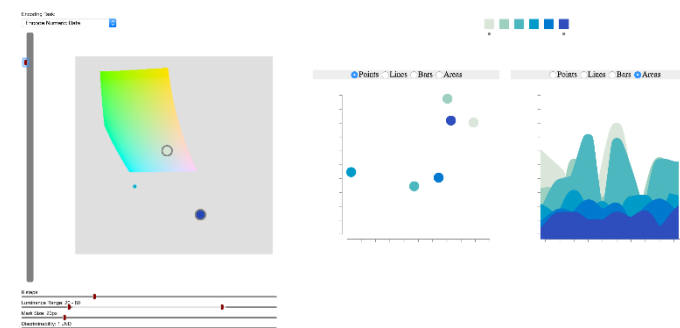
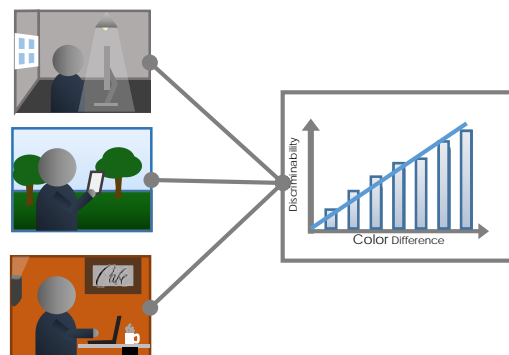
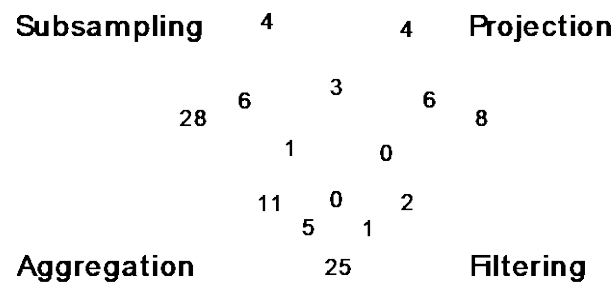
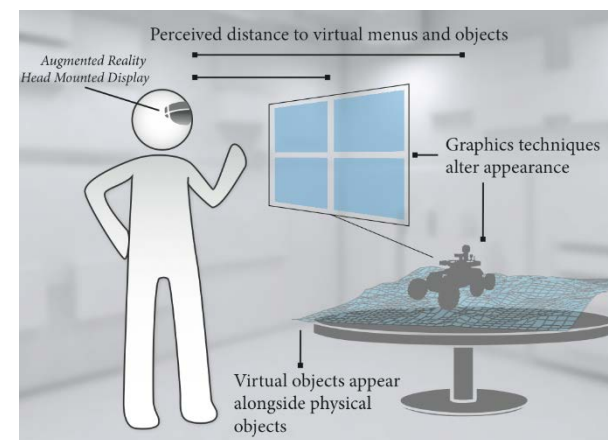
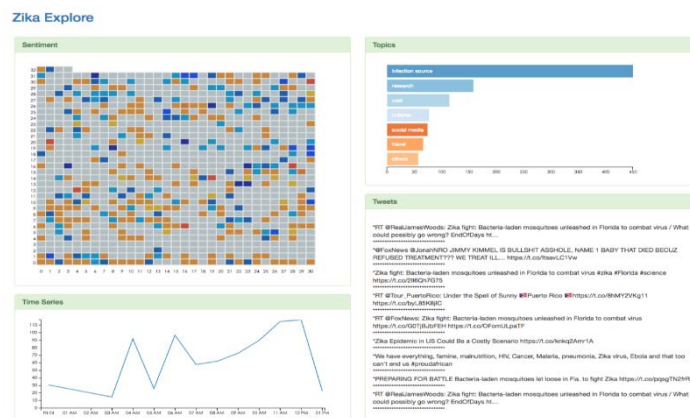
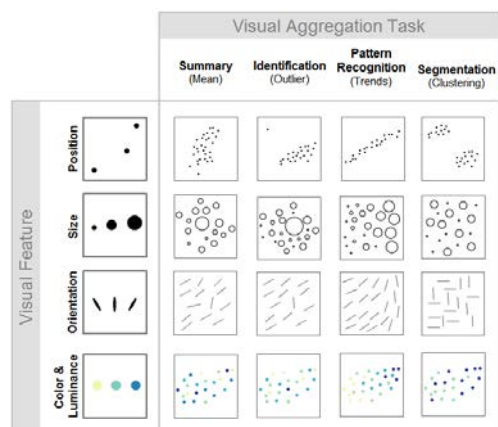
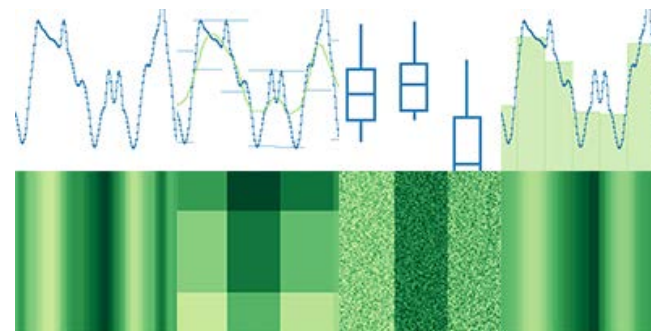
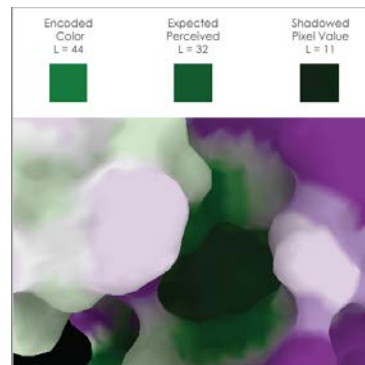
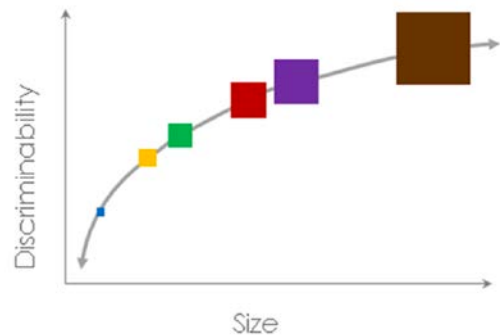
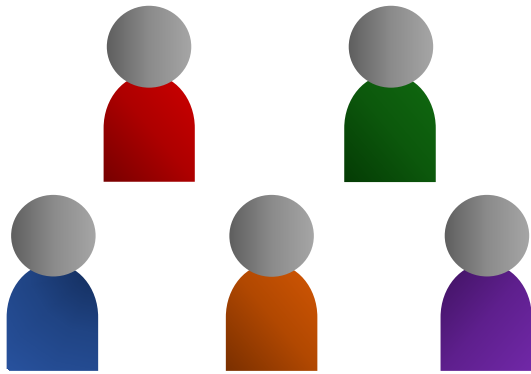


Visualization & Perception Across Scales

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More Analysts
(& Fewer Experts)



More (& Different) Data



More Questions

Why don't we just compute the answer?

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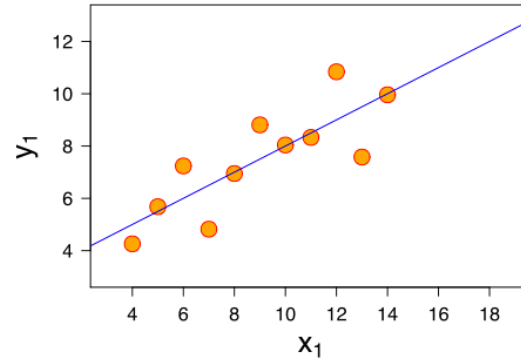
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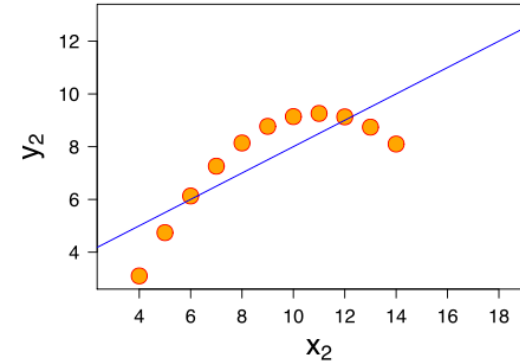
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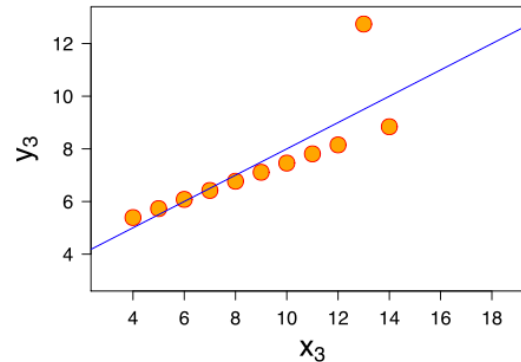
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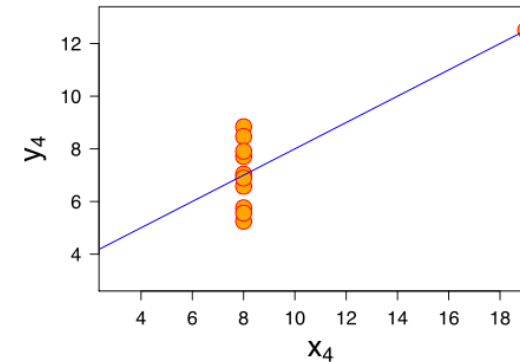
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These questions **shift** as the available data grows

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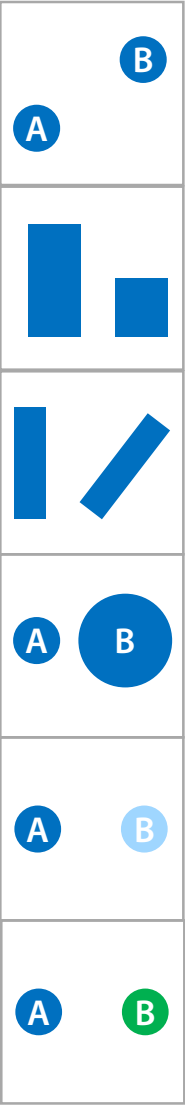
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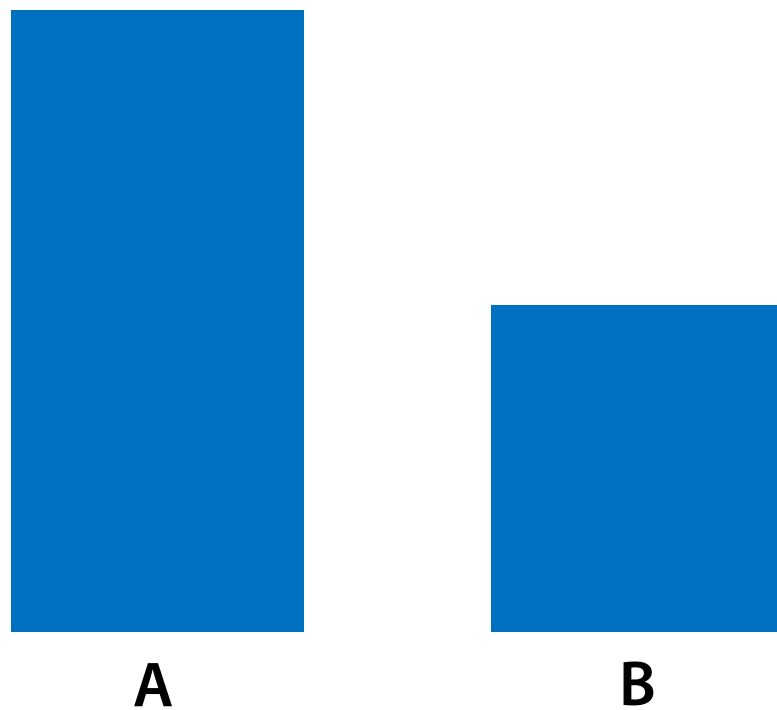
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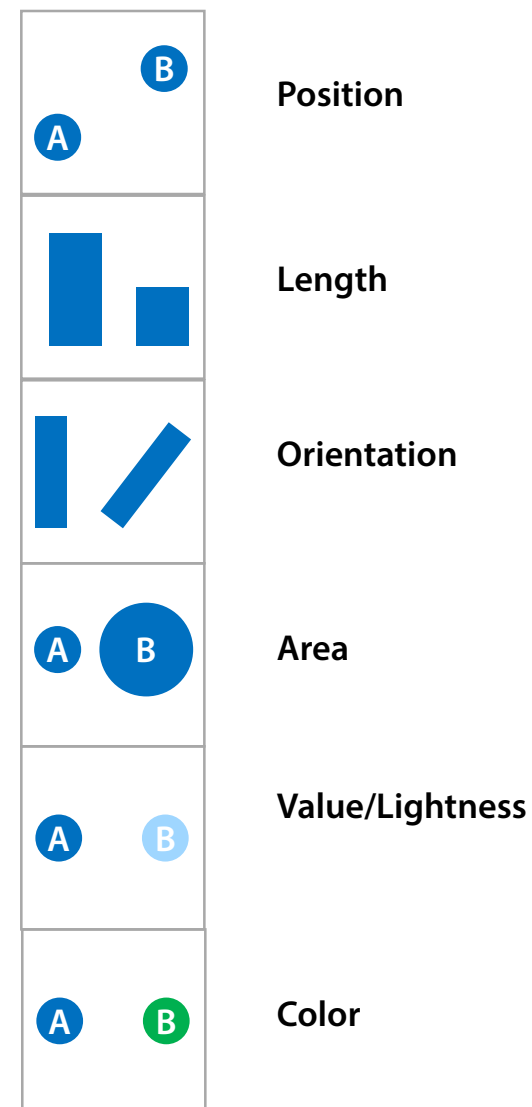
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How much bigger is A than B?



More Effective

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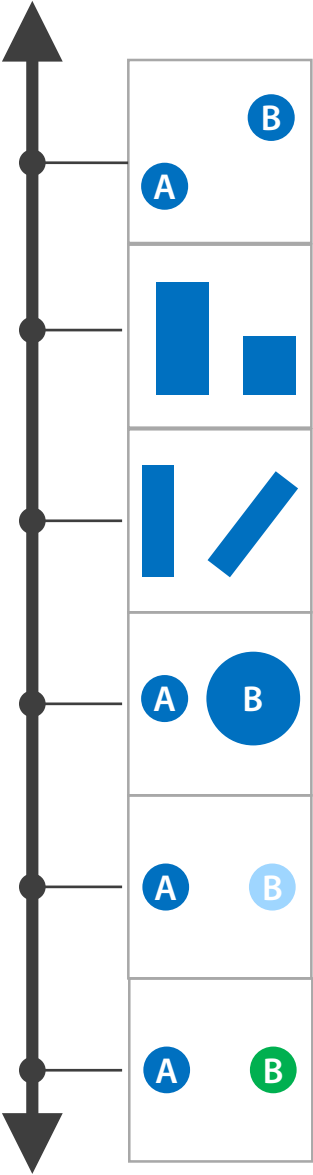
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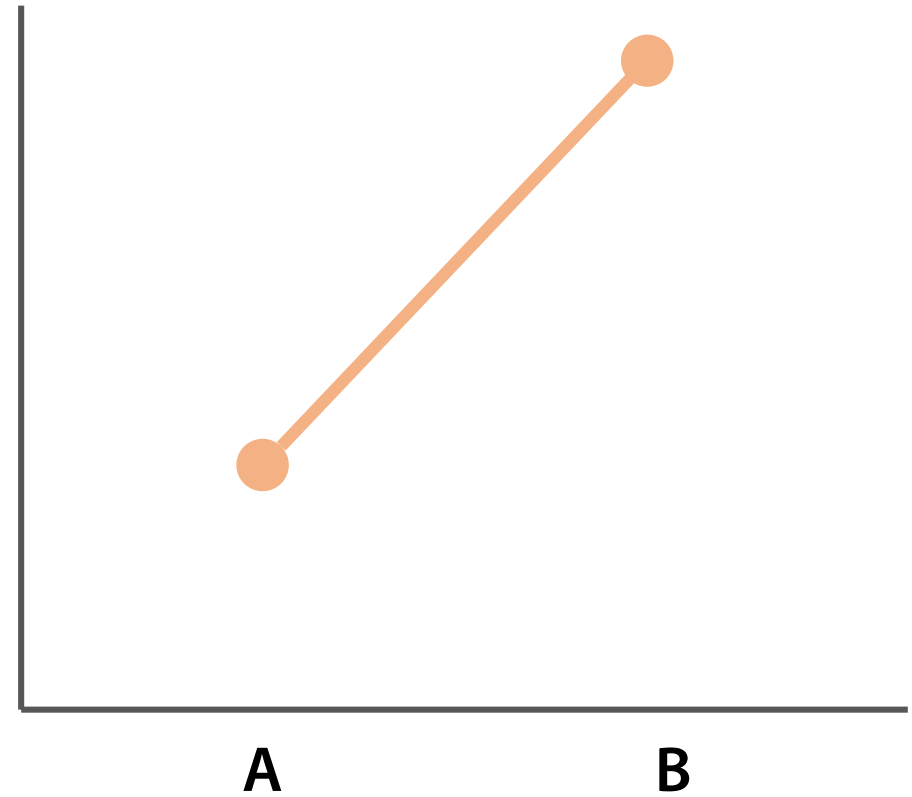
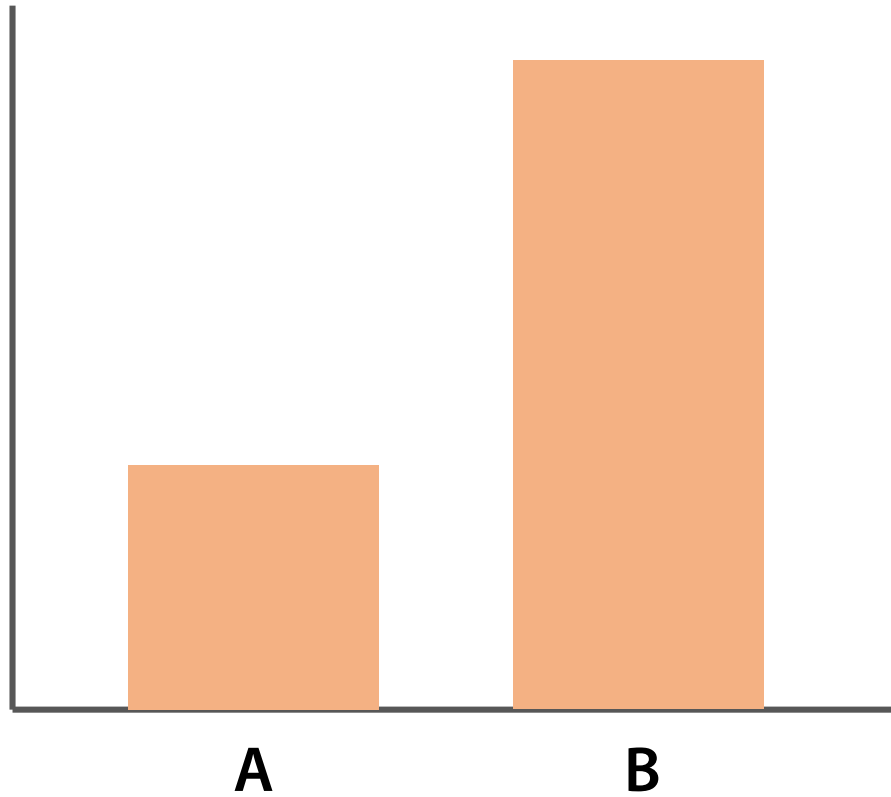
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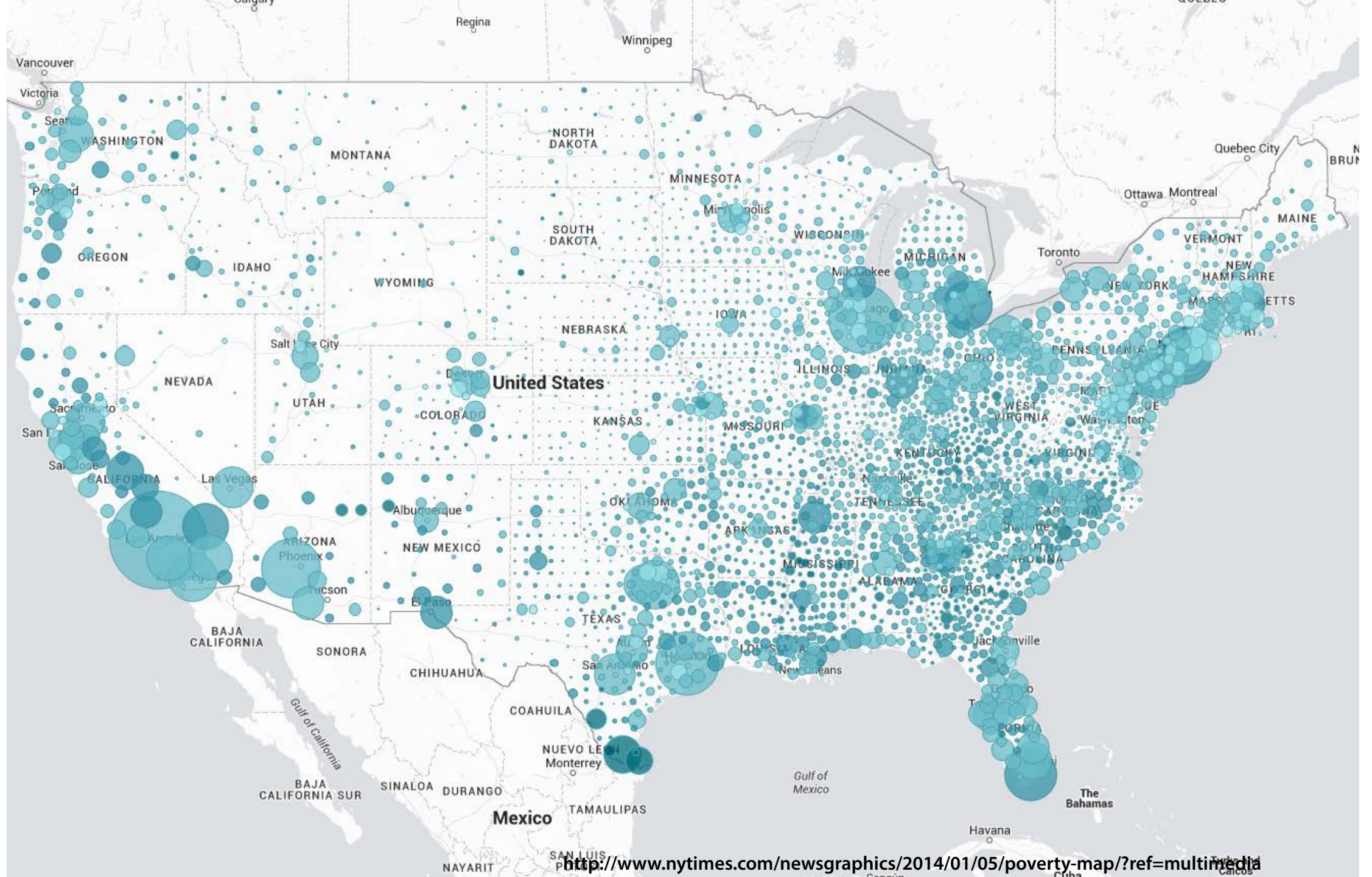
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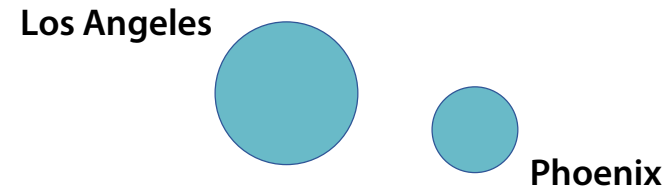
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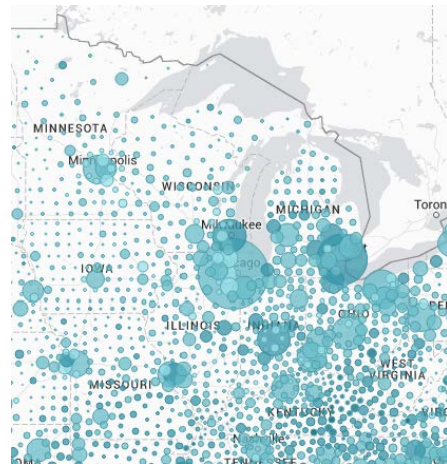


Low-Level Tasks → Individual Values

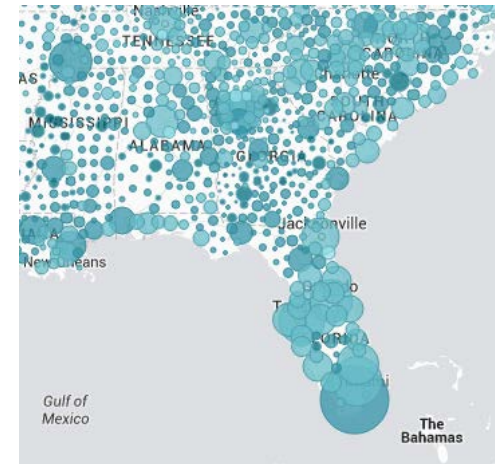





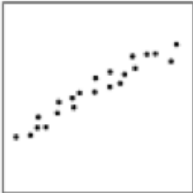

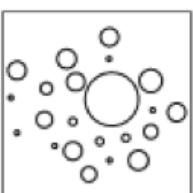
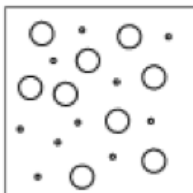
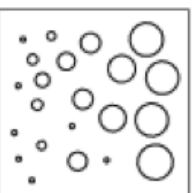


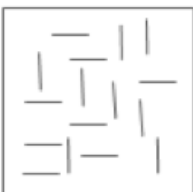


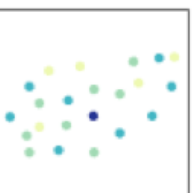
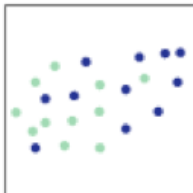

High-Level Tasks → Combine Many Values

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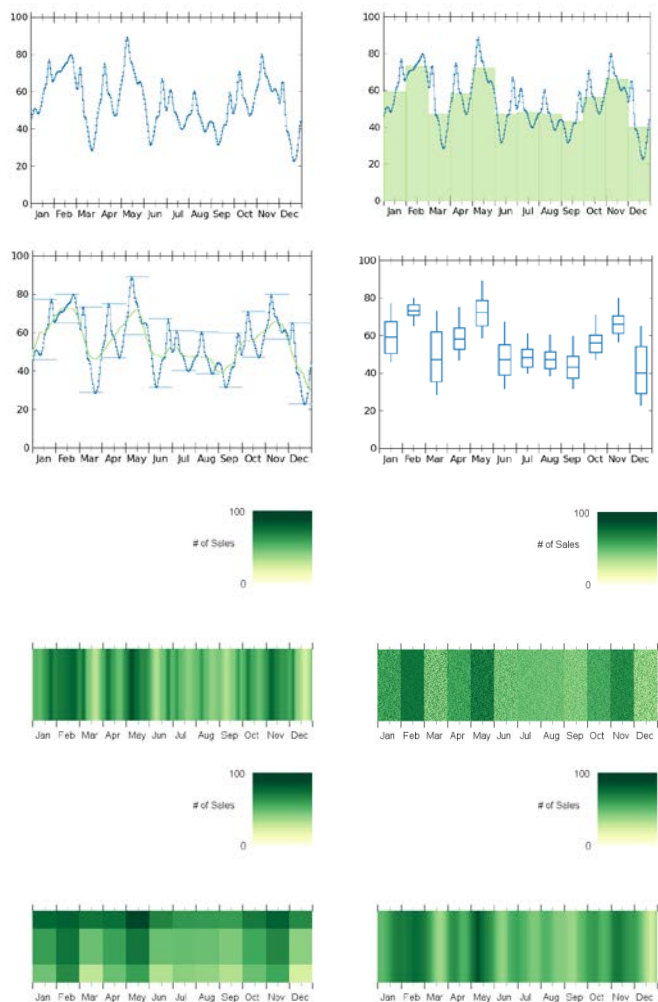


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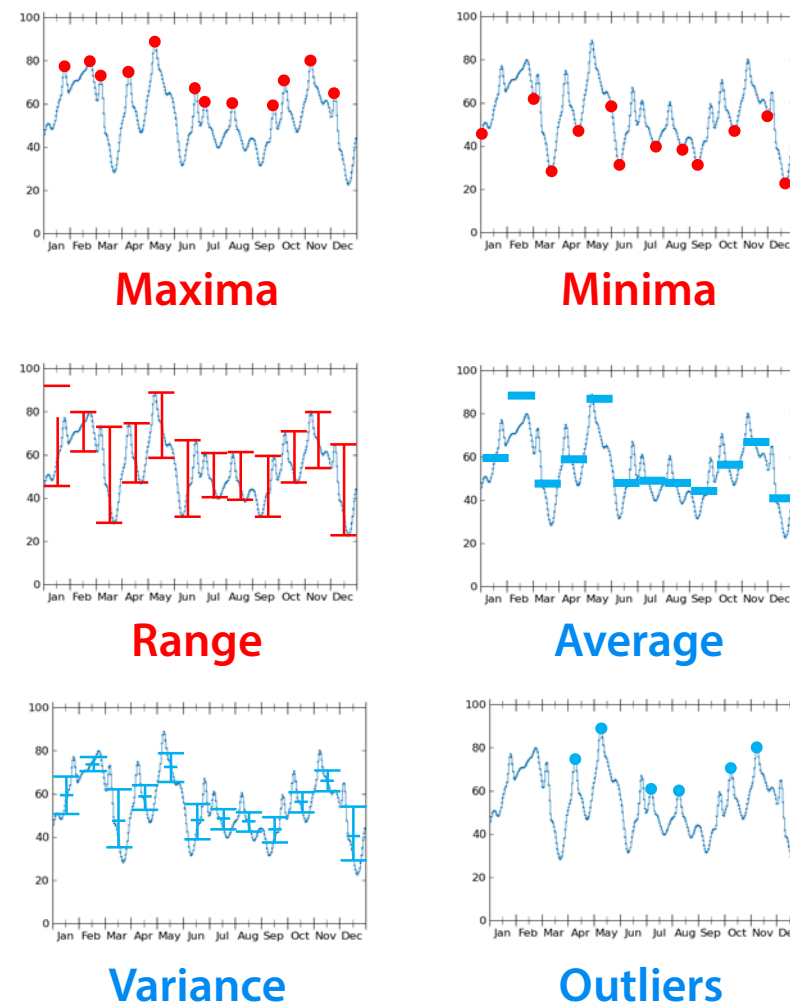
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Visual Feature	Position				
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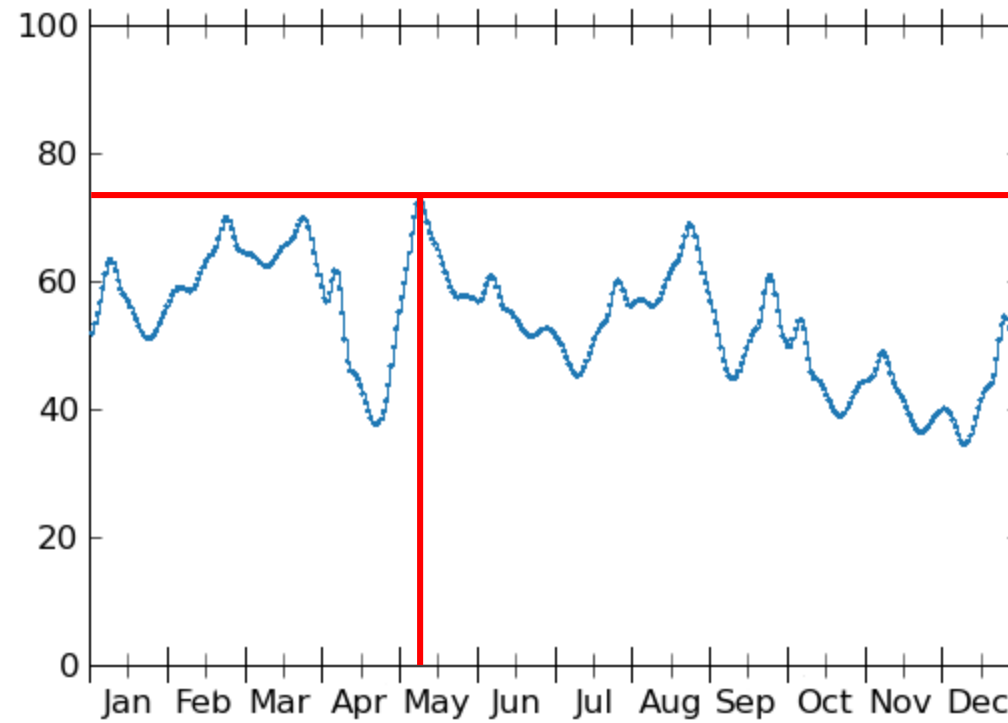
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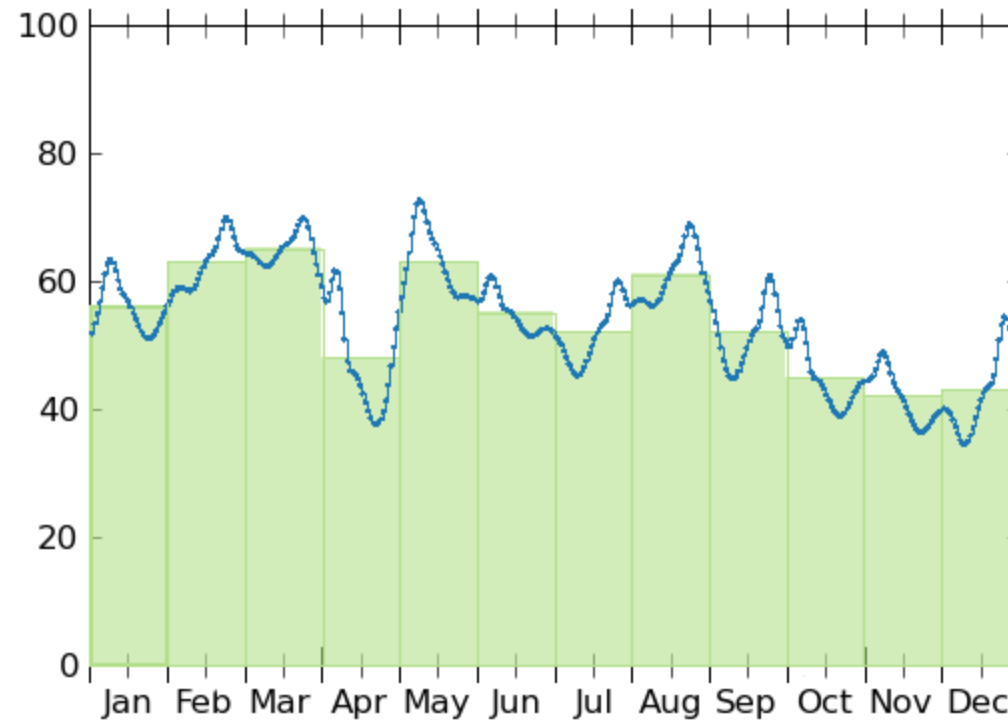
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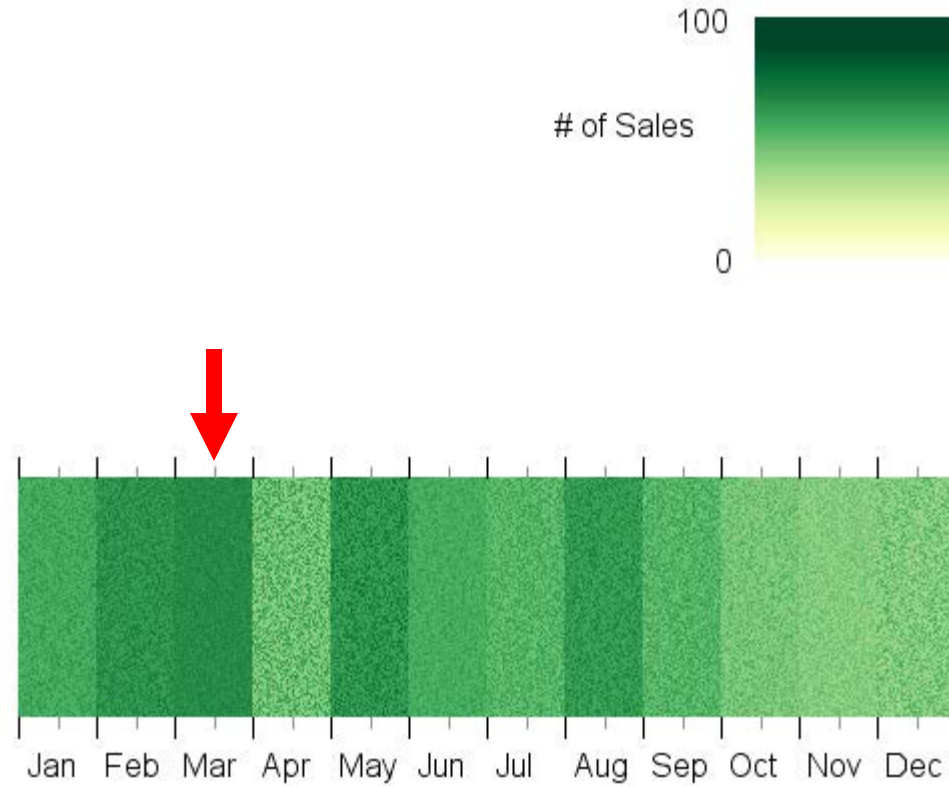




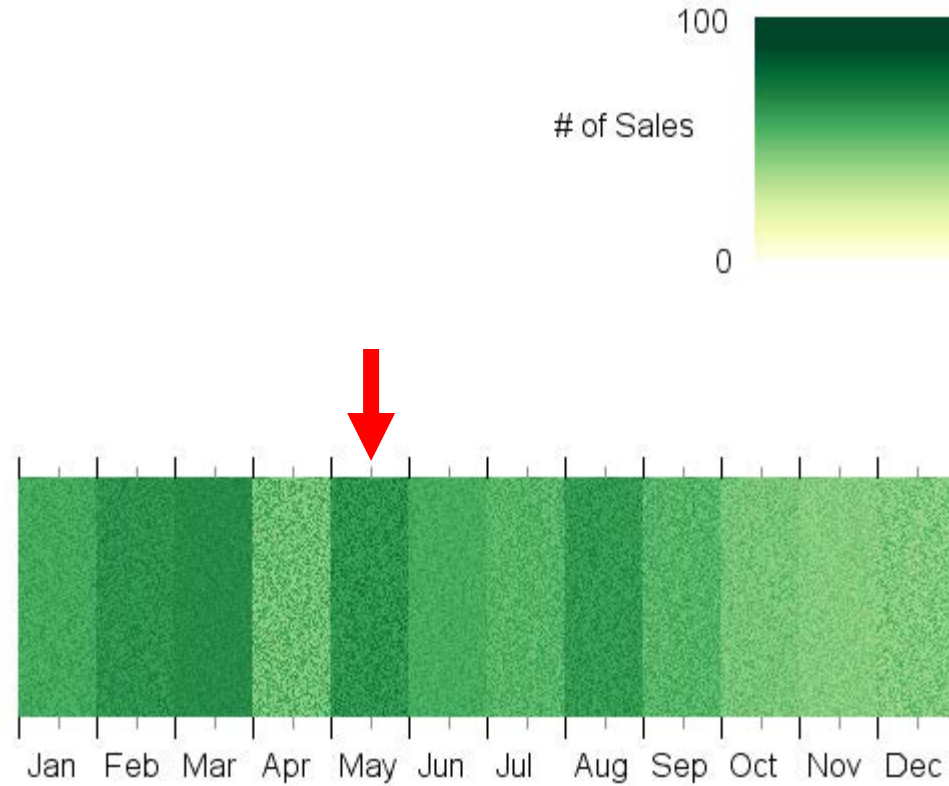
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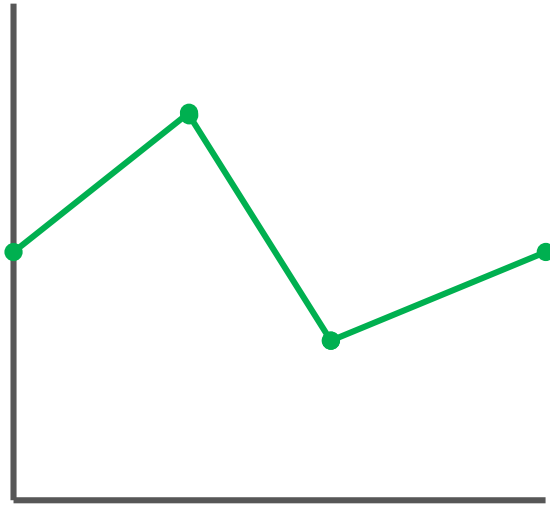
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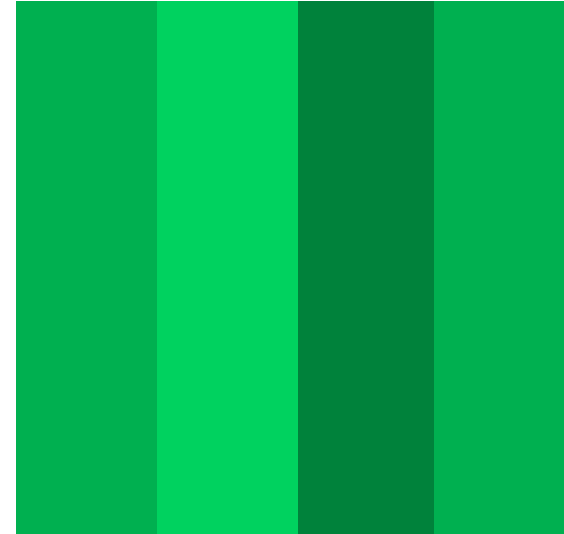
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And one man in his time plays many parts,
His acts being seven ages. At first the infant,
Mewling and puking in the nurse's arms.
And then the whining school-boy, with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like snail
Unwillingly to school. And then the lover,
Sighing like furnace, with a woeful ballad
Made to his mistress' eyebrow. Then a soldier,
Full of strange oaths and bearded like the pard,
Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel,
Seeking the bubble reputation
Even in the cannon's mouth.



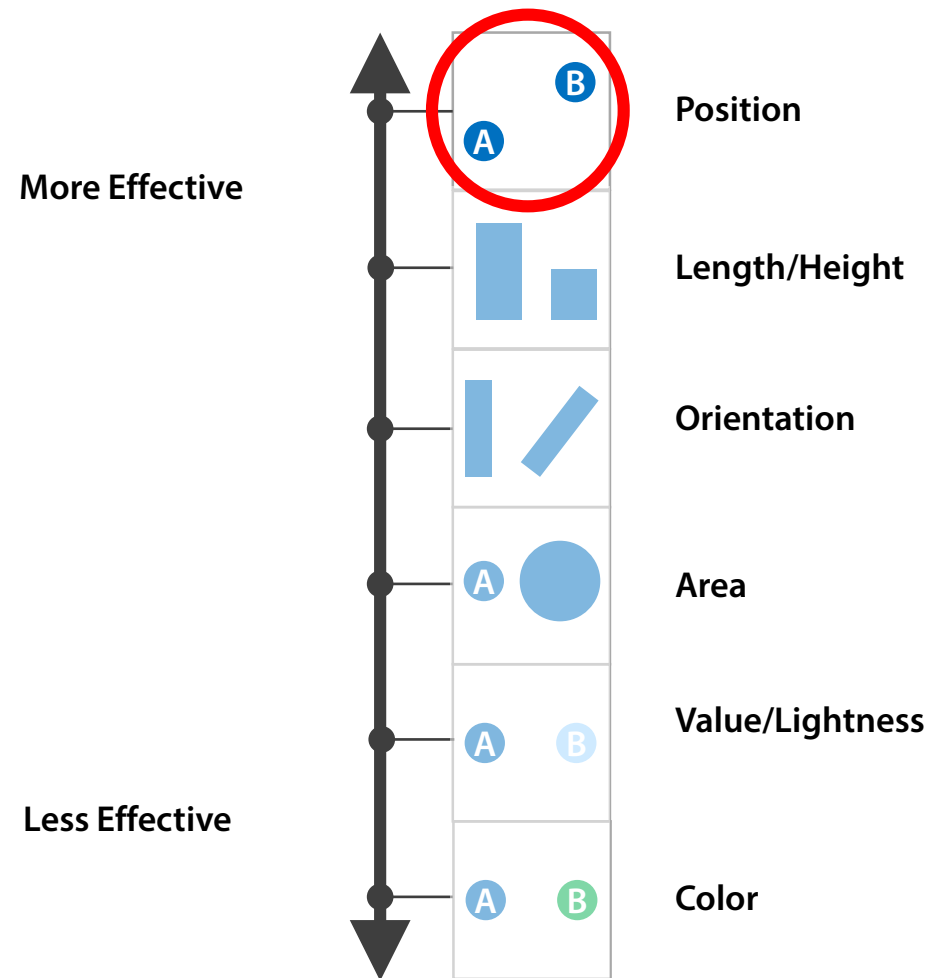
Important Texts

She: A History of Adventure: 15 chapters

A high-angle, close-up photograph of a vast collection of books. The books are packed closely together, creating a dense, colorful mosaic of spines. The colors range from bright yellows and oranges to deep blues and greys. Some book titles are visible, such as 'CARRER', 'MURDER', and 'AGAT'. The perspective is from above, looking down at the books, which are arranged in rows that recede into the distance.

Large Digitized Collections

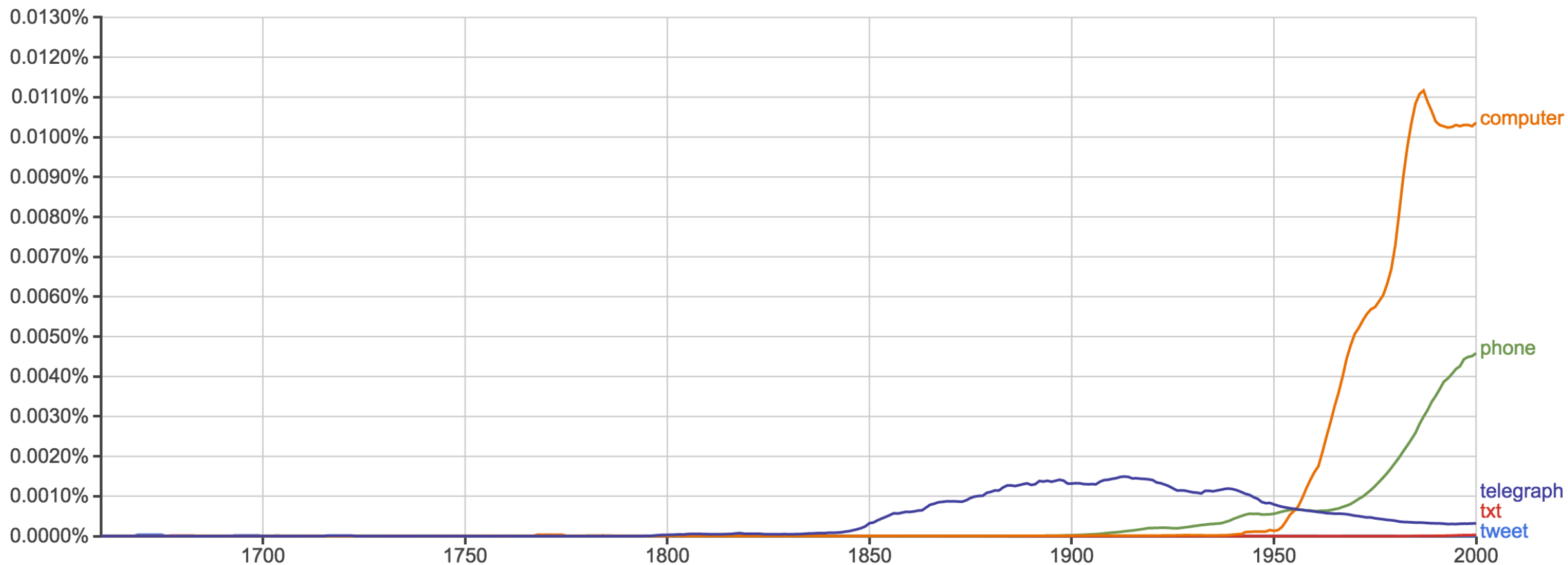
Google N-Grams: 5,195,769 books

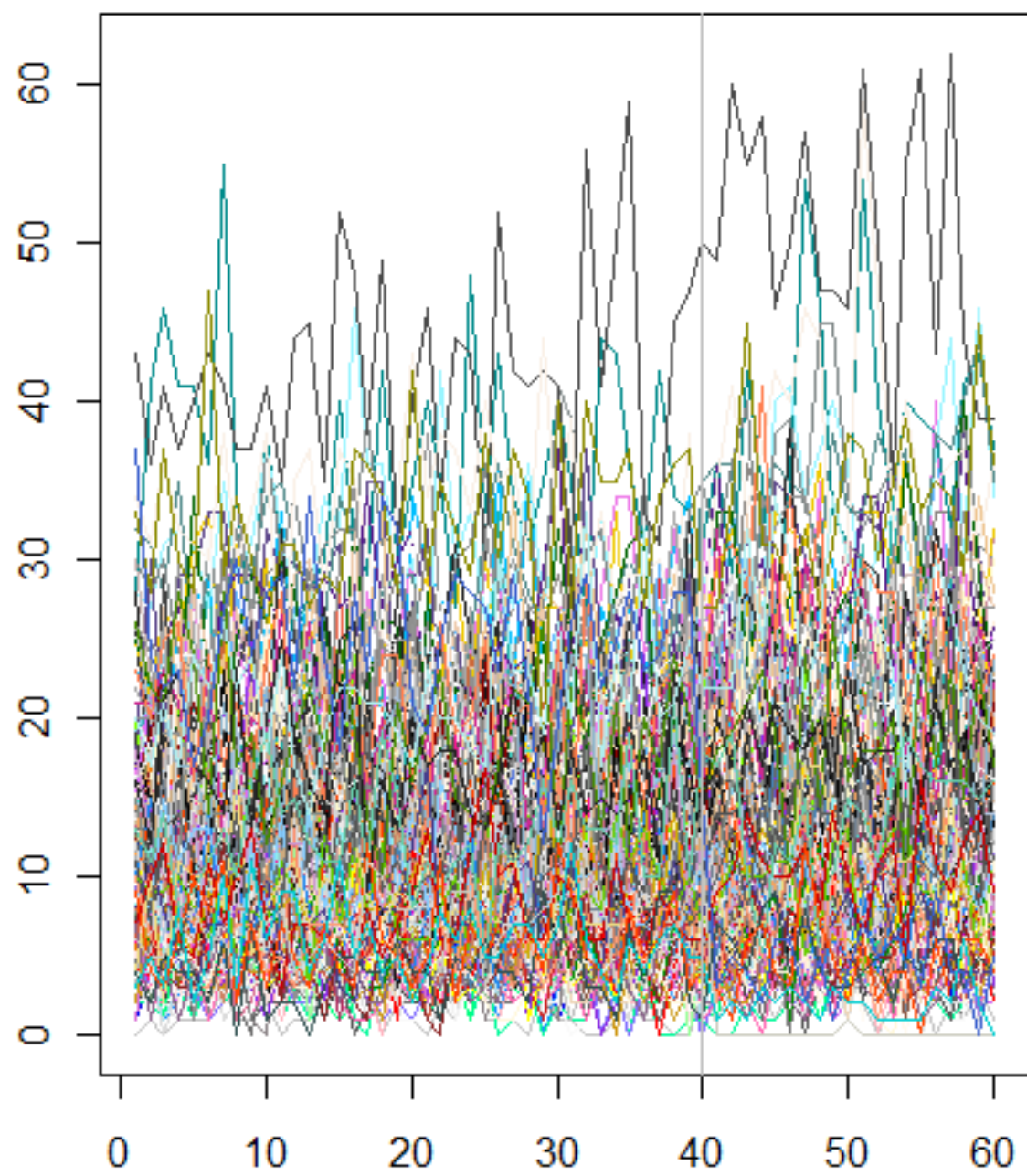


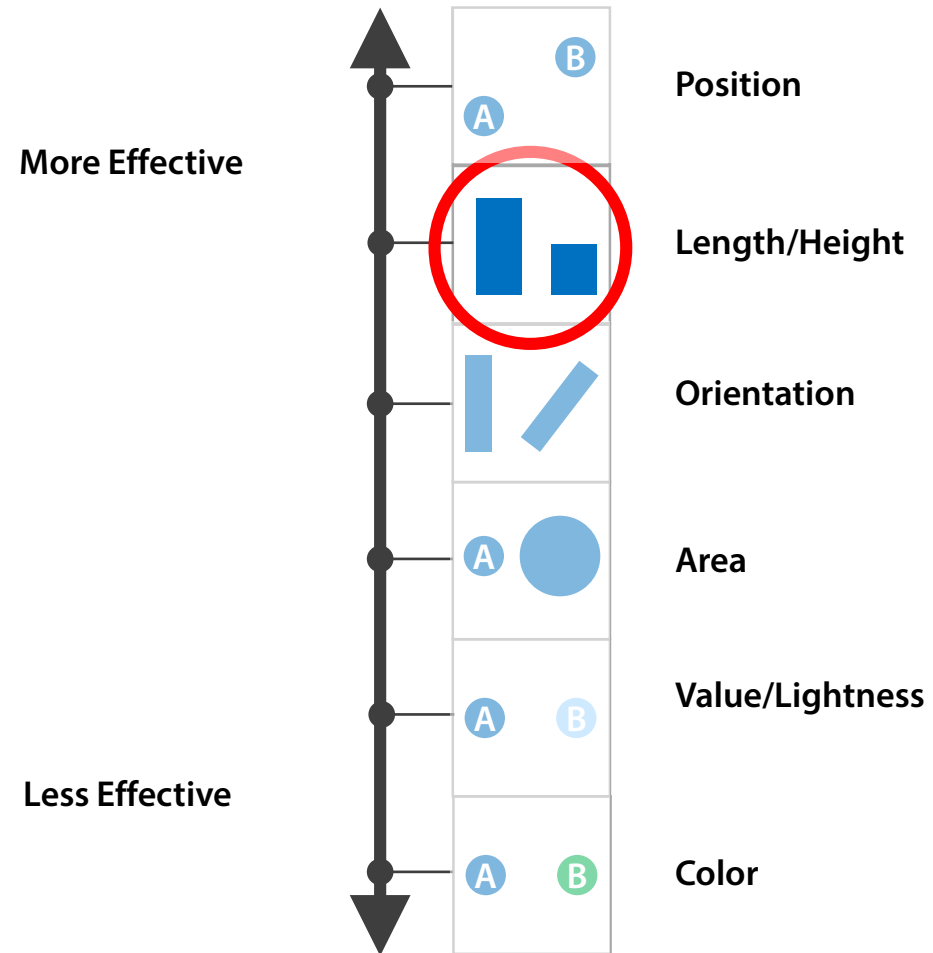
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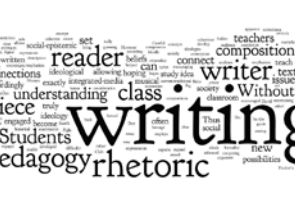
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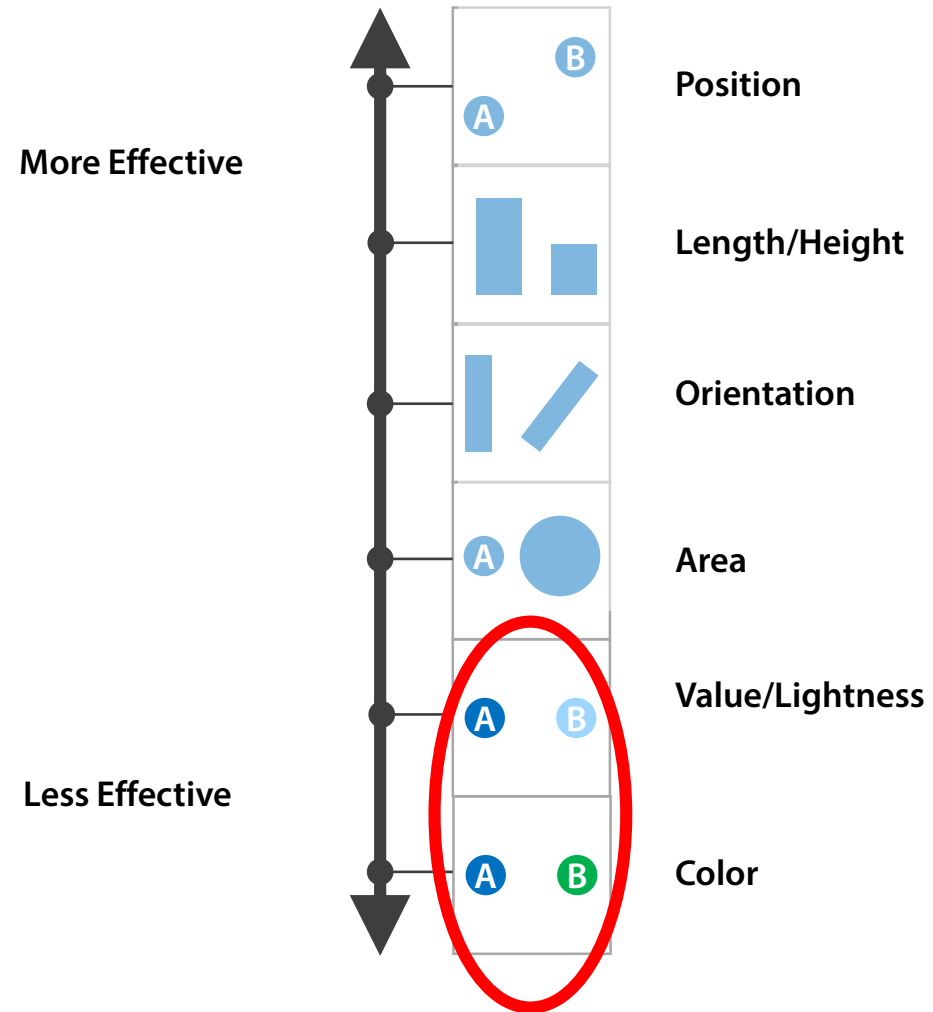
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Turning texts into sequences

All the world's a stage,
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They have their exits and their entrances,

all the world a stage
and all the men and women merely players
they have their exits and their entrances

all the world a stage and all the men and women merely

King Henry IV pt. 1

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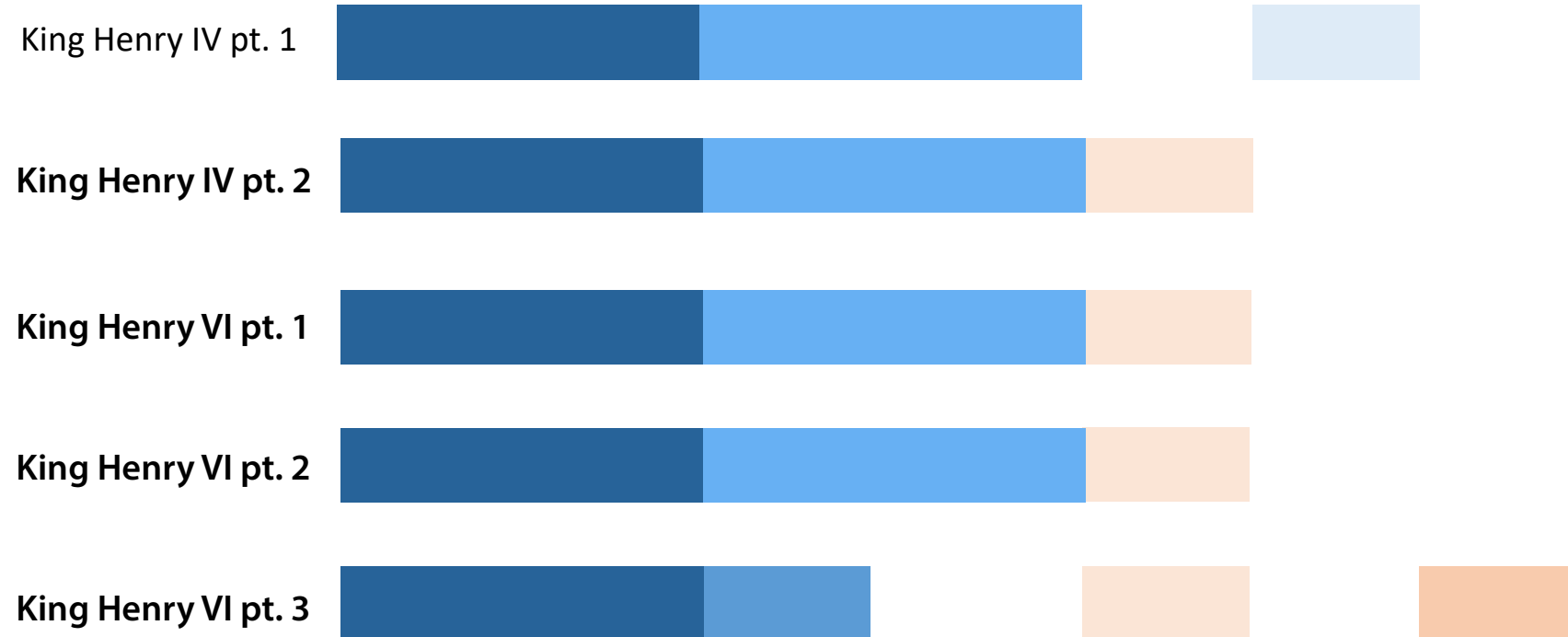
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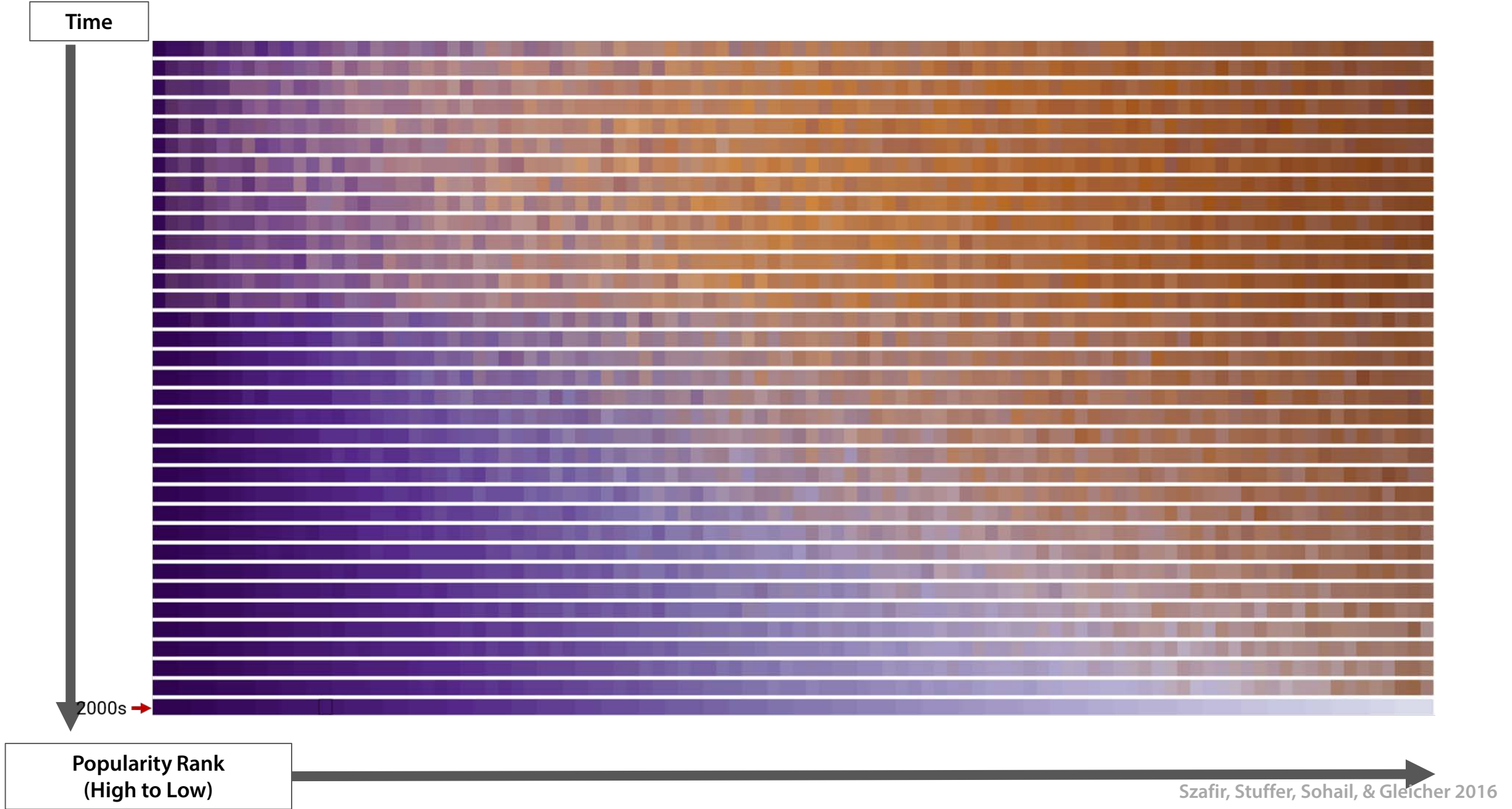
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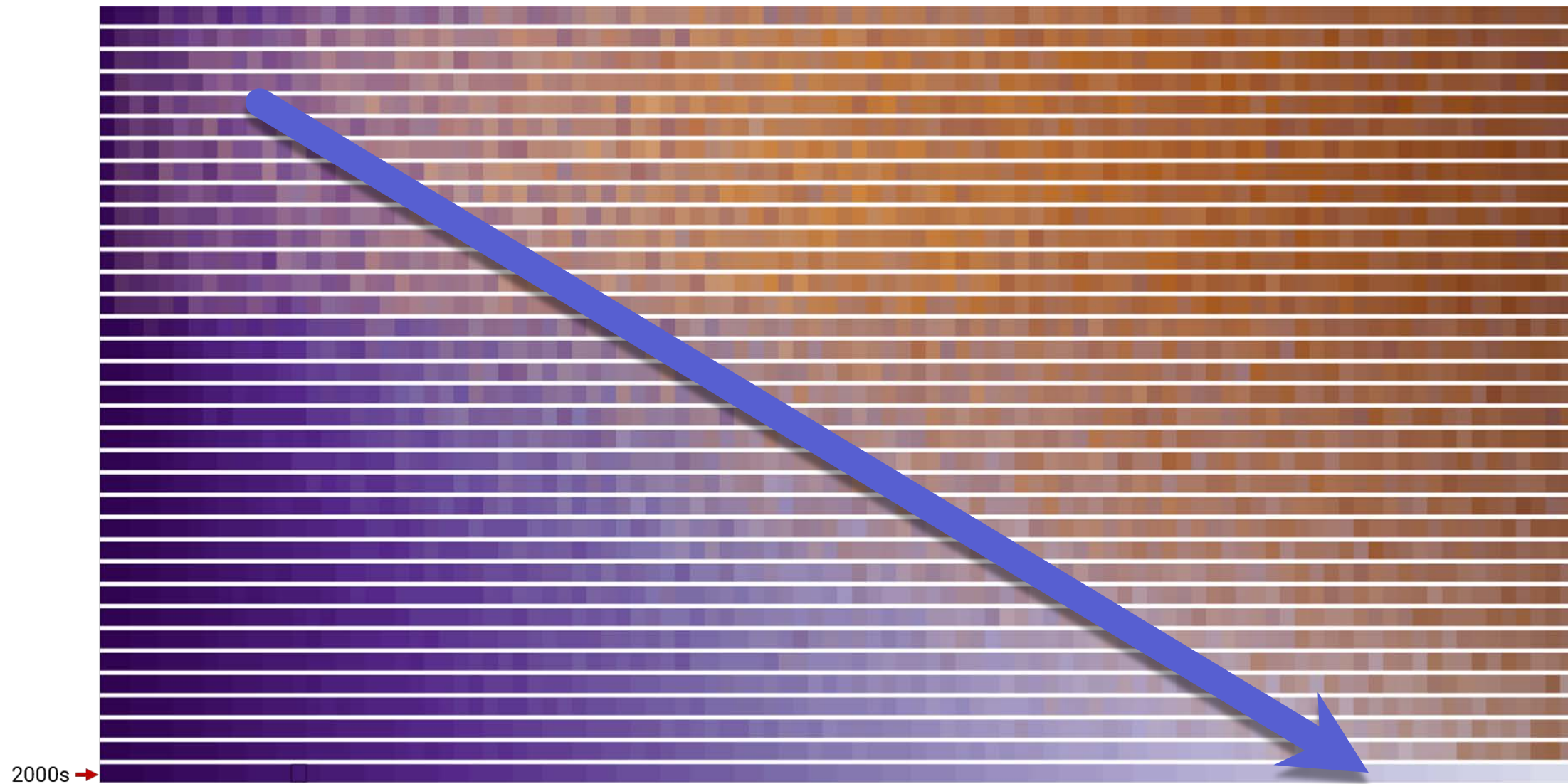
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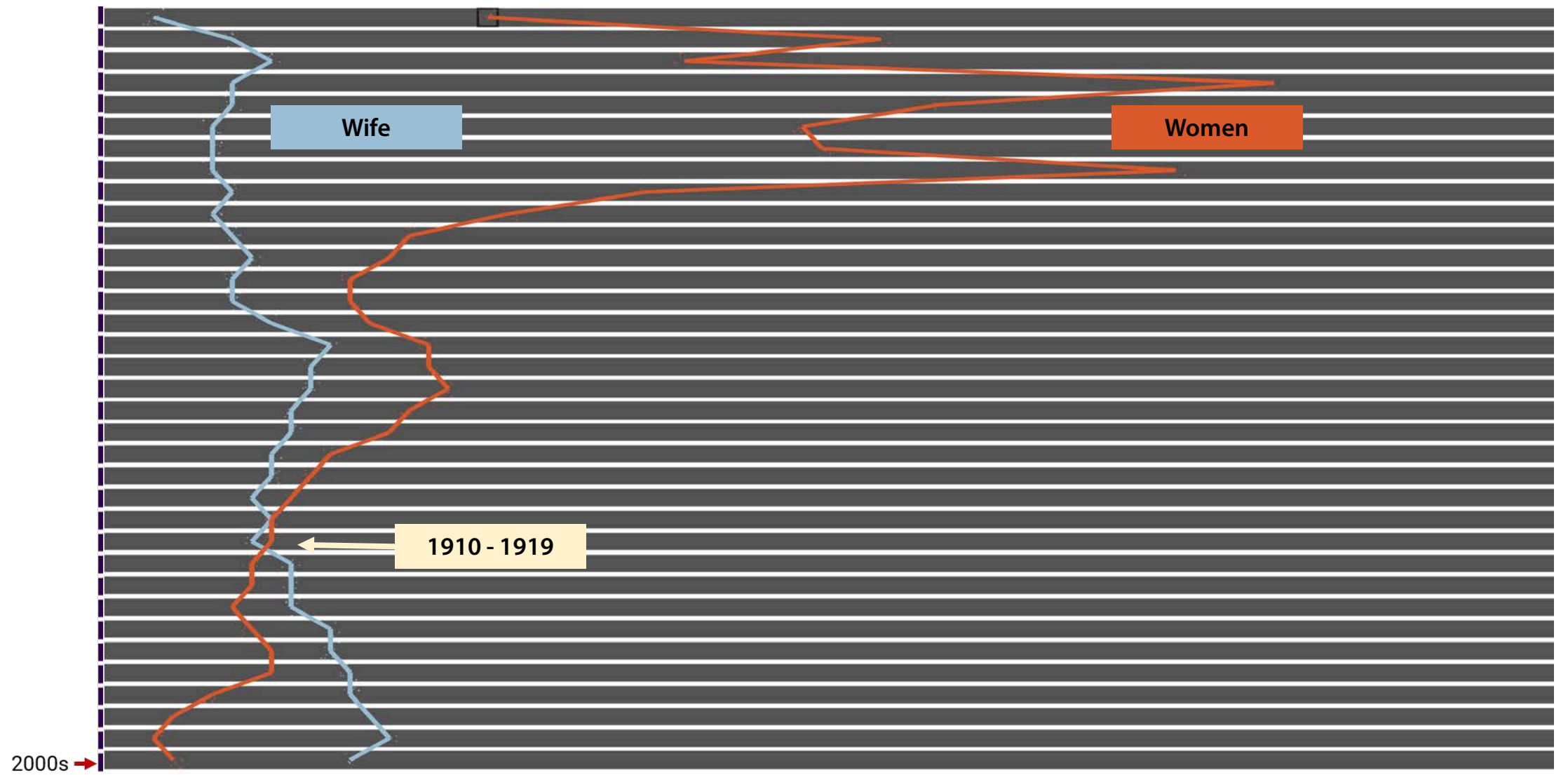
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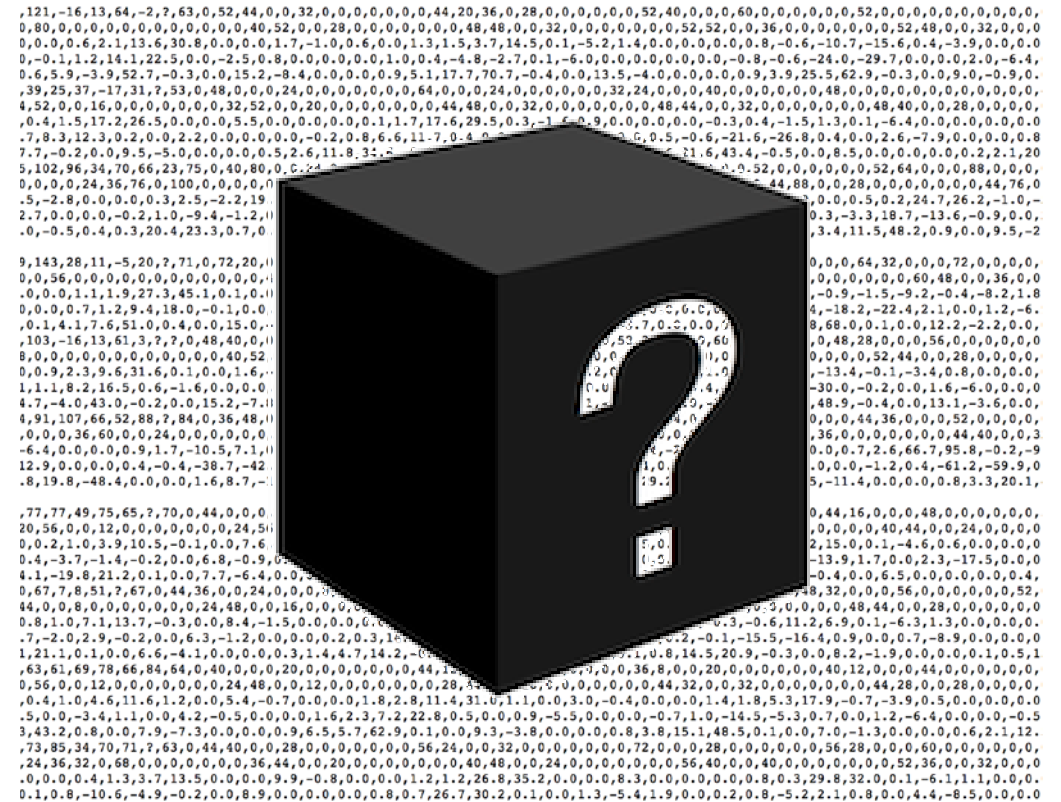
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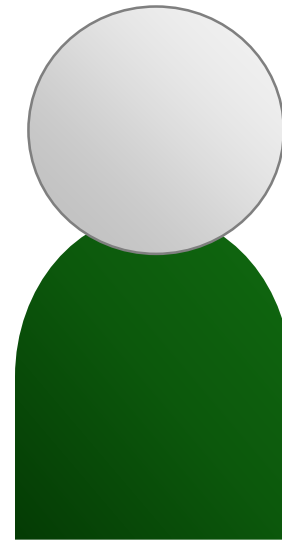
People bring context and expertise,
but are slow

How can we combine statistical
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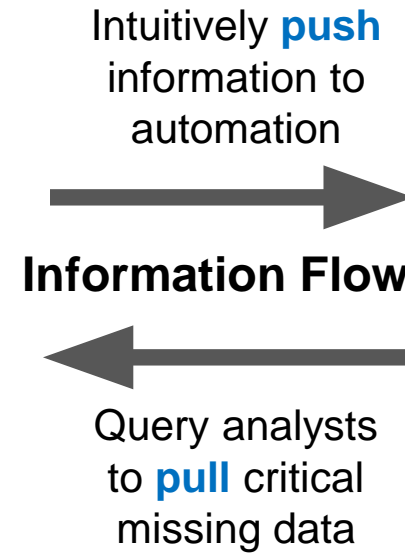


Develop new data fusion and machine learning methods for collaborative human-machine perception in remote sensing

Apply methods from unmanned autonomous vehicles domain to SBIRS/OPIR domain



Analysts



Automation

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RECENTER VIEW HIDE SATELLITE CONTEXT

Region Stream
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STREAM
PAUSE STREA

For 10-15 second frame updates,
human + automation can accurately
classify targets ~3 minutes earlier

Stage 1 Stage 2

Flat Field Background Suppression Measure

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