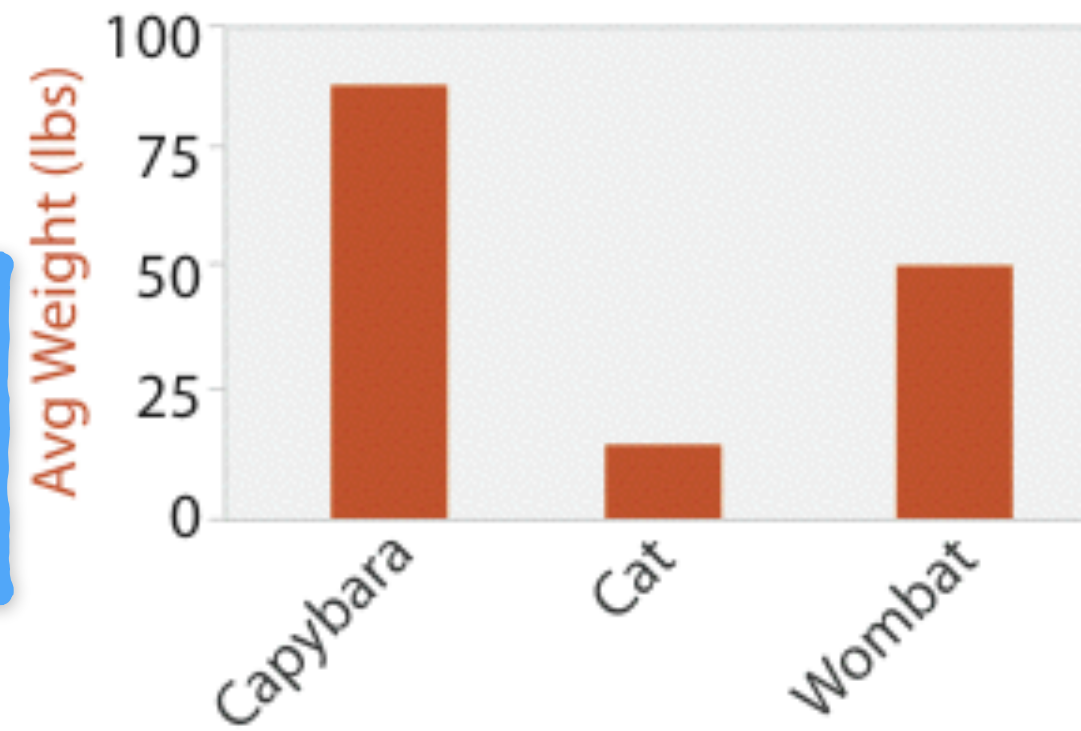
→ Separate



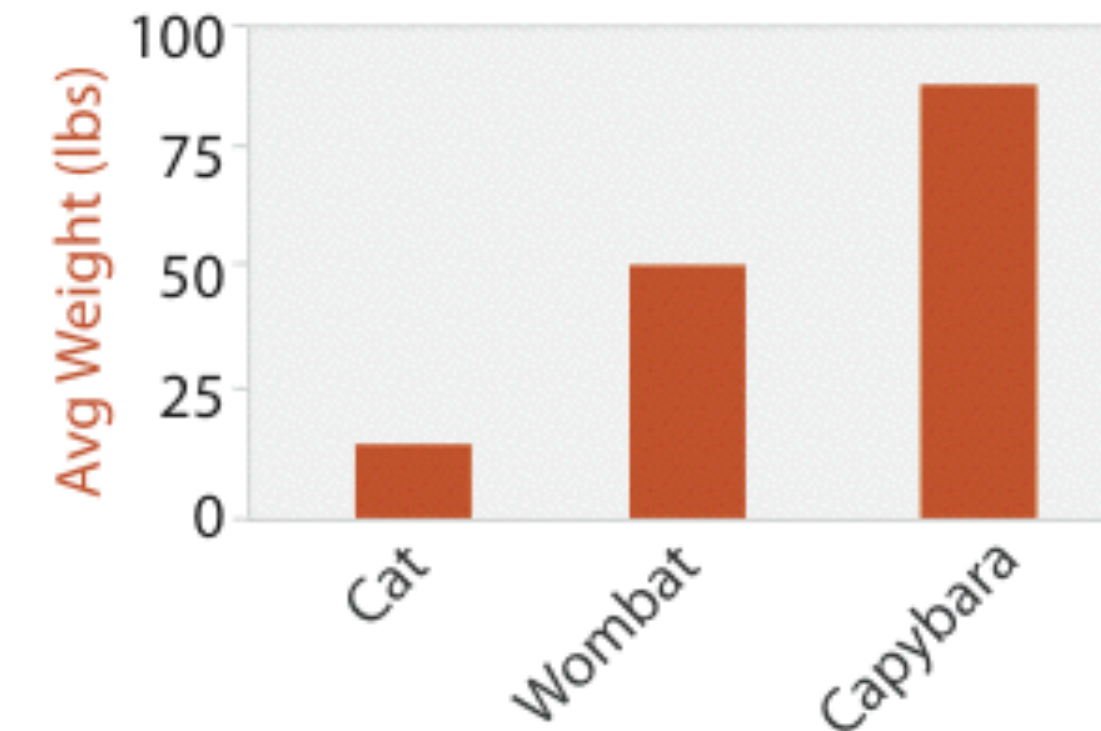
→ Order



→ Align



Animal Type



Animal Type

⌚ Axis Orientation

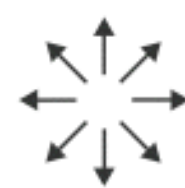
→ Rectilinear



→ Parallel



→ Radial

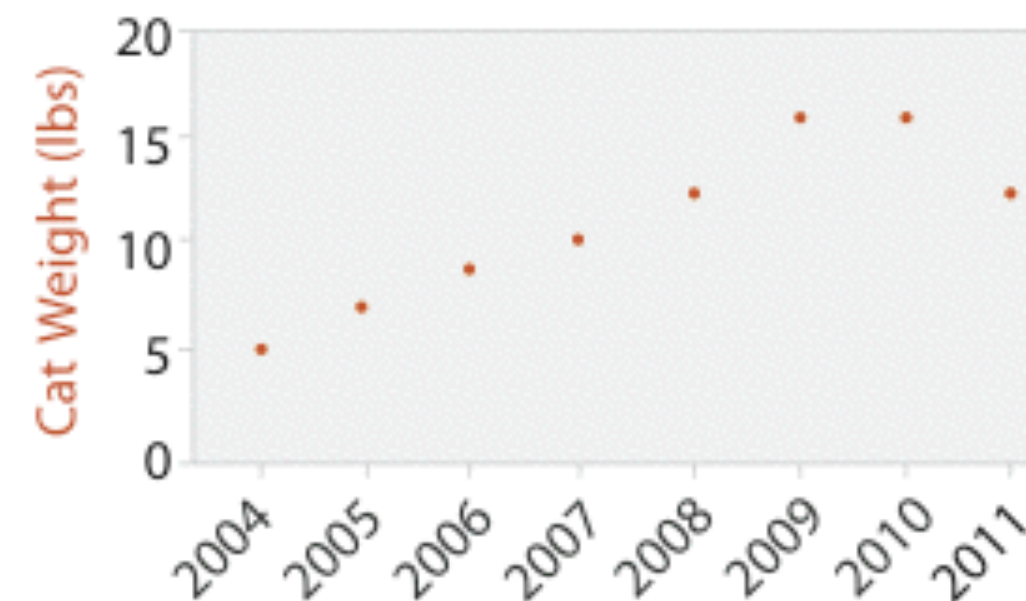


⌚ Layout Density

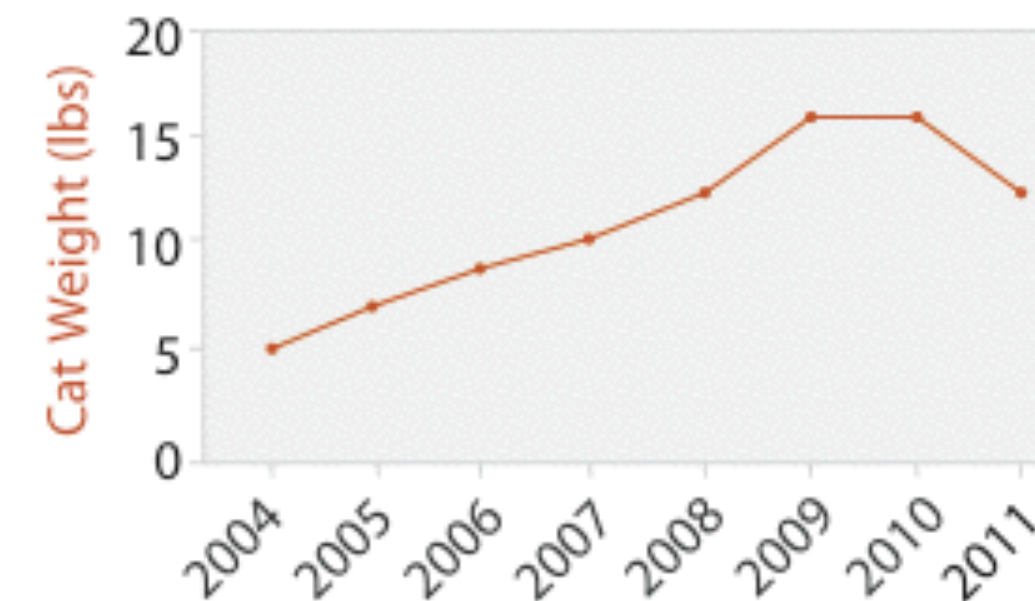
→ Dense



→ Space-Filling



Year



Year

# Encode Multiple Key Attributes



## Arrange Tables

### ① Express Values



### ② Separate, Order, Align Regions

→ Separate



→ Order



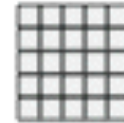
→ Align



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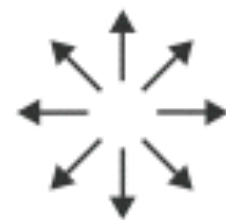
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→ Parallel



→ Radial



### ④ Layout Density

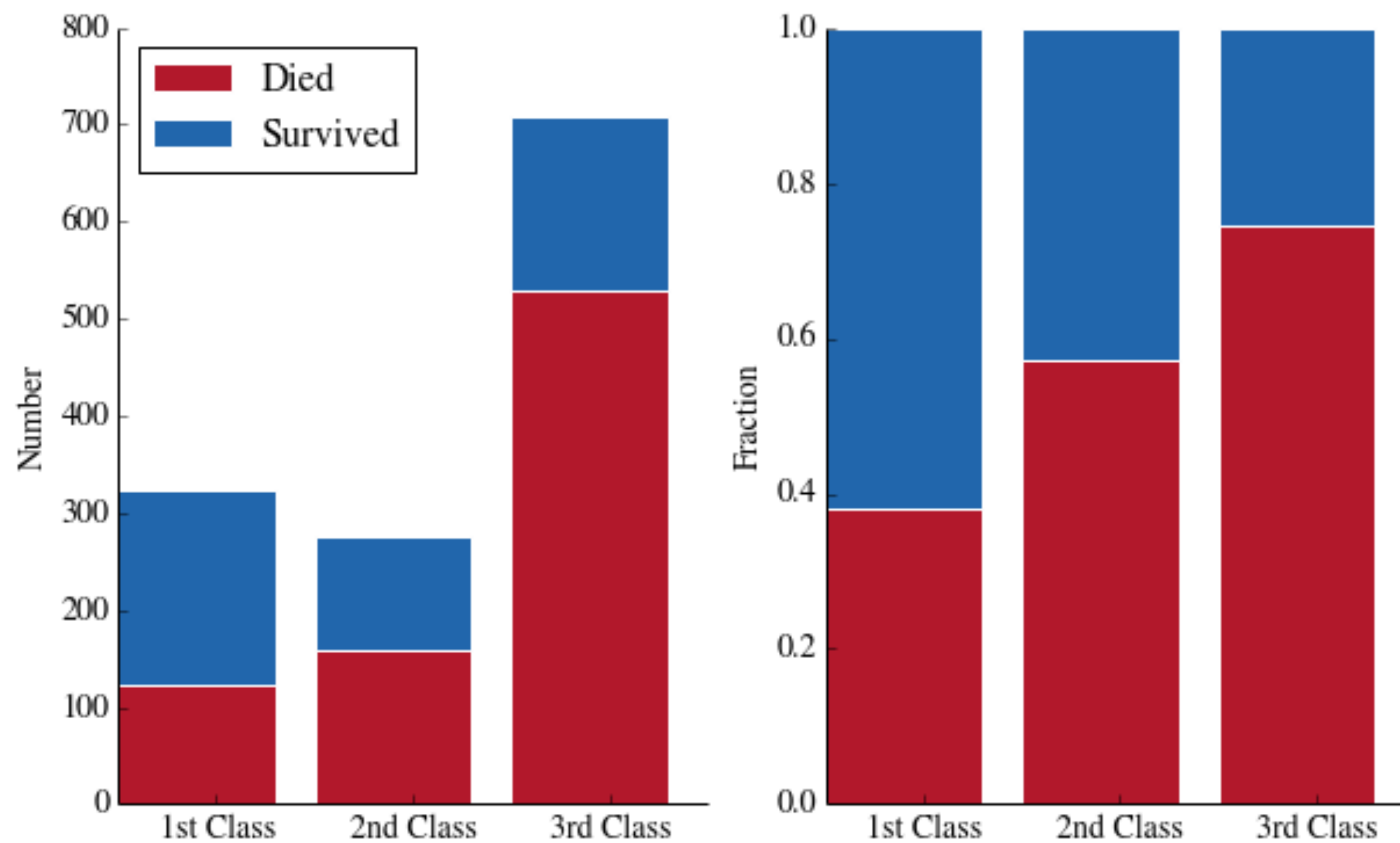
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→ Space-Filling

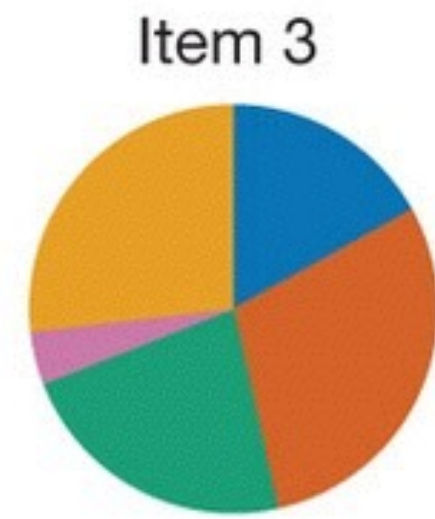


# Stacked Bar Chart

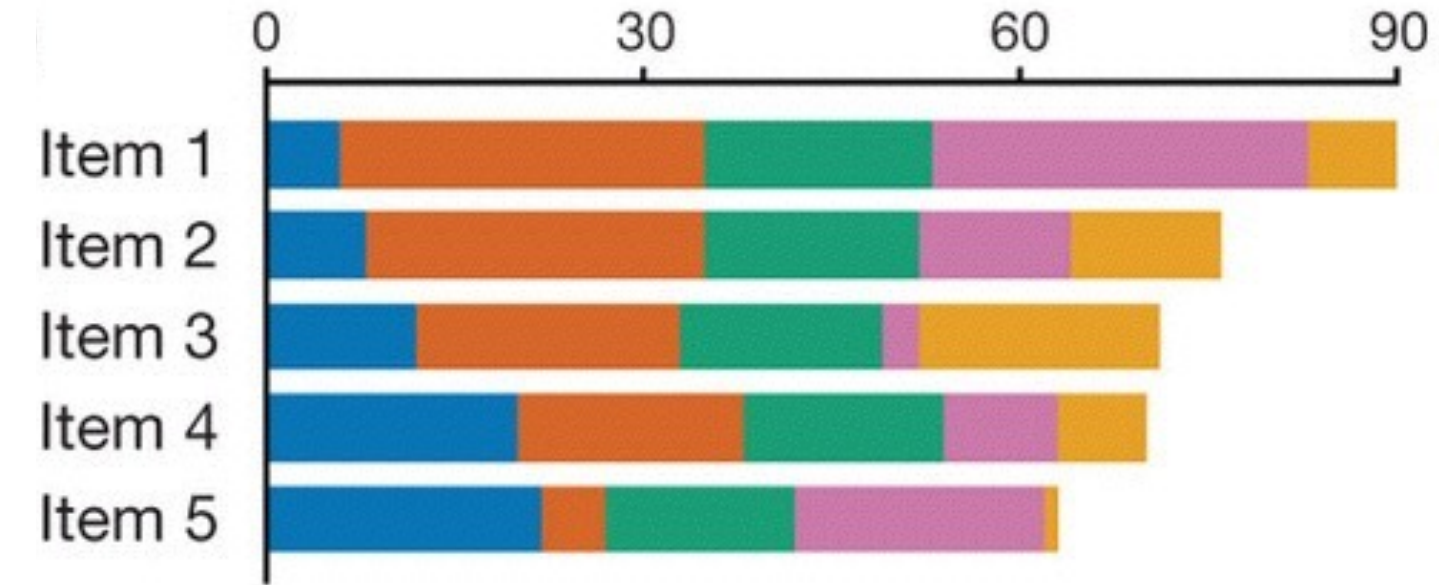


# Comparison of bar chart types

- Category 1 ●
- Category 2 ●
- Category 3 ●
- Category 4 ●
- Category 5 ●

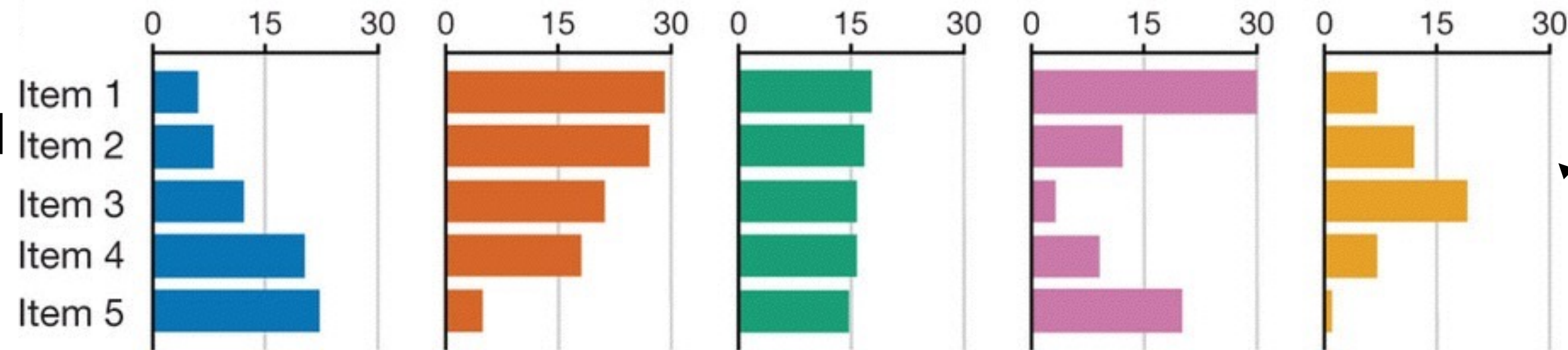


Pie Chart

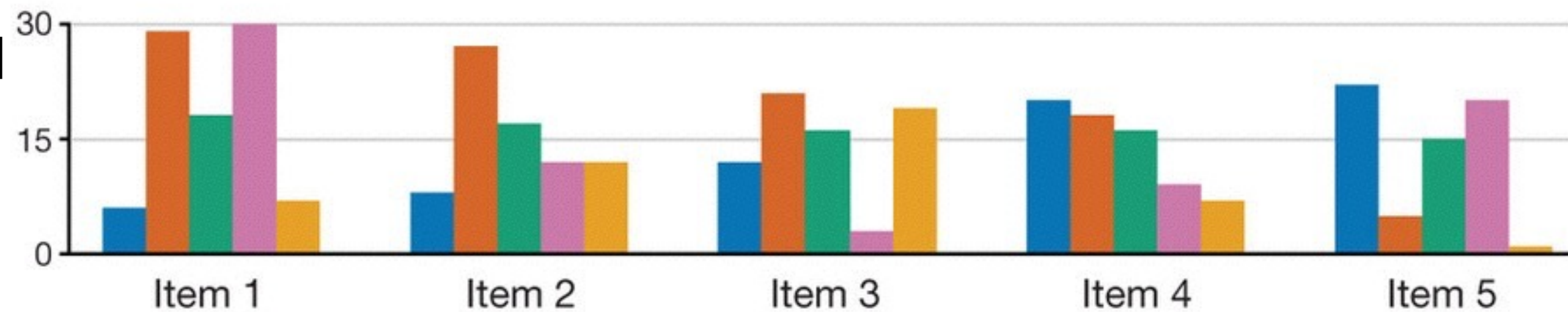


Stacked bar chart

Layered Bar Chart

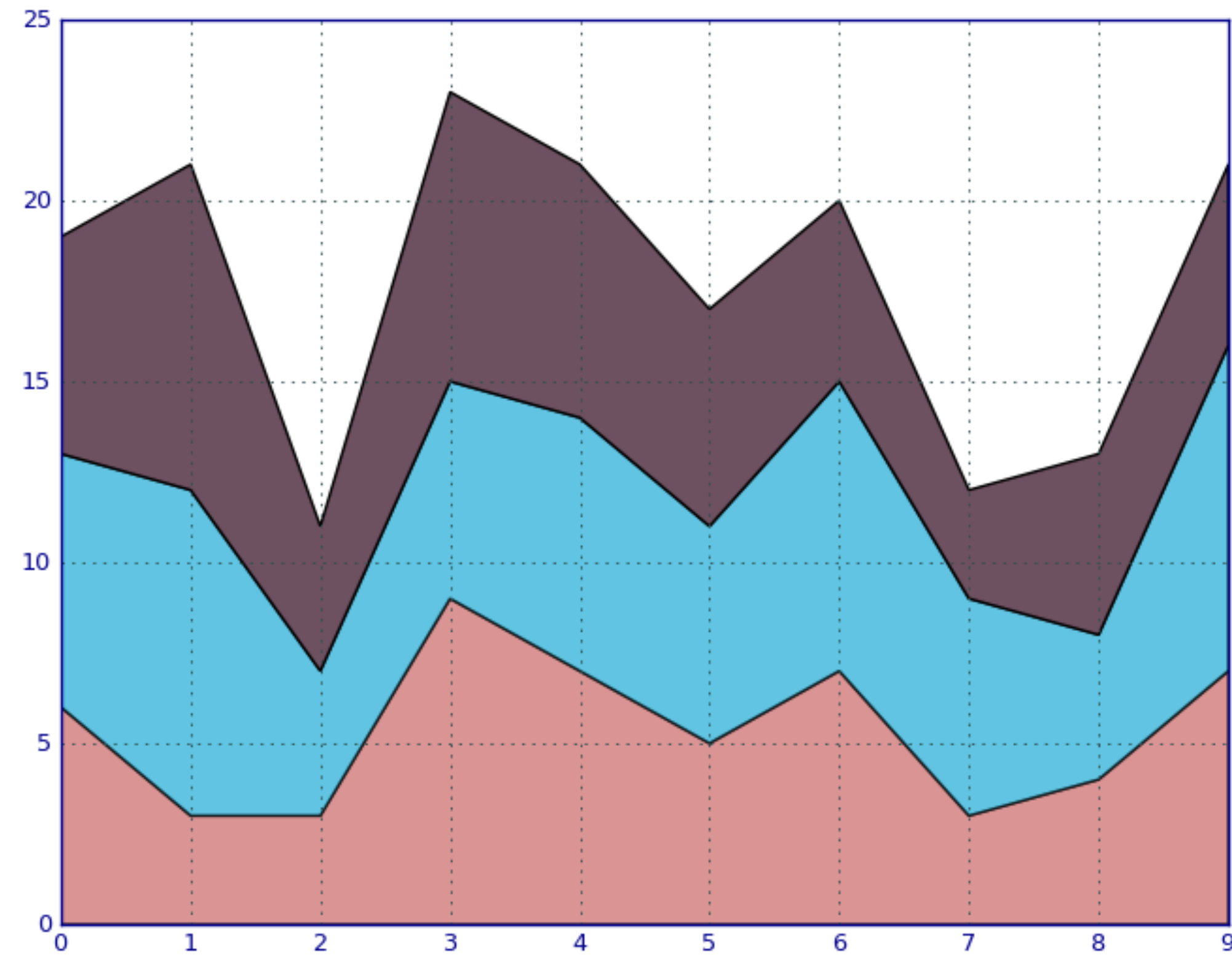


Grouped Bar Chart



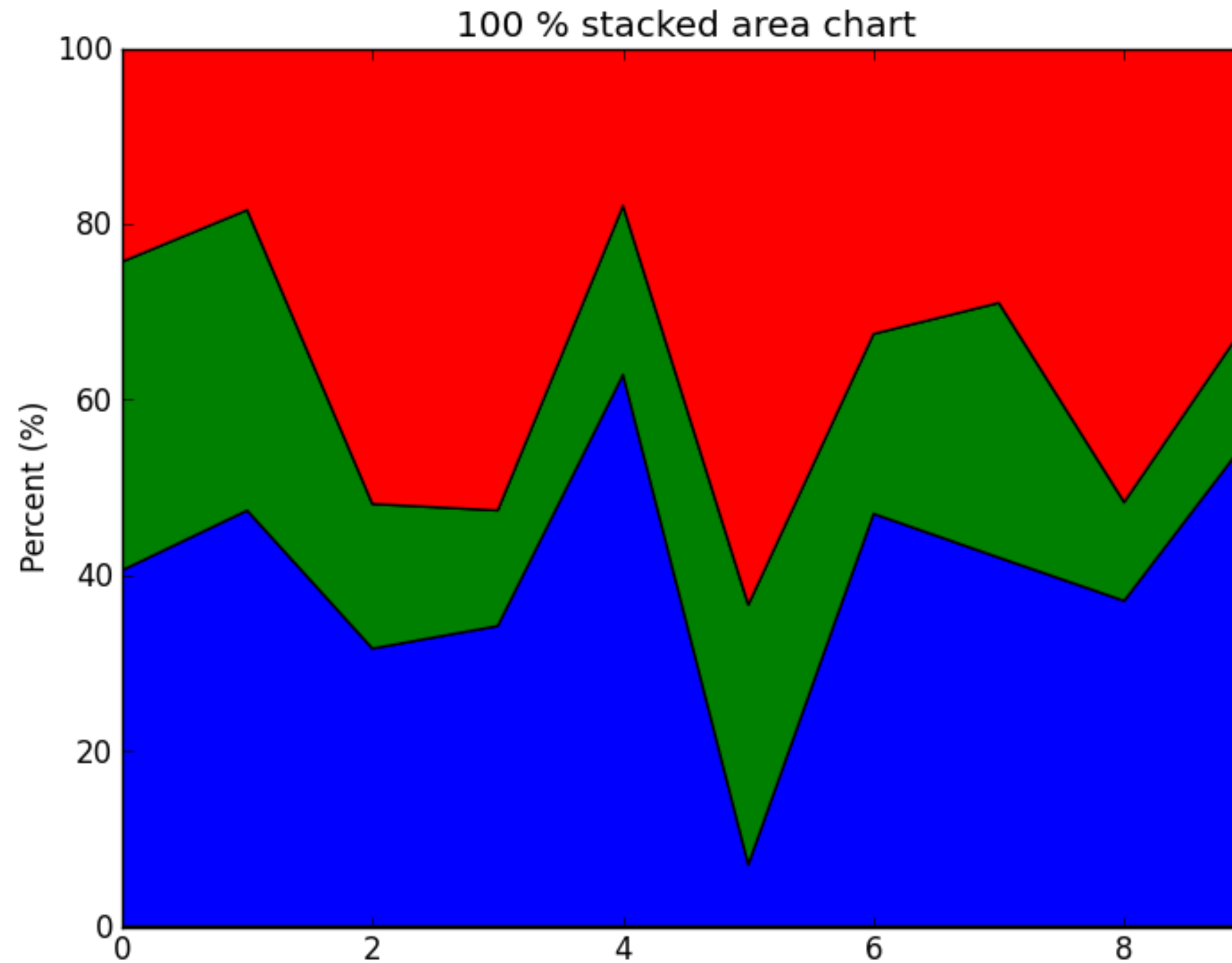
Small Multiples

# Stacked Area Chart

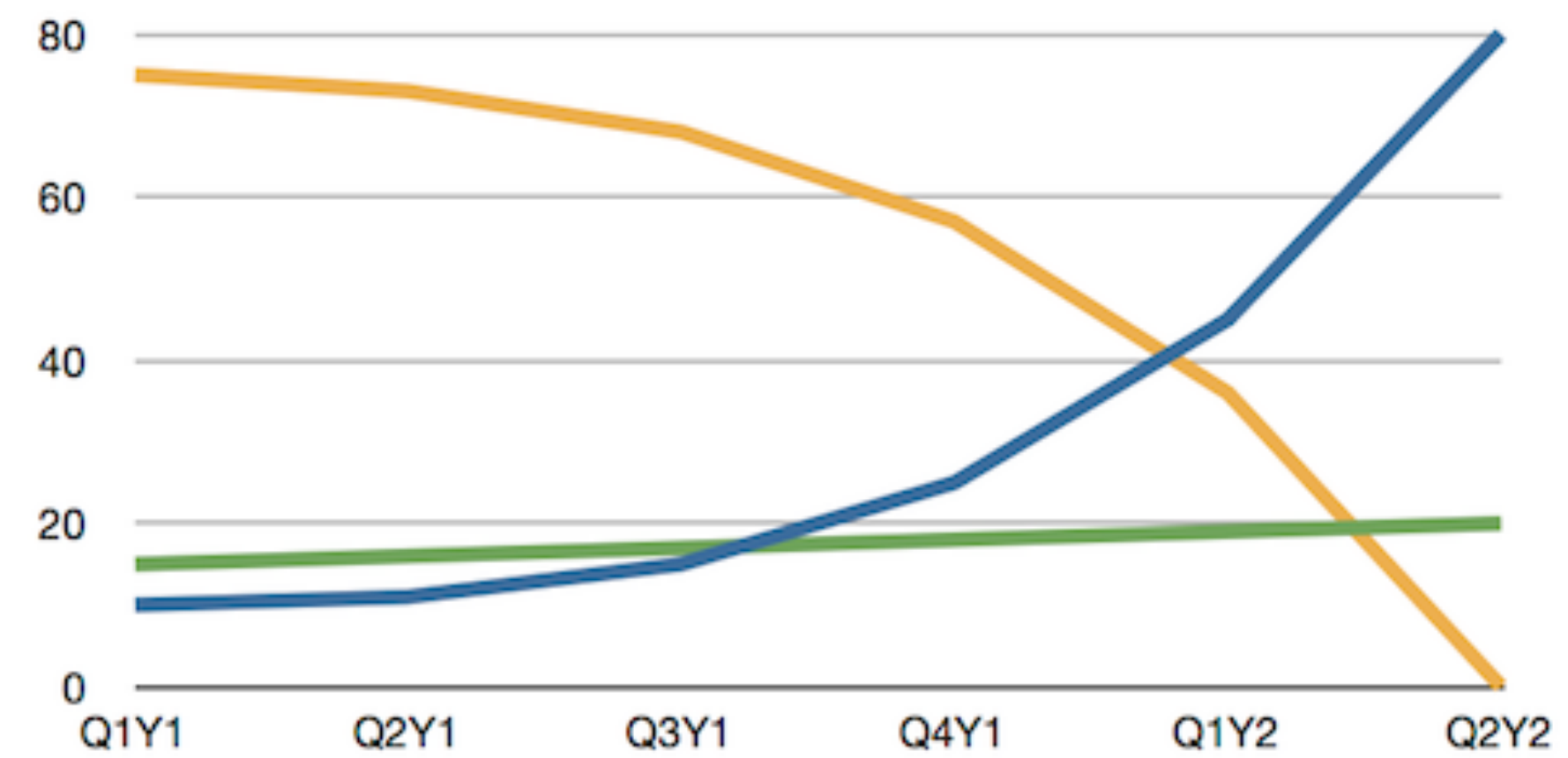
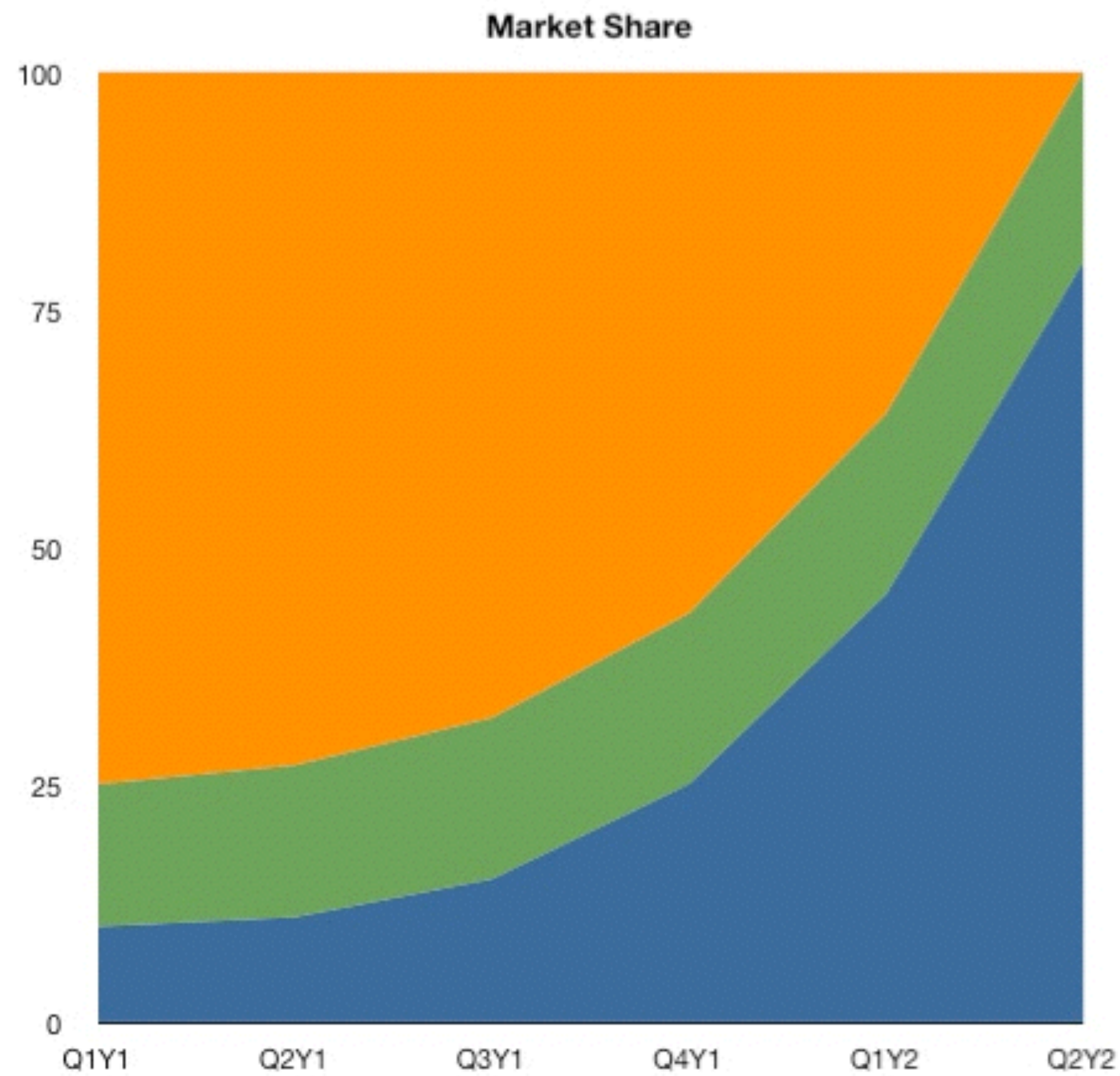


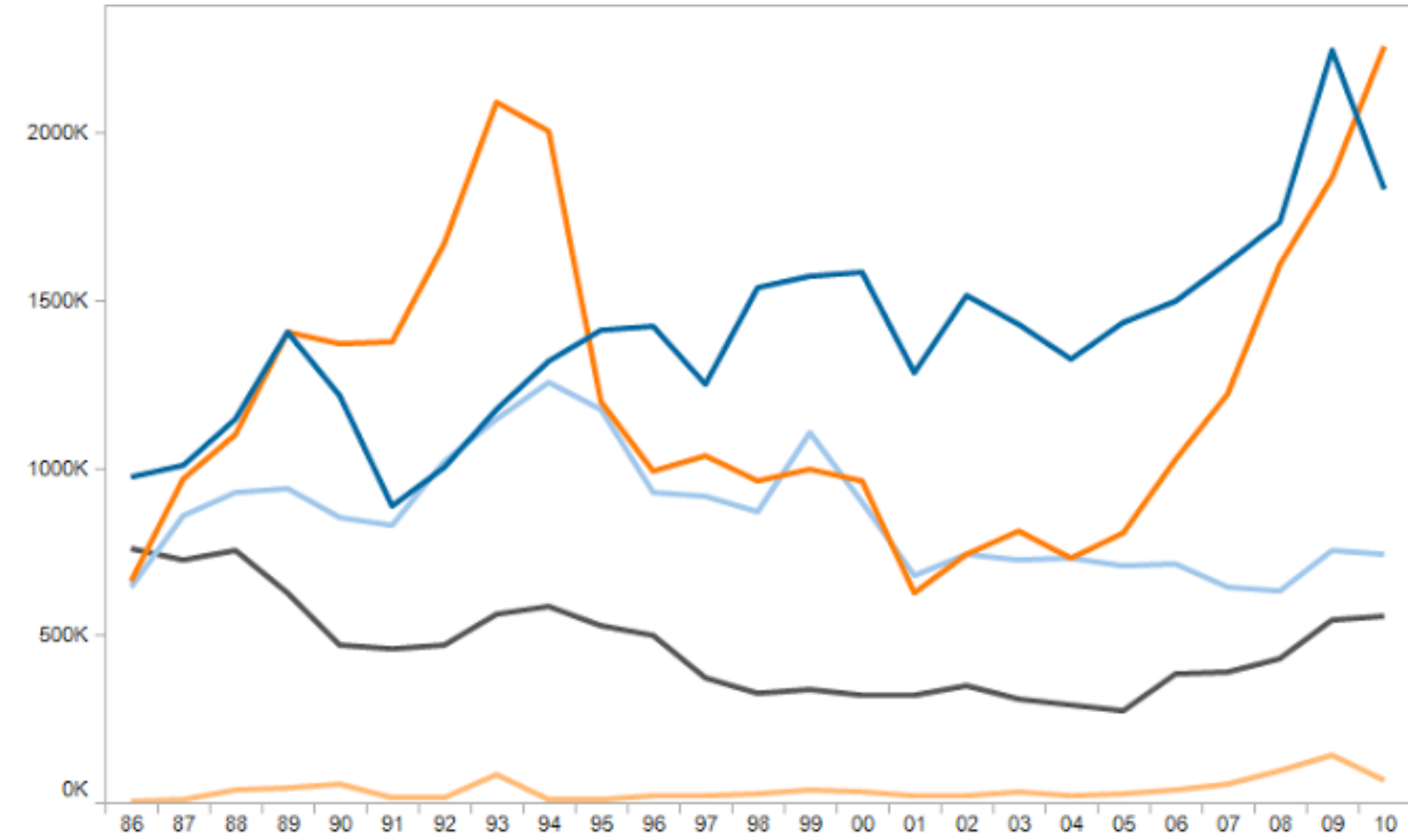
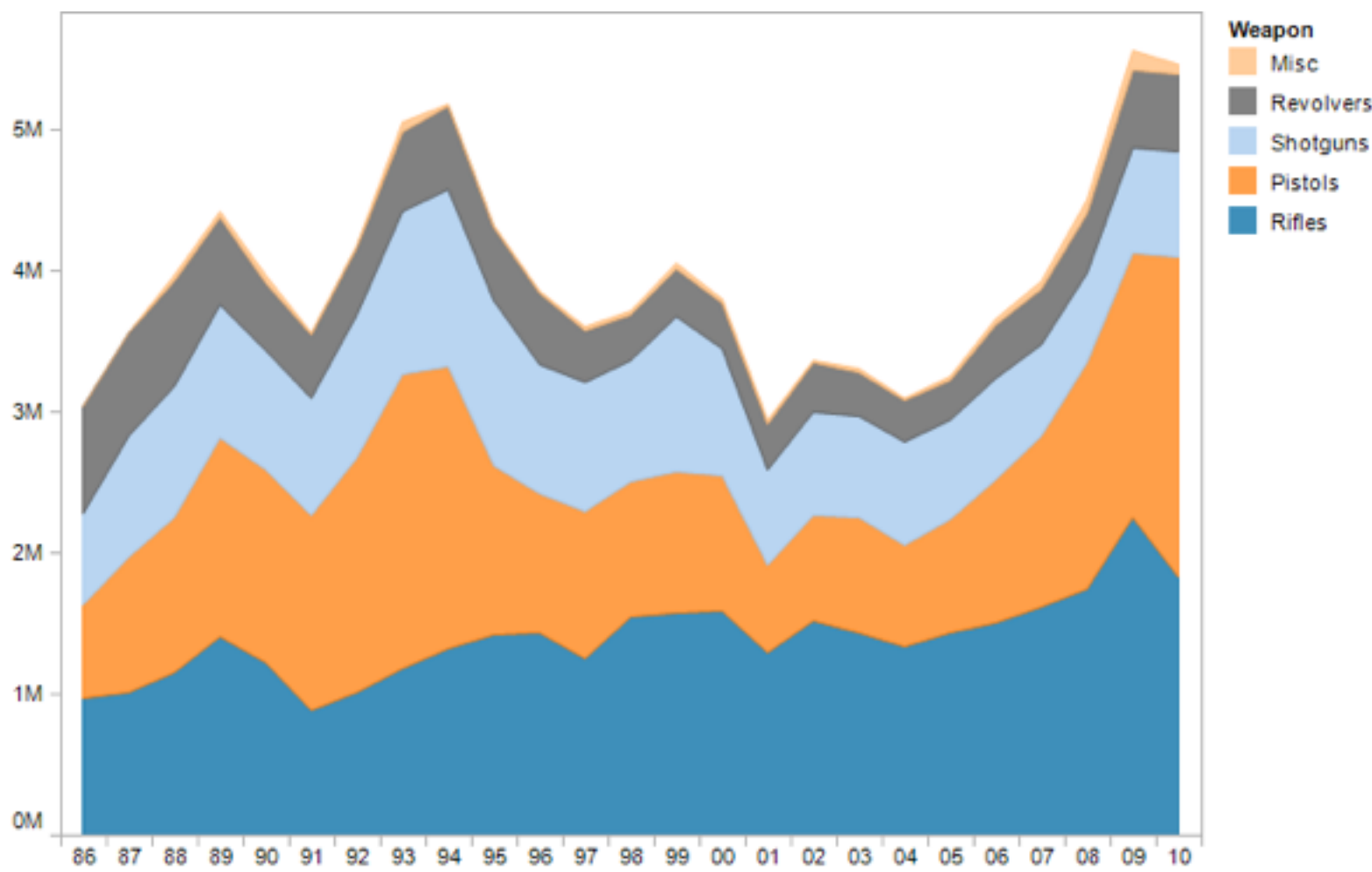
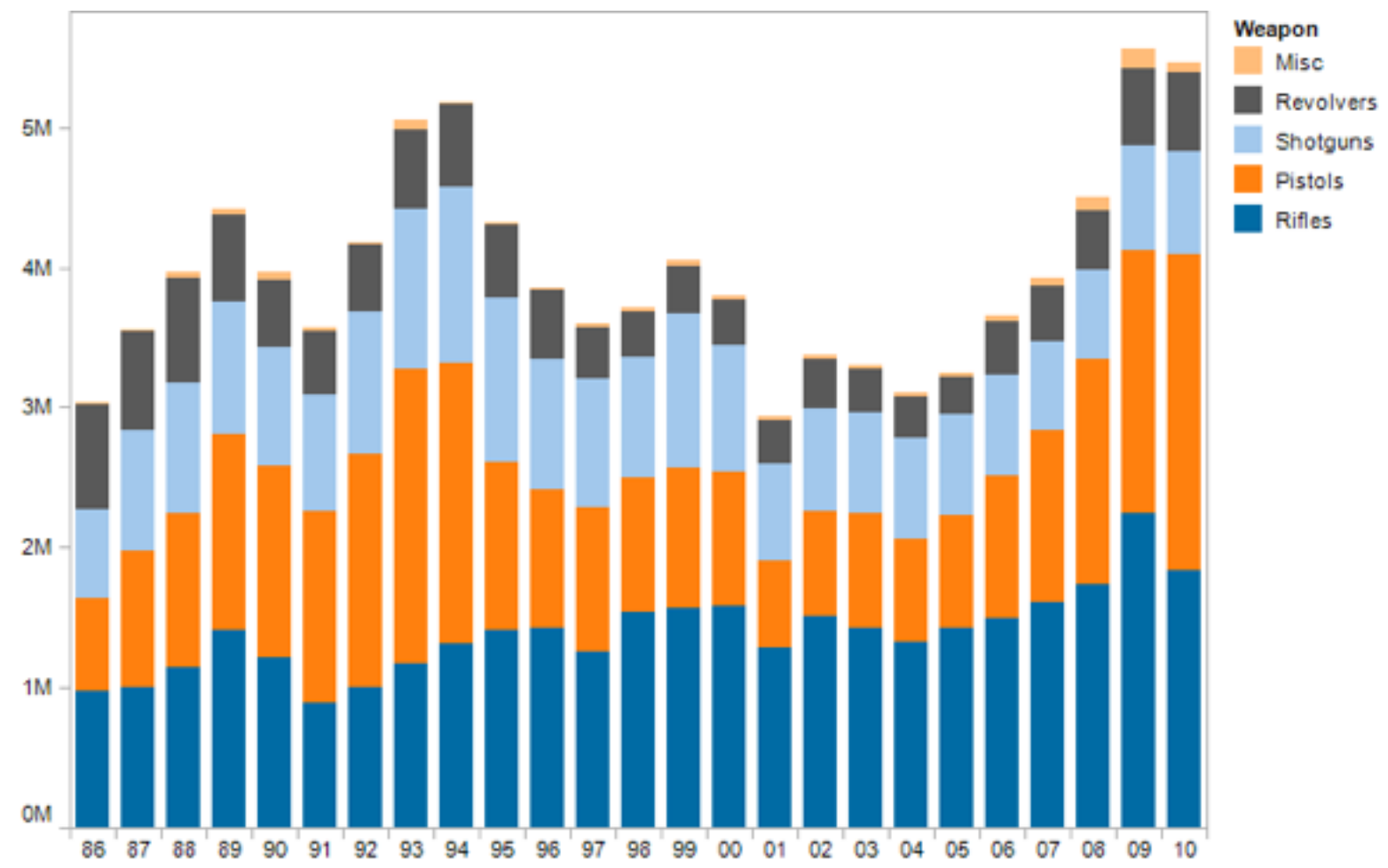


# 100% Stacked Area Chart



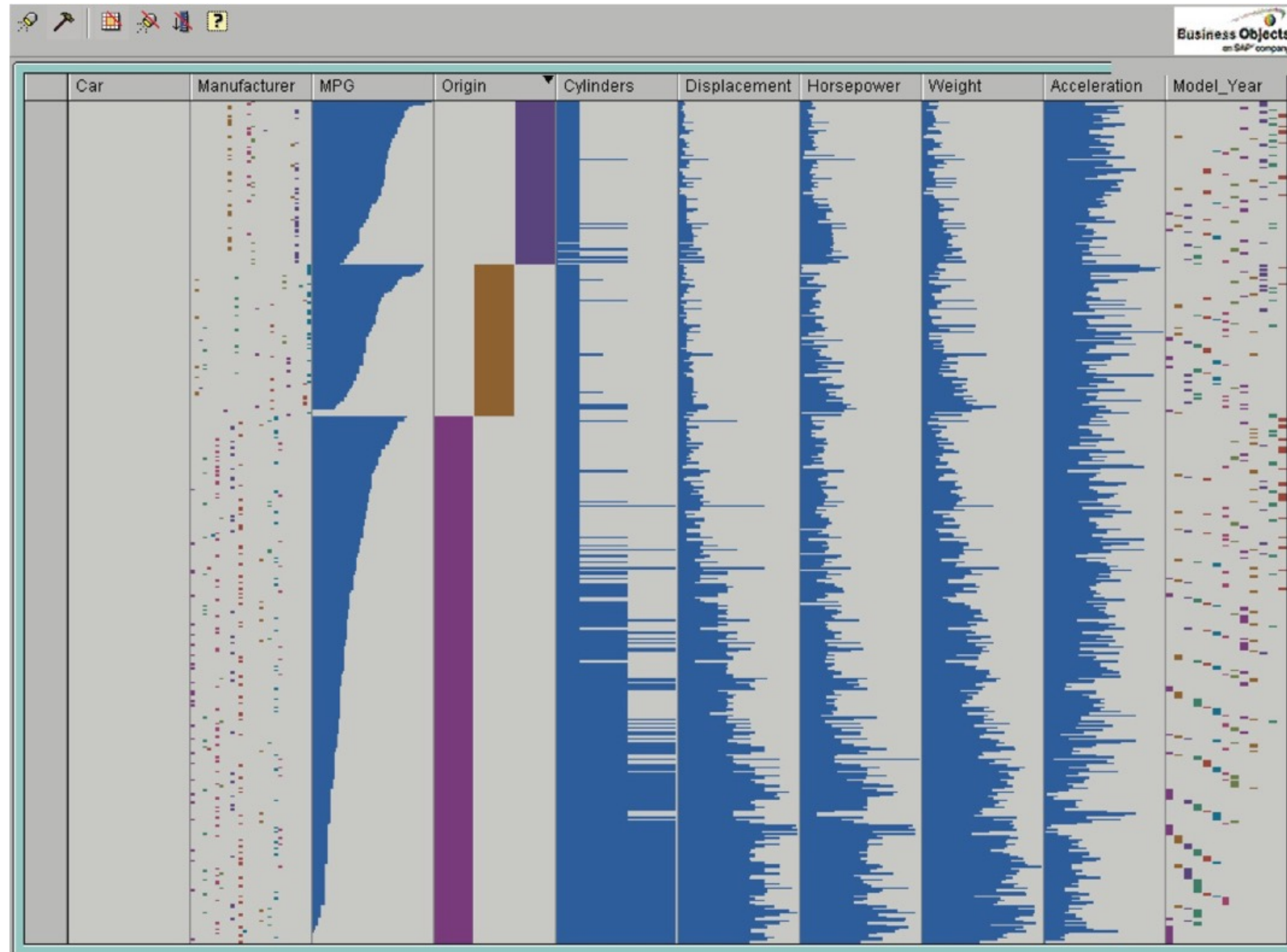
# Stacked Area vs. Line Graphs







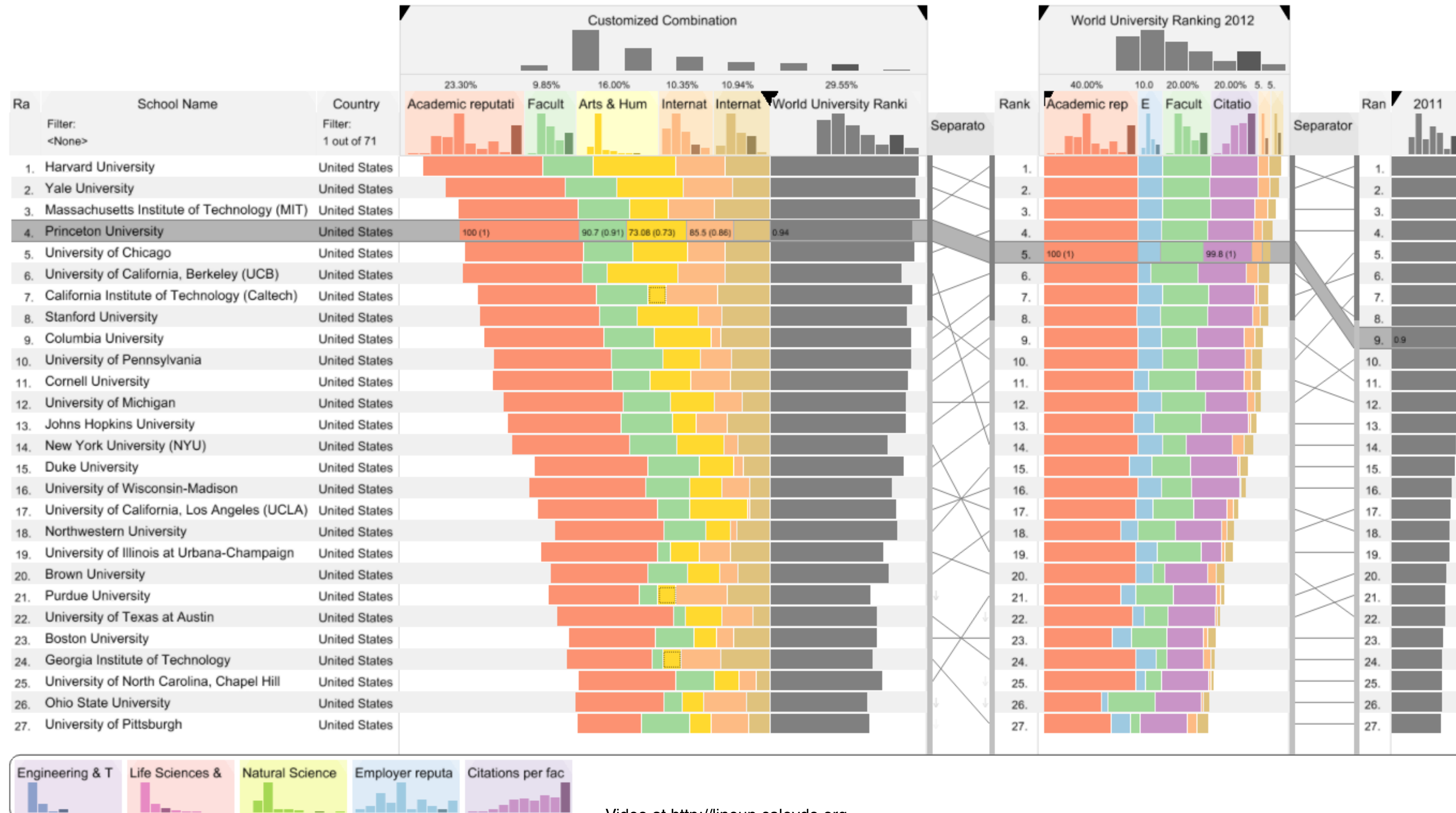
# Table Lens







# LineUp



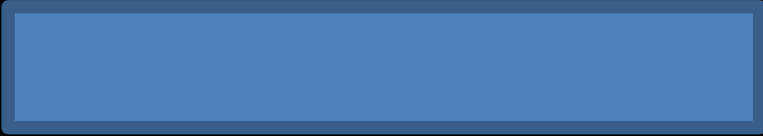








Rankings are popular





















Rank	University	Score
1.	MIT, USA	
2.	Harvard, U	
3.	Princeton,	
4.	Cambridge	
5.	Oxford, UK	 4.0



# Support Multiple Attributes

$$\text{Score} = f(A, B, C)$$

Rank	University	A	B	C
1.	MIT, USA			
2.	Harvard, USA		 	
3.	Princeton, US		 	
4.	Cambridge, U		 	
5.	Oxford, UK			

# Combiner functions: $f(A,B,C)$

(Weighted) sum

$$\text{Score} = w_a A + w_b B + w_c C$$

→ Serial

Maximum

$$\text{Score} = \max(A, B, C)$$

→ Parallel

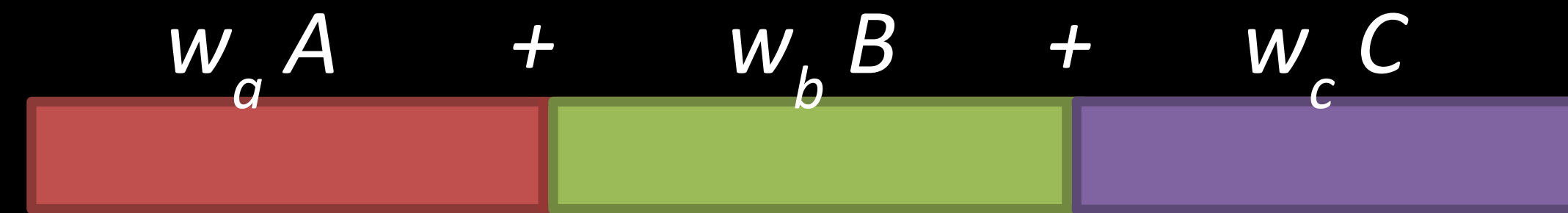
Product

Nesting

...

→ Complex  
Combiners

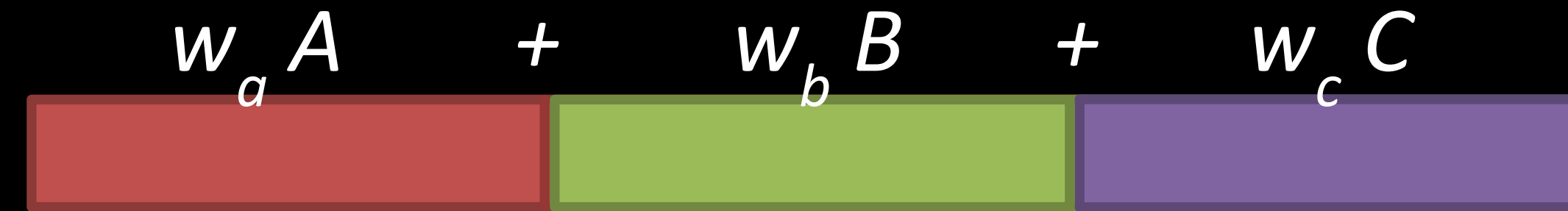
# Serial Combiner (as Stacked Bar)



Rank	University	A	B	C
1.	MIT, USA			
2.	Harvard, USA			
3.	Princeton, USA			
4.	Cambridge, UK			
5.	Oxford, UK			



# Serial Combiner (as Stacked Bar)



Rank	University	A	B	C
1.	MIT, USA	Large	Large	Large
2.	Harvard, USA	Large	Large	Large
3.	Princeton, USA	Medium	Large	Large
4.	Cambridge, UK	Large	Large	Small
5.	Oxford, UK	Large	Small	Small

# Serial Combiner (as Stacked Bar)

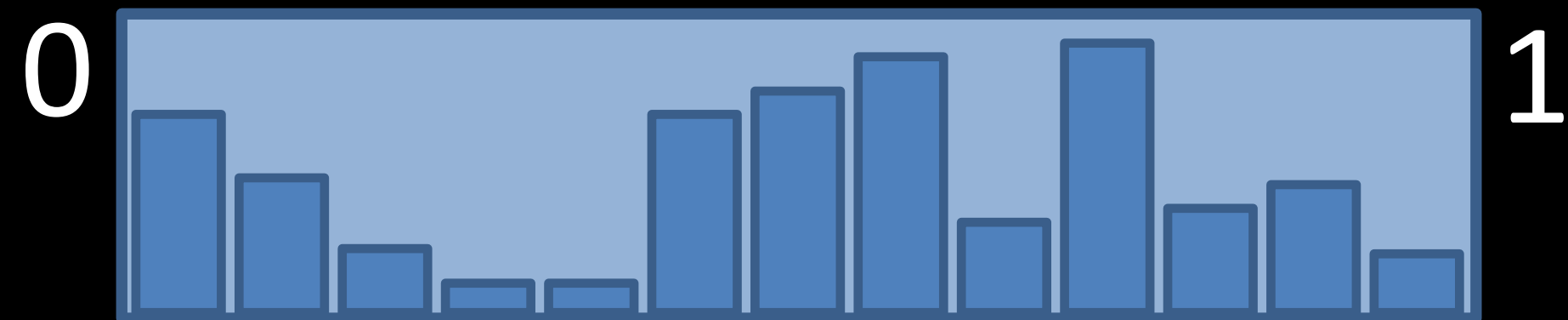
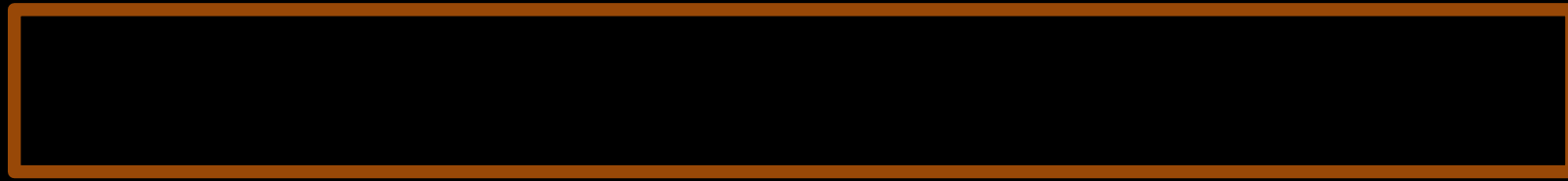


Rank	University	A	B	C
1.	MIT, USA	Large red segment	Medium green segment	Medium purple segment
2.	Harvard, USA	Large red segment	Medium green segment	Medium purple segment
3.	Princeton, USA	Medium red segment	Medium green segment	Medium purple segment
4.	Cambridge, UK	Large red segment	Small green segment	Small purple segment
5.	Oxford, UK	Large red segment	Very small green segment	Small purple segment

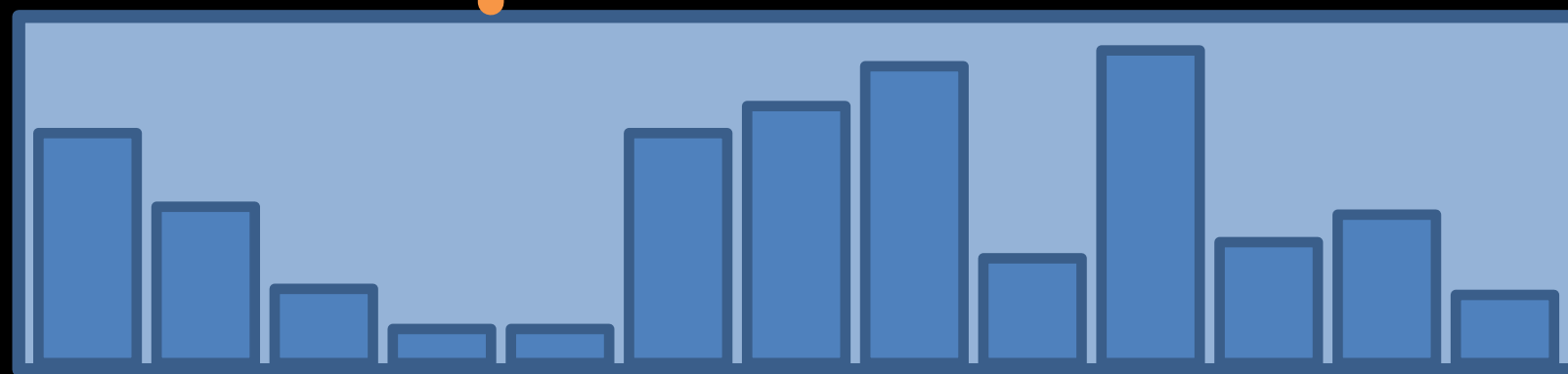
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	Filter: <None>	Filter: 2 out of 72			
1.	American University	United States			
2.	Arizona State University	United States			
3.	Aston University	United Kingdom			
4.	Birkbeck College, University of L	United Kingdom			
5.	Boston College	United States			
6.	Boston University	United States			
7.	Brandeis University	United States			
8.	Brown University	United States			
9.	Brunel University	United Kingdom			
10.	California Institute of Technology	United States			
11.	Cardiff University	United Kingdom			
12.	Case Western Reserve University	United States			
13.	City University London	United Kingdom			
14.	College of William & Mary	United States			
15.	Colorado State University	United States			
16.	Columbia University	United States			
17.	Cornell University	United States			
18.	Cranfield University	United Kingdom			
19.	Dartmouth College	United States			
20.	Drexel University	United States			
21.	Duke University	United States			
22.	Durham University	United Kingdom			

# Flexible Mapping of Attributes to Scores

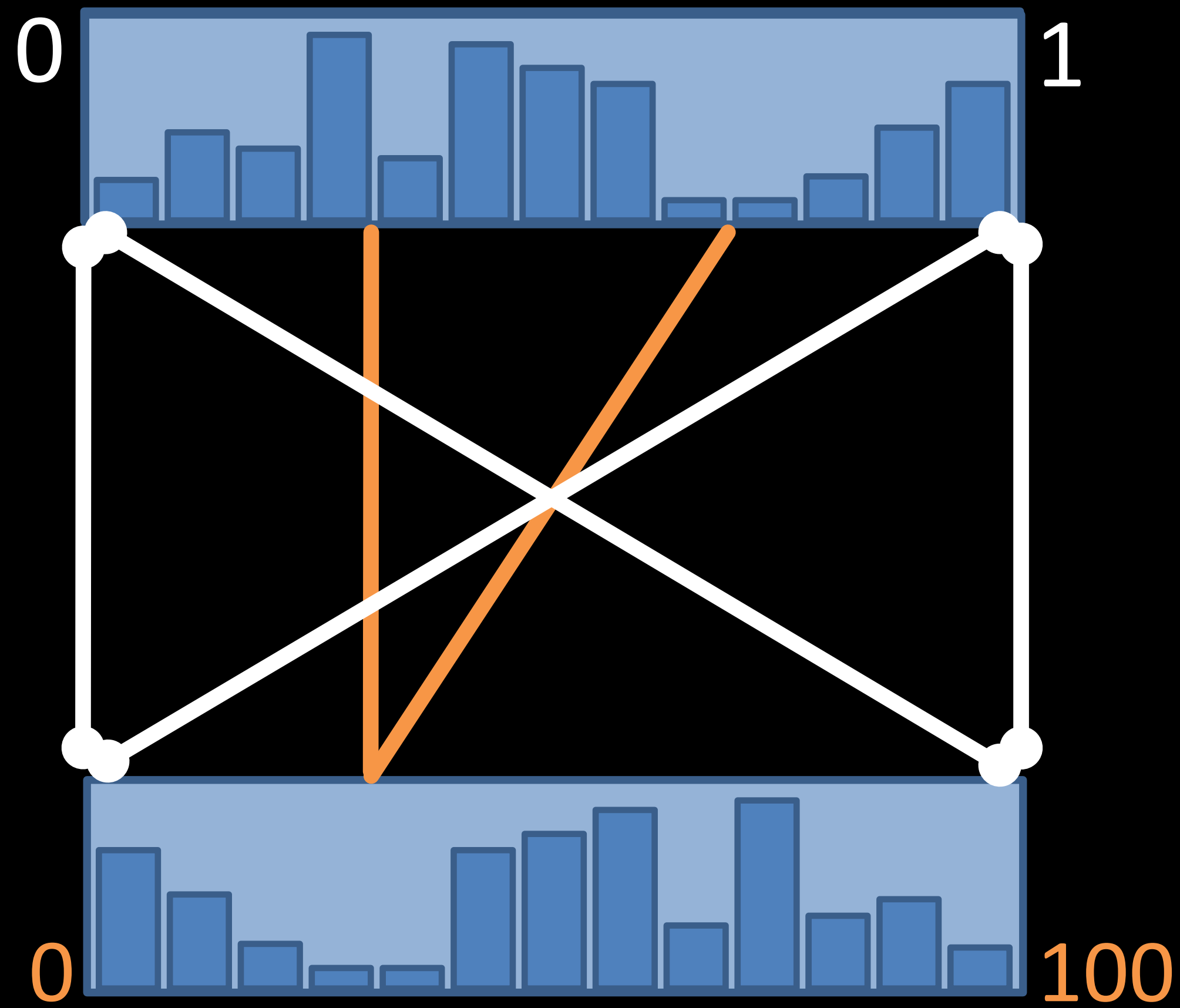


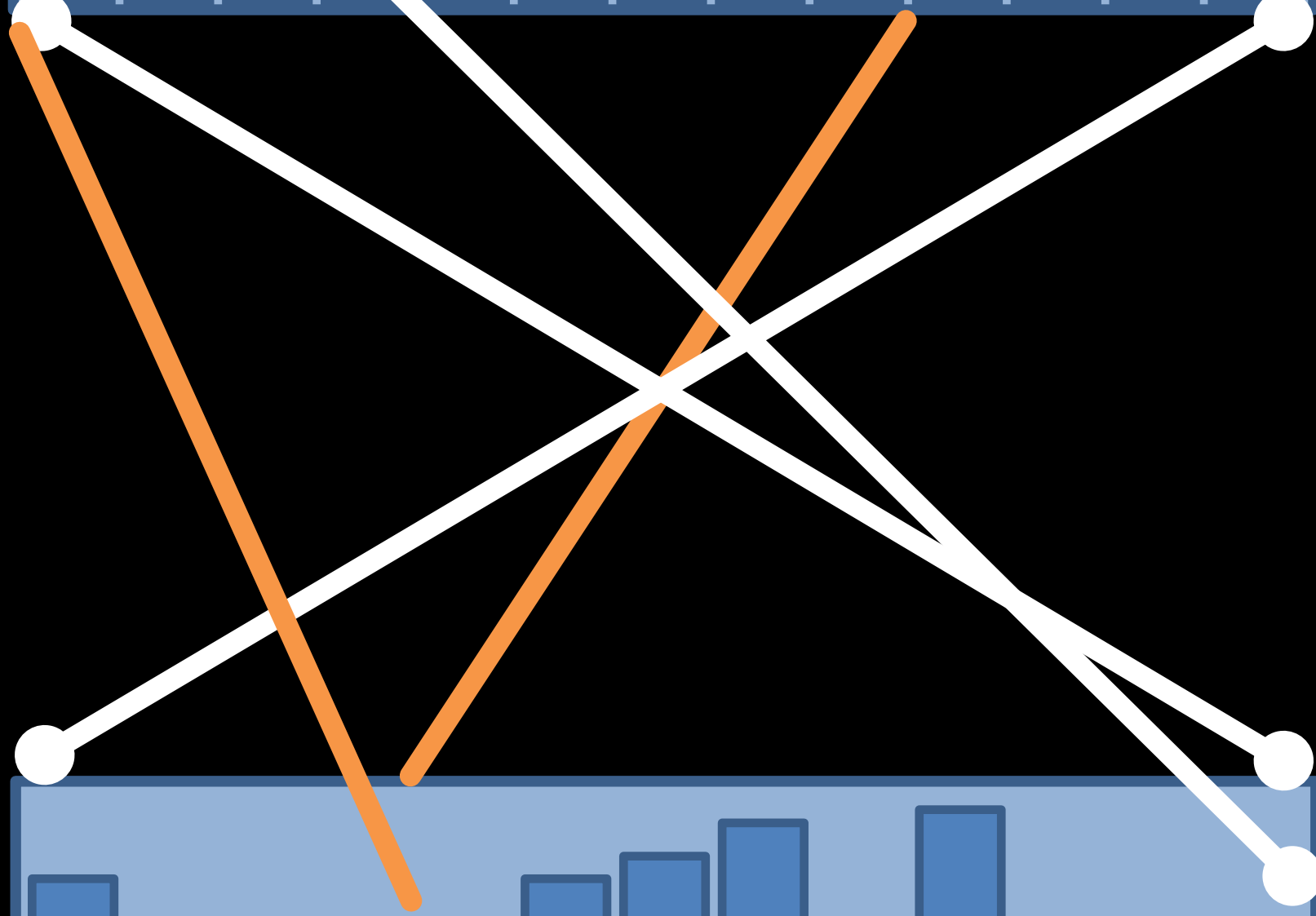
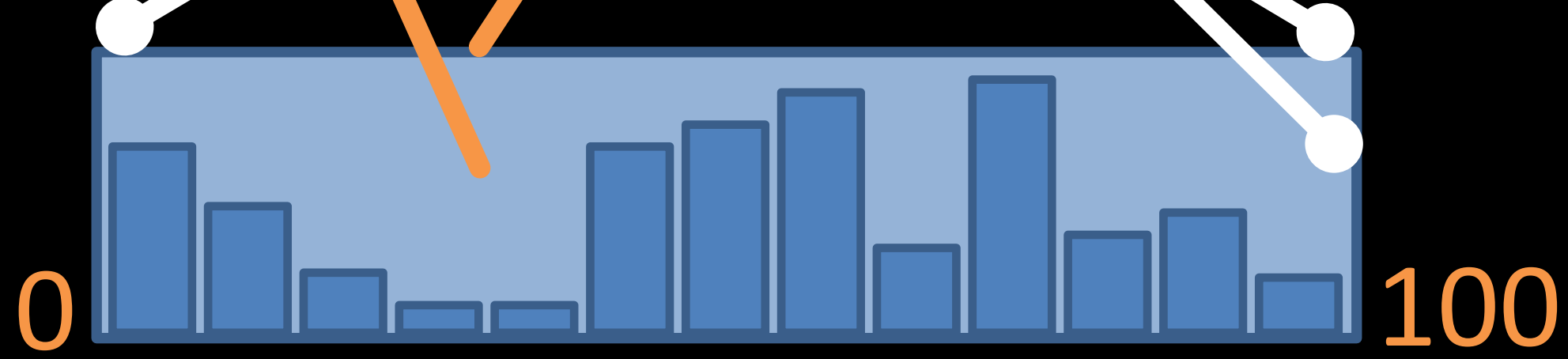
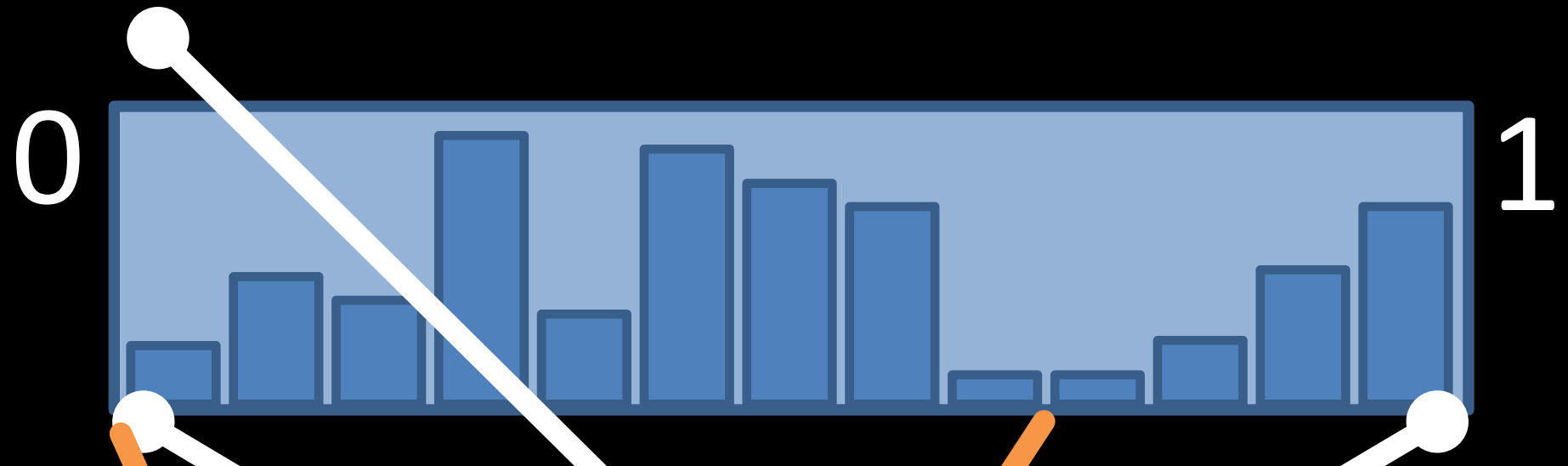


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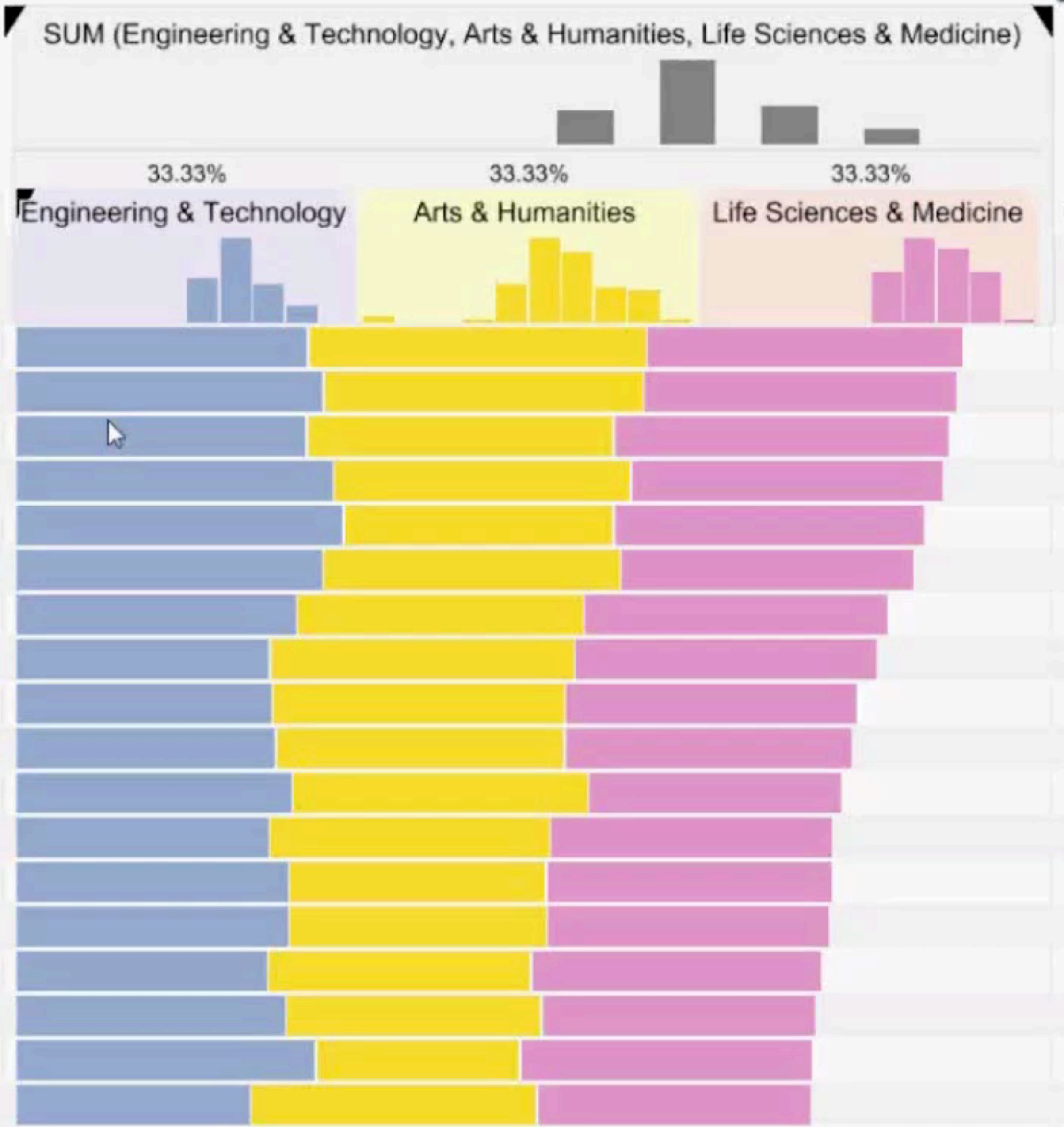


Max





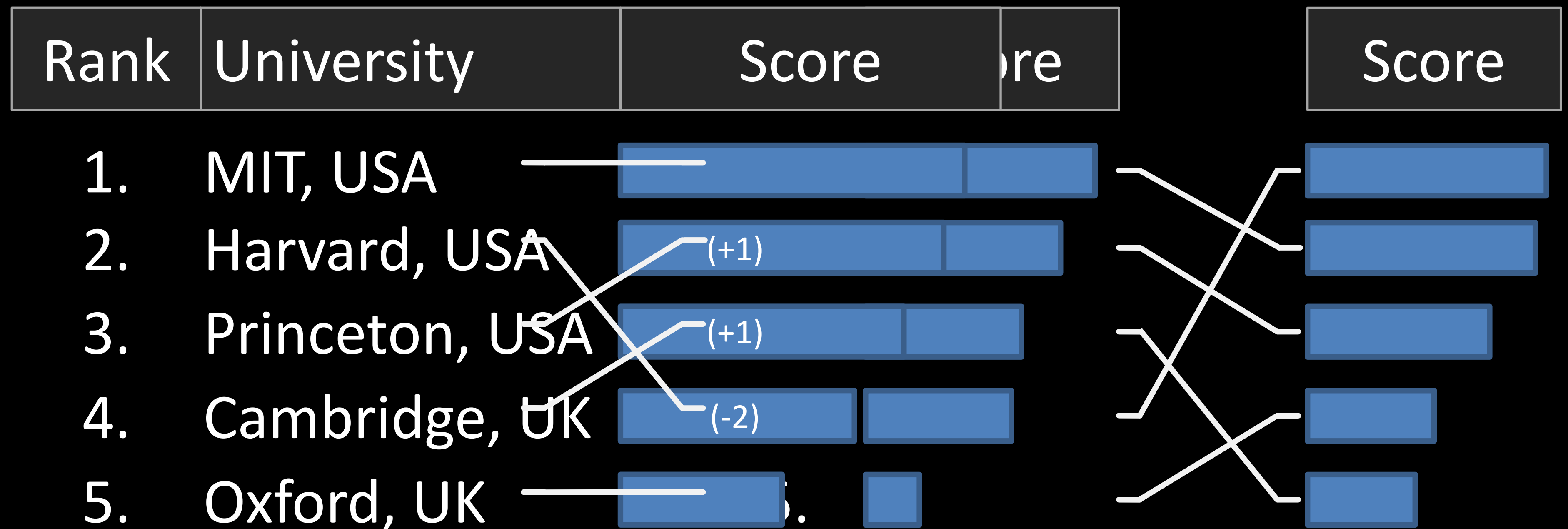
Ran	School Name	Country
	Filter: <None>	Filter: 2 out of 43
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2.	University of Cambridge	United Kingdom
3.	Harvard University	United States
4.	Stanford University	United States
5.	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	United States
6.	University of California, Berkeley (UCB)	United States
7.	University of California, Los Angeles (UCL)	United States
8.	Yale University	United States
9.	UCL (University College London)	United Kingdom
10.	Columbia University	United States
11.	Princeton University	United States
12.	University of Edinburgh	United Kingdom
13.	University of Michigan	United States
14.	Cornell University	United States
15.	University of Pennsylvania	United States
16.	The University of Manchester	United Kingdom
17.	Imperial College London	United Kingdom
18.	University of Chicago	United States



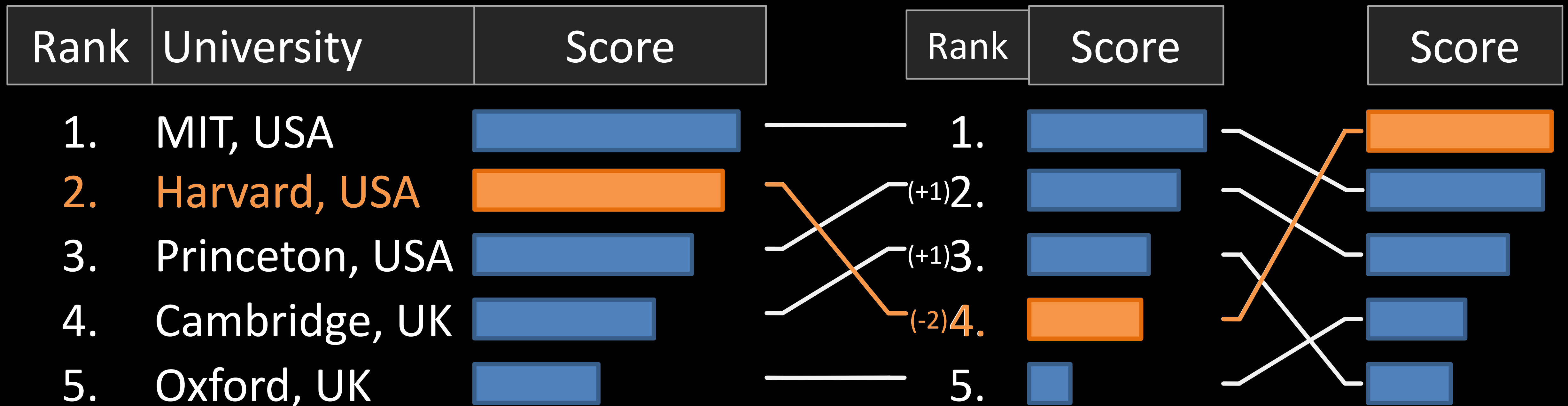


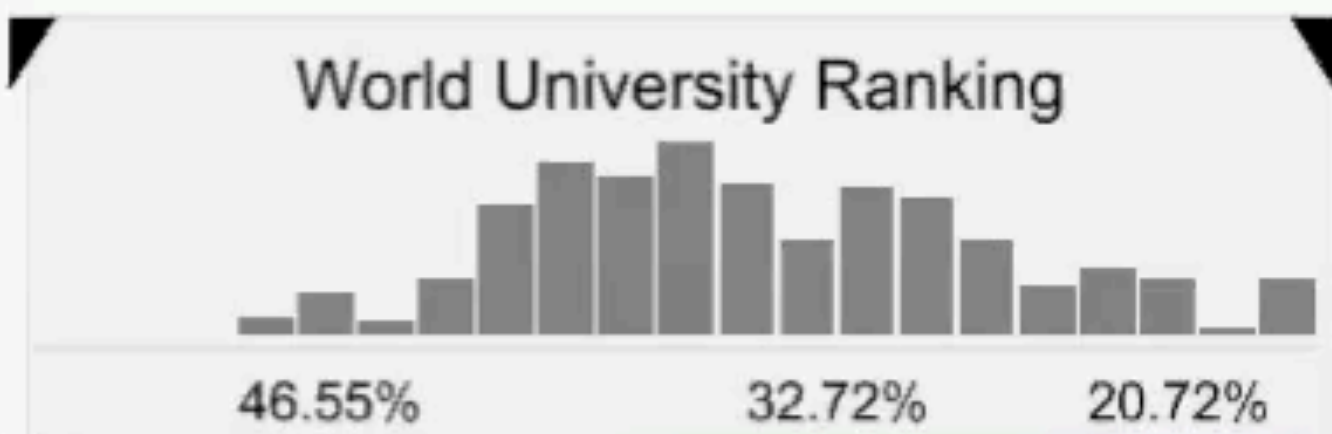
# Compare Rankings

# Bump Charts

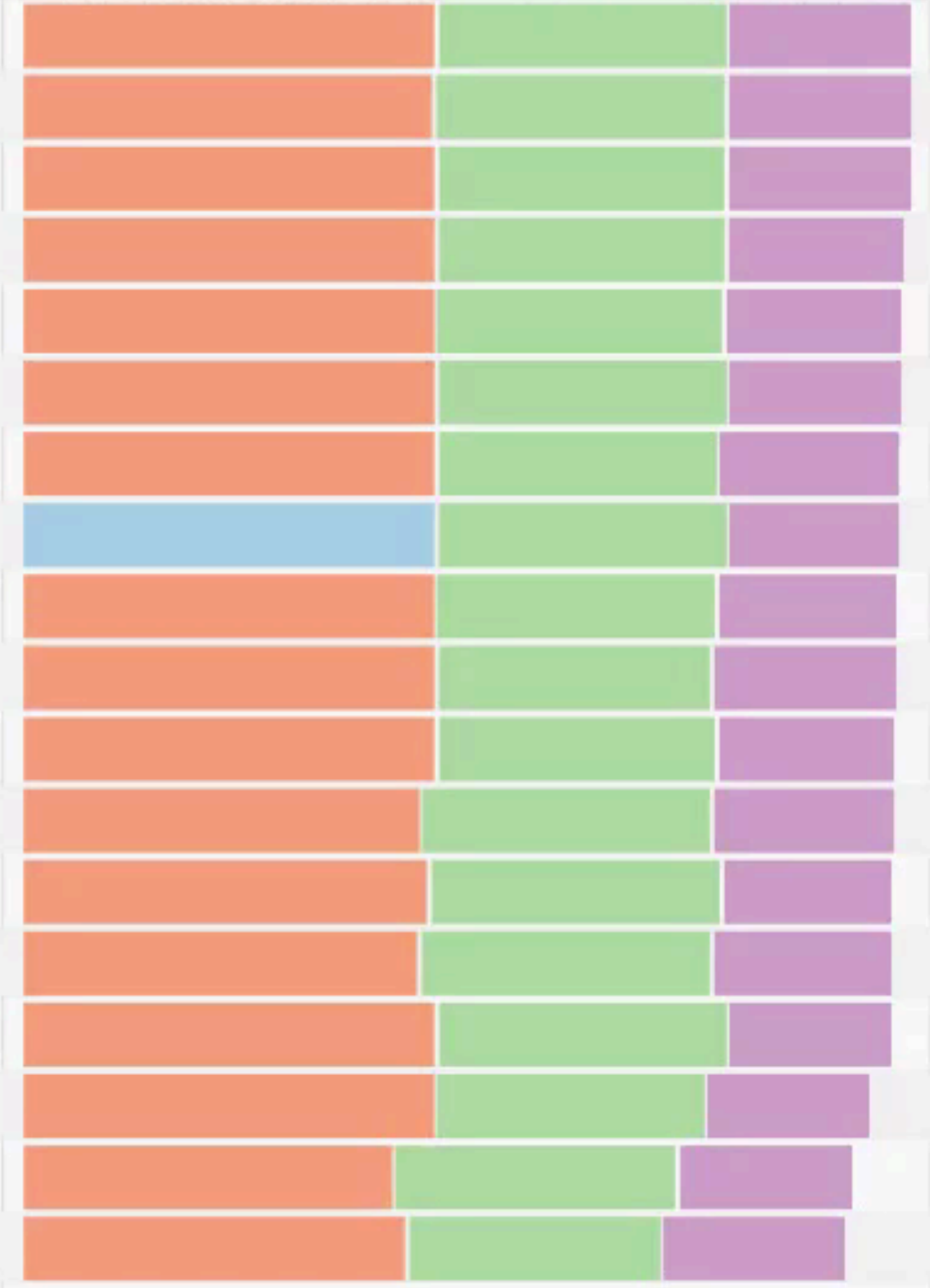


# Bump Charts





Rank	School Name
	Filter: <None>
1.	Massachusetts Institute of Te
2.	California Institute of Technol
3.	Harvard University
4.	University of Cambridge
5.	UCL (University College Lond
6.	University of Oxford
7.	Princeton University
8.	Imperial College London
9.	University of Chicago
10.	Stanford University
11.	Columbia University
12.	Duke University
13.	University of Pennsylvania
14.	Johns Hopkins University
15.	Yale University
16.	University of Michigan
17.	Ecole normale supérieure, Pa
18.	Northwestern University





**<http://lineup.caleydo.org>**

# Pixel Based Displays

Each cell is a “pixel”, value encoded in color / value

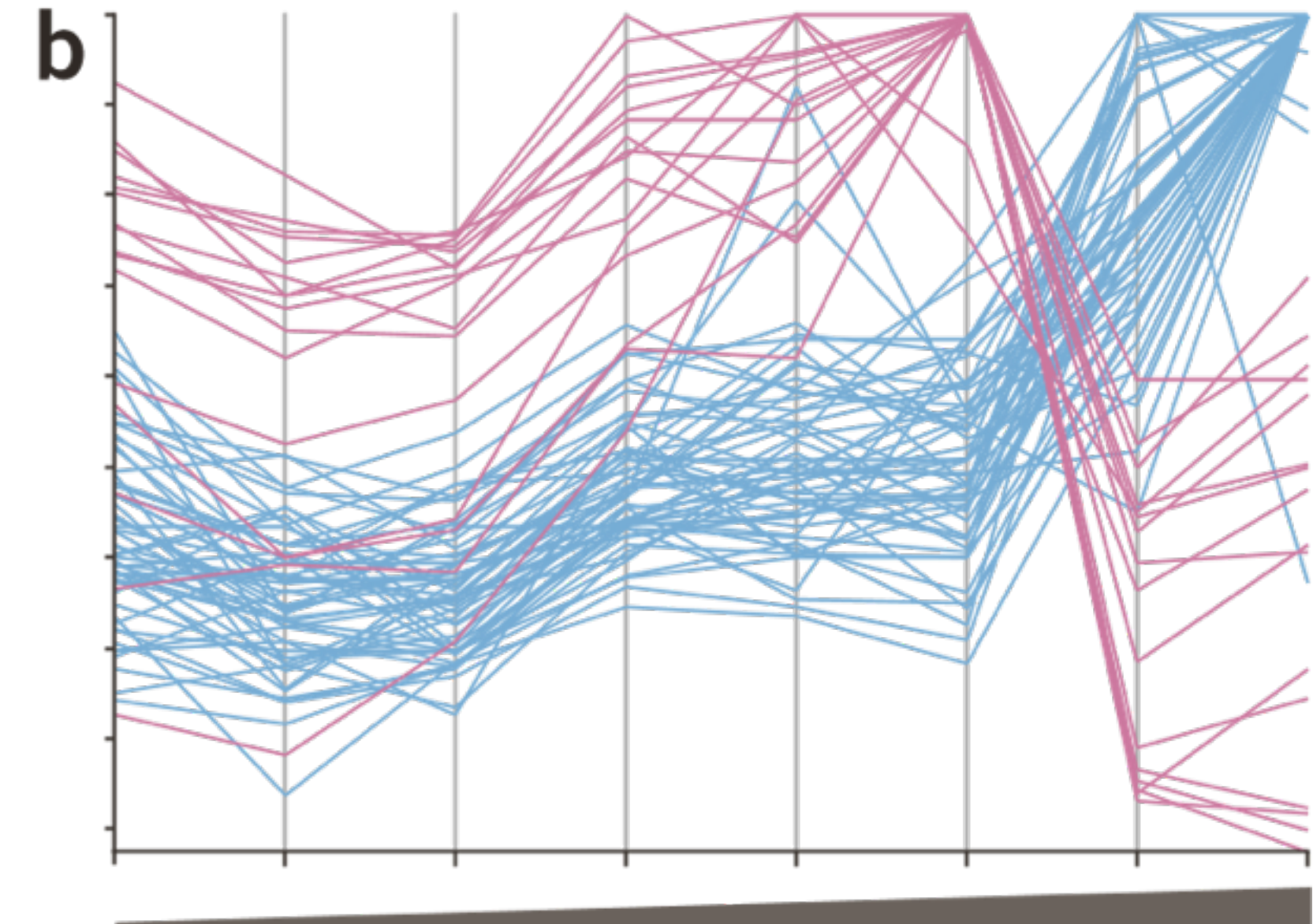
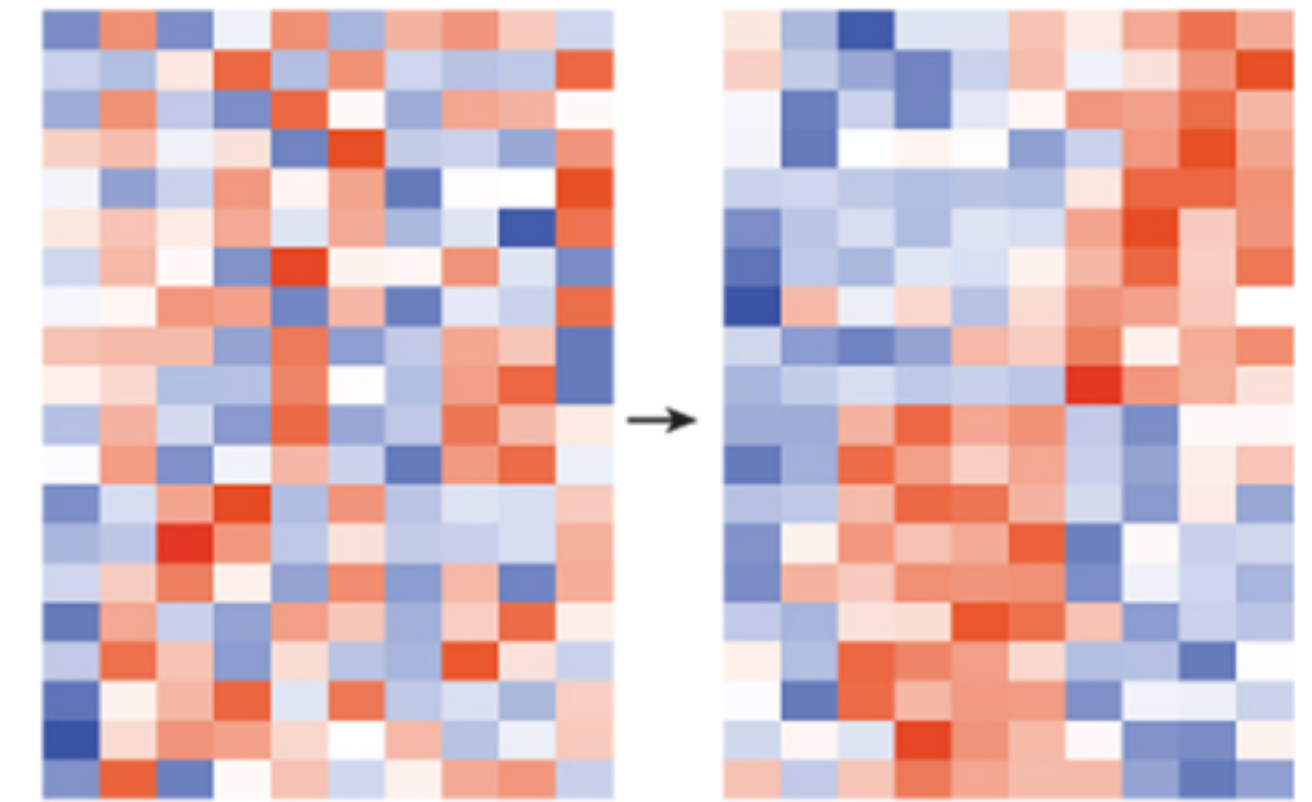
Ordering critical for interpretation

If no ordering inherent, clustering is used

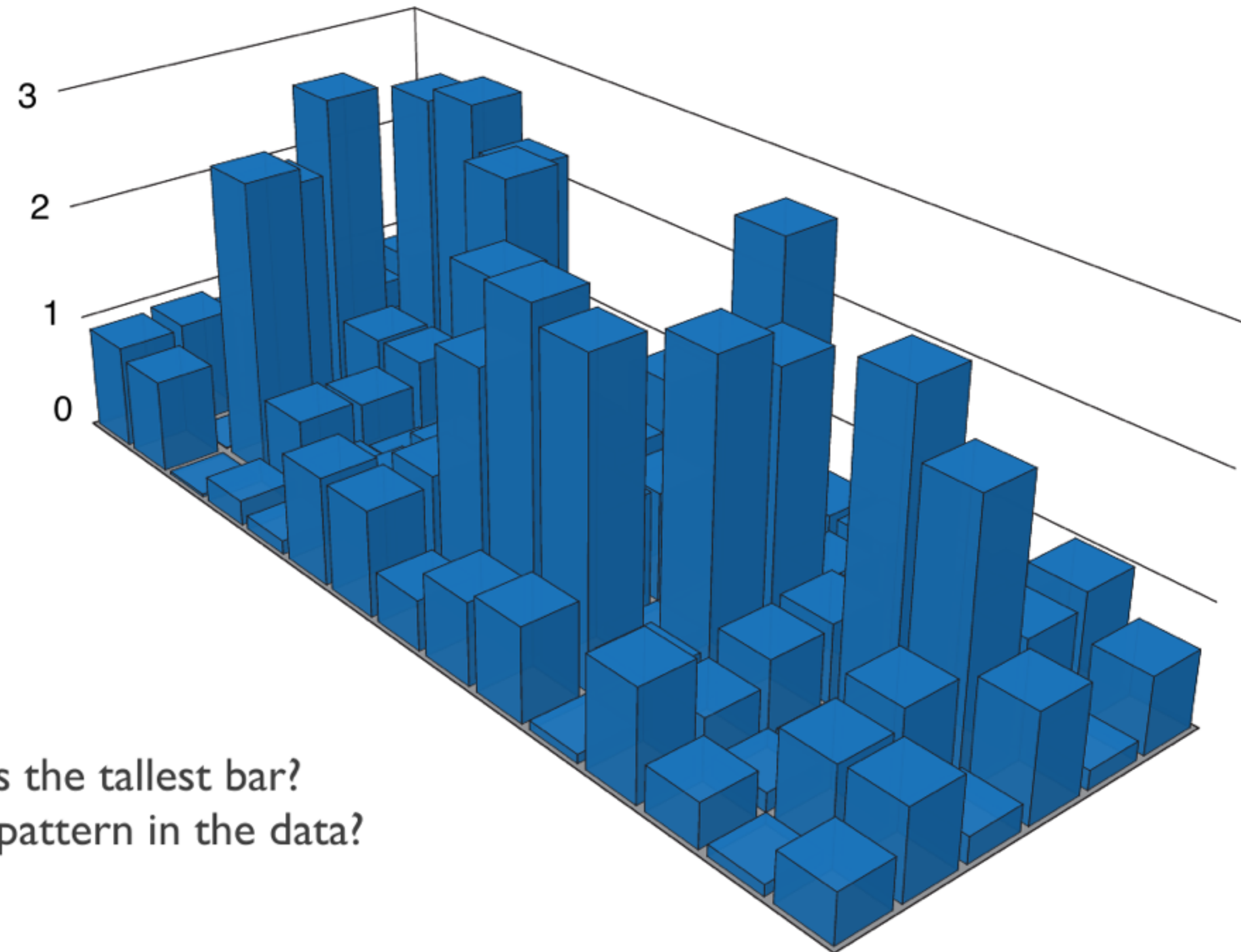
Scalable – 1 px per item

Good for homogeneous data

same scale & type



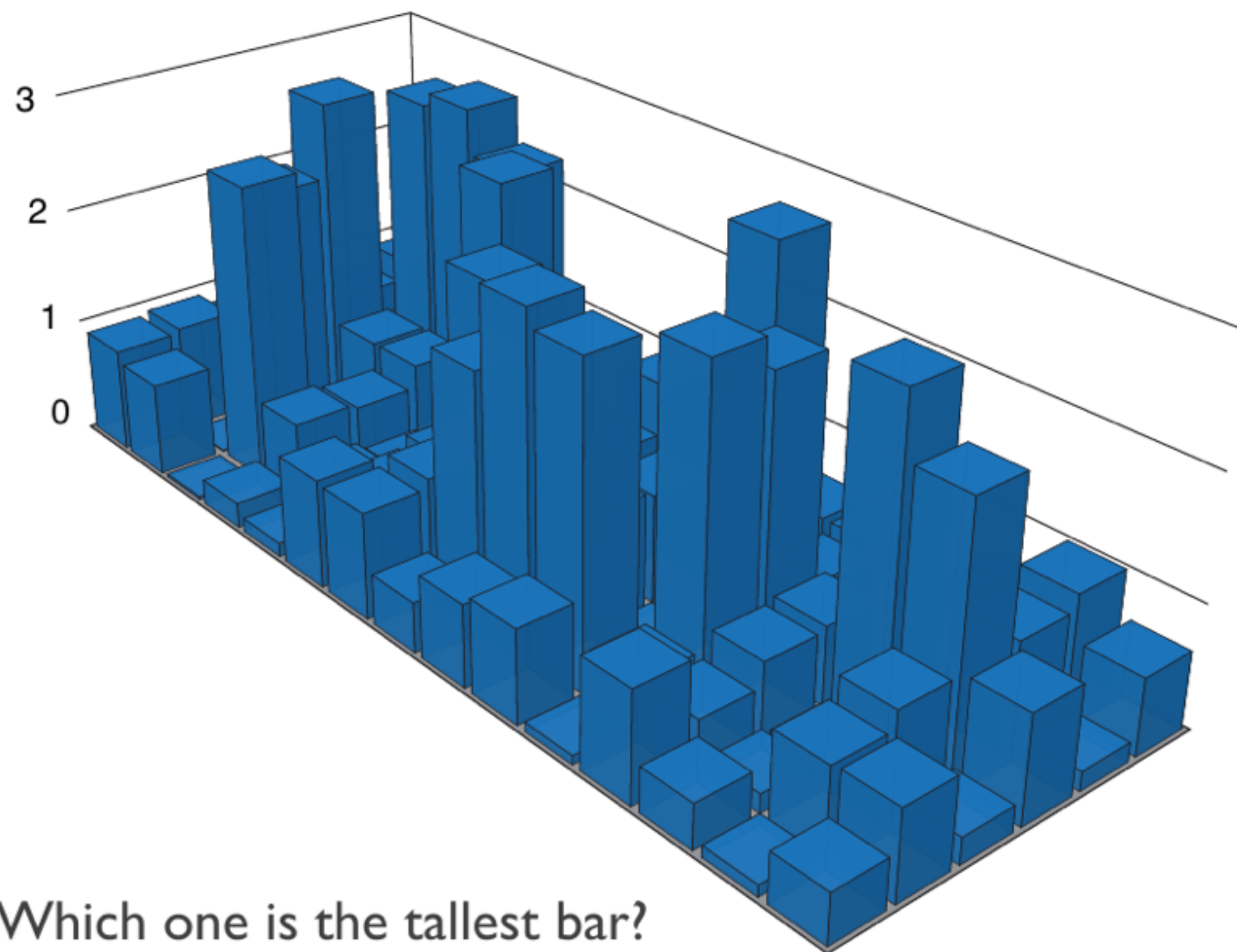
# 3D Pitfall: Occlusion & Perspective



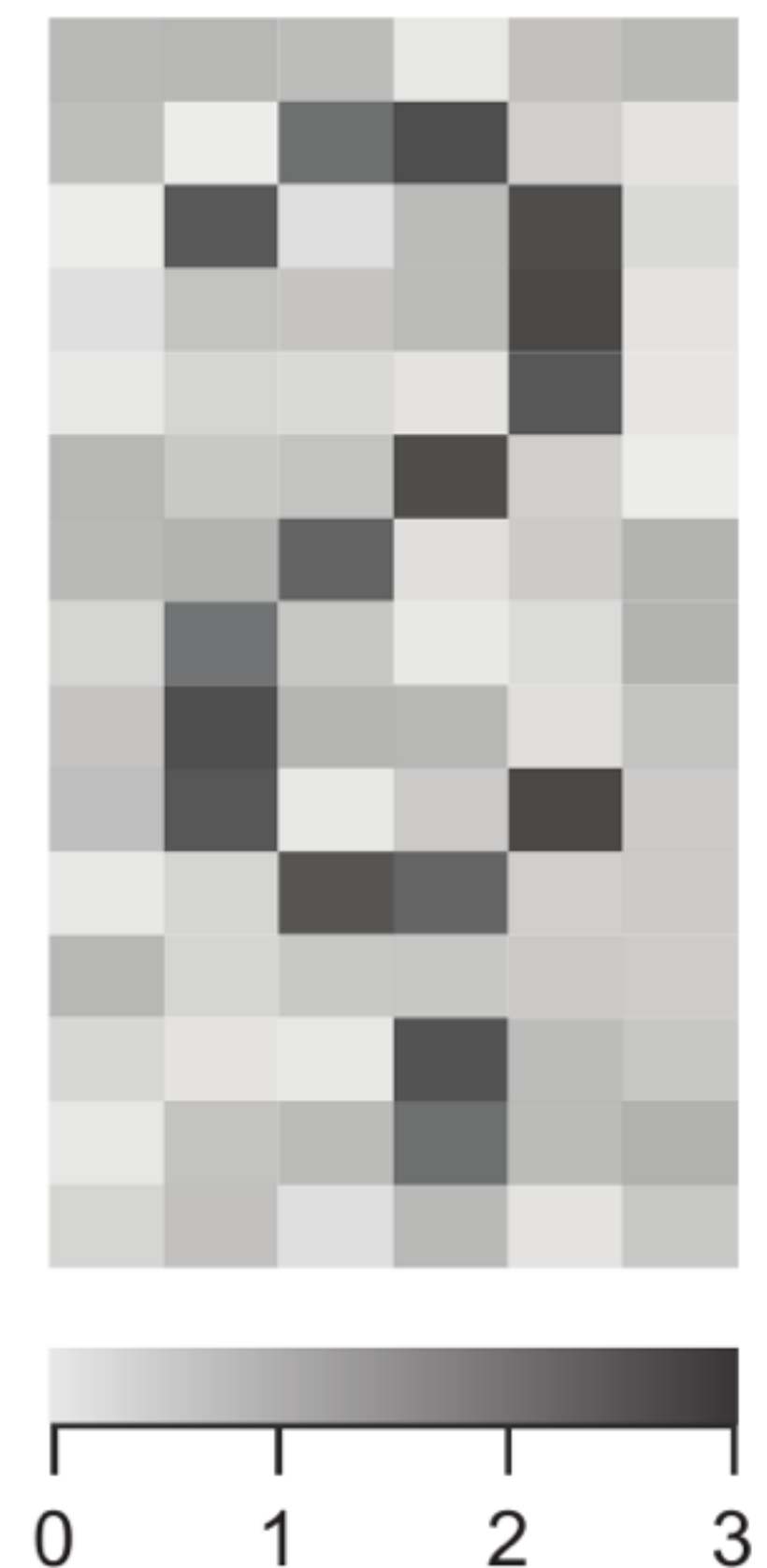
Which one is the tallest bar?  
What is the pattern in the data?



# 3D Pitfall: Occlusion & Perspective

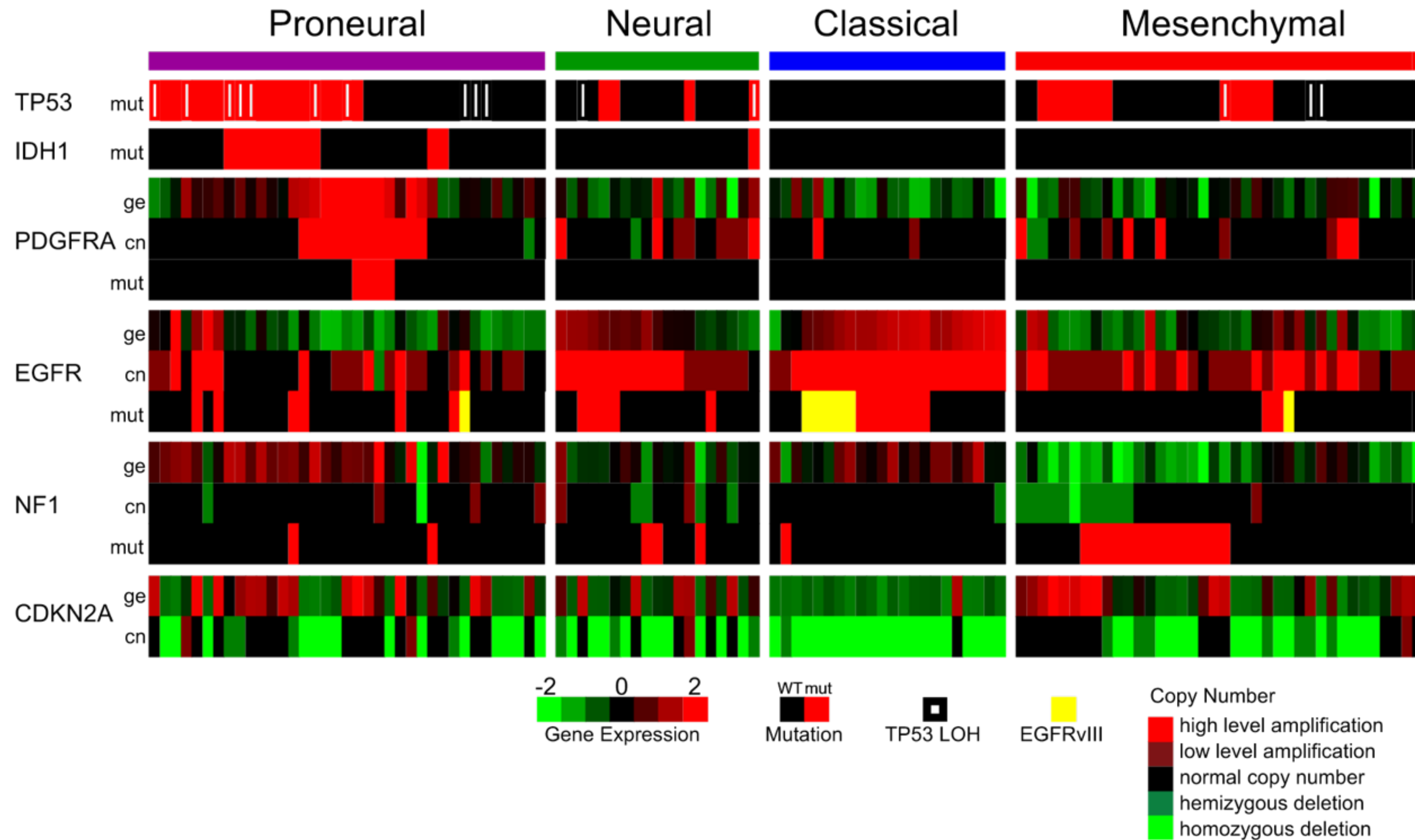


Which one is the tallest bar?  
What is the pattern in the data?

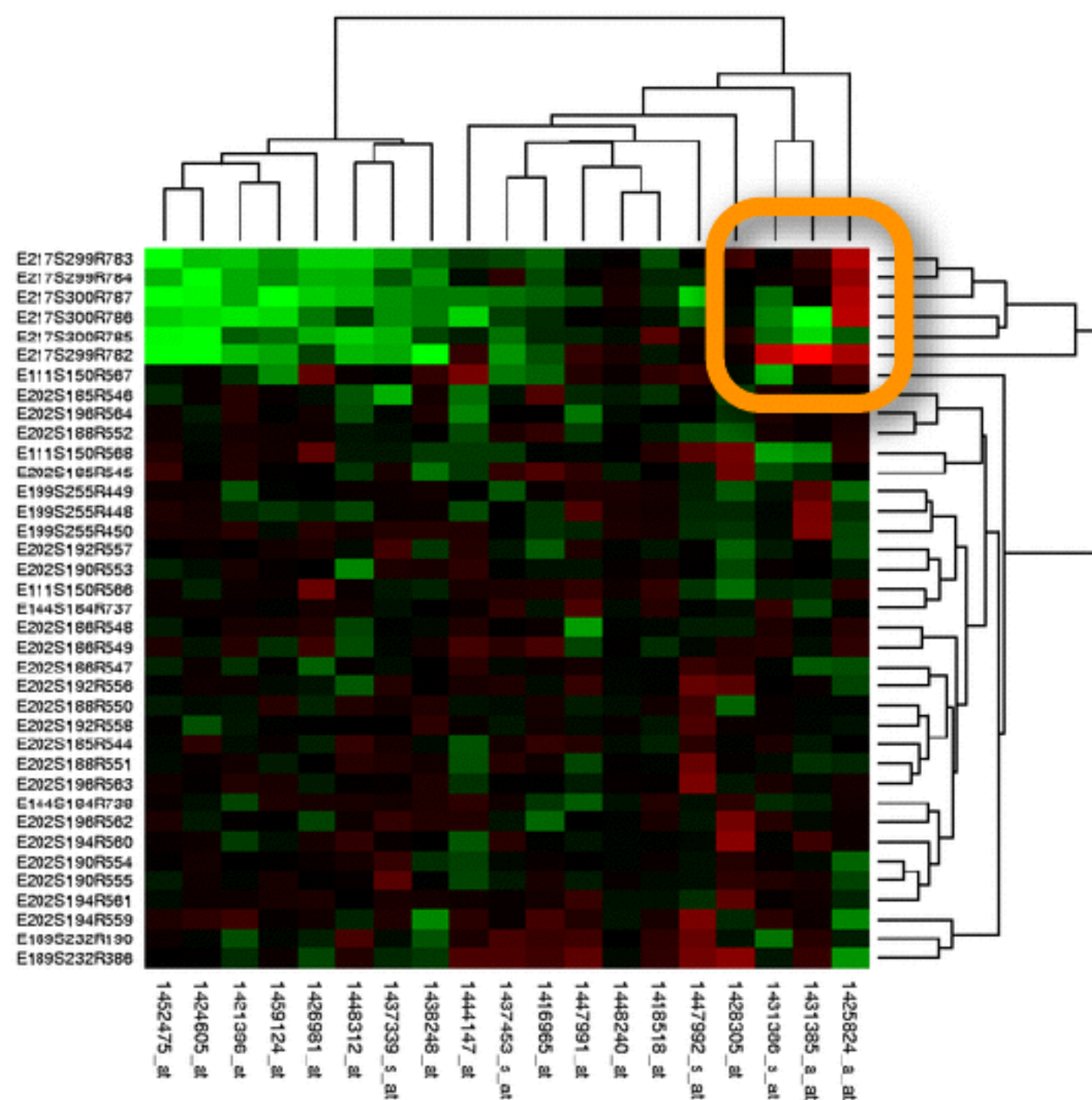




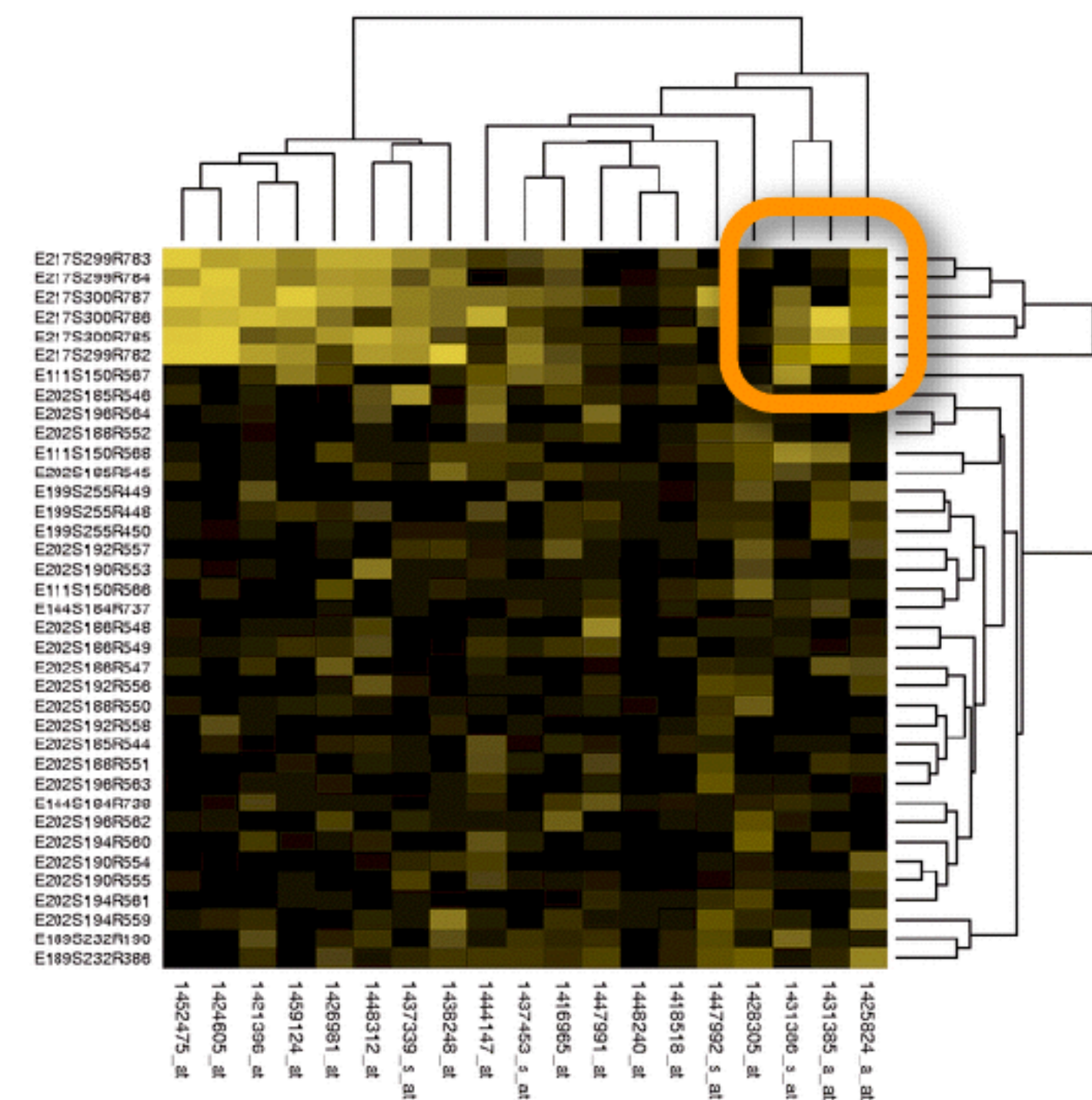
# Heterogeneous Data?



# Bad Color Mapping

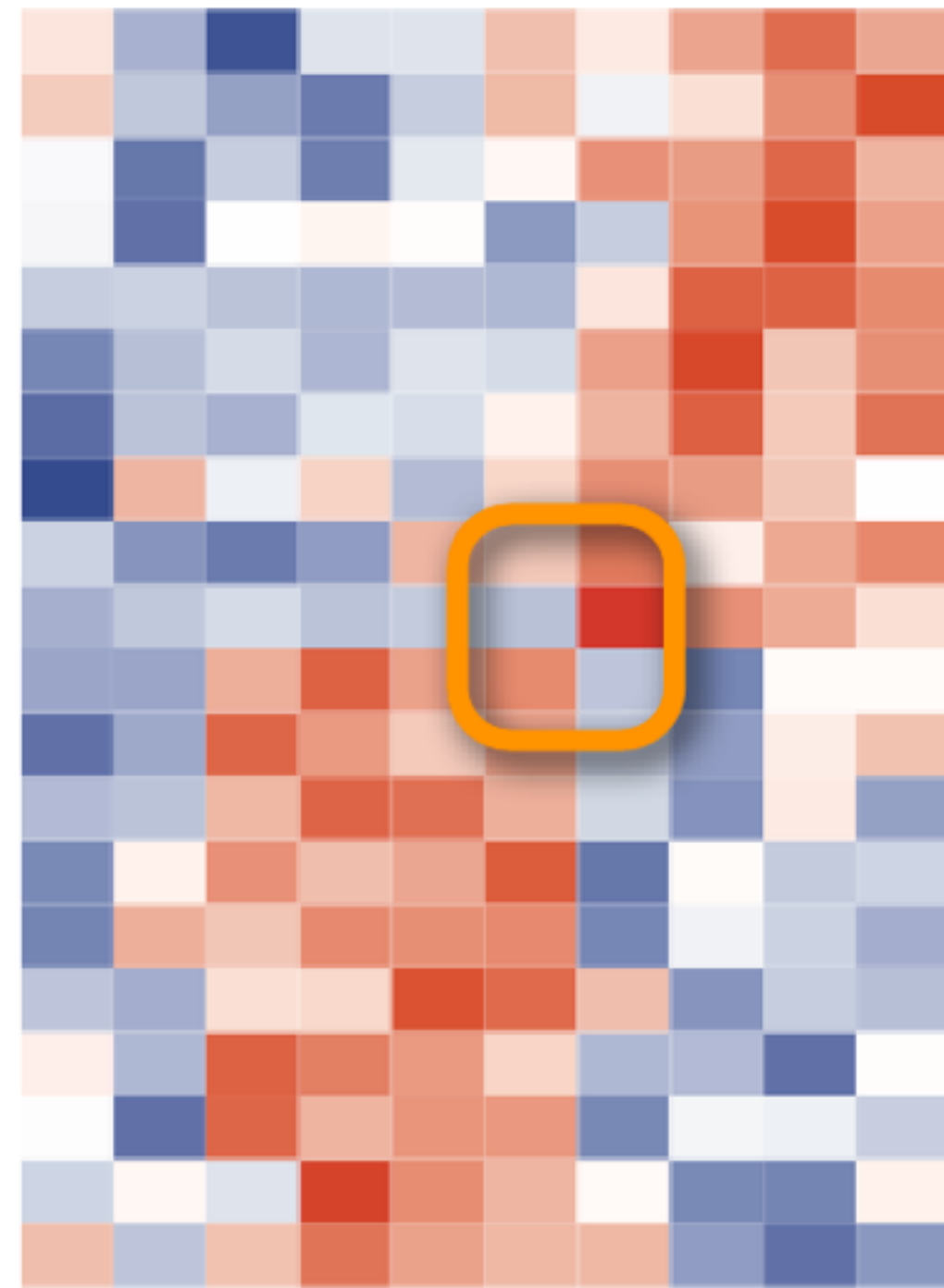


Normal Vision

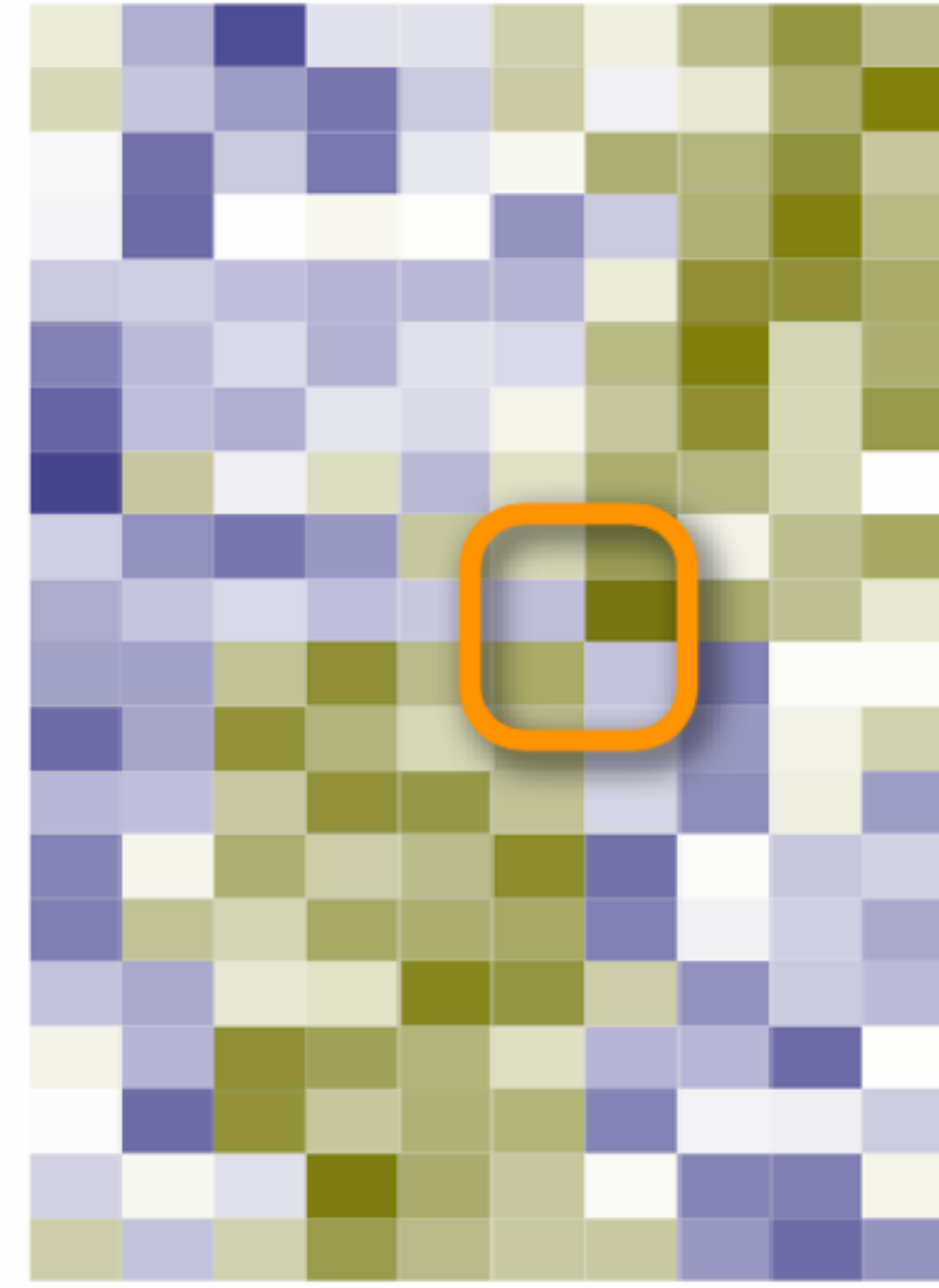


Deuteranope Vision  
("Red-Green Blindness")

# Good Color Mapping

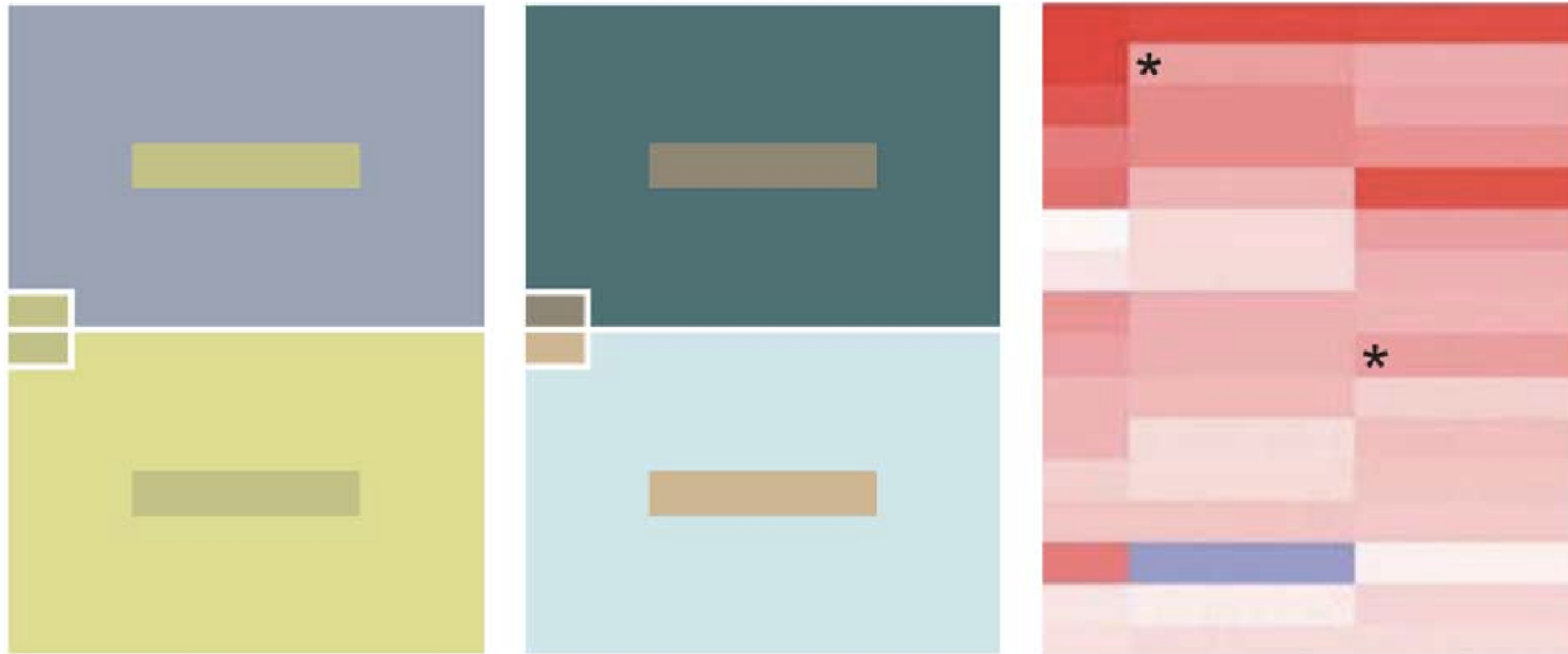


Normal Vision



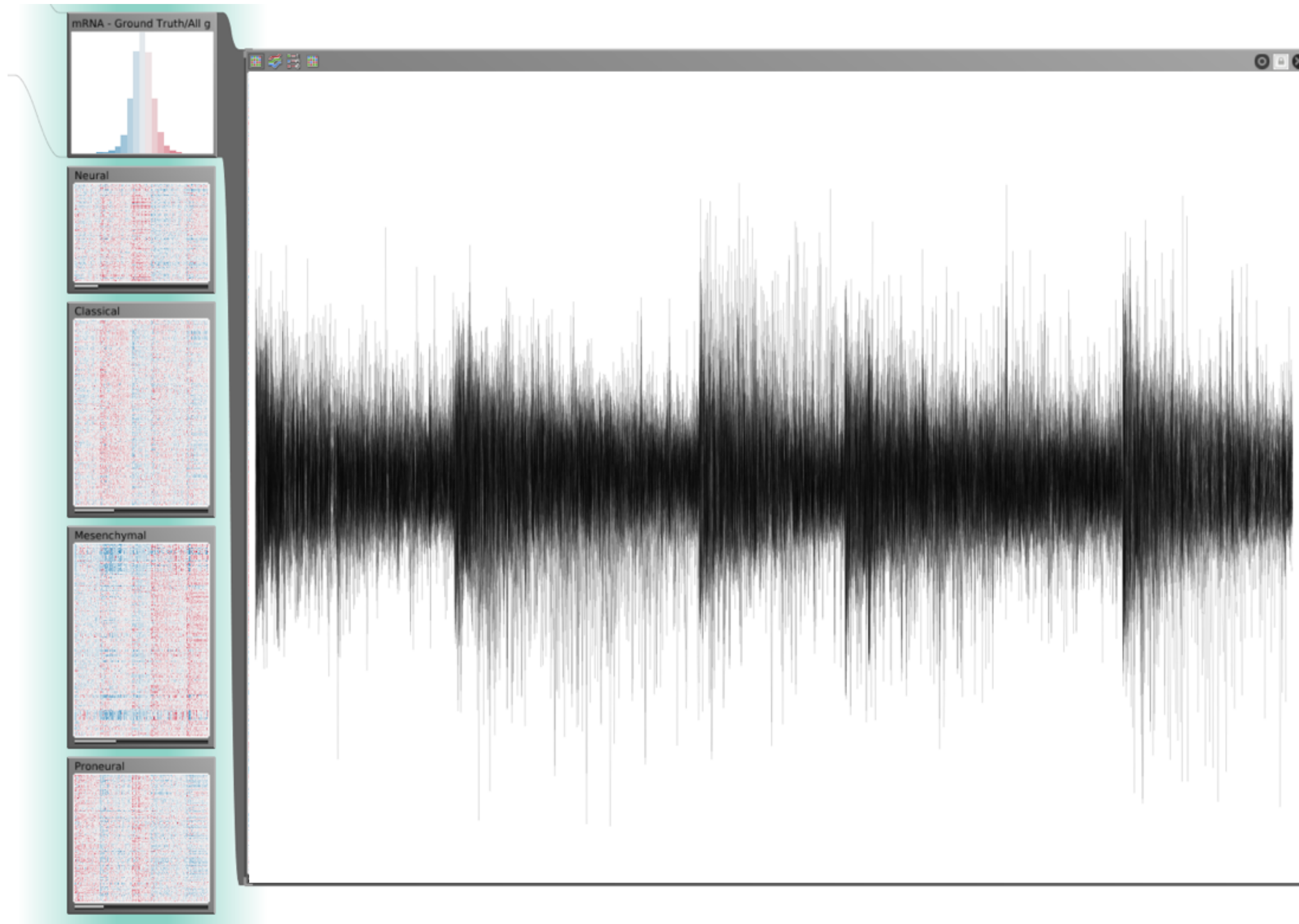
Deuteranope Vision  
("Red-Green Blindness")

# Color is relative!



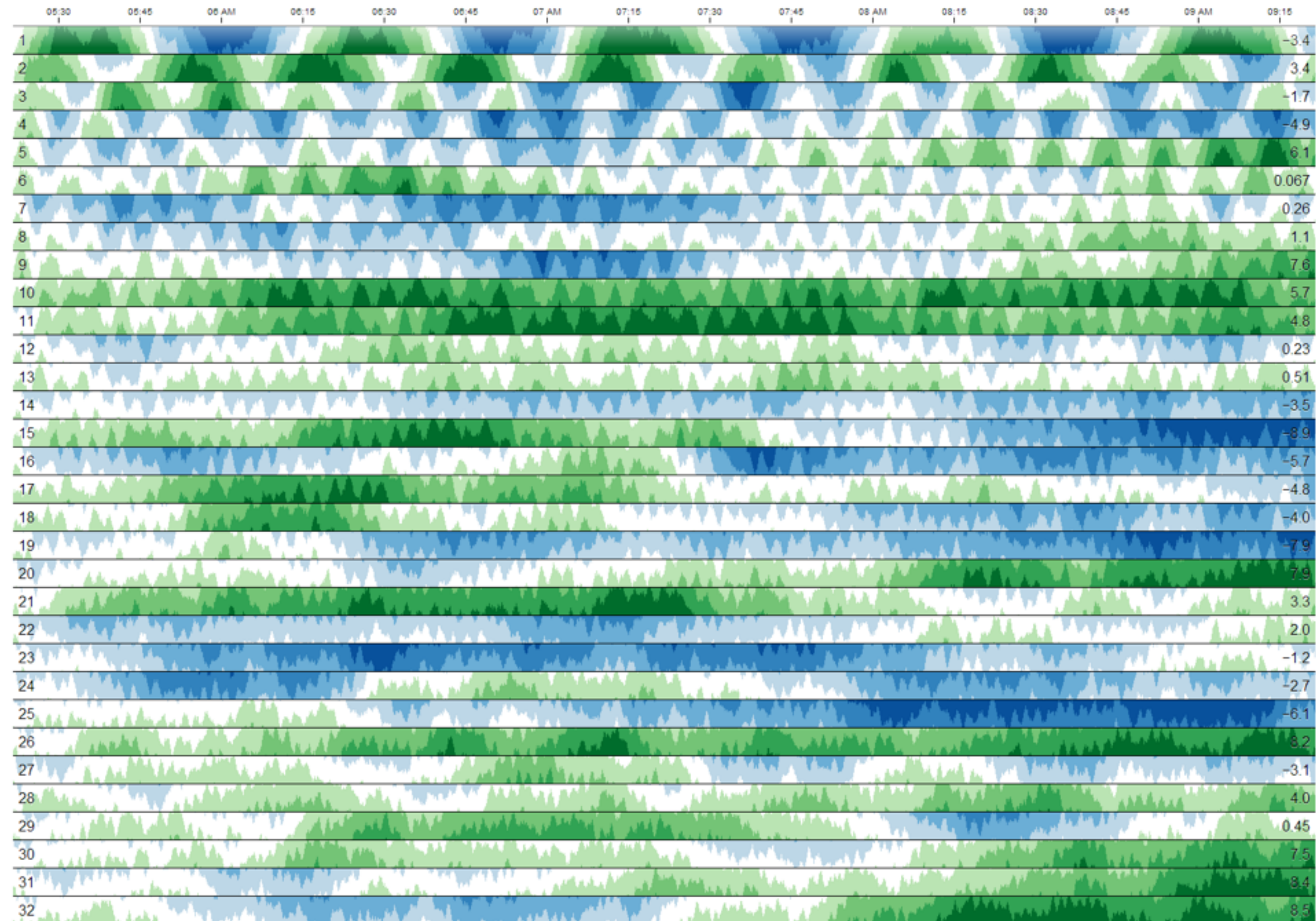


# Clustered Heat Map



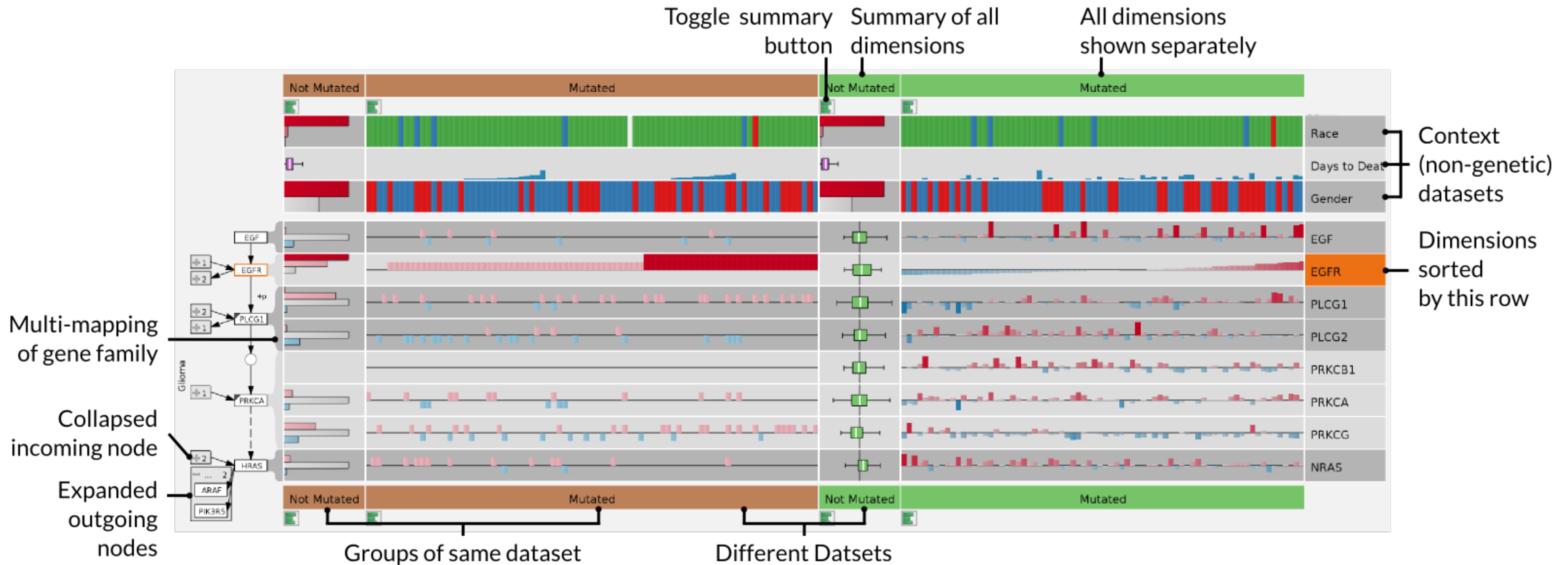


# Multiple Line Charts



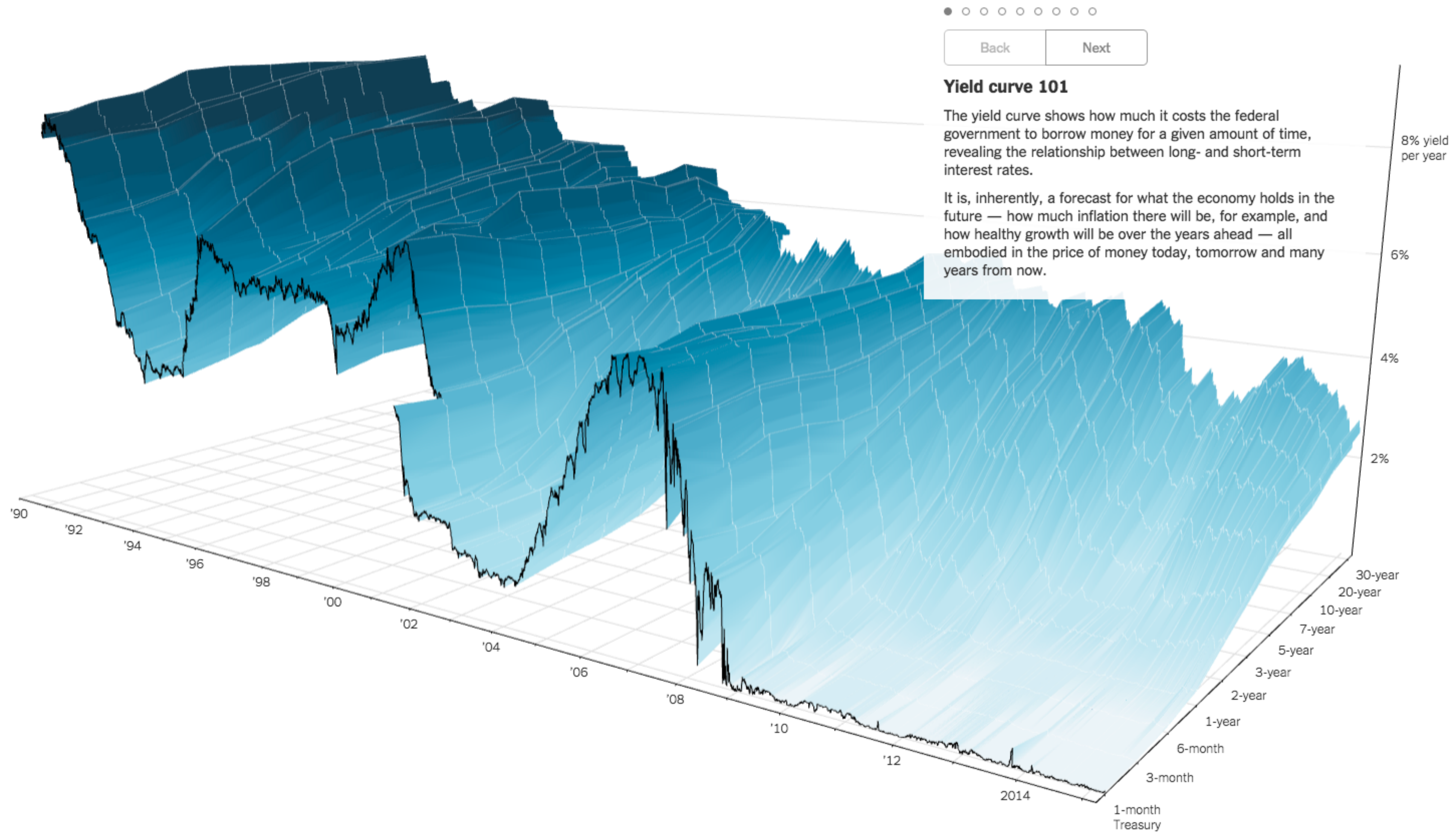
<http://square.github.io/cubism/>

# Combining Various Charts



# Design Critique





Document: <https://goo.gl/W6w0il>  
Website: <http://goo.gl/D3mlsy>



# Spatial Axis Orientation

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Arrange Tables

Express Values



Separate, Order, Align Regions

Separate



Order



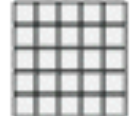
Align



1 Key List



2 Keys Matrix



3 Keys Volume



Many Keys Recursive Subdivision



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Axis Orientation

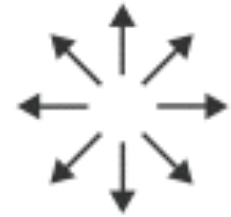
Rectilinear



Parallel

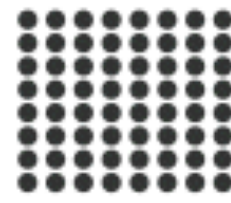


Radial



Layout Density

Dense



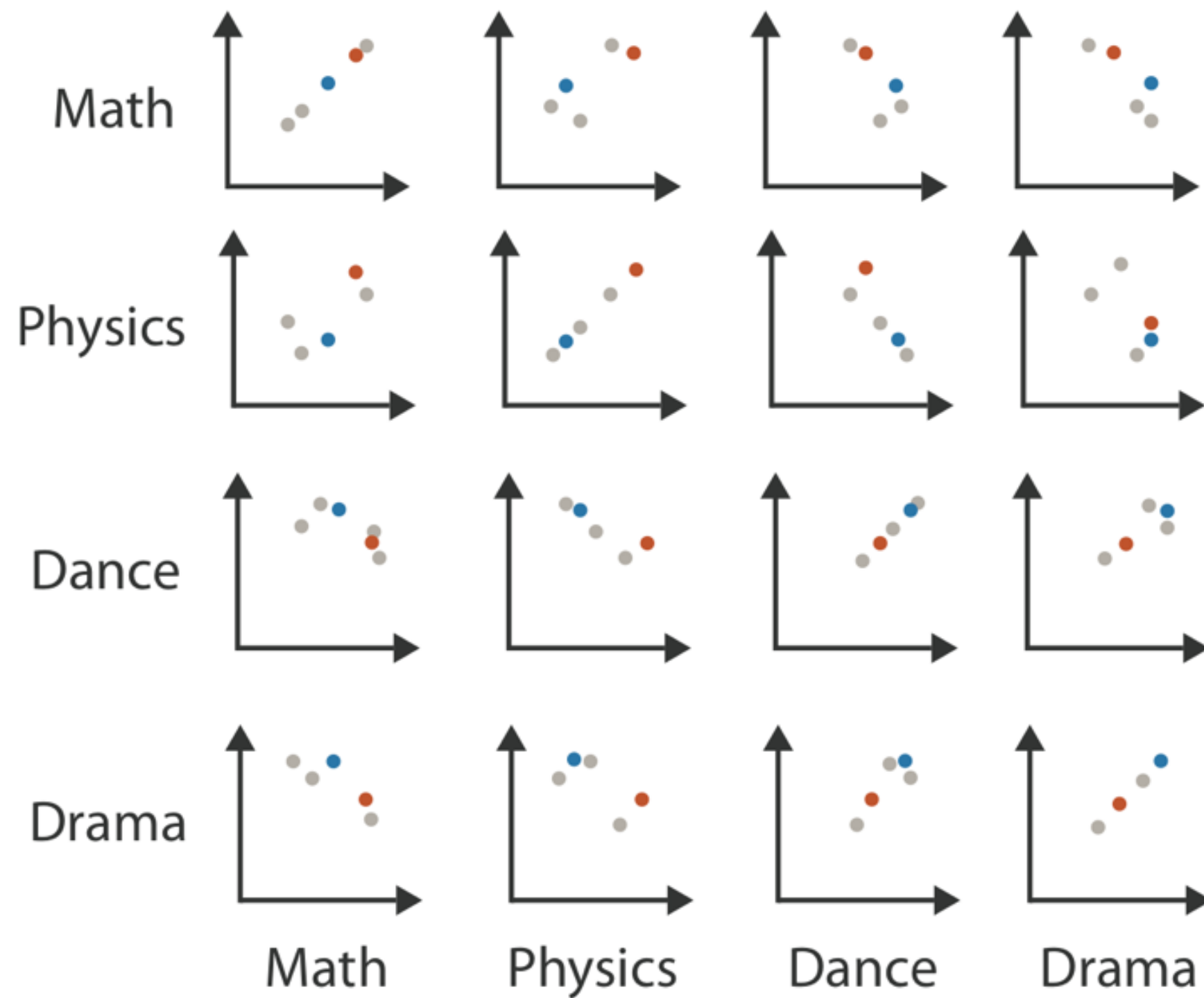
Space-Filling



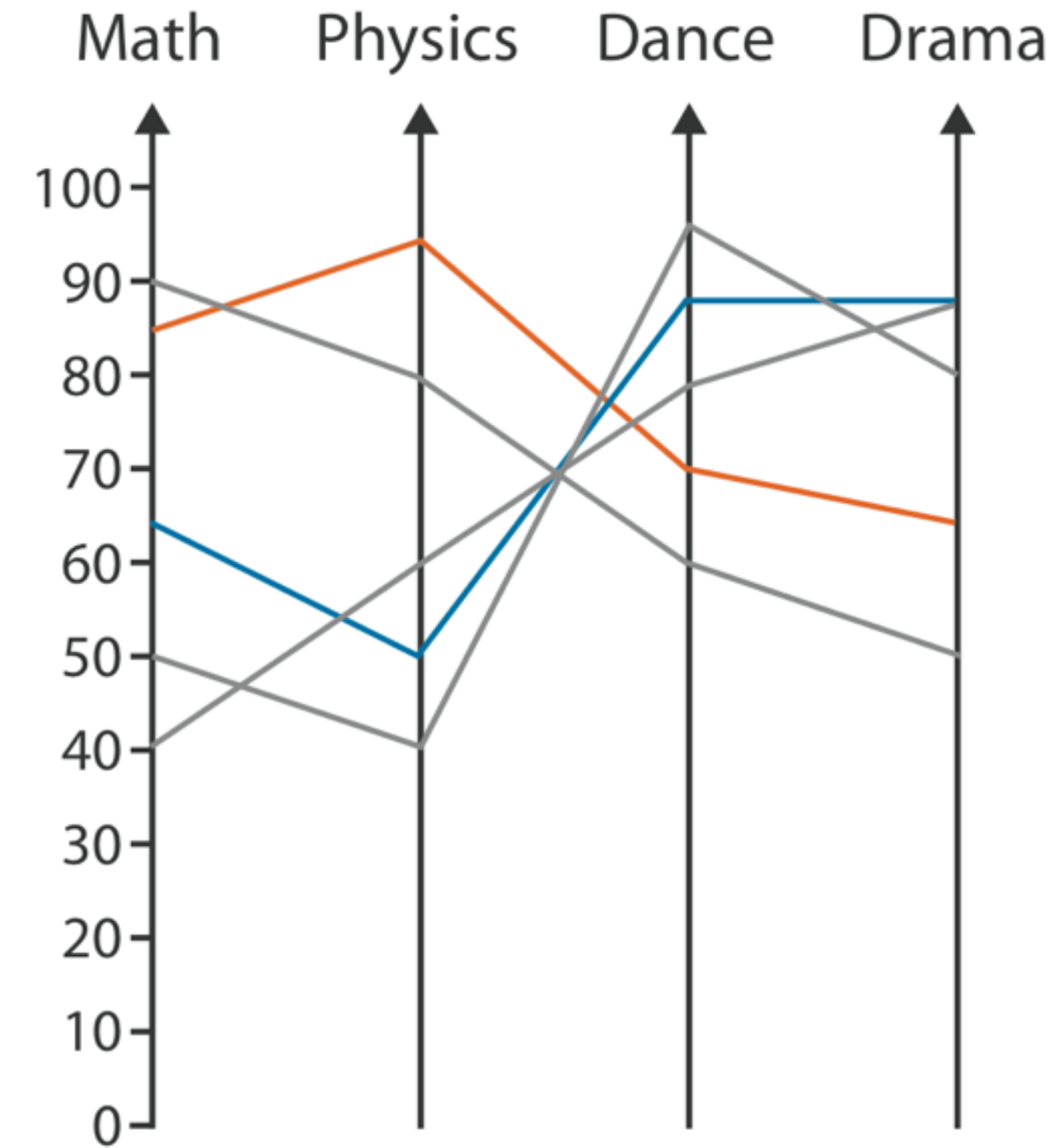
# Table

	Math	Physics	Dance	Drama
1	85	95	70	65
2	90	80	60	50
3	65	50	90	90
4	50	40	95	80
5	40	60	80	90

## Scatterplot Matrix



## Parallel Coordinates



# Spatial Axis Orientation

Scatterplot Matrix

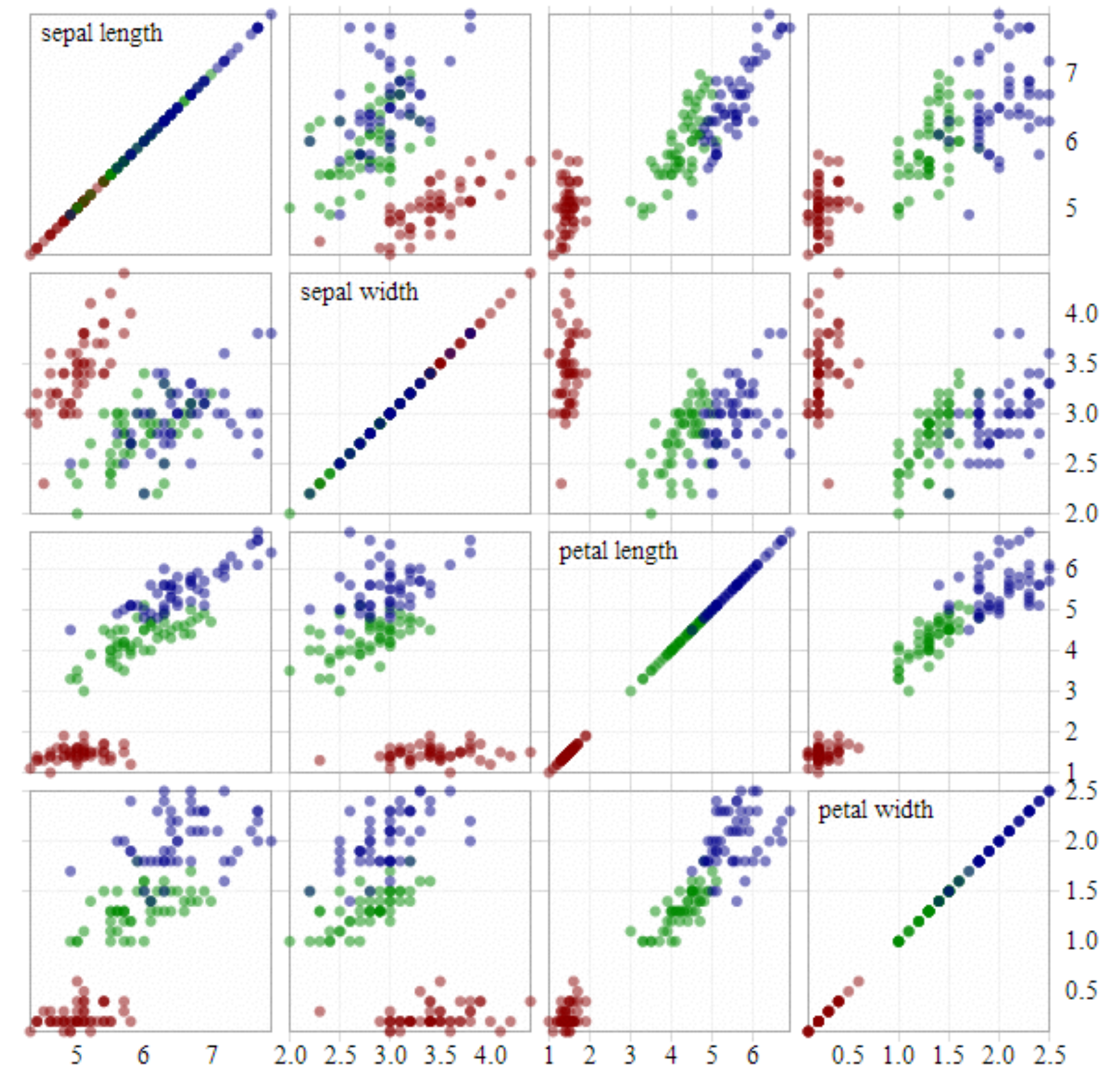


# Scatterplot Matrices (SPLOM)

Matrix of size  $d \times d$

Each row/column is one dimension

Each cell plots a scatterplot of two dimensions



# Scatterplot Matrices

Limited scalability (~20 dimensions, ~500-1k records)

Brushing is important

Often combined with “Focus Scatterplot” as F+C technique

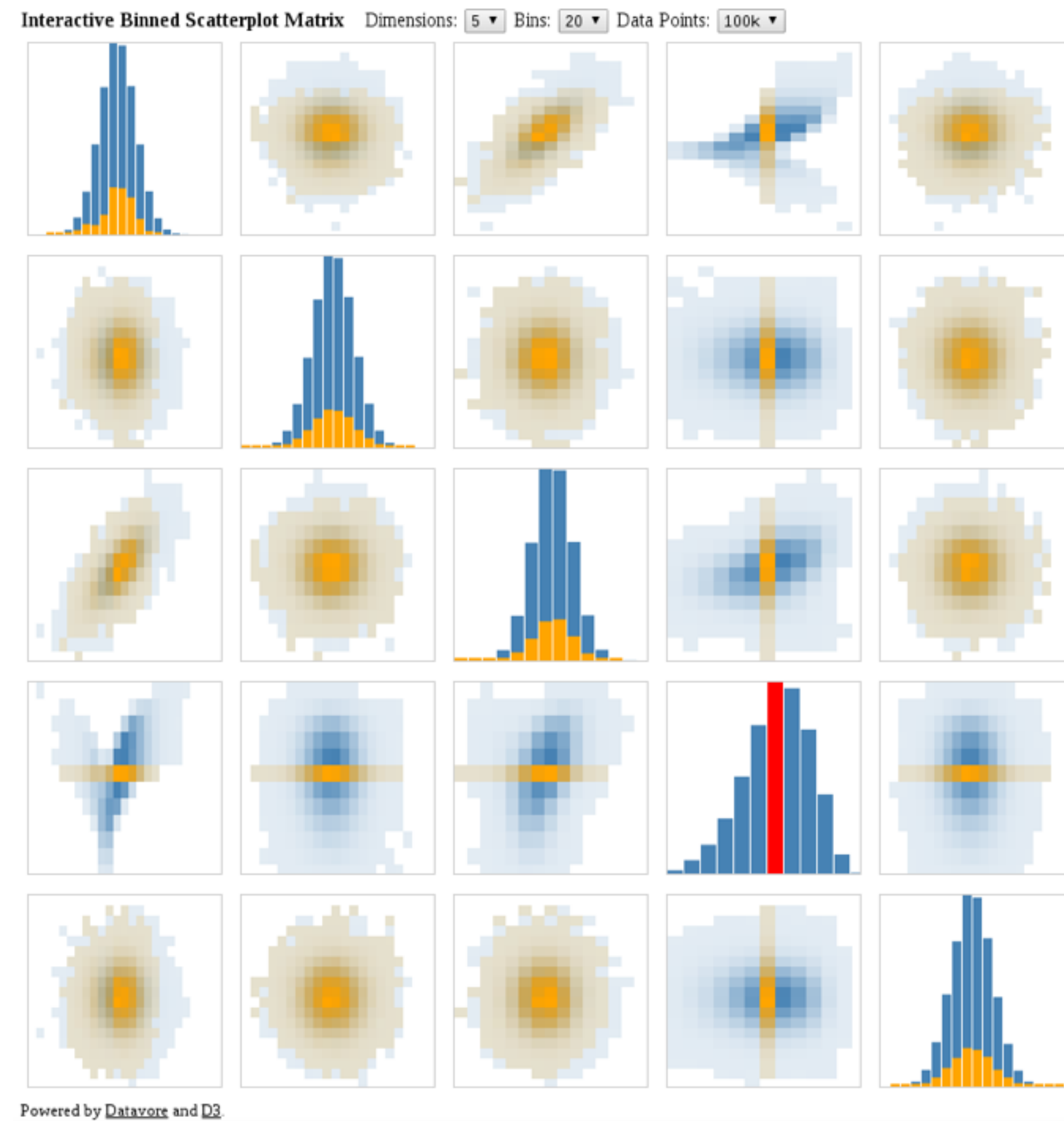
**Algorithmic approaches:**

Clustering & aggregating records

Choosing dimensions

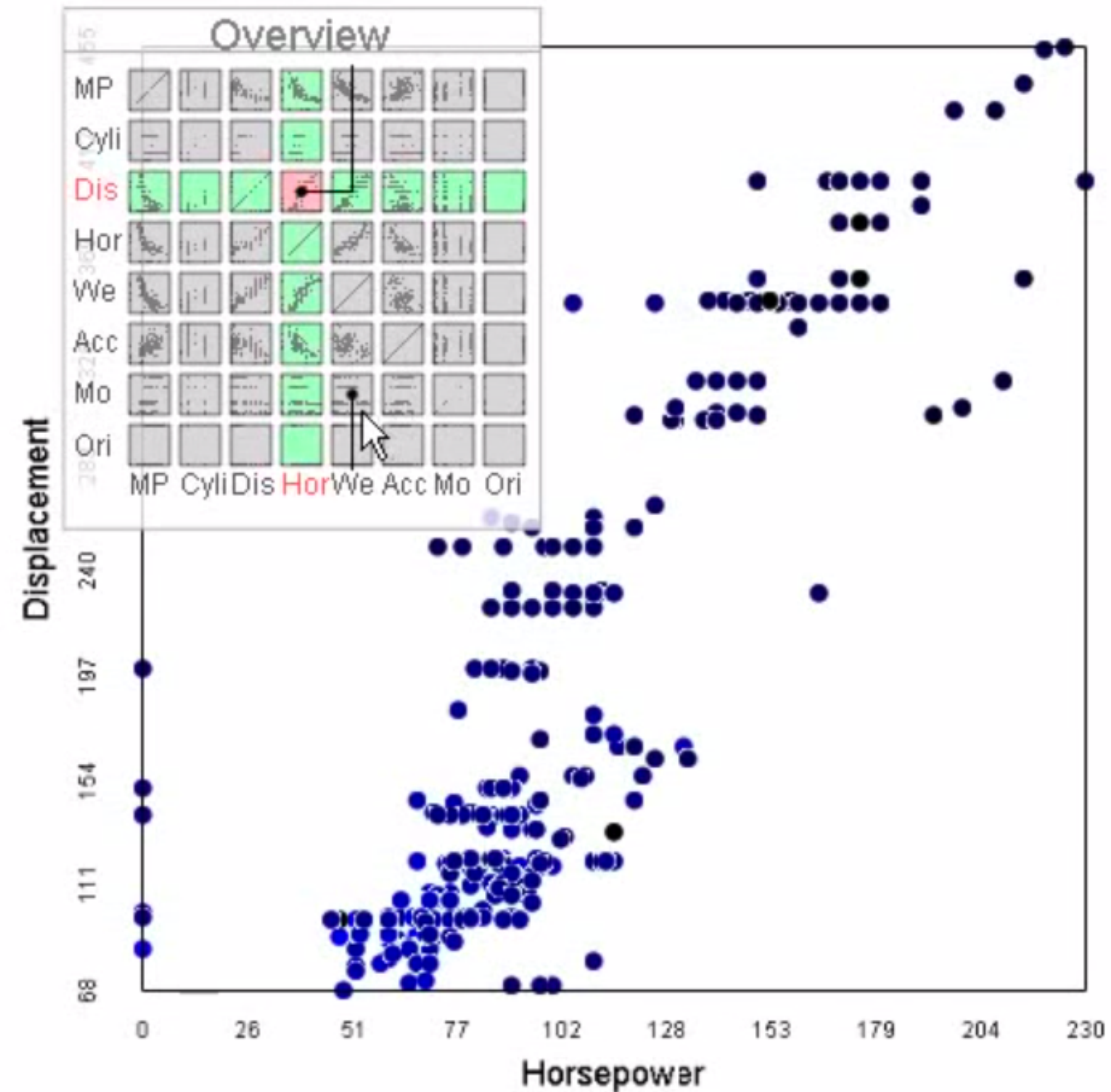
Choosing order

# SPLOM Aggregation - Heat Map



Datavore: <http://vis.stanford.edu/projects/datavore/splom/>

# SPLOM F+C, Navigation



[Elmqvist]



# Spatial Axis Orientation

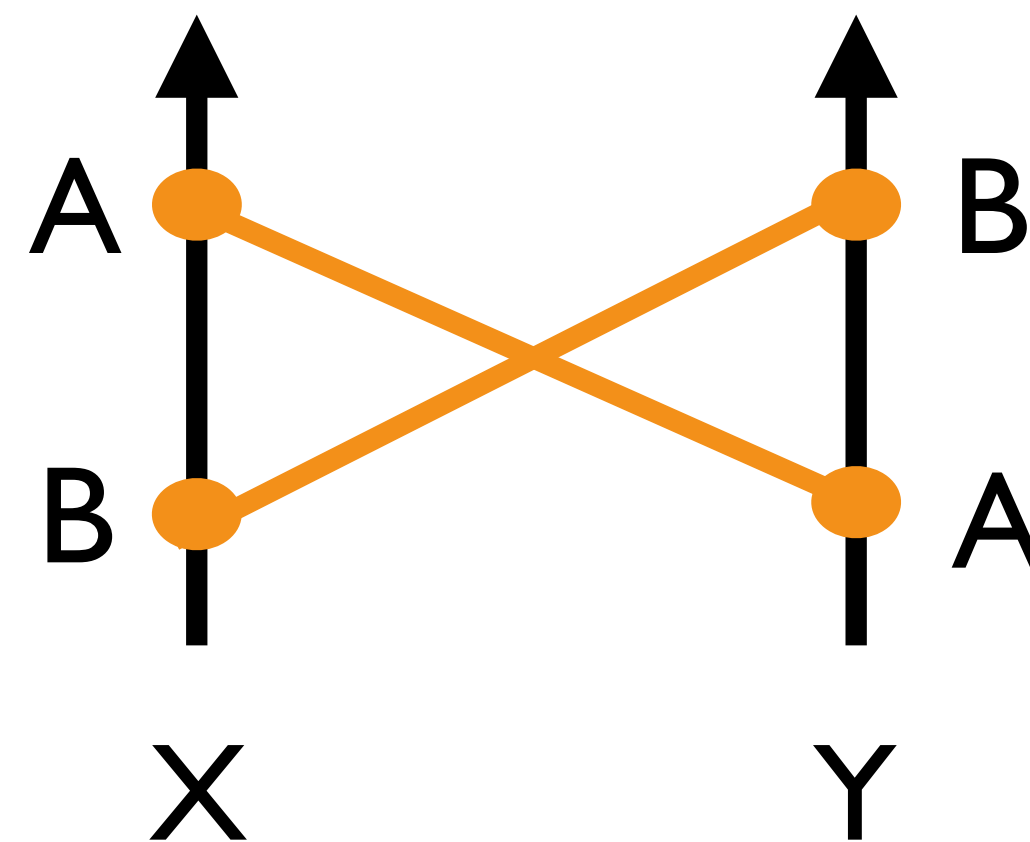
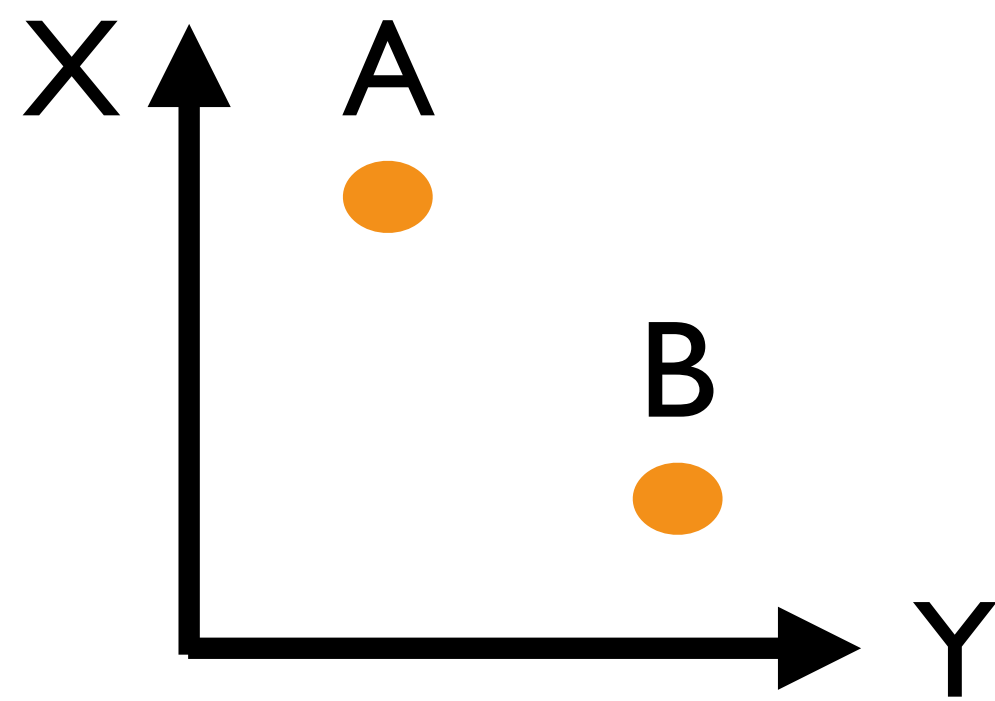
Parallel Coordinates

# Parallel Coordinates (PC)

Inselberg 1985

Axes represent attributes

Lines connecting axes represent items





# Parallel Coordinates

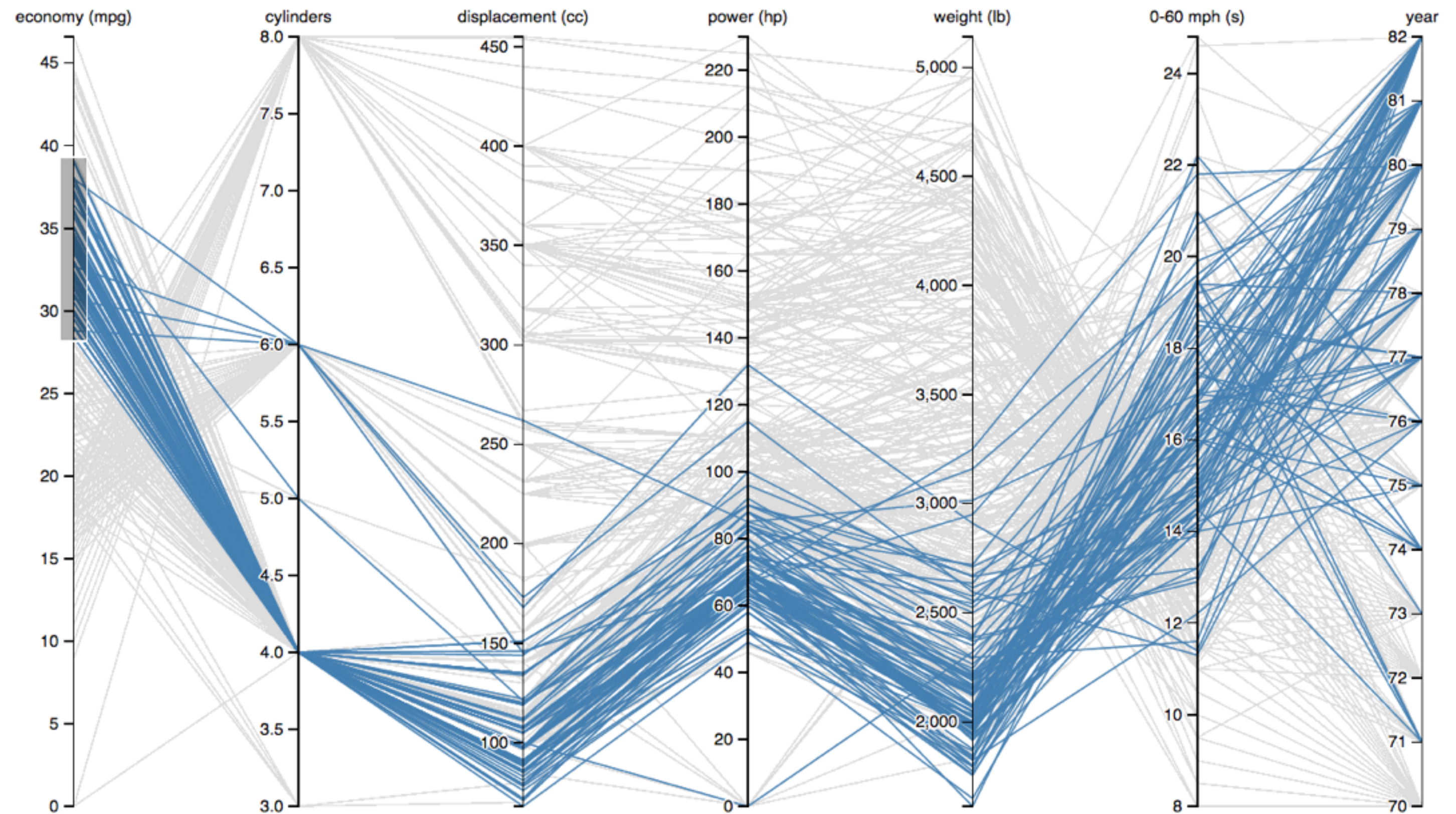
Each axis represents dimension

Lines connecting axis represent records

Suitable for

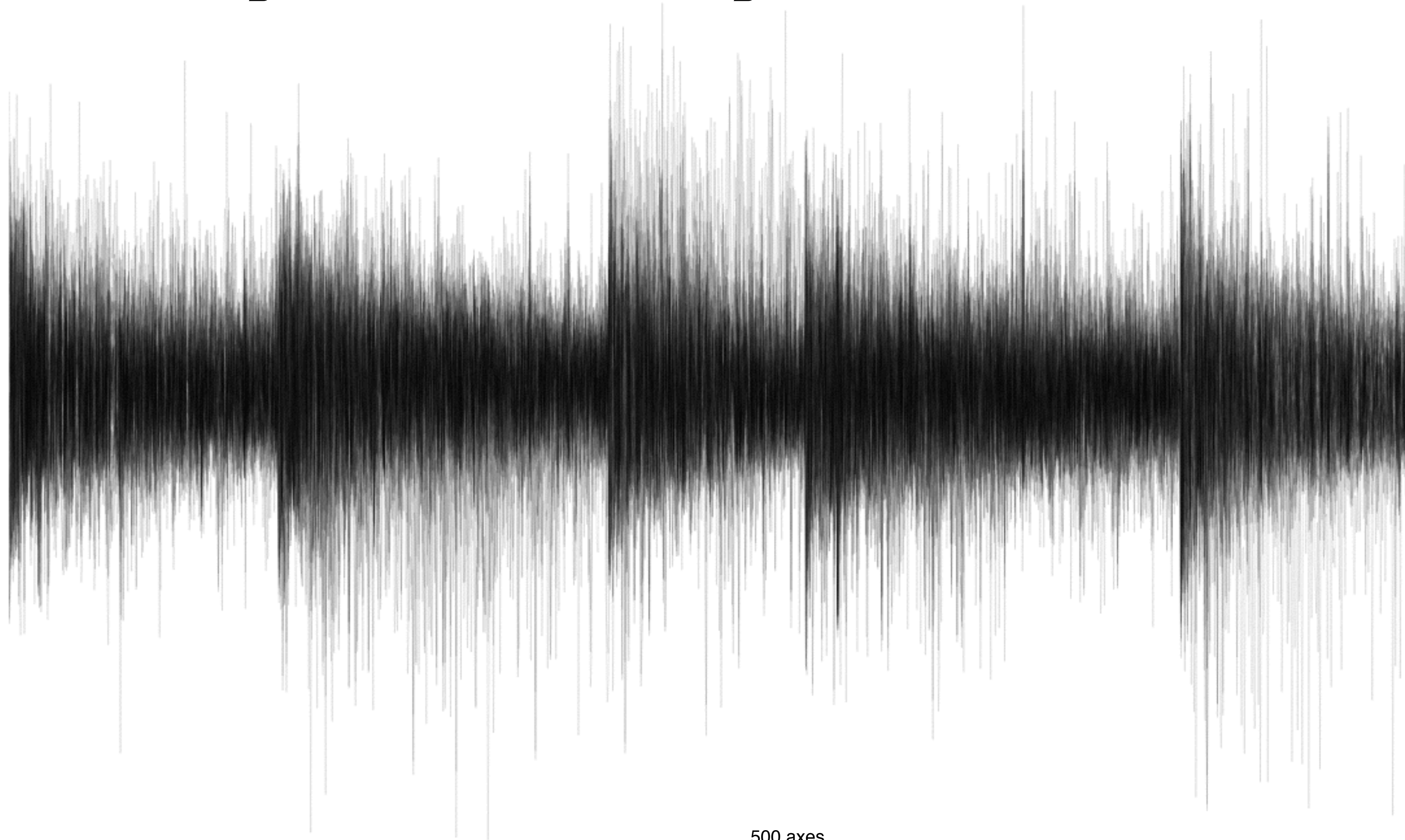
all tabular data types

heterogeneous data





# PC Limitation: Scalability to Many Dimensions



500 axes



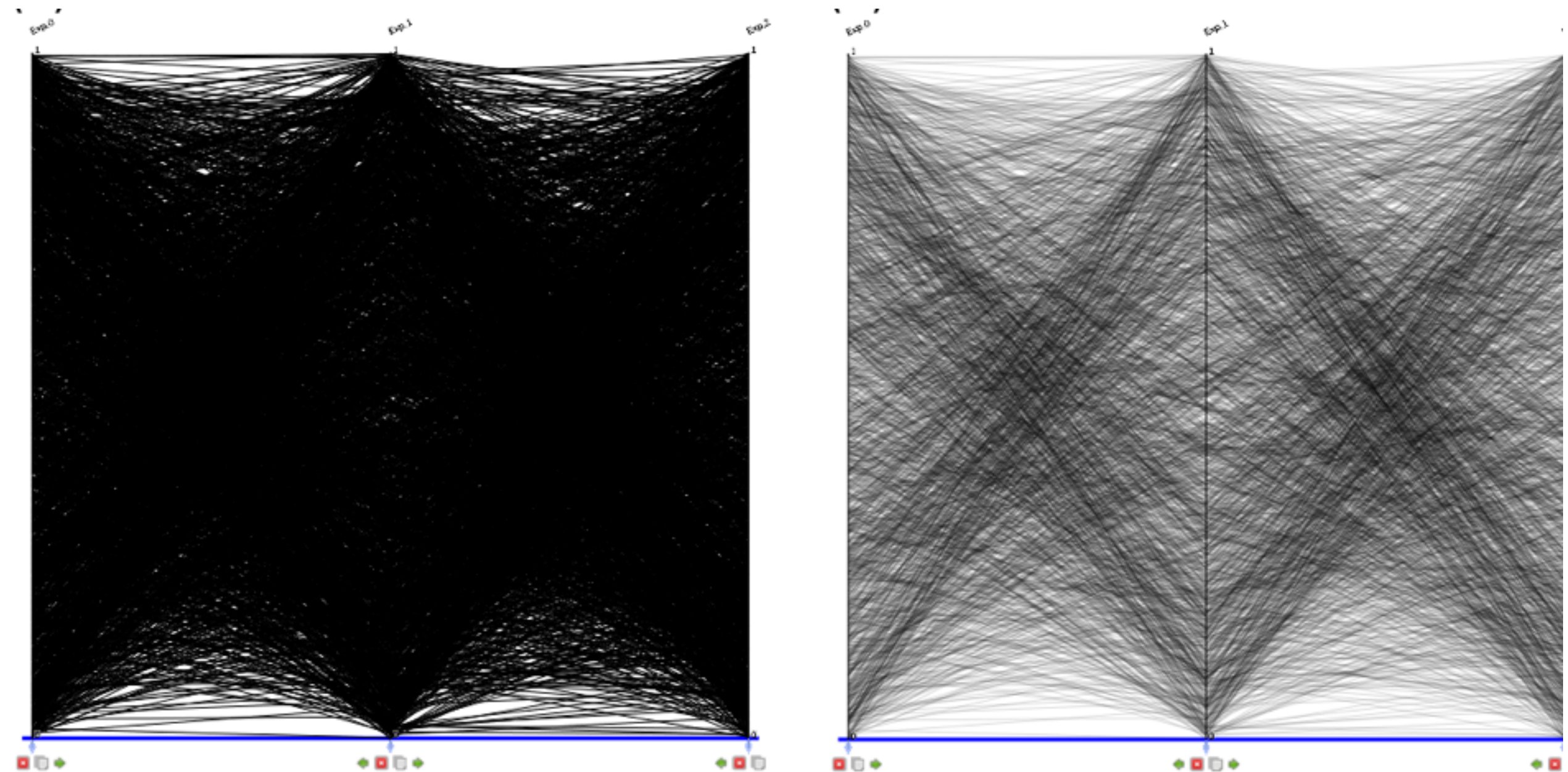
# PC Limitation: Scalability to Many Items

Solutions:

Transparency

Bundling, Clustering

Sampling





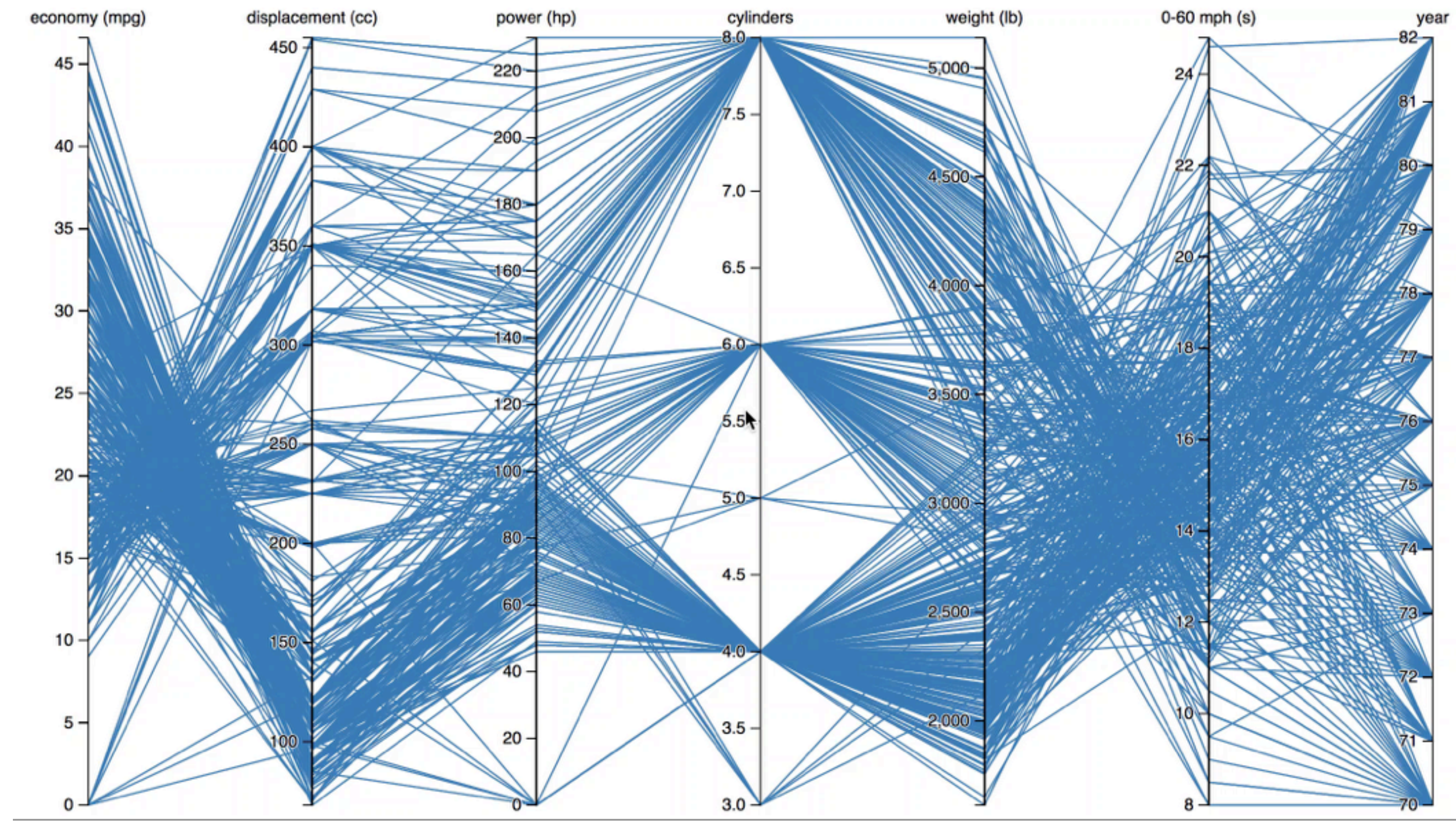
# PC Limitations

Correlations only between adjacent axes

Solution: Interaction

Brushing

Let user change order

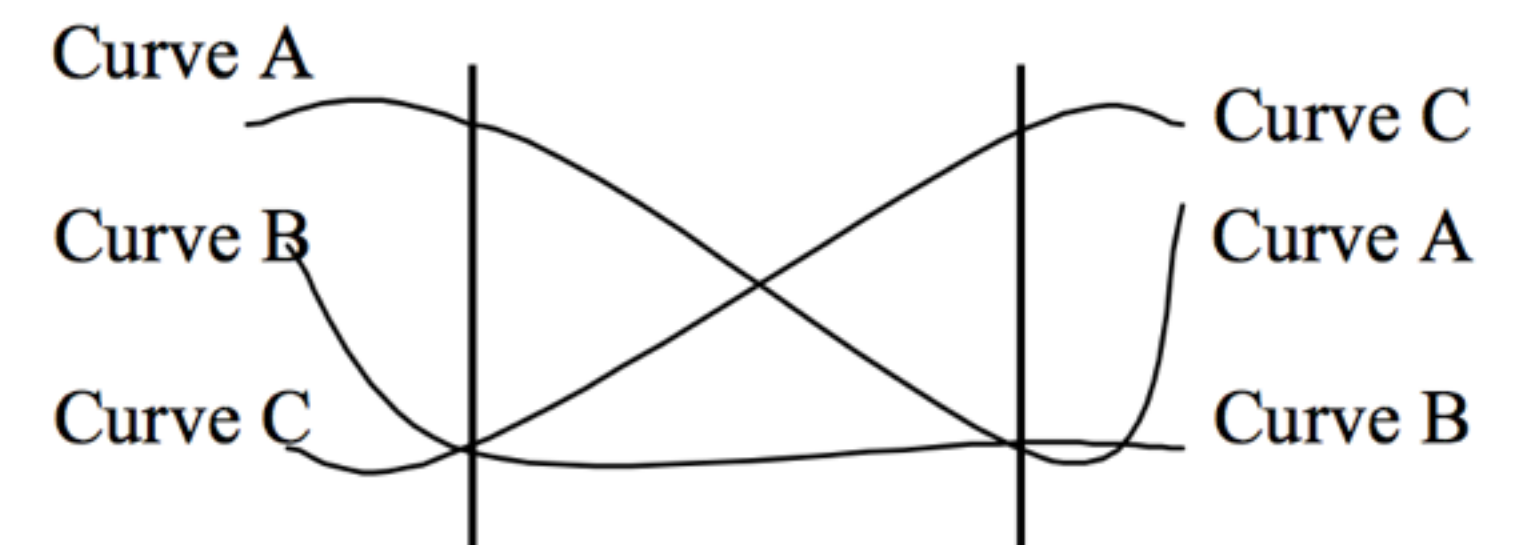
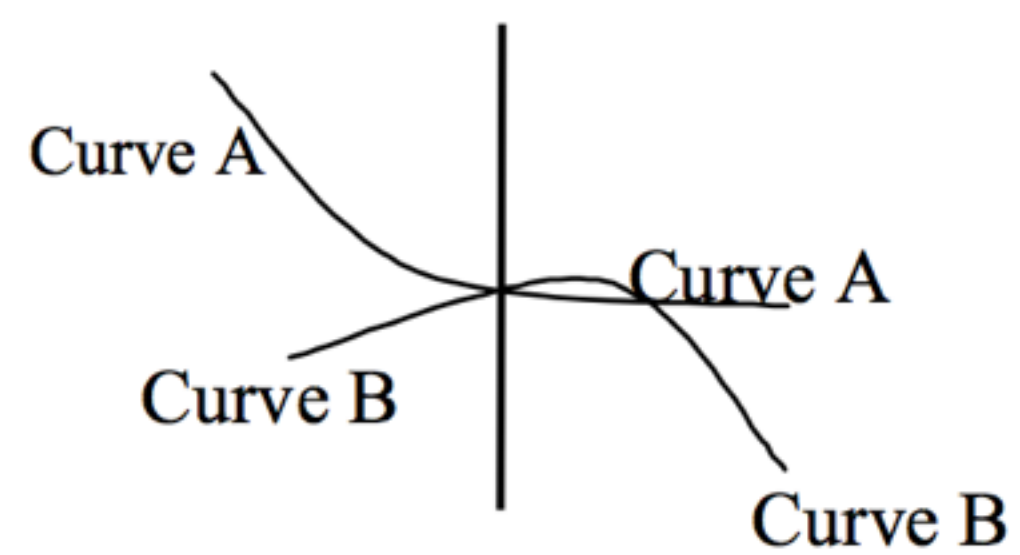
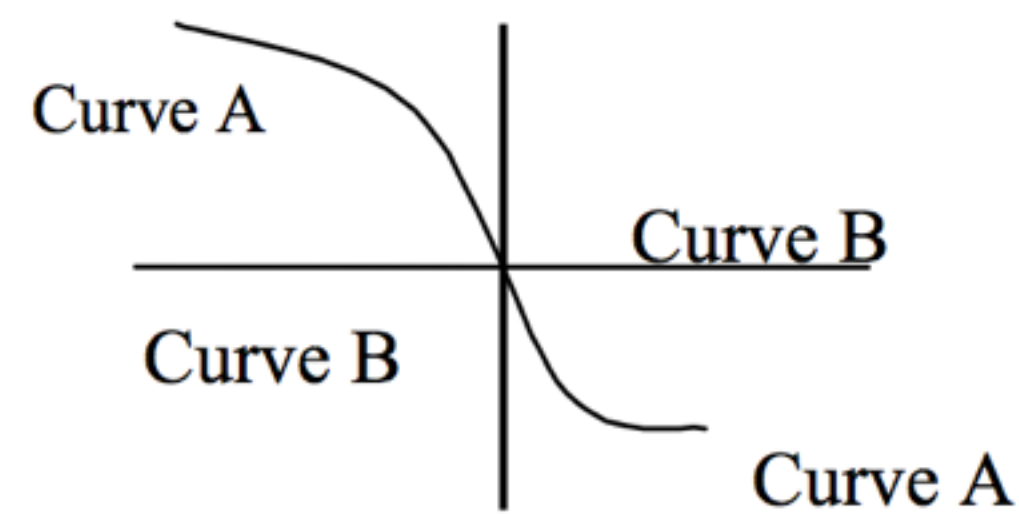
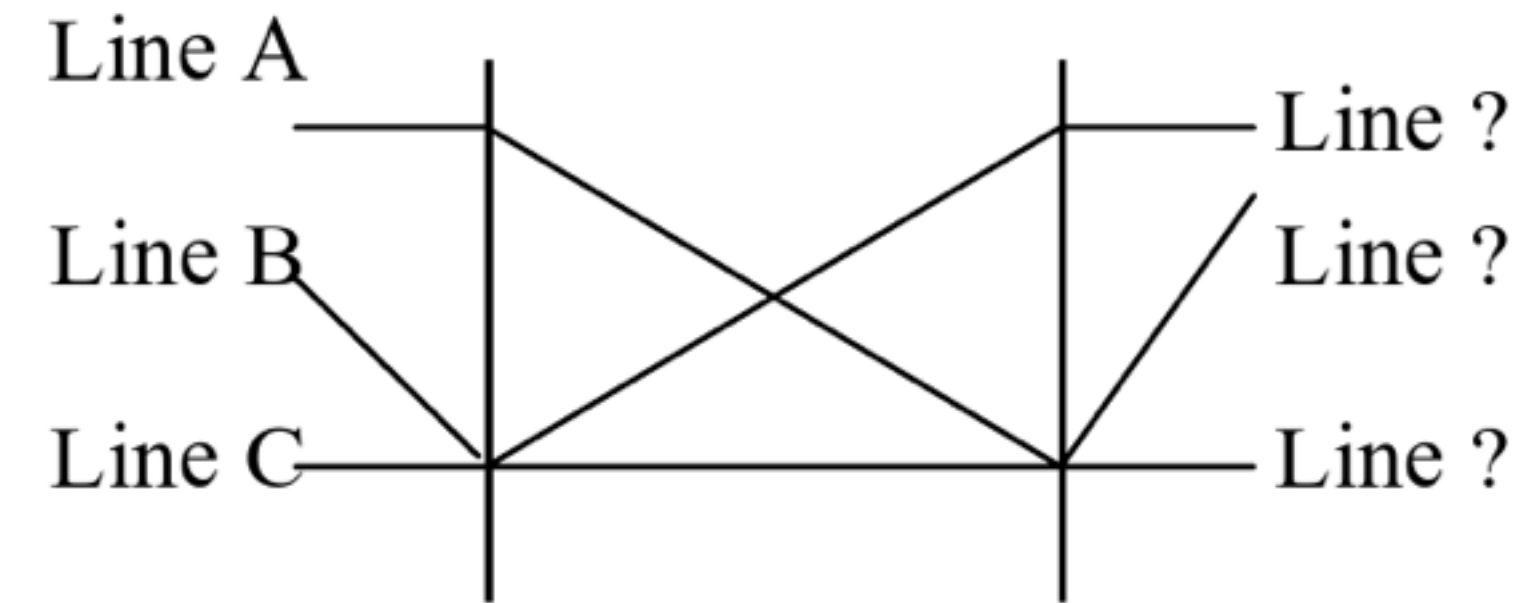
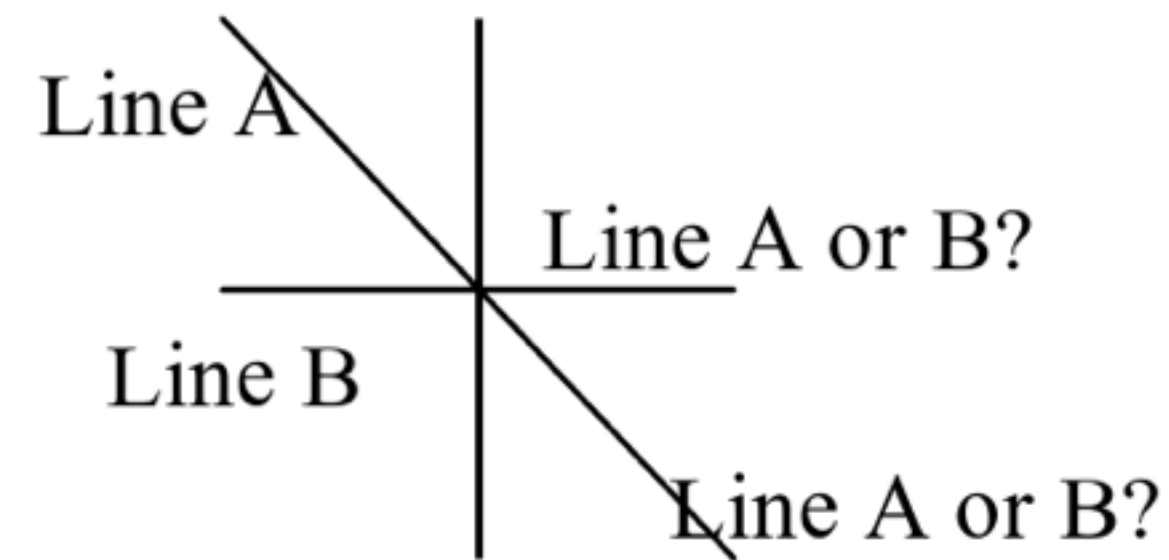




# PC Limitation: Ambiguity

Solutions:

Brushing  
Curves



# Parallel Coordinates

Shows primarily relationships between adjacent axis

Limited scalability (~50 dimensions, ~1-5k records)

Transparency of lines

Interaction is crucial

Axis reordering

Brushing

Filtering

**Algorithmic support:**

Choosing dimensions

Choosing order

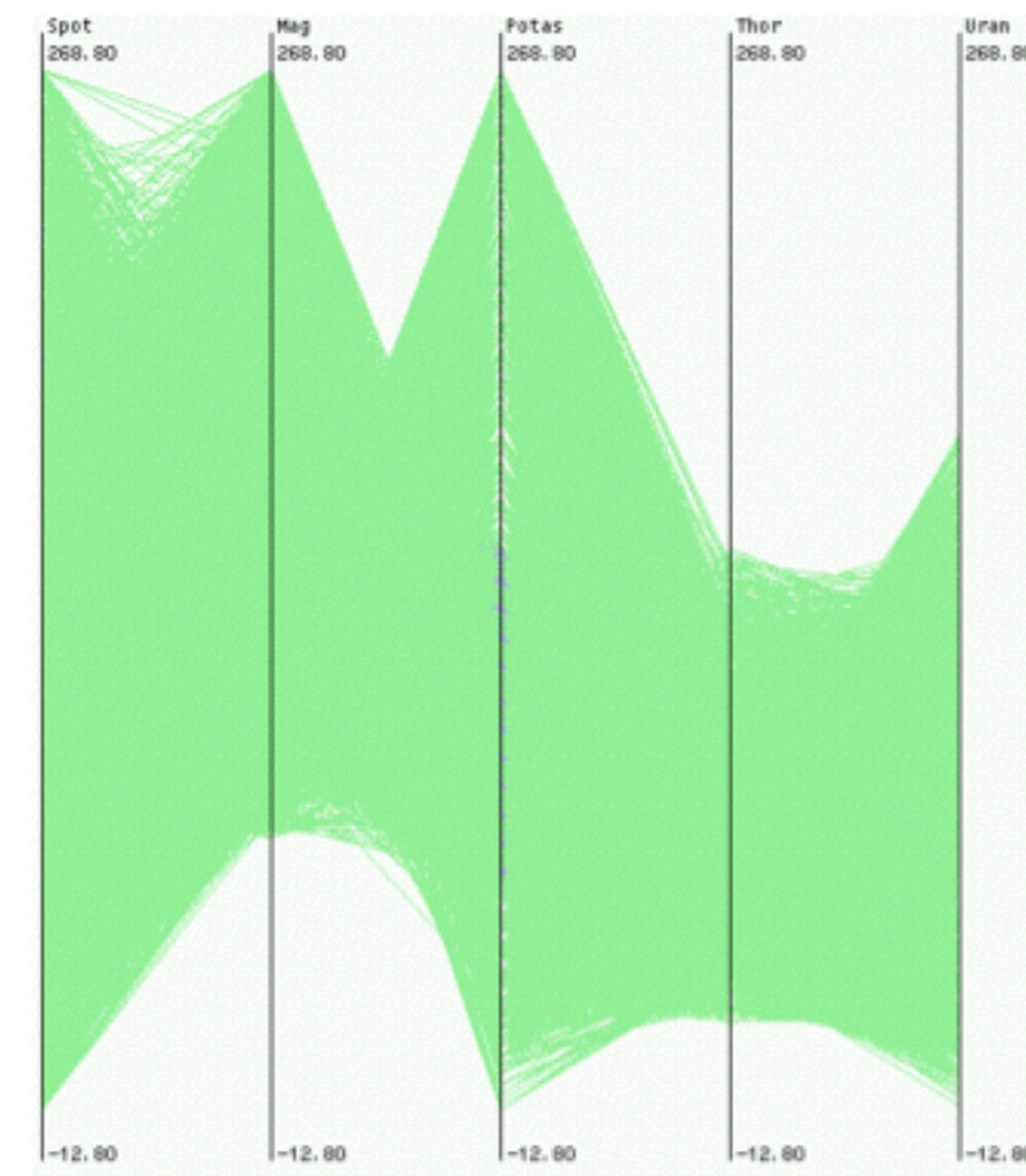
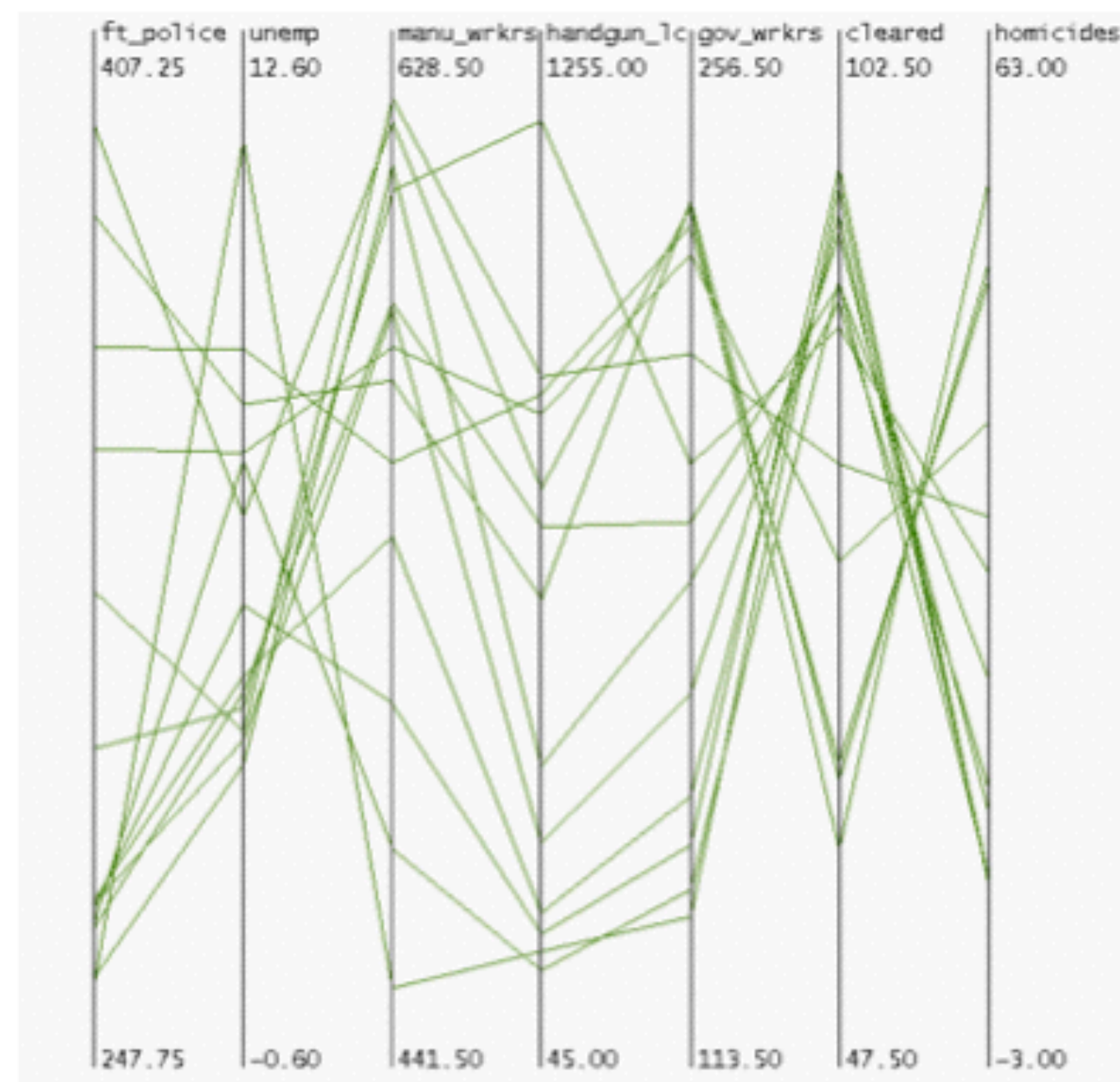
Clustering & aggregating records



# HIERARCHICAL PARALLEL COORDINATES

goal: scale up parallel coordinates to large datasets

challenge: overplotting/occlusion



# HPC: ENCODING DERIVED DATA

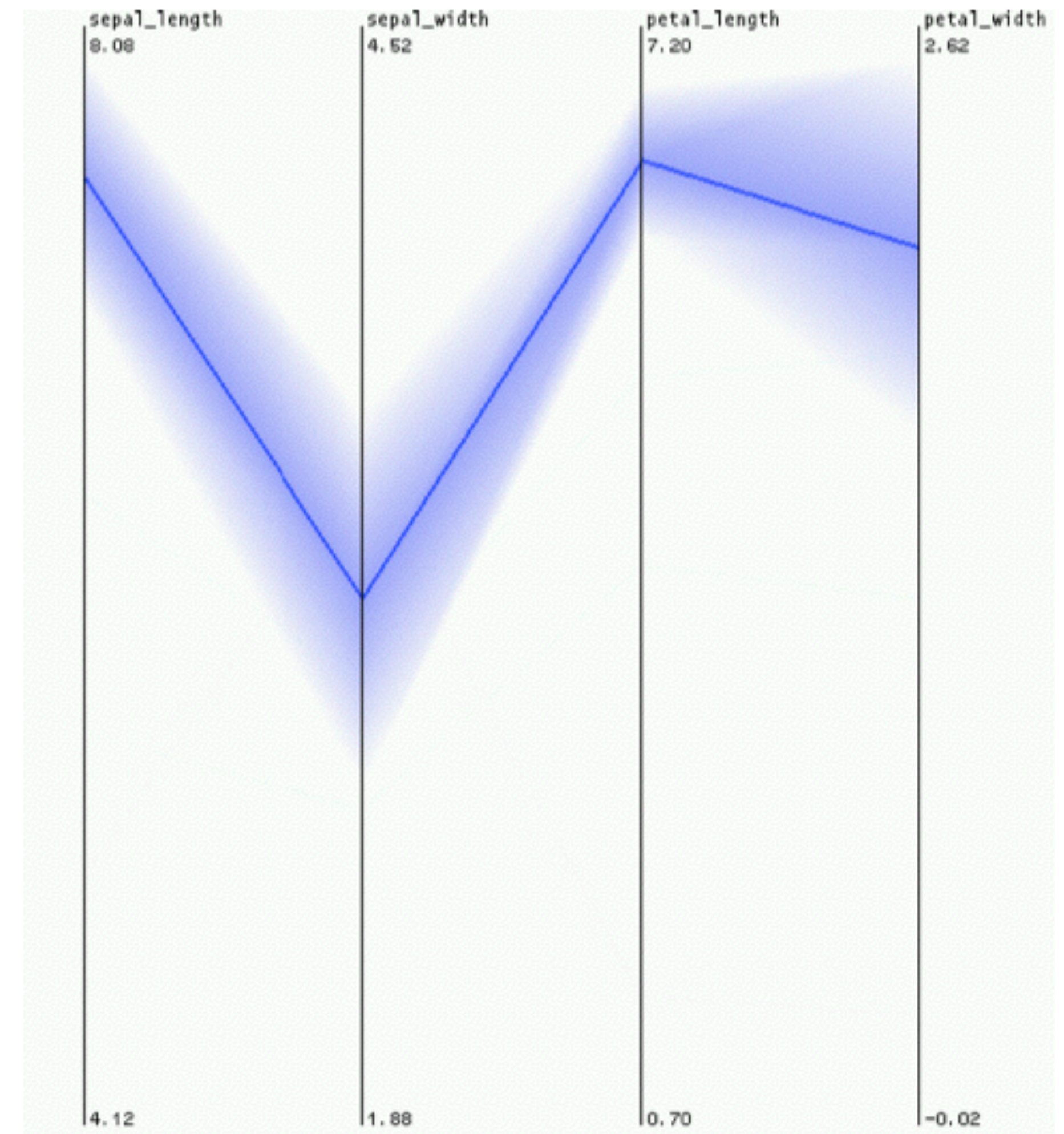
visual representation: variable-width opacity bands

show whole cluster, not just single item

min / max: spatial position

cluster density: transparency

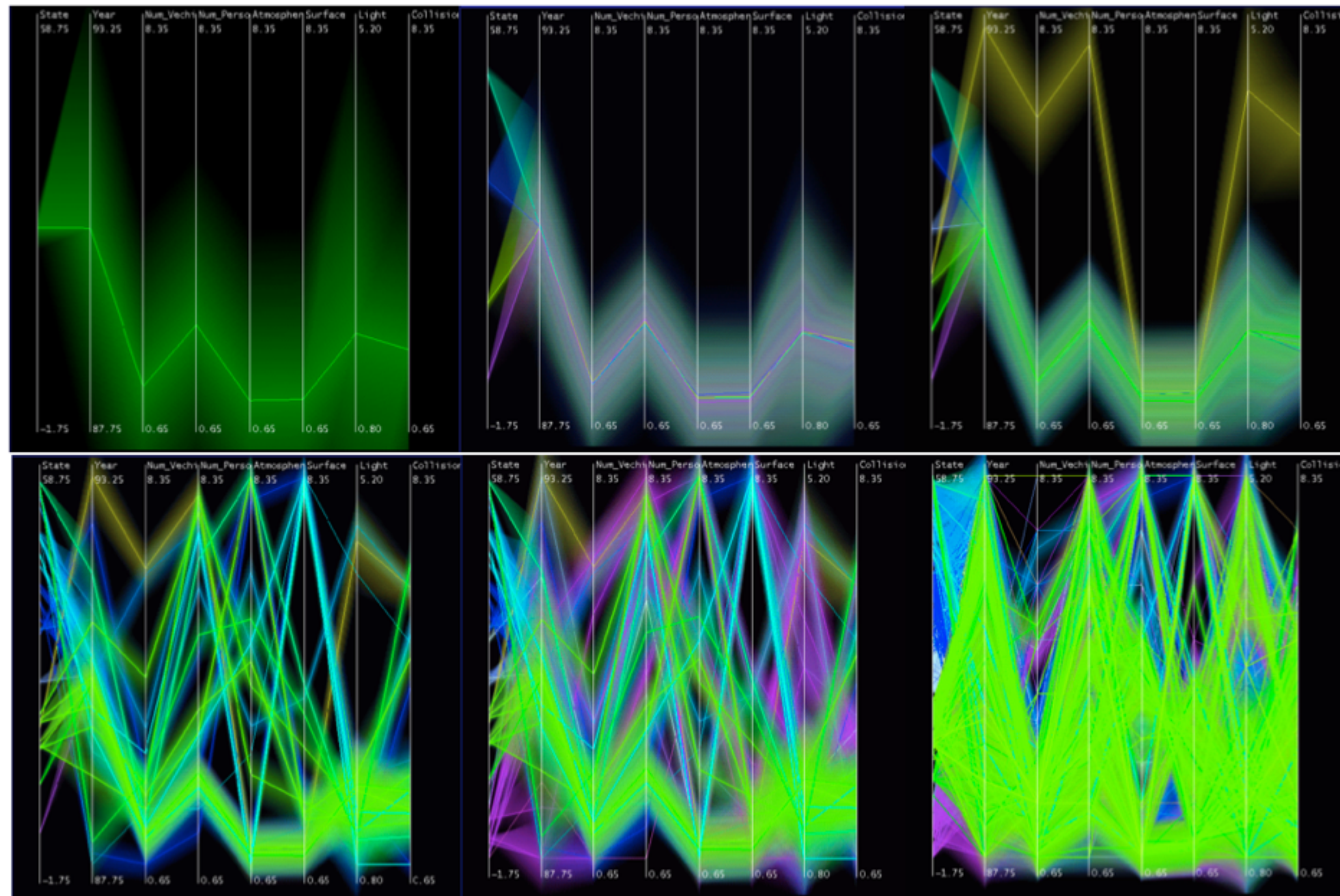
mean: opaque





# HPC: INTERACTING WITH DERIVED DATA

interactively change level of detail to navigate cluster hierarchy

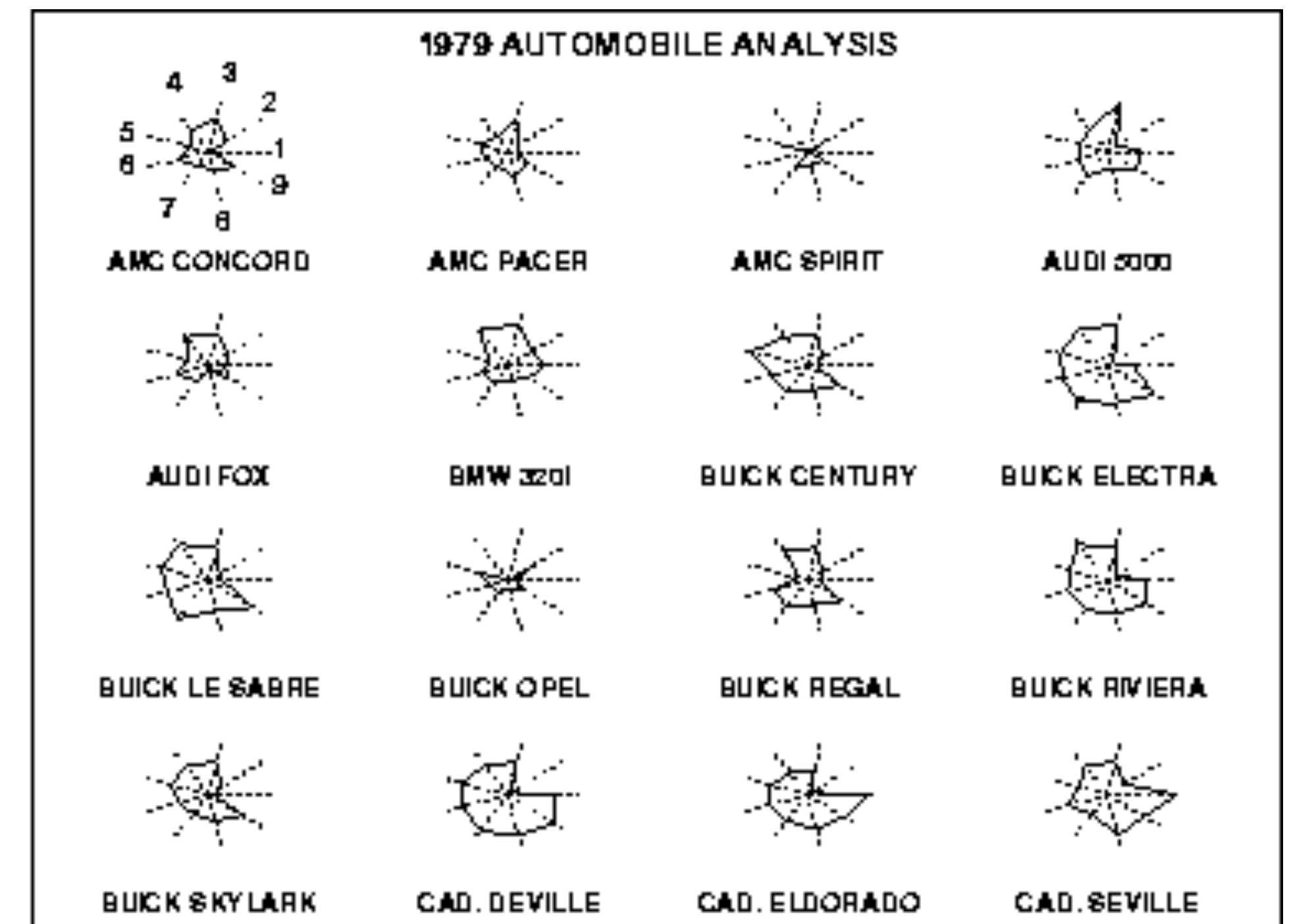
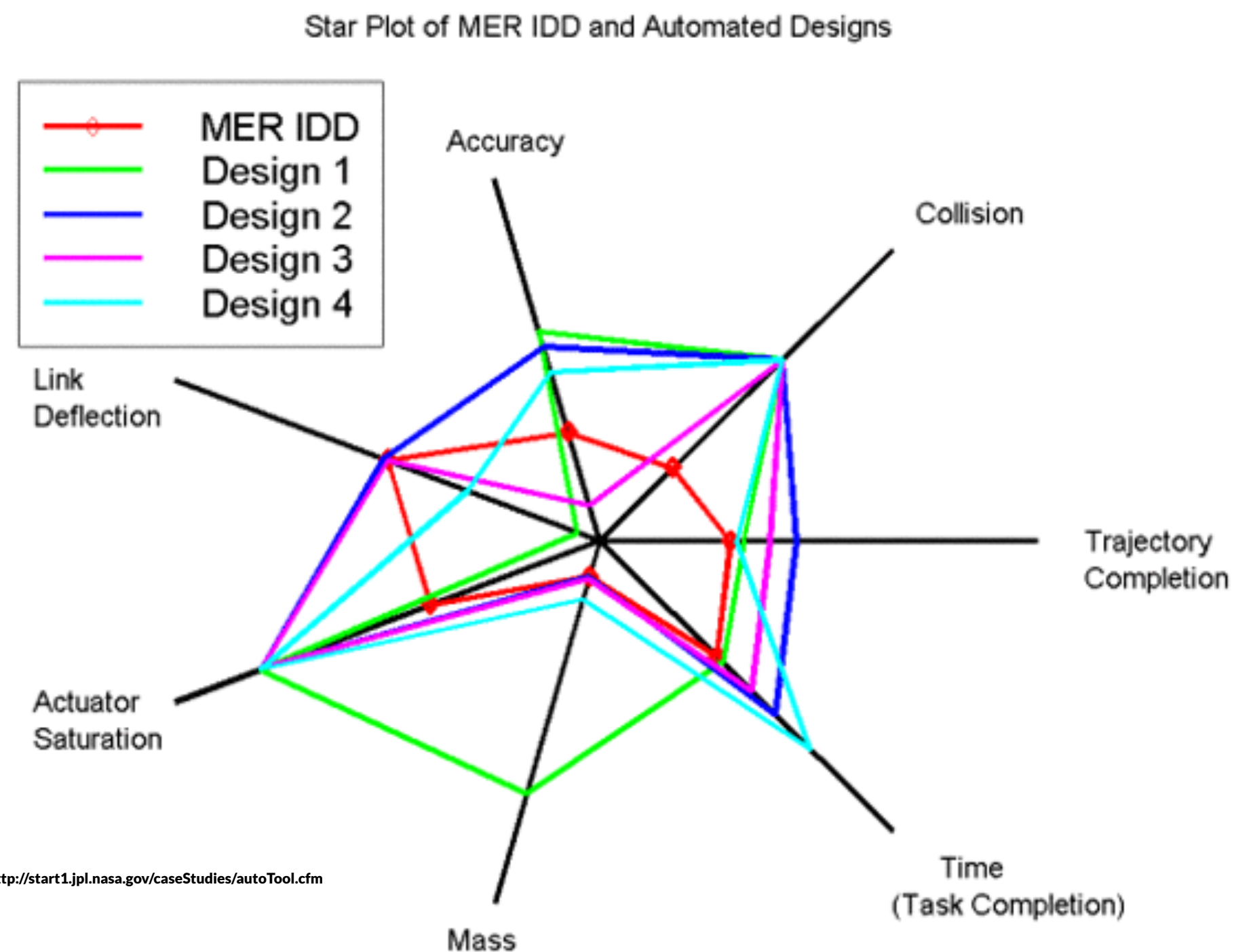




# Star Plot

[Coekin1969]

Similar to parallel coordinates  
Radiate from a common origin



<http://www.itl.nist.gov/div898/handbook/eda/section3/starplot.htm>

<http://blocks.org/kevinschau/raw/8833989/>



# Data Reduction

## Sampling

Don't show every element, show a (random) subset

Efficient for large dataset

Apply only for display purposes

Outlier-preserving approaches

## Filtering

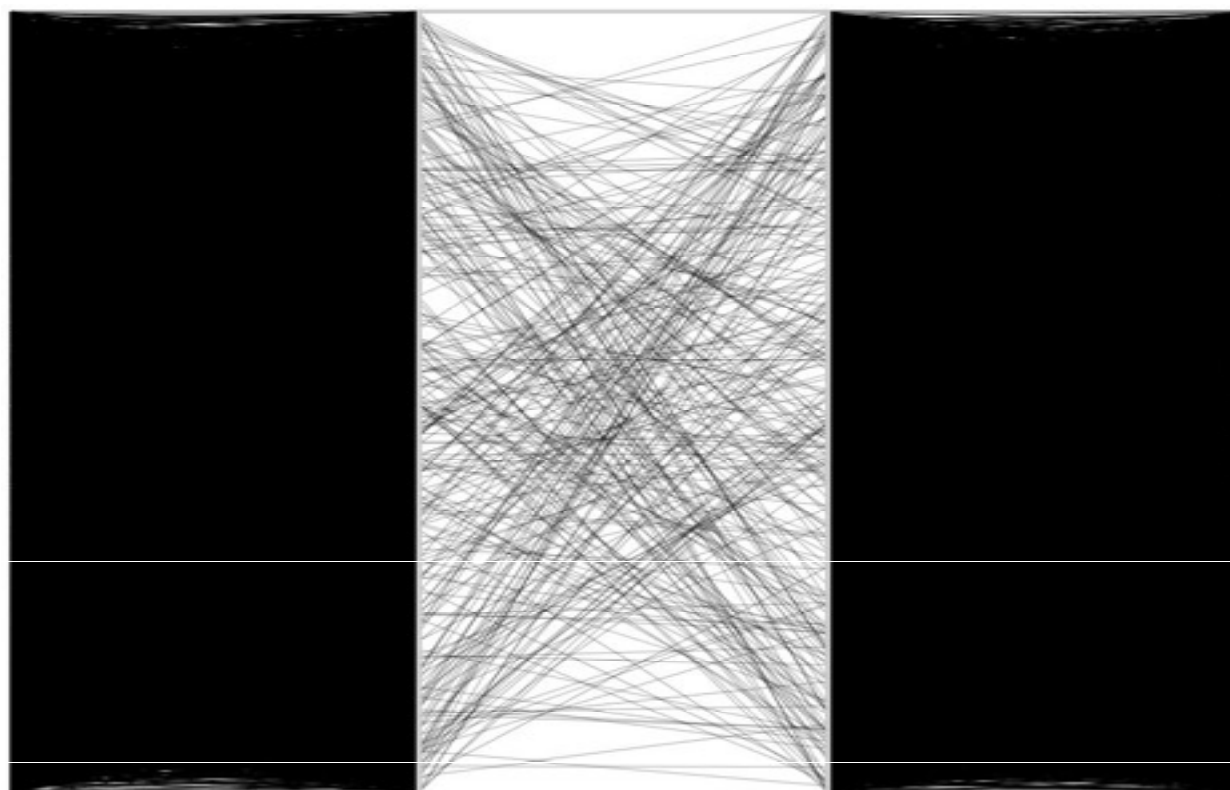
Define criteria to remove data, e.g.,

minimum variability

> / < / = specific value for one dimension

consistency in replicates, ...

Can be interactive, combined with sampling

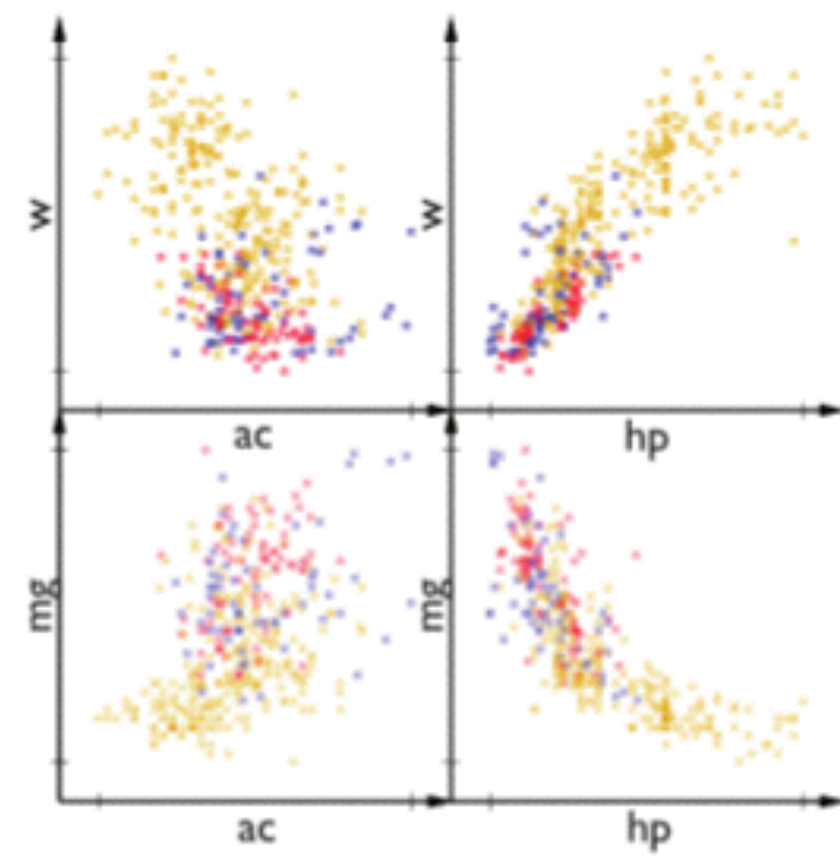


[Ellis & Dix, 2006]

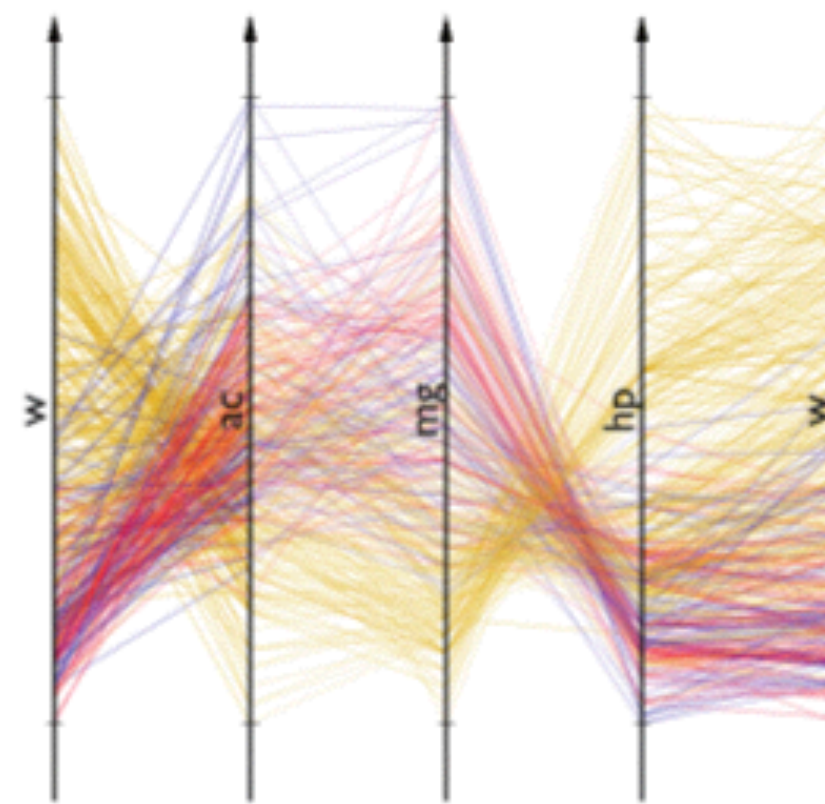
# Spatial Axis Orientation

Hybrids

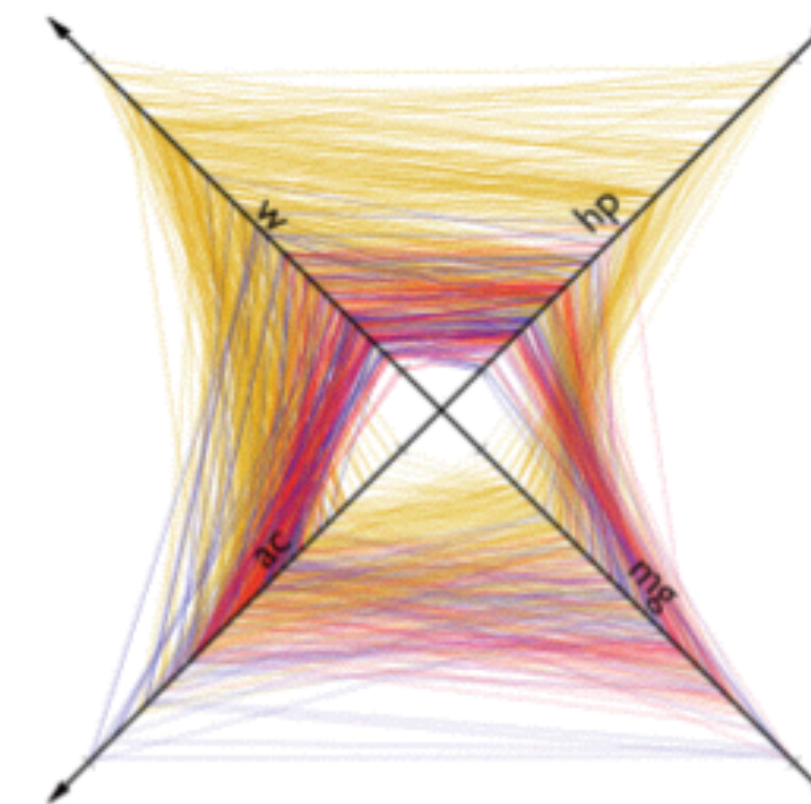
# Flexible Linked Axes (FLINA)



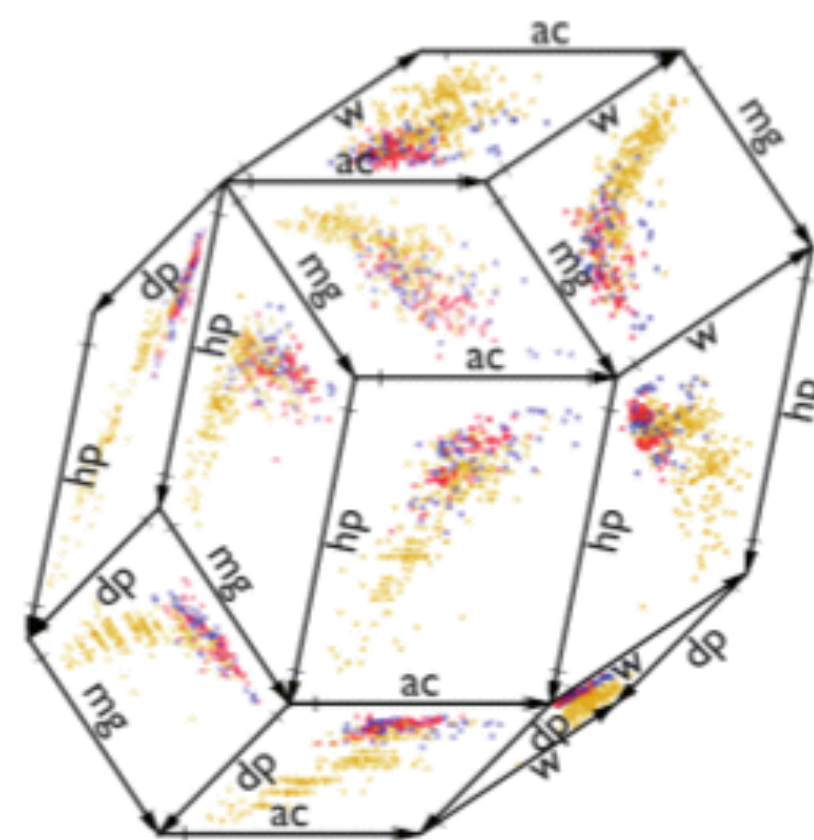
(a) scatterplots



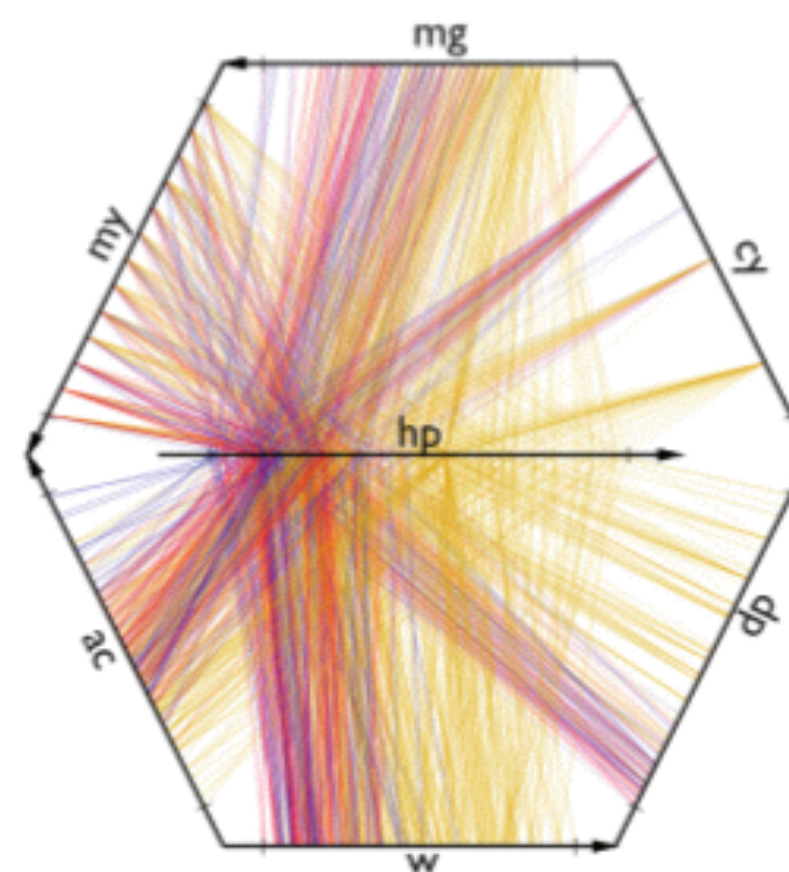
(b) Parallel Coordinates Plot



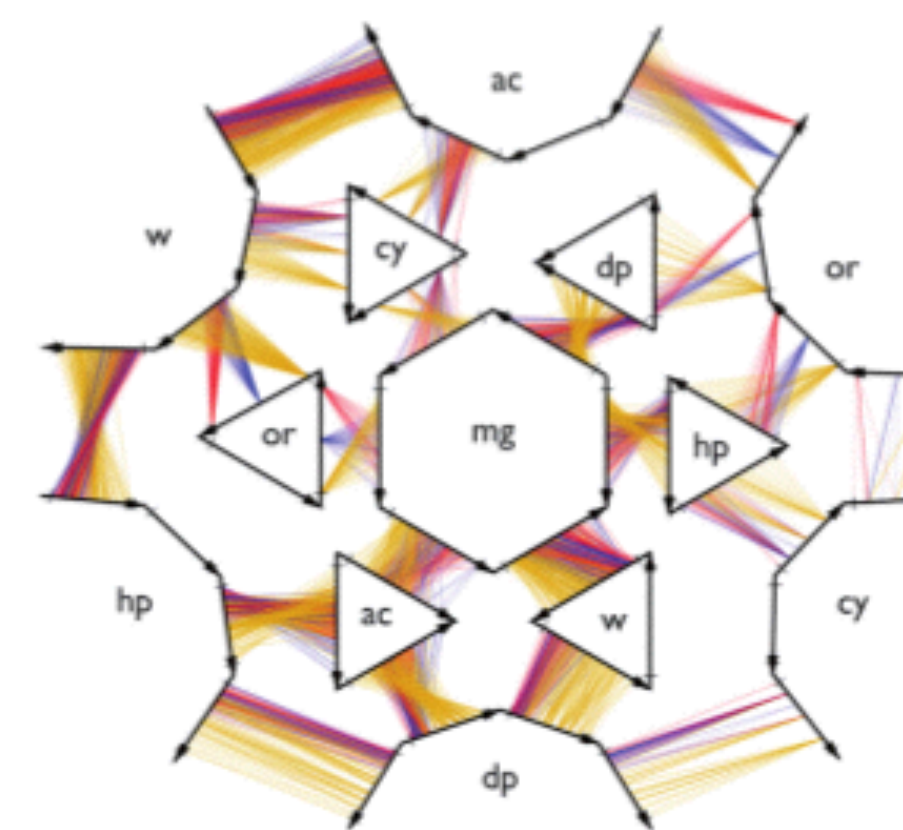
(c) radar chart



(d) Hyperbox



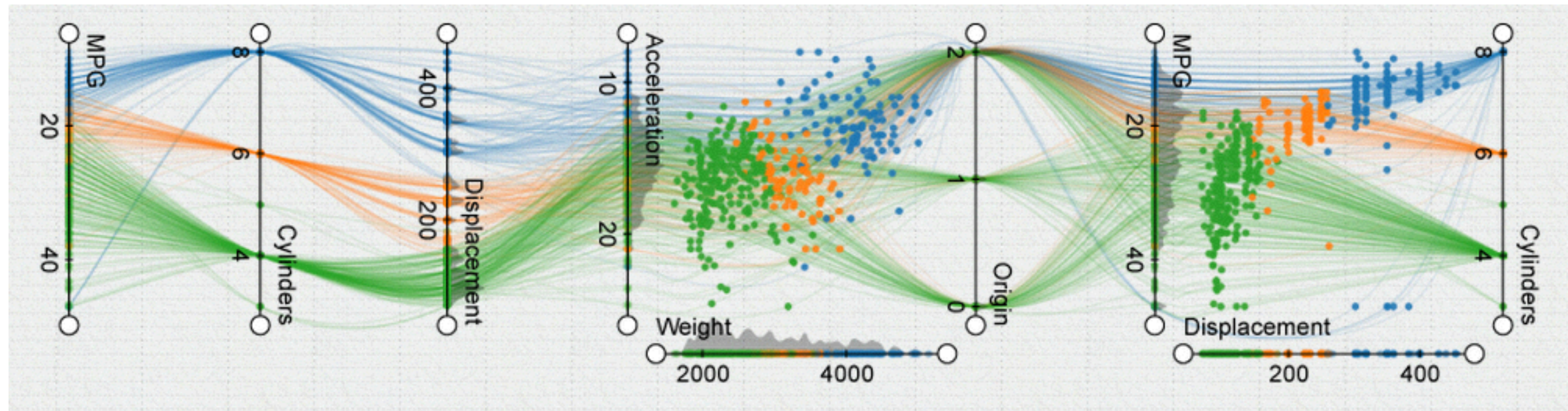
(e) Time Wheel



(f) Many-to-many PCP



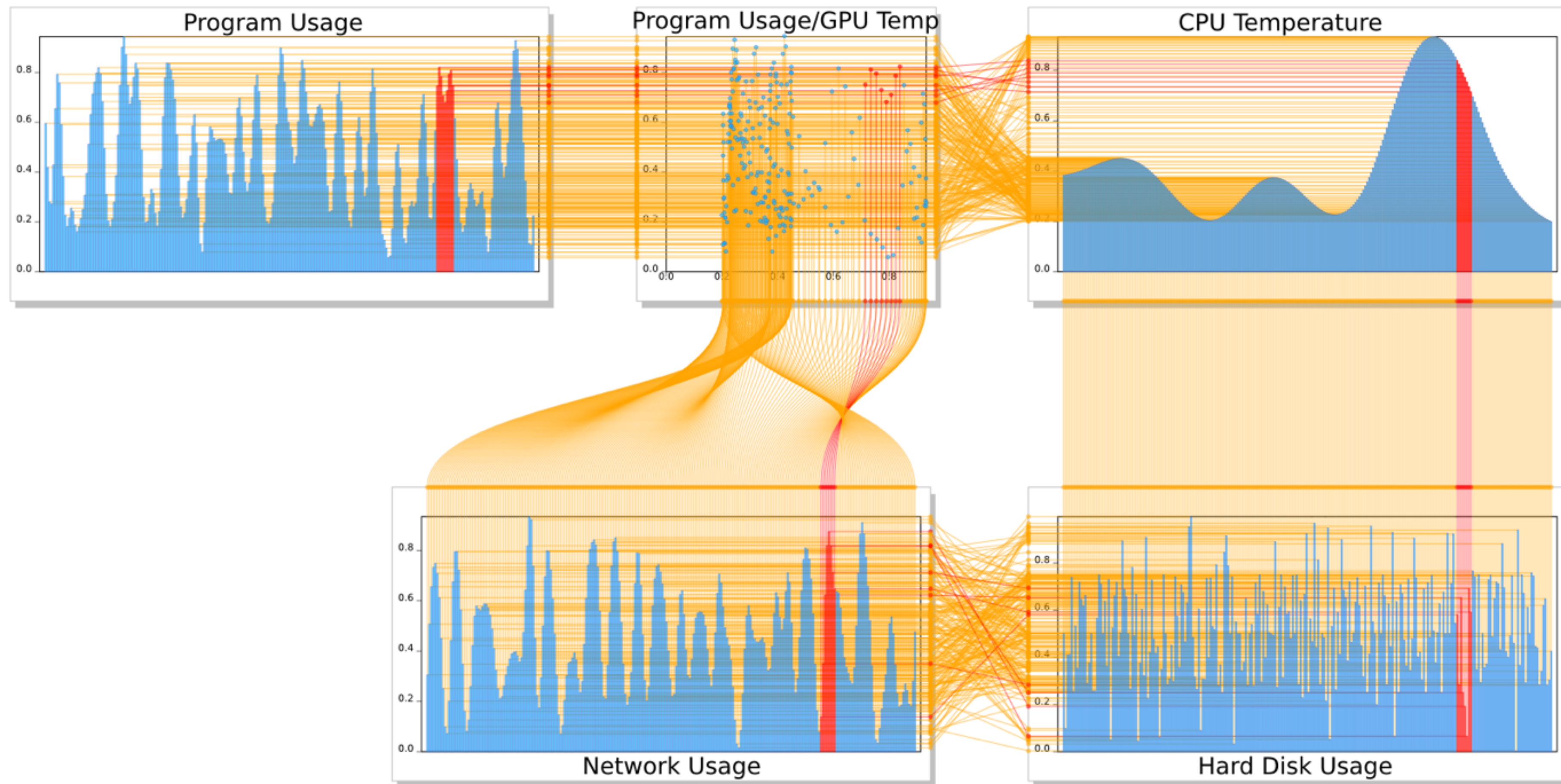
# Web-based implementation of FLINA concept



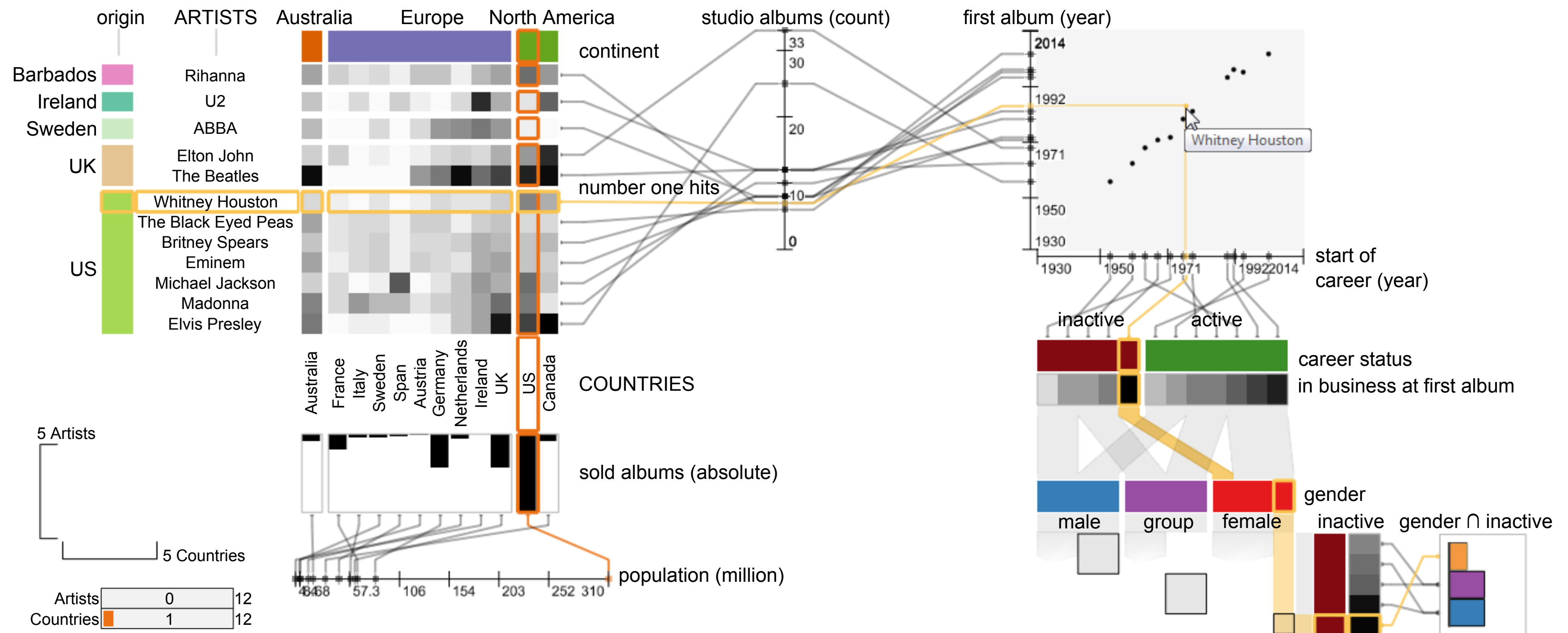
<http://vis.pku.edu.cn/mddv/val/>



# Connected Charts



# Domino





# Spatial Axis Orientation

Parallel Sets

# Parallel Sets

**builds on PC to better handle categorical data**

discrete

small number of values

no implied ordering between attributes

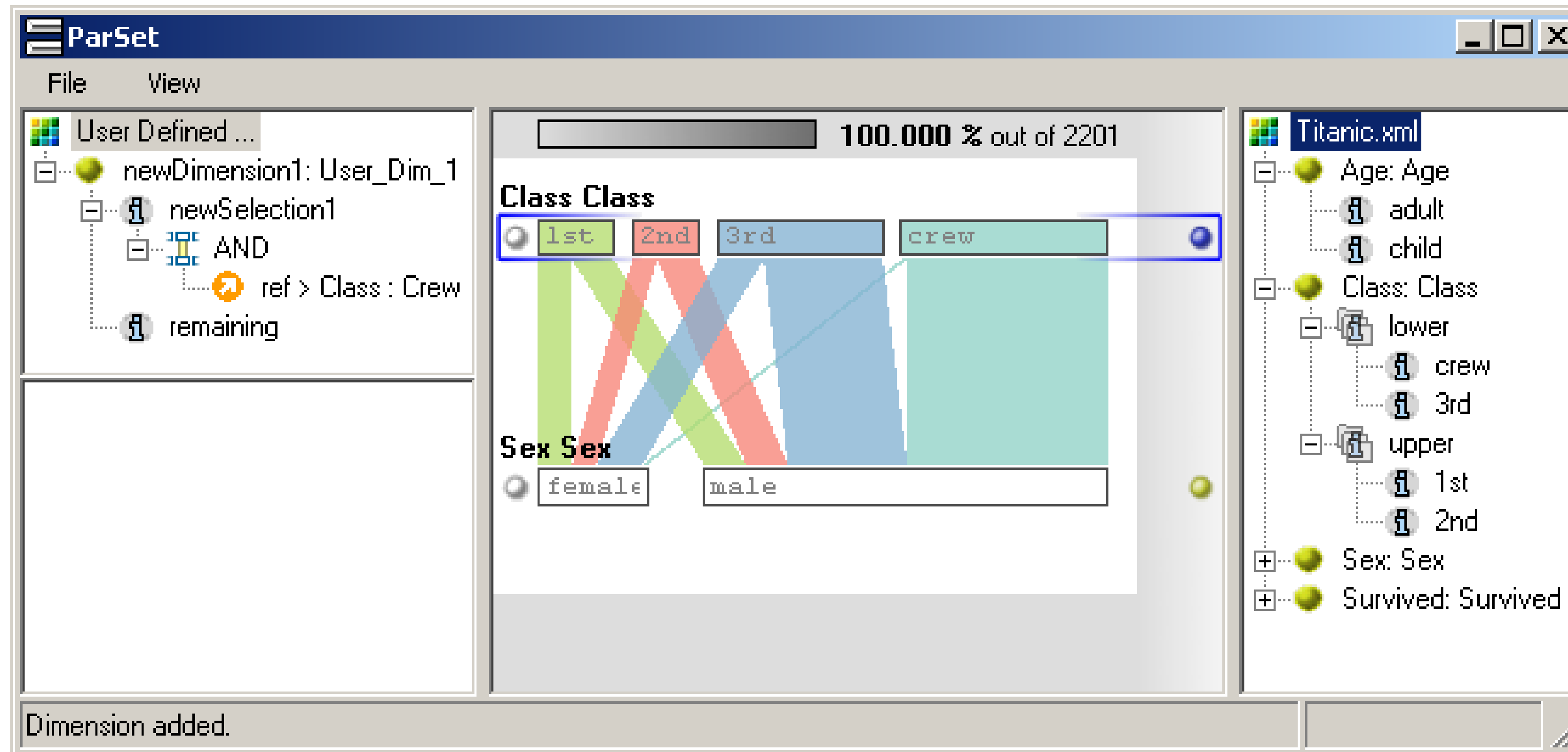
task: find relationship between attributes

interaction driven technique

# Visual Encoding

boxes scaled by frequency

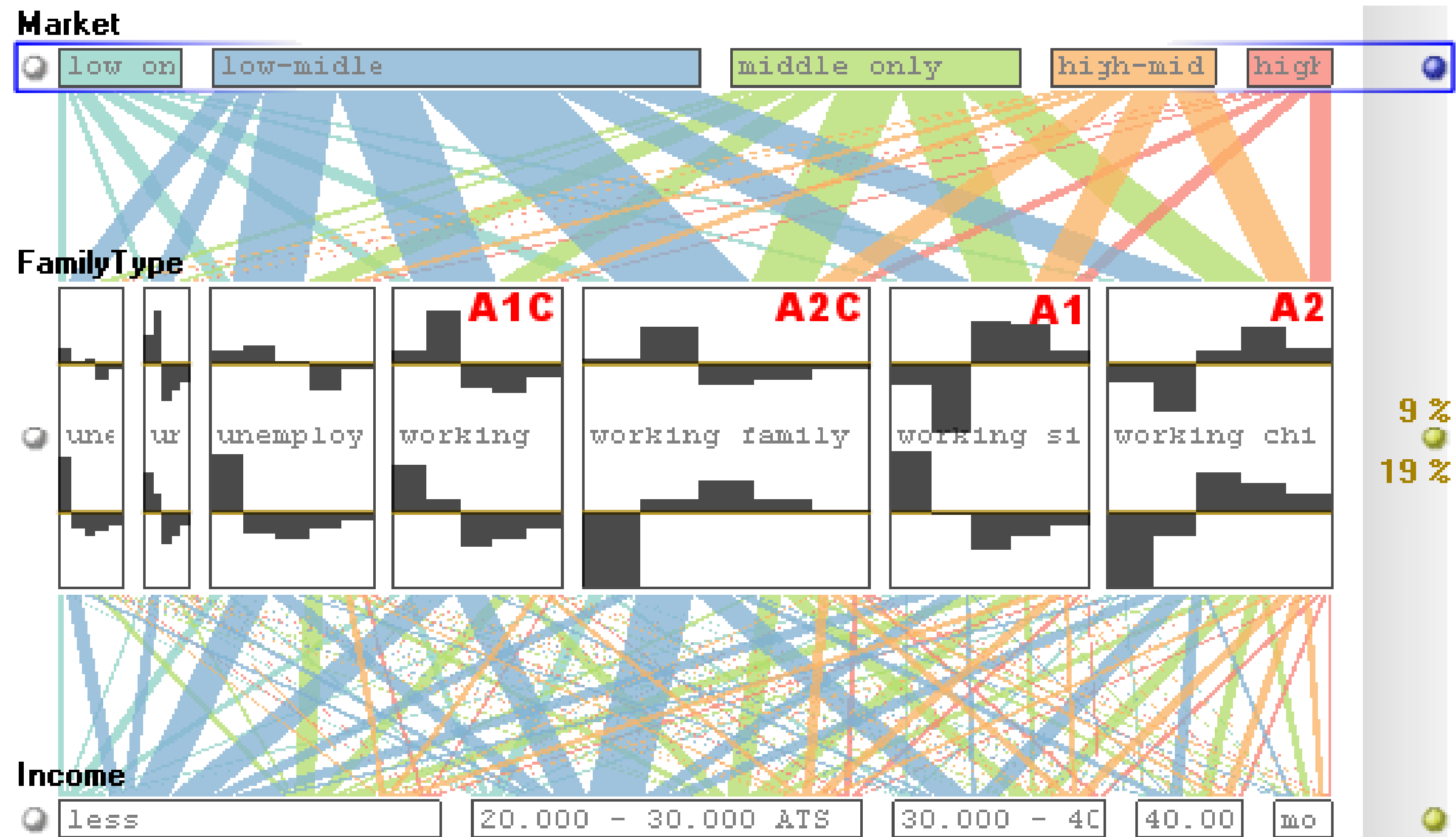
color coded by values for current active dimension



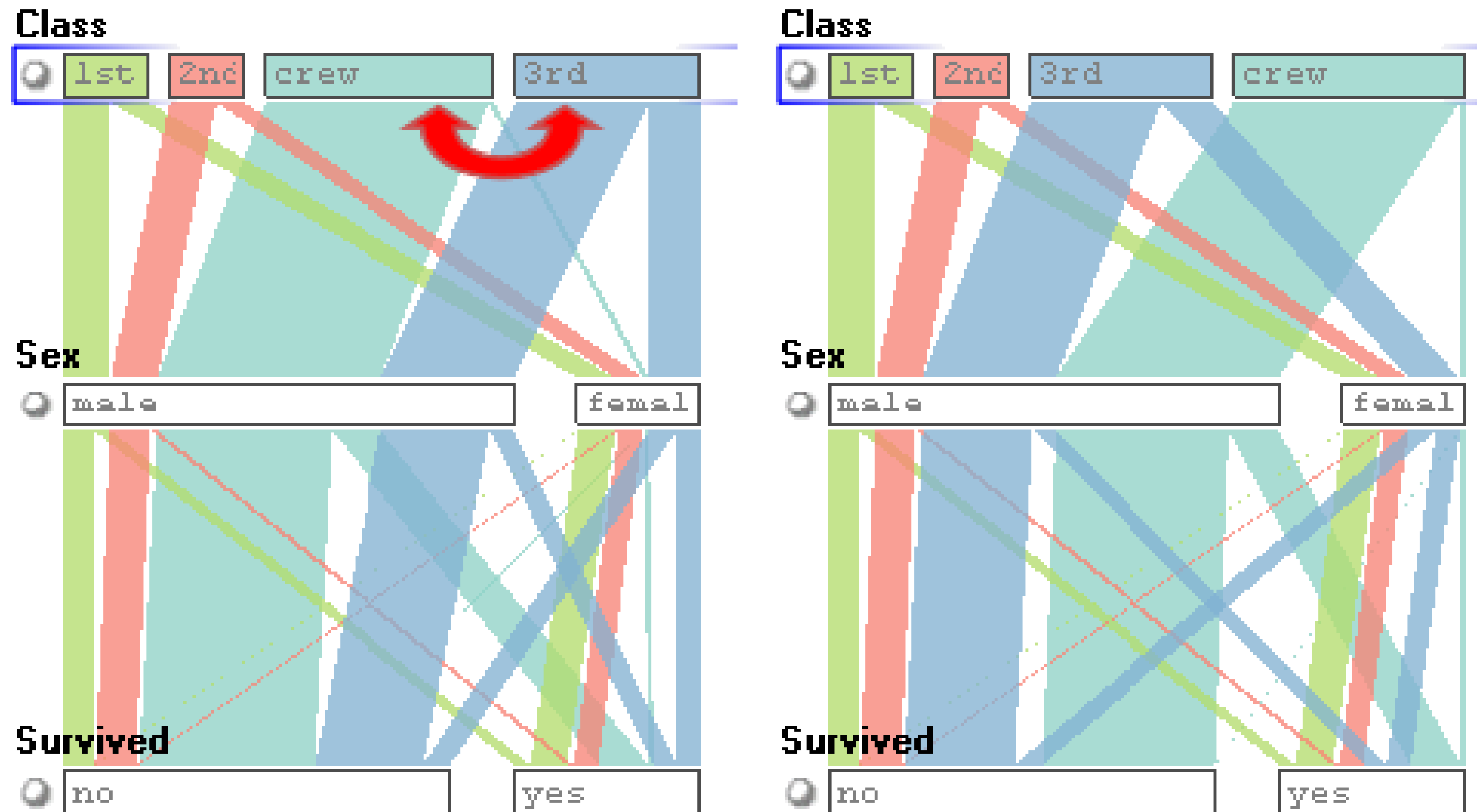


# Visual Encoding

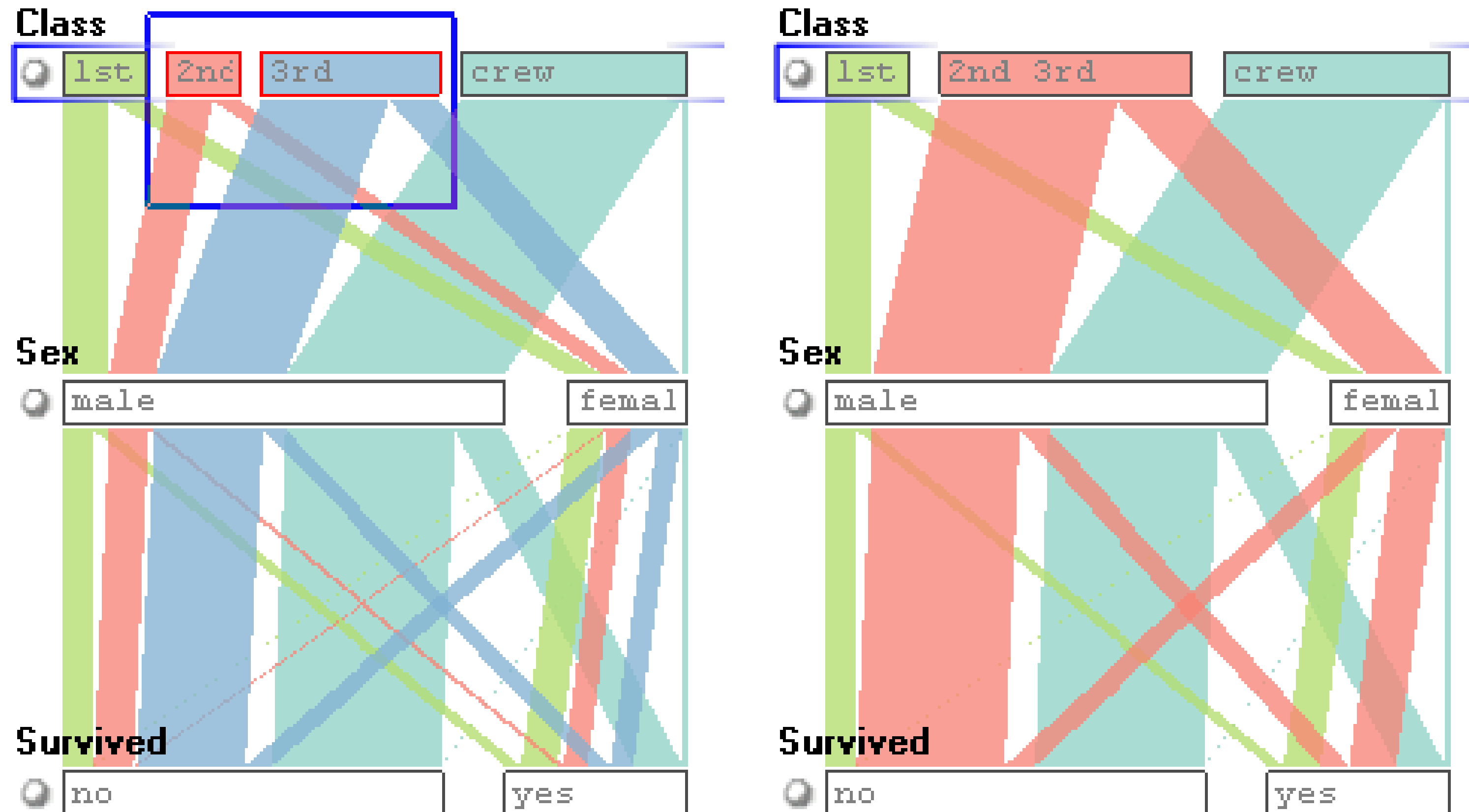
- boxes expand to show histogram



# Interaction: Reorder

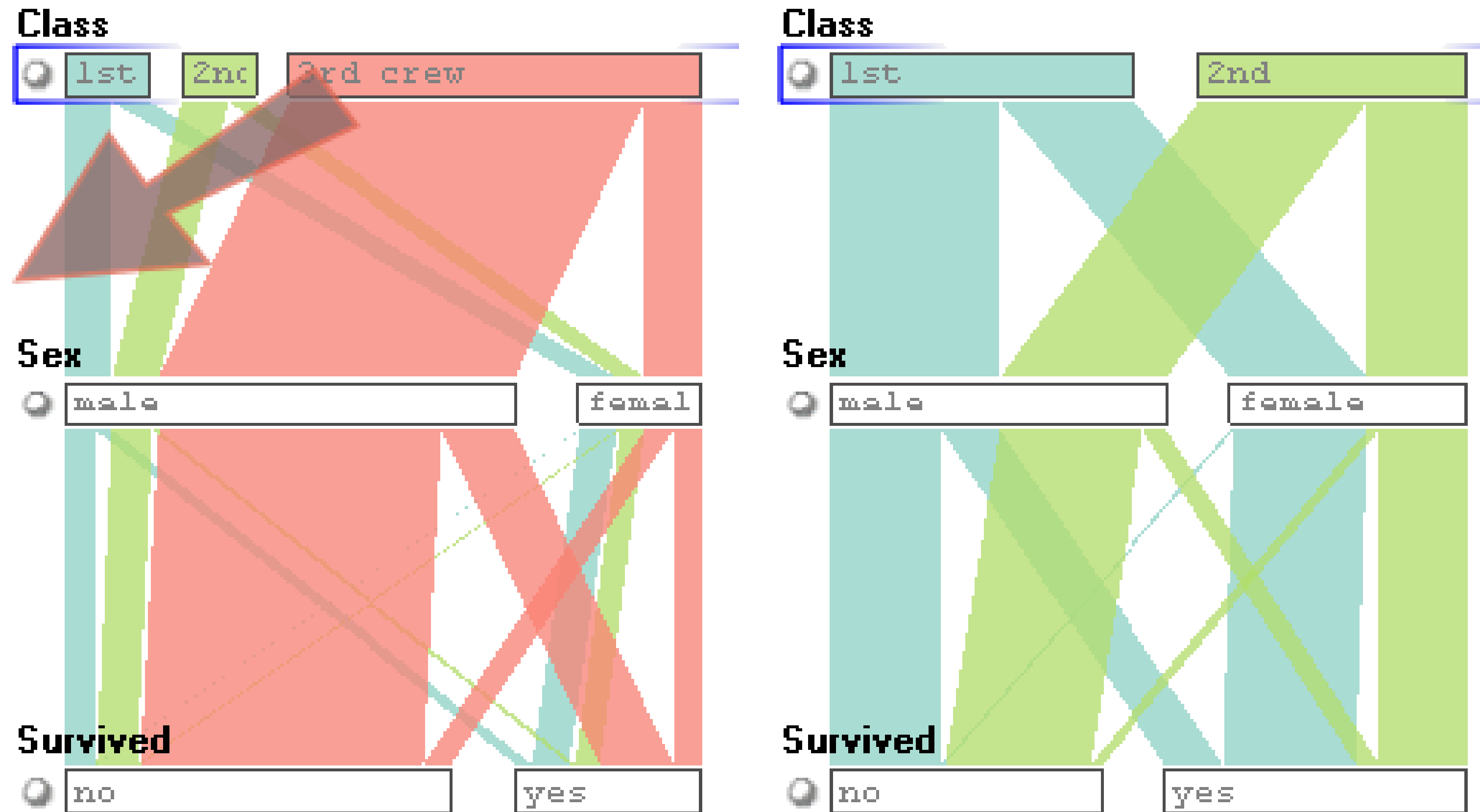


# Interaction: Aggregate

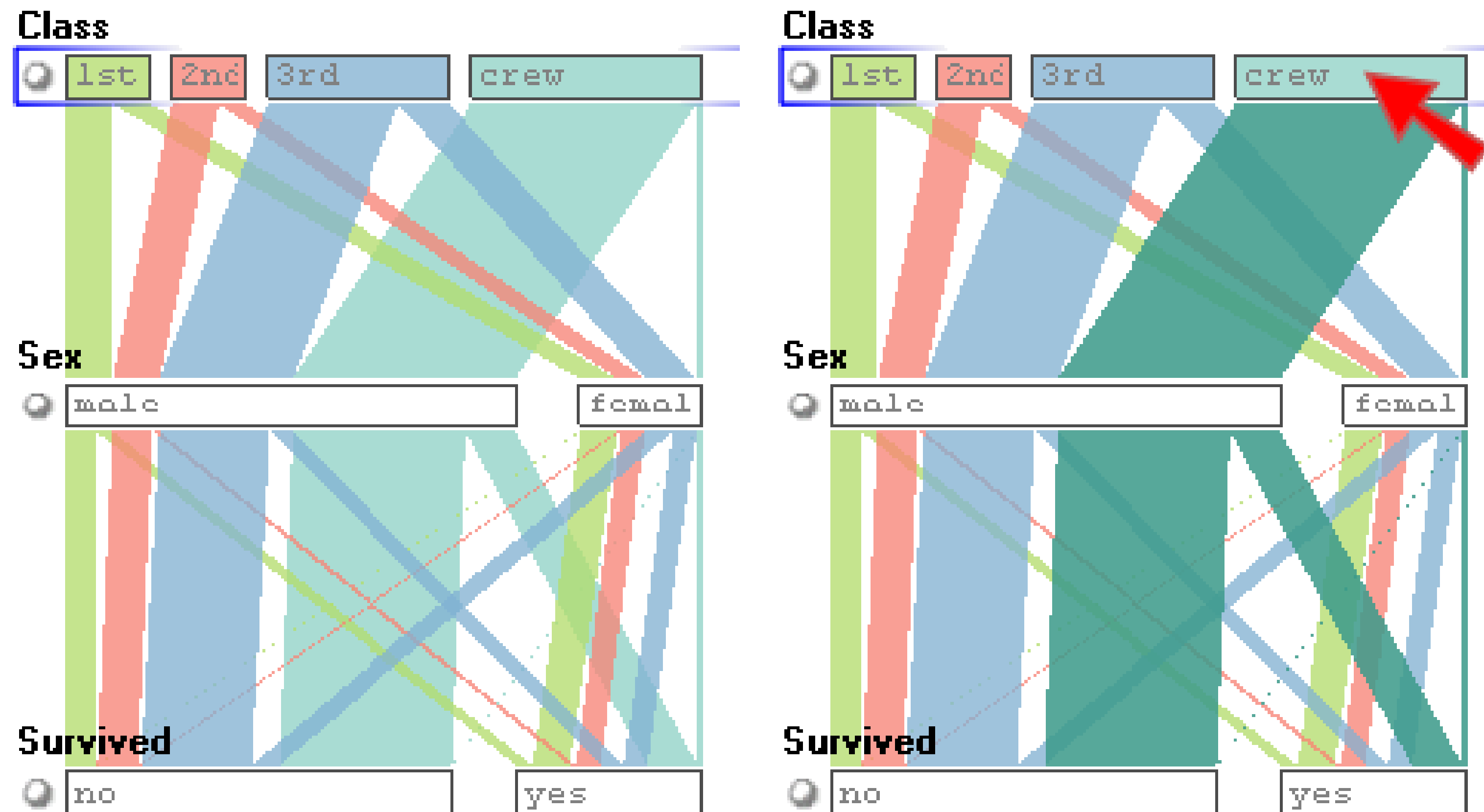




# Interaction: Filter



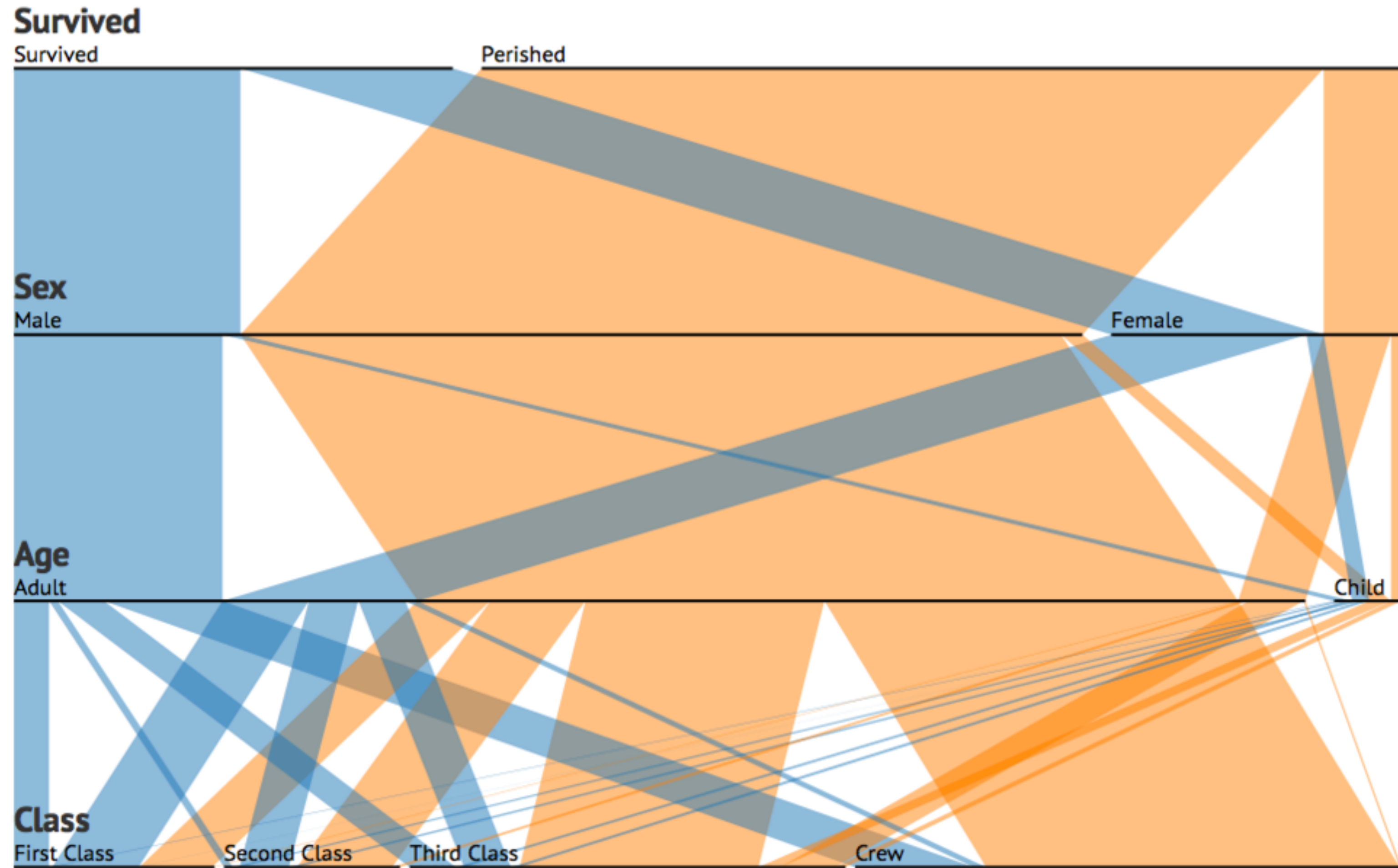
# Interaction: Highlight



# Parallel Sets

A visualisation technique for multidimensional categorical data.

## Titanic Survivors



Curves?

Data: [Robert J. MacG. Dawson.](#)



# Filling Space

## Arrange Tables

### ① Express Values



### ② Separate, Order, Align Regions

→ Separate



→ Order



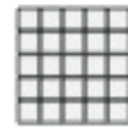
→ Align



→ 1 Key  
*List*



→ 2 Keys  
*Matrix*



→ 3 Keys  
*Volume*



→ Many Keys  
*Recursive Subdivision*



### ③ Axis Orientation

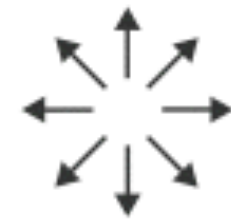
→ Rectilinear



→ Parallel

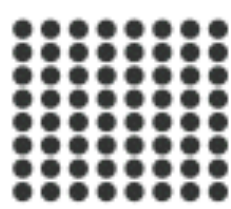


→ Radial



### ④ Layout Density

→ Dense



→ Space-Filling



# Dense pixel display: VisDB

represent each data item, or each attribute in an item as a single pixel

can fit as many items on the screen as there are pixels, on the order of millions

relies heavily on color coding

challenge: what's the layout?



# The data...

large database where each item has multiple attributes (on the order of 10)

**goal:** visualize the relevance of set of items which satisfy a query

plot out data items in a spiral pattern, ordered by relevance

