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Lecture 09

Interactive Information Visualization and Visual Analytics

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Schedule

- 1. Intro: Computer Science meets Life Sciences, challenges, future directions
- 2. Back to the future: Fundamentals of Data, Information and Knowledge
- 3. Structured Data: Coding, Classification (ICD, SNOMED, MeSH, UMLS)
- 4. Biomedical Databases: Acquisition, Storage, Information Retrieval and Use
- 5. Semi structured and weakly structured data (structural homologies)
- 6. Multimedia Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery
- 7. Knowledge and Decision: Cognitive Science & Human-Computer Interaction
- 8. Biomedical Decision Making: Reasoning and Decision Support
- 9. **Intelligent Information Visualization and Visual Analytics**
- 10. Biomedical Information Systems and Medical Knowledge Management
- 11. Biomedical Data: Privacy, Safety and Security
- 12. Methodology for Info Systems: System Design, Usability & Evaluation

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Keywords of the 9th Lecture

- Data visualization
- Flow cytometry
- Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)
- Information visualization
- Interactive information visualization
- k-Anonymization
- Longitudinal data
- Multivariate data
- Parallel coordinates
- RadViz
- Semiotics
- Star plots
- Temporal data analysis
- Visual analytics
- Visual information

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Advance Organizer (1/2)

- Biological data visualization** = as branch of bioinformatics concerned with visualization of sequences, genomes, alignments, phylogenies, macromolecular structures, systems biology, etc.
- Clustering** = Mapping objects into disjoint subsets to let appear similar objects in the same subset;
- Data visualization** = visual representation of complex data, to communicate information clearly and effectively, making data useful and usable;
- Information visualization** = the interdisciplinary study of the visual representation of large-scale collections of non-numerical data, such as files and software, databases, networks etc., to allow users to see, explore, and understand information at once;
- Multidimensional scaling** = Mapping objects into a low-dimensional space (plane, cube etc.) in order to let appear similar objects close to each other;
- Multi-Dimensionality** = containing more than three dimensions and data are multivariate;
- multivariate** = encompassing the simultaneous observation and analysis of more than one statistical variable; (Antonym: univariate = one-dimensional);

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Advance Organizer (2/2)

- Parallel Coordinates** = for visualizing high-dimensional and multivariate data in the form of N parallel lines, where a data point in the n-dimensional space is transferred to a polyline with vertices on the parallel axes;
- RadViz** = radial visualization method, which maps a set of m-dimensional points in the 2-D space, similar to Hooke's law in mechanics;
- Semiotics** = deals with the relationship between symbology and language, pragmatics and linguistics. Information and Communication Technology deals not only in words and pictures but also in ideas and symbology;
- Semiotic engineering** = a process of creating a semiotic system, i.e. a model of human intelligence and knowledge and the logic for communication and cognition;
- Star Plot** = aka radar chart, spider web diagram, star chart, polygon plot, polar chart, or Kiviati diagram, for displaying multivariate data in the form of a two-dimensional chart of three or more quantitative variables represented on axes starting from the same point;
- Visual Analytics** = focuses on analytical reasoning of complex data facilitated by interactive visual interfaces;
- Visualization** = a method of computer science to transform the symbolic into the geometric, to form a mental model and foster unexpected insights;

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Learning Goals: At the end of this 9th lecture you ...

- ... have some background on visualization, visual analytics and content analytics;
- ... got an overview about various possible visualization methods for multivariate data;
- ... got an introduction into the work of and possibilities with parallel coordinates;
- ... have seen the principles of RadViz mappings and algorithms;
- ... are aware of the possibilities of Star Plots;
- ... have seen that visual analytics is intelligent Human-Computer Interaction at it finest;

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Slide 9-1 Key Challenges

- How to understand high-dimensional spaces?
- The transformation of results from high-dimensional space $\mathbb{R}^N$ into $\mathbb{R}^2$
- From the complex to the simple
- Low integration of visual analytics techniques into the clinical workplace
- Sampling, modelling, rendering, perception, cognition, decision making
- Trade-off between time and accuracy
- How to model uncertainty

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Visualization is an essential part of Data Science

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Verbal Information versus Visual Information

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Problem: Context!

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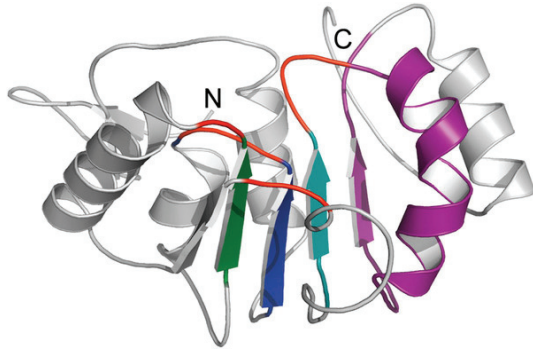
Semantic Ambiguity – Missing Context

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A picture is worth a thousand words?

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Slide 9-7: Example: Ribbon Diagram of a Protein Structure



Magnani, R., et al. 2010. Calmodulin methyltransferase is an evolutionarily conserved enzyme that trimethylates Lys-115 in calmodulin. *Nature Communications*, 1, 43.

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Slide 9-8 "Is a picture really worth a thousand words?"



PERSONAL HISTORY		FAMILY HISTORY		SOCIAL HISTORY		PHYSICAL EXAMINATION		LABORATORY TESTS		IMAGING STUDIES		TREATMENT		FOLLOW-UP	
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Informatics as Semiotics Engineering

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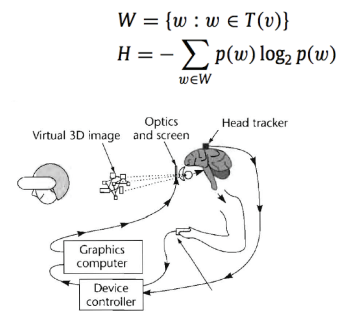
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Slide 9-9 Three examples for Visual Languages



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Holzinger, A., Searle, G., Auinger, A. & Ziefle, M. (2011) Informatics as Semiotics Engineering: Lessons learned from Design, Development and Evaluation of Ambient Assisted Living Applications for Elderly People. *Universal Access in Human-Computer Interaction. Context Diversity. Lecture Notes in Computer Science* (LNCS 6767). Berlin, Heidelberg, New York, Springer, 183-192.

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Slide 9-10 Informatics as Semiotics Engineering

1. Physical: is it present?
 - Signals, traces, components, points, ...
2. Empirical: can it be seen?
 - Patterns, entropy, codes, ...
3. Syntactic: can it be read?
 - Formal structure, logic, deduction, ...
4. Semantic: can it be understood?
 - Meaning, proposition, truth, ...
5. Pragmatic: is it useful?
 - Intentions, negotiations, communications, ...
6. Social: can it be trusted?
 - Beliefs, expectations, culture, ...

Burton-Jones, A., Storey, V. C., Sugumaran, V. & Ahluwalia, P. 2005. A semiotic metrics suite for assessing the quality of ontologies. *Data & Knowledge Engineering*, 55, (1), 84-102.

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Slide 9-11 Definitions of the term "Visualization"

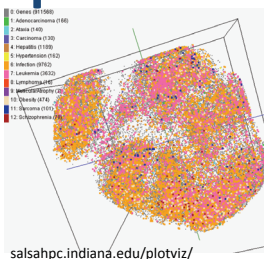
- **Visualization** = generally a method of computer science to **transform the symbolic into the geometric**, to form a mental model and foster unexpected insights;
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- **Data visualization** = visual representation of complex data, to communicate information clearly and effectively, making data useful and usable;
- **Visual Analytics** = focuses on analytical reasoning of complex data facilitated by **interactive** visual interfaces;
- **Content Analytics** = a general term addressing so-called "unstructured" information – mainly text – by using mixed methods from visual analytics and business intelligence;

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Visualization is a typical HCI topic !

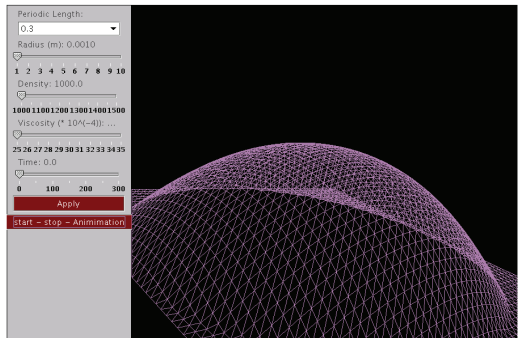


Jong Youl Choi, Seung-Hee Bae, Judy Qiu, Geoffrey Fox, Bin Chen, and David Wild, "Browsing Large Scale Cheminformatics Data with Dimension Reduction," Proceedings of Emerging Computational Methods for the Life Sciences Workshop of ACM HPDC 2010 conference, Chicago, Illinois, June 20-25, 2010.

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Slide 9-12 Process of interactive (data) visualization

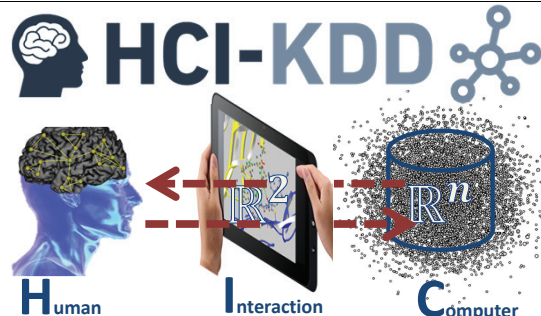


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Slide 9-13 Visualization is a typical HCI topic!

HCI-KDD

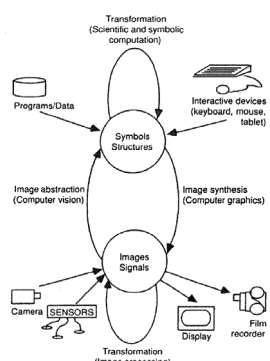


Holzinger, A. 2013. Human-Computer Interaction & Knowledge Discovery (HCI-KDD): What is the benefit of bringing those two fields to work together? In: *Alfredo Cuzzocrea, C. K., Dimitris E. Simos, Edgar Weippl, Lida Xu (ed.) Multidisciplinary Research and Practice for Information Systems, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science LNCS 8127. Heidelberg, Berlin, New York: Springer, pp. 319-328.*

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Slide 9-14 We can conclude that Visualization is ...

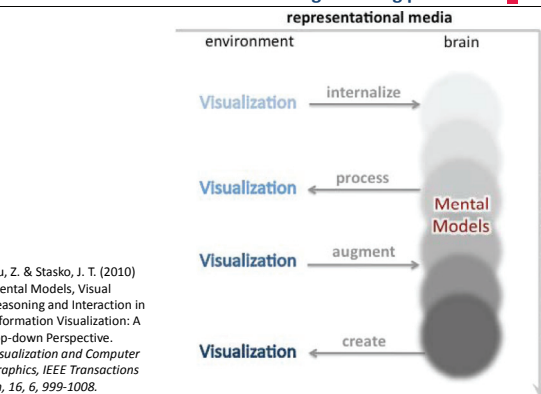
- ... the common denominator of Computational sciences
- ... the transformation of the symbolic into the geometric
- ... the support of human perception
- ... facilitating knowledge discovery in data



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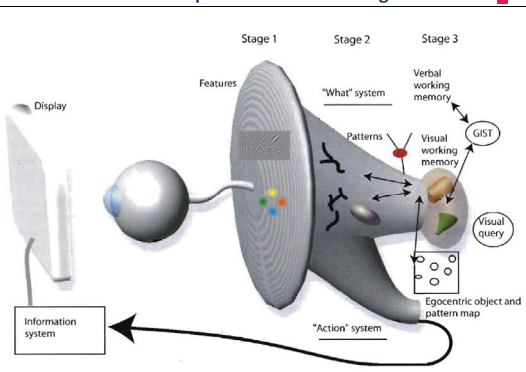
Slide 9-15 Visualization as an knowledge eliciting process



Liu, Z. & Stasko, J. T. (2010) Mental Models, Visual Reasoning and Interaction in Information Visualization: A Top-down Perspective. *Visualization and Computer Graphics, IEEE Transactions on*, 16, 6, 999-1008.

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Slide 9-16 Model of Perceptual Visual Processing



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Usefulness of Visualization Science

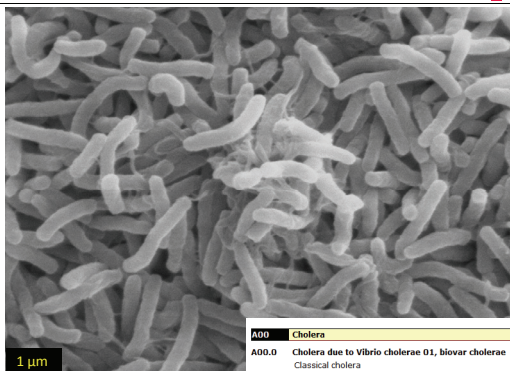
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Slide 9-17 A look back into history ...



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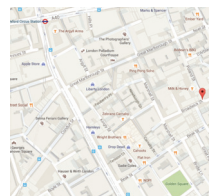
What do you see in this picture?



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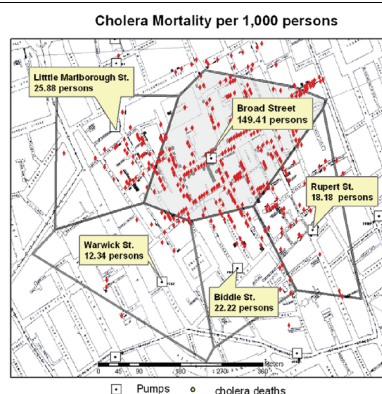
Slide 9-18 Medical Visualization by John Snow (1854)



McLeod, K. S. (2000) Our sense of Snow: the myth of John Snow in medical geography. *Social Science & Medicine*, 50, 7-8, 923-935.

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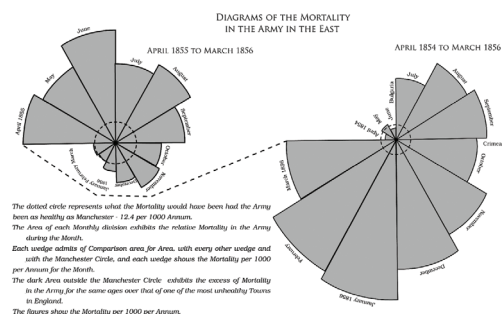
Slide 9-19 Systematic Visual Analytics > Content Analytics



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Florence Nightingale – first medical quality manager



Meyer, B. C. & Bishop, D. S. (2007) Florence Nightingale: nineteenth century apostle of quality. *Journal of Management History*, 13, 3, 240-254.

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How many visualization methods do exist?

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Slide 9-20 A periodic table of visualization methods

Data Visualization Visual representation of quantitative data in a structured form (table with or without sorting)	Strategy Visualization Visual representation of a complex process or strategy in the context of a specific domain, often using a hierarchical or flowchart structure	Metaphor Visualization Visual representation of a complex process or strategy in the context of a specific domain, often using a hierarchical or flowchart structure	Compound Visualization The combination of different visualization methods to represent a complex process or strategy
Information Visualization The visual representation of information in a structured form, often using a hierarchical or flowchart structure	Concept Visualization Visual representation of a complex process or strategy in the context of a specific domain, often using a hierarchical or flowchart structure	Process Visualization Visual representation of a complex process or strategy in the context of a specific domain, often using a hierarchical or flowchart structure	Structure Visualization Visual representation of a complex process or strategy in the context of a specific domain, often using a hierarchical or flowchart structure

Lengler, R. & Eppler, M. J. (2007) Towards a periodic table of visualization methods for management. *Proceedings of Graphics and Visualization in Engineering (GVE 2007)*; Online: www.visual-literacy.org

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Slide 9-21: A taxonomy of Visualization Methods

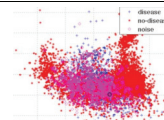
- 1) Data Visualization (Pie Charts, Area Charts or Line Graphs, ...)
- 2) Information Visualization (Semantic networks, tree-maps, radar-chart, ...)
- 3) Concept Visualization (Concept map, Gantt chart, PERT diagram, ...)
- 3) Metaphor Visualization (Metro maps, story template, iceberg, ...)
- 4) Strategy Visualization (Strategy Canvas, roadmap, morpho box,...)
- 5) Compound Visualization

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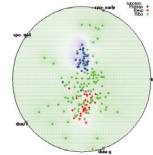
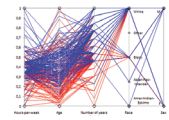
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Slide 9-22 Visualizations for multivariate data Overview 1/2



Scatterplot = oldest, point-based technique, projects data from n-dim space to an arbitrary k-dim display space;

Parallel coordinates = (PCP), originally for the study of high-dimensional geometry, data point plotted as polyline;



RadViz = Radial Coordinate visualization, is a "force-driven" point layout technique, based on Hooke's law for equilibrium;

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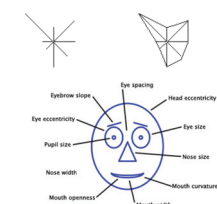
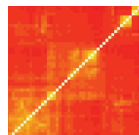
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Slide 9-23 Visualizations for multivariate data Overview 2/2

Radar chart (star plot, spider web, polar graph, polygon plot) = radial axis technique;

Heatmap = a tabular display technique using color instead of figures for the entries;



Glyph = a visual representation of the entity, where its attributes are controlled by data attributes;

Chernoff face = a face glyph which displays multivariate data in the shape of a human face

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Parallel Coordinates



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Slide 9-24 Parallel Coordinates – multidim. Visualization

- On the plane with Cartesian-coords, a vertical line, labeled $\bar{X}_i$ is placed at each $x = i - 1$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$.
- These are the axes of the parallel coordinate system for $\mathbb{R}^N$.
- A point $C = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N$ is mapped into the polygonal line $\bar{C}$
- the N -vertices with xy -coords $(i - 1, c_i)$ are now on the parallel axes.
- In $\bar{C}$ the full lines and not only the segments between the axes are included.



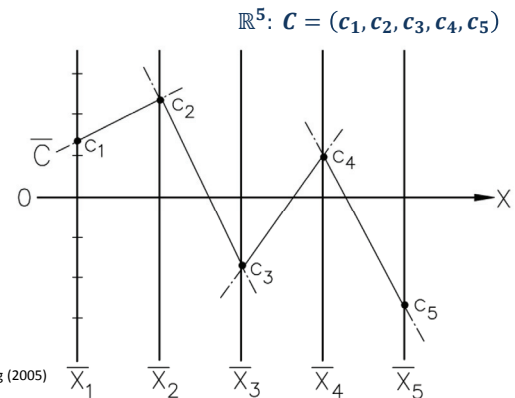
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Slide 9-25 Polygonal line $\bar{C}$ is representing a single point



Inselberg (2005)

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Slide 9-26 Heavier polygonal lines represent end-points

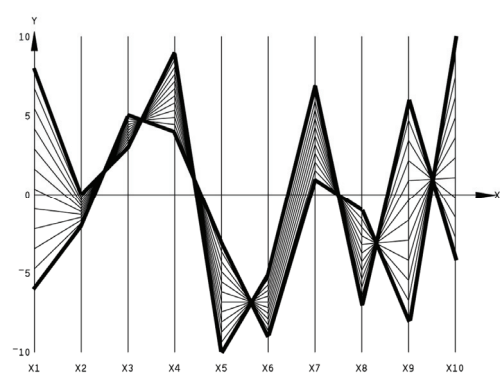
- A polygonal line $\bar{P}$ on the $N - 1$ points represents a point
- $P = (p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_i, \dots, p_N) \in \ell$
- since the pair of values $\dots, p_{i-1}, p_i$ marked on the $\bar{X}_{i-1}$ and $\bar{X}_i$ axes.
- In the following slide we see several polygonal lines, intersecting at $\ell_{(i-1),i}$
- representing data points on a line $\ell \subset \mathbb{R}^{10}$.
- Note: The indexing is essential and is important for the visualization of proximity properties such as the minimum distance between a pair of lines.

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Slide 9-27 Line Interval in $\mathbb{R}^{10}$

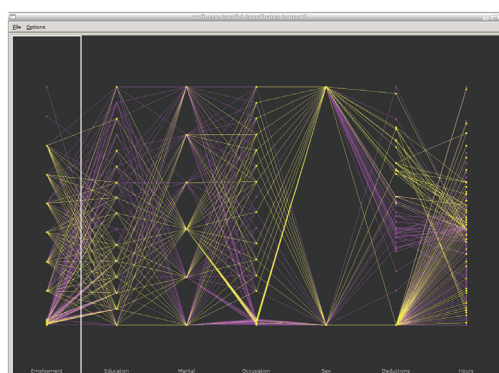


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Slide 9-28 Example: Par Coords in a Vis Software in R



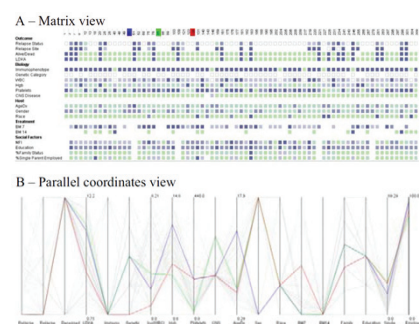
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Slide 9-29 Par Coords -> Knowledge Discovery in big data



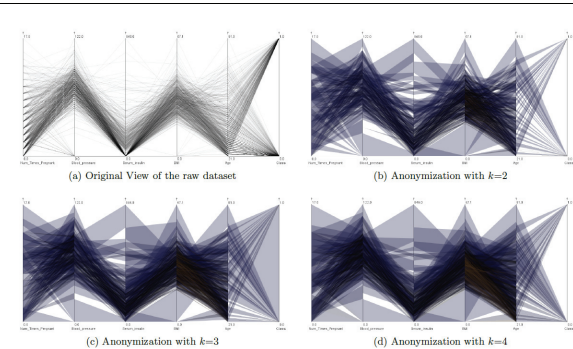
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Slide 9-30 Ensuring Data Protection with k-Anonymization



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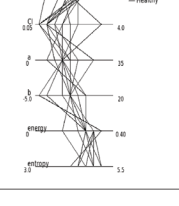
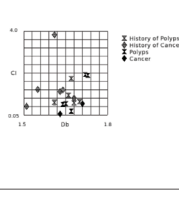
Why are such approaches not used in enterprise hospital information systems?

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Slide 9-31 Decision Support with Par Coords in diagnostics



Pham, B. L. & Cai, Y. (2004) Visualization techniques for tongue analysis in traditional Chinese medicine.

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Practical Example: Big data from Flow Cytometry (1)



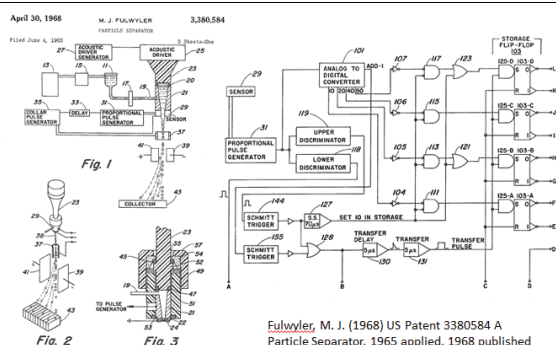
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Practical Example: Foundation of Flow Cytometry (2)



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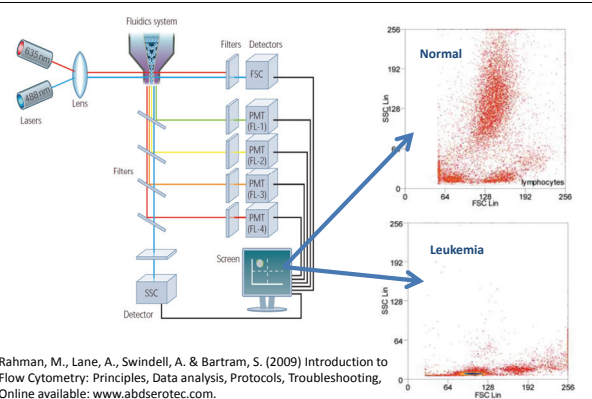
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Practical Example: Flow Cytometry (3) Immunophenotyping

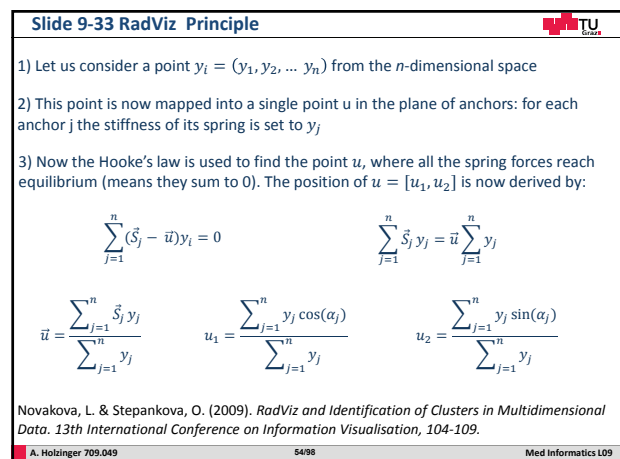
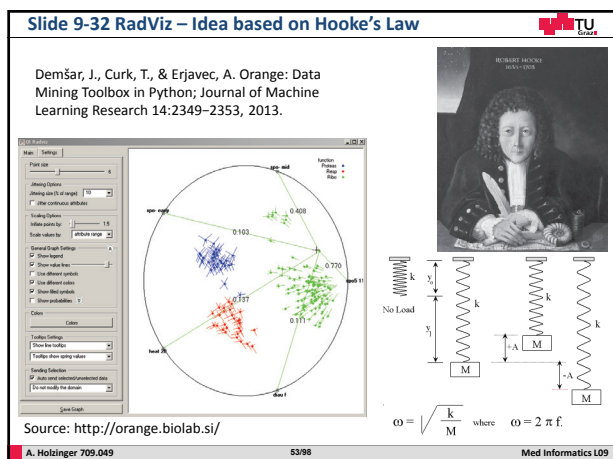
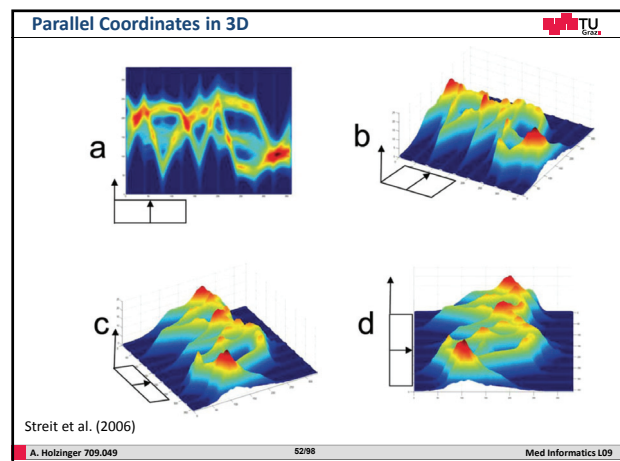
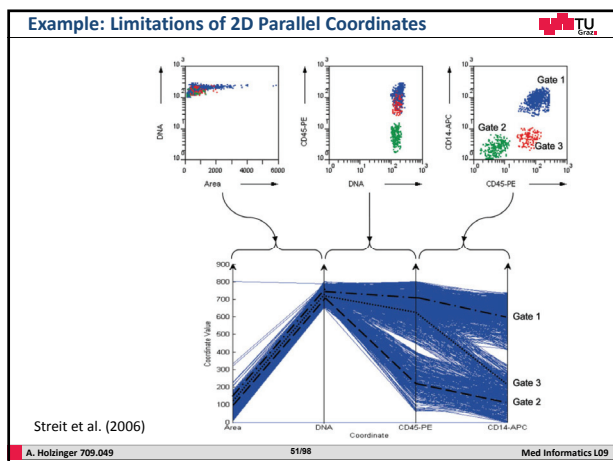
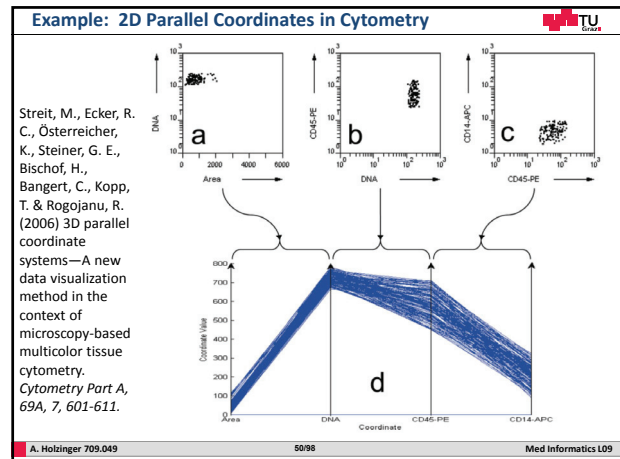
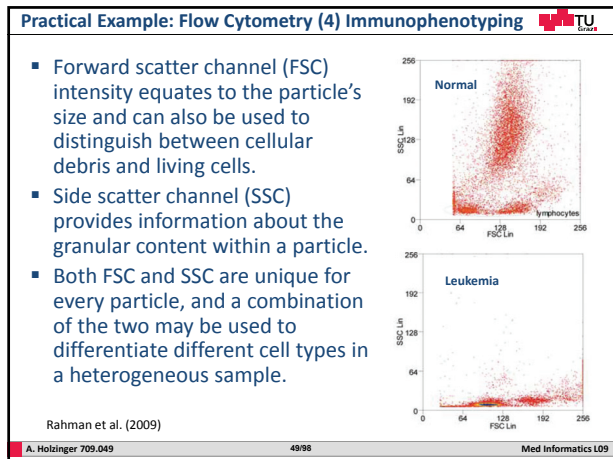


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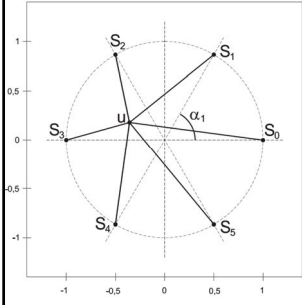
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Slide 9-34 RadViz mapping principle and algorithm



1. Normalize the data to the interval $(0, 1)$

$$\tilde{x}_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij} - \min_j}{\max_j - \min_j}$$
2. Now place the dimensional anchors
3. Now calculate the point to place each record and to draw it:

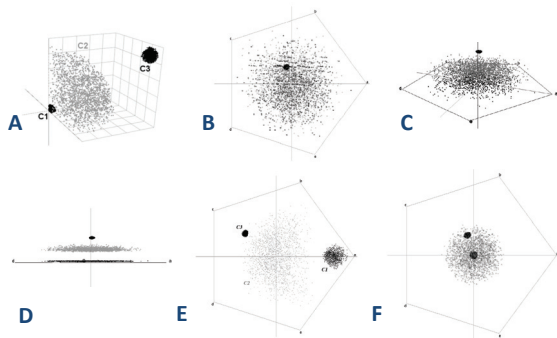
$$y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{x}_{ij}$$

$$\bar{u}_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{x}_{ij}}{y_i}$$

Novakova, L. & Stepankova, O. (2009). RadViz and Identification of Clusters in Multidimensional Data. 13th International Conference on Information Visualisation, 104-109.

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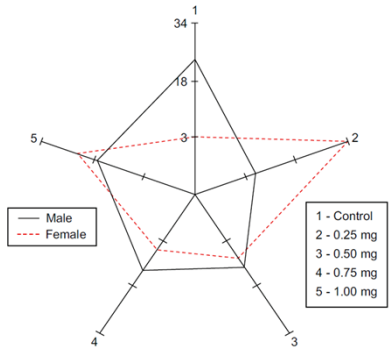
Slide 9-35 RadViz for showing the existence of clusters



Novakova, L. & Stepankova, O. (2009). RadViz and Identification of Clusters in Multidimensional Data. 13th International Conference on Information Visualisation, 104-109.

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Slide 9-36 Star plots/Radar chart/Spider-web/Polygon plot



Saary, M. J. (2008) Radar plots: a useful way for presenting multivariate health care data. *Journal Of Clinical Epidemiology*, 61, 4, 311-317.

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Slide 9-37 Star Plot production

- Arrange N axes on a circle in $\mathbb{R}^2$
- $3 \leq N \leq N_{max}$
Note: An amount of $N_{max} \leq 20$ is just useful, according to Lanzenberger et al. (2005)
- Map coordinate vectors $P \in \mathbb{R}^N$ from $\mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$
- $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N\} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ where each p_i represents a different attribute with a different physical unit
- Each axis represents one attribute of data
- Each data record, or data point P is visualized by a line along the data points
- A Line is perceived better than points on the axes

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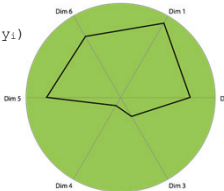
Slide 9-38 Algorithm for drawing the axes and the lines

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angleSector = 2 * pi / N
for each ai from axes[]
{
    anglei = i * angleSector
    xi = mid.x + r * cos(anglei)
    yi = mid.y + r * sin(anglei)
    DrawLine(midpoint.x, midpoint.y, xi, yi)
}

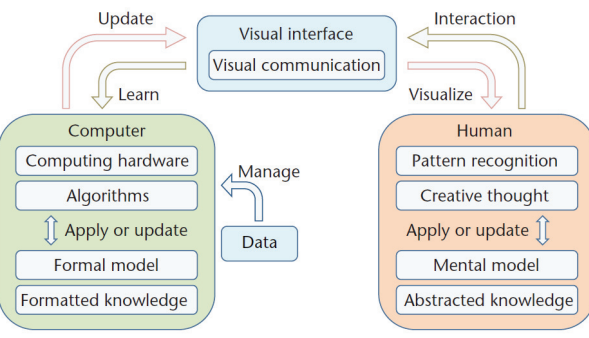
maxi = ai.upperBound()

scaled_vali = ai.value() * r / maxi
x_vali = mid.x + scaled_vali * cos(anglei)
y_vali = mid.y + scaled_vali * sin(anglei)
DrawLine(x_vali, y_vali, x_vali-1, y_vali-1)
    
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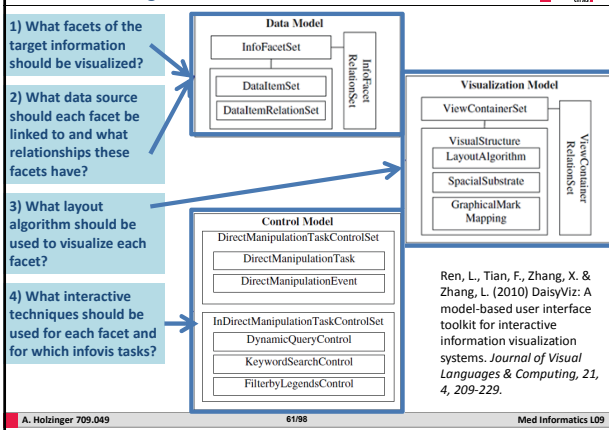
Slide 9-39 Visual Analytics is intelligent HCI



Mueller, K., Garg, S., Nam, J. E., Berg, T. & McDonnell, K. T. (2011) Can Computers Master the Art of Communication?: A Focus on Visual Analytics. *Computer Graphics and Applications, IEEE*, 31, 3, 14-21.

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Slide 9-40 Design of Interactive Information Visualization



Slide 9-41 Overview first - then zoom and filter on Demand

- 1) Overview: Gain an overview about the entire data set (know your data!);
- 2) Zoom : Zoom in on items of interest;
- 3) Filter: filter out uninteresting items – get rid of distractors – eliminate irrelevant information;
- 4) Details-on-demand: Select an item or group and provide details when needed;
- 5) Relate: View relationships among items;
- 6) History: Keep a history of actions to support undo, replay, and progressive refinement;
- 7) Extract: Allow extraction of sub-collections and of the query parameters;

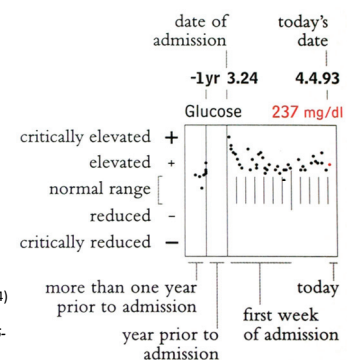
*) Shneiderman, B. (1996). *The Eyes Have It: A Task by Data Type Taxonomy for Information Visualizations*. *Proceedings of the 1996 IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages*, 336-343.

Slide 9-42 Letting the user interactively manipulate the data

- Focus Selection = via direct manipulation and selection tools, e.g. multi-touch (in data space a n-dim location might be indicated);
- Extent Selection = specifying extents for an interaction, e.g. via a vector of values (a range for each data dimension or a set of constraints);
- Interaction type selection = e.g. a pair of menus: one to select the space, and the other to specify the general class of the interaction;
- Interaction level selection = e.g. the magnitude of scaling that will occur at the focal point (via a slider, along with a reset button)

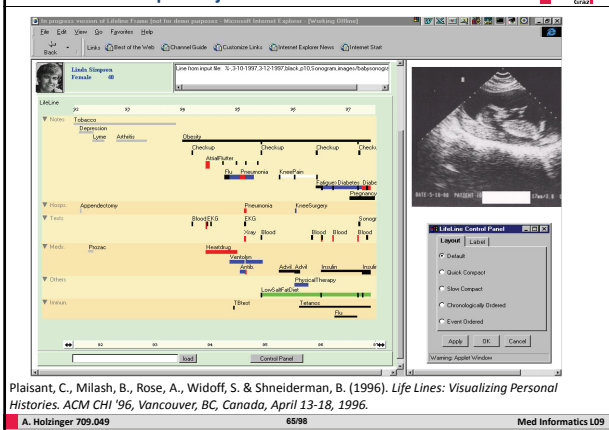
Ward, M., Grinstein, G. & Keim, D. (2010) *Interactive Data Visualization: Foundations, Techniques and Applications*. Natick (MA), Peters.

Slide 9-43 Rapid Graphical Summary of Patient Status



Powsner, S. M. & Tufte, E. R. (1994) Graphical Summary of Patient status. *The Lancet*, 344, 8919, 386-389.

Slide 6-44 Example Project LifeLines



What are temporal analysis tasks?

Slide 6-45 Temporal analysis tasks

Classification = given a set of classes: the aim is to determine which class the dataset belongs to; a classification is often necessary as pre-processing;

Clustering = grouping data into clusters based on similarity; the similarity measure is the key aspect of the clustering process;

Search/Retrieval = look for a priori specified queries in large data sets (query-by-example), can be exact matched or approximate matched (similarity measures are needed that define the degree of exactness);

Pattern discovery = automatically discovering relevant patterns in the data, e.g. local structures in the data or combinations thereof;

Prediction = foresee likely future behaviour of data – to infer from the data collected in the past and present how the data will evolve in the future (e.g. autoregressive models, rule-based models etc.)

Aigner, W., Miksch, S., Schumann, H. & Tominski, C. (2011) *Visualization of Time-Oriented Data. Human-Computer Interaction Series. London, Springer.*

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Example: Subspace Clustering

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Remember: The curse of dimensionality

(a) 11 Objects in One Unit Bin

(b) 6 Objects in One Unit Bin

(c) 4 Objects in One Unit Bin

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Repeat some definitions

- Dataset - consists of a matrix of data values, rows represent individual instances and columns represent dimensions.
- Instance - refers to a vector of d measurements.
- Cluster - group of instances in a dataset that are more similar to each other than to other instances. Often, similarity is measured using a distance metric over some or all of the dimensions in the dataset.
- Subspace - is a subset of the d dimensions of a given dataset.
- Subspace Clustering – seek to find clusters in a dataset by selecting the most *relevant* dimensions for each cluster separately.
- Feature Selection - process of determining and selecting the dimensions (features) that are most relevant to the data mining task.

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Parsons et al. SIGKDD Explorations 2004

Parsons, L., Haque, E. & Liu, H. 2004. Subspace clustering for high dimensional data: a review. SIGKDD Explorations 6, (1), 90-105.

(a) Dimension a

(b) Dimension b

(c) Dimension c

(d) Dims a & b

(e) Dims b & c

(f) Dims a & c

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Similar: Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

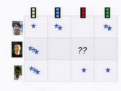
Curse of dimensionality (Bellman, 1957): As more dimensions are available, data becomes more sparse and distance measures are less meaningful.

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MMDS 2012
Workshop on Algorithms for Modern Massive Data Sets

CONTEXT – Recent related progress

Matrix completion: Given $y = P_{\Omega}(A_0)$, $\Omega \subset [m] \times [n]$, recover A_0 .



$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

Impossible in general ($|\Omega| \ll mn$)
Well-posed if A_0 is structured (low-rank), but still **NP-hard**
Tractable via convex optimization: $\min \|A\|_*$ s.t. $y = P_{\Omega}(A)$
... if Ω is "nice" (random subset) ...
... and A_0 interacts "nicely" with P_{Ω} (A_0 incoherent – not "spiky").

Hugely active area: Candès+Recht '08, Keshavan+Oh+Montanari '09, Candès+Tao '09, Gross '10, Recht '10, Negahban+Wainwright '10

Stanford University
July 10-13, 2012

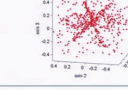
The Pursuit of Low-dimensional Structures in High-dimensional Data, Yi Ma, Microsoft Research, Asia

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CONTEXT – Recent related progress

Subspace Clustering: Given $Y = [y_1, \dots, y_n] \subset S_1, \dots, S_k$, recover the subspaces.



Y (with outliers)

Impossible in general (solutions highly ambiguous)
Well-posed if $\{S_i\}$ are few and structured (low-dim), but still **combinatorial**
Tractable via convex optimization: $\min \|X\|_0 + \|E\|_1$ s.t. $Y = Y'X + E$.
... for random samples Y'
... X and outliers E are sparse (or low-rank, column-wise sparse).

Hugely active area: Rao, Tron, Ma, Vidal'08, Elhamifar and Vidal'2010, Liu, Lin, Sun, Yan, Ma et. al.' 2011, Soltanolkotabi and Candès' 2011

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See Rene Vidal's Talk

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Slide 6-46 Future Outlook

- Time (e.g. entropy) and Space (e.g. topology)
- Knowledge Discovery from "unstructured" ;-)
(Forrester: >80%) data and applications of structured components as methods to index and organize data -> Content Analytics
- Open data, Big data, sometimes: small data
- Integration in "real-world" (e.g. Hospital), mobile
- How can we measure the benefits of visual analysis as compared to traditional methods?
- Can (and how can) we develop powerful visual analytics tools for the non-expert end user?

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Thank you!

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Sample Questions (1)

- What is semiotic engineering?
- Please explain the process of intelligent interactive information visualization!
- What is the difference between visualization and visual analytics?
- Explain the model of perceptual visual processing according to Ware (2004)!
- What was the historical start of systematic visual analytics? Why is this an important example?
- Please describe very shortly 6 of the most important visualization techniques!
- Transform five given data points into parallel coordinates!
- How can you ensure data protection in using parallel coordinates?
- What is the basic idea of RadViz?
- For which problem would you use a star-plot visualization?

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Sample Questions (2)

- What are the basic design principles of interactive intelligent visualization?
- What is the visual information seeking mantra of Shneiderman (1996)?
- Which concepts are important to let the end user interactively manipulate the data?
- What is the problem involved in looking at neonatal polysomnographic recordings?
- Why is time very important in medical informatics?
- What was the goal of LifeLines by Plaisant et al (1996)?
- Which temporal analysis tasks can you determine?
- Why is pattern discovery in medical informatics so important?
- What is the aim of foreseeing the future behaviour of medical data?

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Some useful links

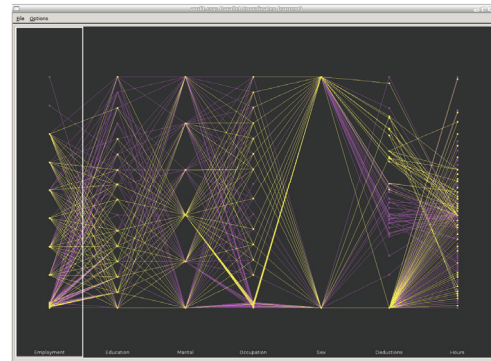
- <http://vis.lbl.gov/Events/SC07/Drosophila/>
(some really cool examples of high-dimensional data)
- <http://people.cs.uchicago.edu/~wiseman/chernoff> (Chernoff Faces in Java)
- <http://lib.stat.emu.edu> (Iris sample data set)
- <http://graphics.stanford.edu/data/voldata> (113-slice MRI data set of CT studies of cadaver heads)

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Appendix: Parallel Coordinates in a Vis Software in R

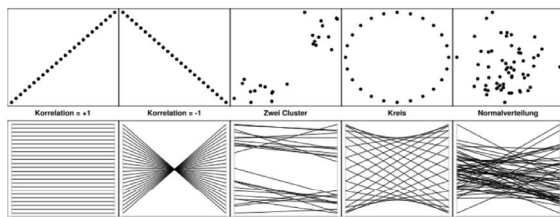


<http://datamining.togaware.com>

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Zur Visualisierung von hochdimensionalen Daten in der Statistik müssen drei wichtige Aspekte beachtet werden:

die Anordnung der Achsen

Die Anordnung der Achsen ist entscheidend für die Suche nach Strukturen in den Daten. In einer typischen Datenanalyse werden meist viele Anordnungen ausprobiert. Es wurden Anordnungsheuristiken entwickelt, die Einblicke in interessante Strukturen erlauben.^[7]

die Rotation der Achsen (Daten)

Da die i-te Koordinate durch die Ecke auf der i-ten Achse bestimmt wird, kann eine Rotation der Achsen (= Rotation der Daten) ein anderes Bild ergeben. Die beiden linken Grafiken können als Rotation der Achsen (oder Daten) um 90 Grad aufgefasst werden. Trotz gleicher Struktur ergeben sich unterschiedliche Strukturen in den parallelen Koordinaten.

die Skalierung der Achsen

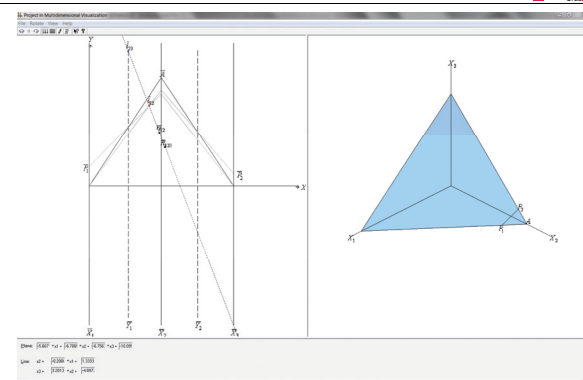
Die parallelen Koordinaten sind im Wesentlichen eine Aneinanderreihung von Linien zwischen Paaren von Koordinatenachsen.^[7] Daher sollten die Variablen auf einen ähnlichen Maßstab skaliert sein. Verschiedene Skalierungen können ebenfalls interessante Einsichten in die Daten geben.

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Visual Multidimensional Geometry and its Applications (1)

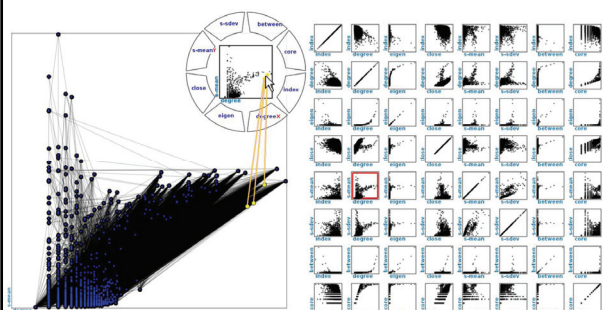


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Appendix: Node-link graphs to visualize biological networks



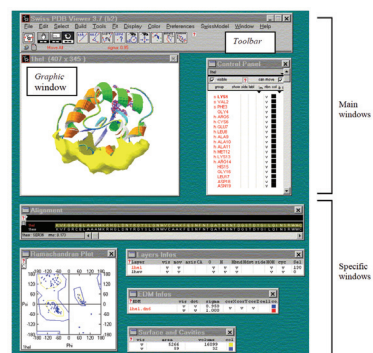
Viau, C., McGuffin, M. J., Chiricota, Y. & Jurisica, I. (2010) The FlowVizMenu and Parallel Scatterplot Matrix: Hybrid Multidimensional Visualizations for Network Exploration. *Visualization and Computer Graphics, IEEE Transactions on*, 16, 6, 1100-1108.

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Appendix: Deep View Working Environment - Swiss PDB



<http://www.expasy.org>

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Appendix: Visual Analytics for Epidemiologists

Figure 1. Typical patterns observed in image plots used to study the association between age, time, and the disease of interest. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0014683.g001

Chui, K. K. H., Wenger, J. B., Cohen, S. A. & Naumova, E. N. (2011) Visual Analytics for Epidemiologists: Understanding the Interactions Between Age, Time, and Disease with Multi-Panel Graphs. *Plos One*, 6, 2.

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Appendix: Motion Analysis & Visualization of Elastic Models

Zimmermann, M., Kloczkowski, A. & Jernigan, R. (2011) MAVEN: Motion analysis and visualization of elastic networks and structural ensembles. *Bmc Bioinformatics*, 12, 1, 264.

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Typical direct image

Erginoulakis, D. et al. 2011. Comparative Prospective Randomized Study Comparing Conservative Treatment and Percutaneous Disk Decompression for Treatment of Intervertebral Disk Herniation. *Radiology*, 260, (2), 487-493.

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Dutly, A. E., Kugathasan, L., Trogadis, J. E., Keshavjee, S. H., Stewart, D. J. & Courtman, D. W. 2006. Fluorescent microangiography (FMA): an improved tool to visualize the pulmonary microvasculature. *Lab Invest*, 86, (4), 409-416.

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Repetition: From Physics of Light to Cognition of Thought

Few, S. (2006) *Information Dashboard Design*. Sebastopol (CA), O'Reilly.

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Remember

$$f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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Remember: Data – Information (it is a visualization task!)

Each multivariate observation can be seen as a data point in an n -dimensional vector space

$$x_i = [x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}]$$

- “Look at your data”
- transfer data into information
- By use of human intelligence ...
- to transfer information into knowledge ($C \rightarrow P$)
- Challenge: To reduce the dimensionality of the data ...
- ... it is an information retrieval task!

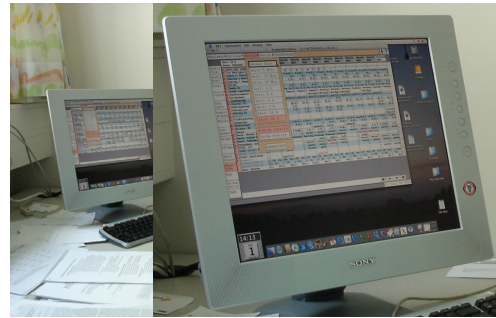
Remember: The quality can be measured by two measures:

- Recall
- Precision

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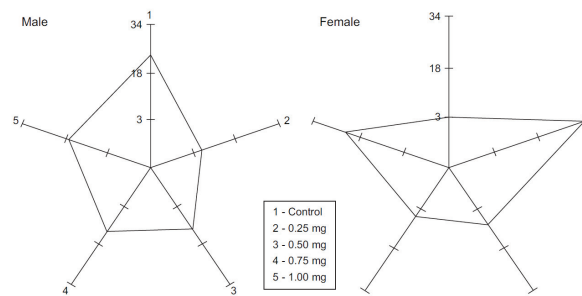
Typical Problems in the Medical Clinical Domain

Holzinger, A., Hoeller, M., Bloice, M. & Urliesberger, B. (2008). Typical Problems with developing mobile applications for health care: Some lessons learned from developing user-centered mobile applications in a hospital environment. *International Conference on E-Business (ICE-B 2008), Porto (PT), IEEE*, 235-240.

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Example: Star Plot Diagram - Radar Chart

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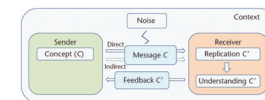
The Noisy Channel

Figure 2. The interpersonal-communication protocol. A sender would like a receiver to comprehend message C, conveyed either straightforwardly or via indirect or subconscious mechanisms. However, noise in the communication channel or the receiver's failure to fully comprehend the message's intended meaning can undermine the sender's objective. An iterative clarification process eventually leads to a mutual understanding of the message.

Shannon, C. E. (1948) A Mathematical Theory of Communication. *Bell System Technical Journal*, 27, 379-423.

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Slide 9-45 Example Algorithms for Selection

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Scatterplot-Select (xDim, yDim, xMin, xMax, yMin, yMax)
1 s ← {} Initialize the set of records
2 for each record i ▷ For each record,
3   do x ← NORMALIZE(i, xDim) ▷ derive the location,
4   y ← NORMALIZE(i, yDim)
5   if xMin < x < xMax and yMin < y < yMax
6     do s ← s ∪ i ▷ select points within rectangle
7 return s
Point-in-Polygon (xs, ys, numPoints, x, y)
1 j ← numPoints - 1
2 oddNodes ← false
3 for i ← 0 to numPoints - 1
4   do if ys[i] < y and ys[j] > y or ys[j] < y and ys[i] > y
5     do if xs[i] + (y - ys[i]) / (ys[j] - ys[i]) * (xs[j] - xs[i]) < x
6       do oddNodes ← not oddNodes
7   j ← i
8 return oddNodes

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Ward, M., Grinstein, G. & Keim, D. (2010) *Interactive Data Visualization: Foundations, Techniques and Applications*. Natick (MA), Peters.

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Slide 9-46 40 sec of neonatal Polysomnographic recording

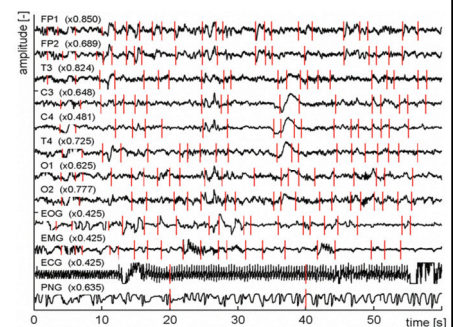
EEG signal from 8 ref. derivations: FP1, FP2, T3, T4, C3, C4, O1, O2

EOG = Electrooculogram

EMG = Electromyogram

PNG = Pneumogram

ECG = Electrocardiogram



Gerla, V., Djordjevic, V., Lhotska, L. & Krajca, V. (2009). Visualization methods used for evaluation of neonatal polysomnographic data. *ITAB 2009, Information Technology and Applications in Biomedicine, Cyprus, IEEE*, 1-4.

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