

Data Visualization Literacy

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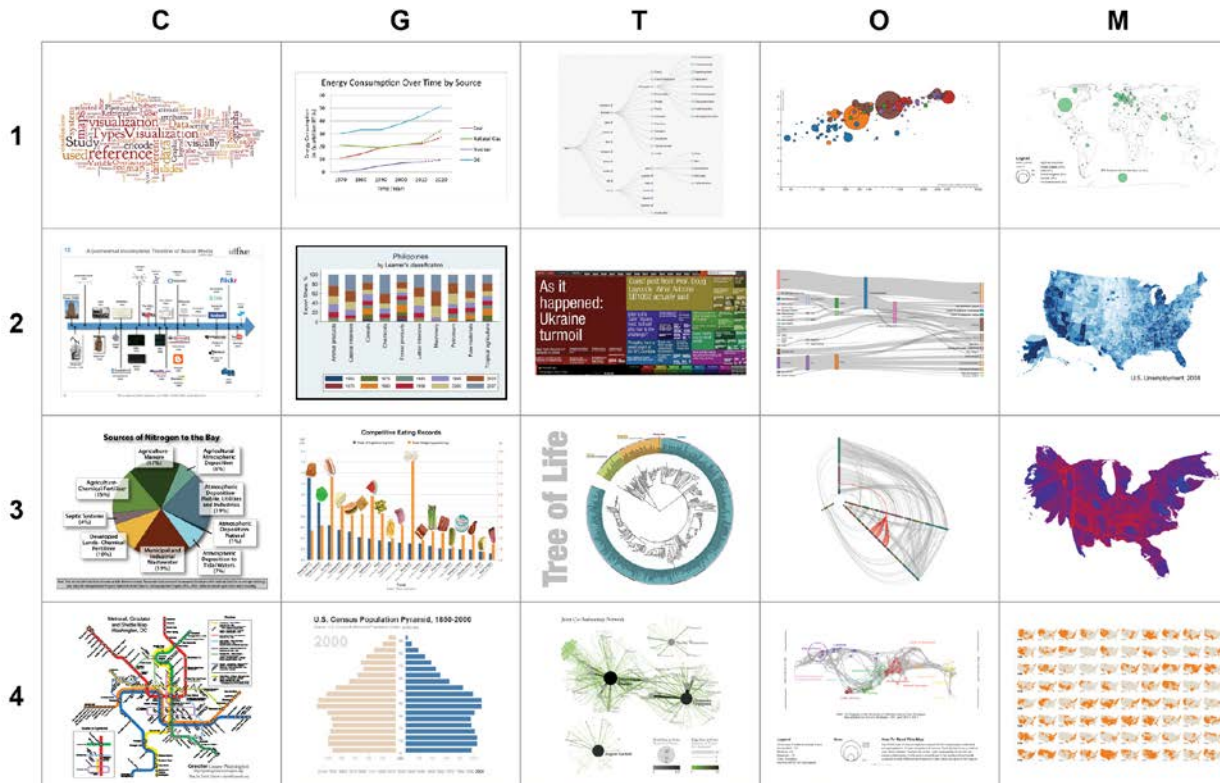
Data visualization literacy (ability to read, make, and explain data visualizations) requires

- *literacy* (ability to read and write text, e.g., in titles, axis labels, legend),
- *visual literacy* (ability to find, interpret, evaluate, use, and create images and visual media), and
- *data literacy* (ability to read, create, and communicate data).

“Being able to “read and write” data visualizations is becoming as important as being able to read and write text. Understanding, measuring, and improving data and visualization literacy is important for understanding STEAM developments and to strategically approach global issues.”

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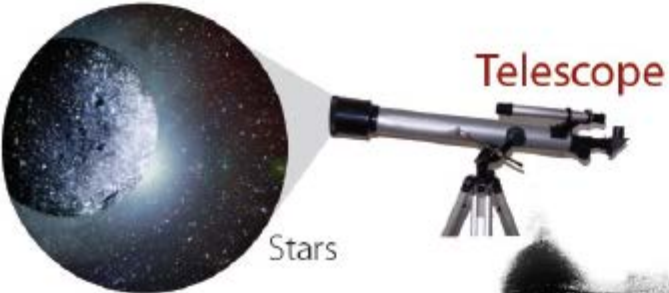
Is rather low: Most science museum visitors in the US cannot name, read, or interpret common data visualizations.



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The Infinitely Great



The Infinitely Small



The Infinitely Complex

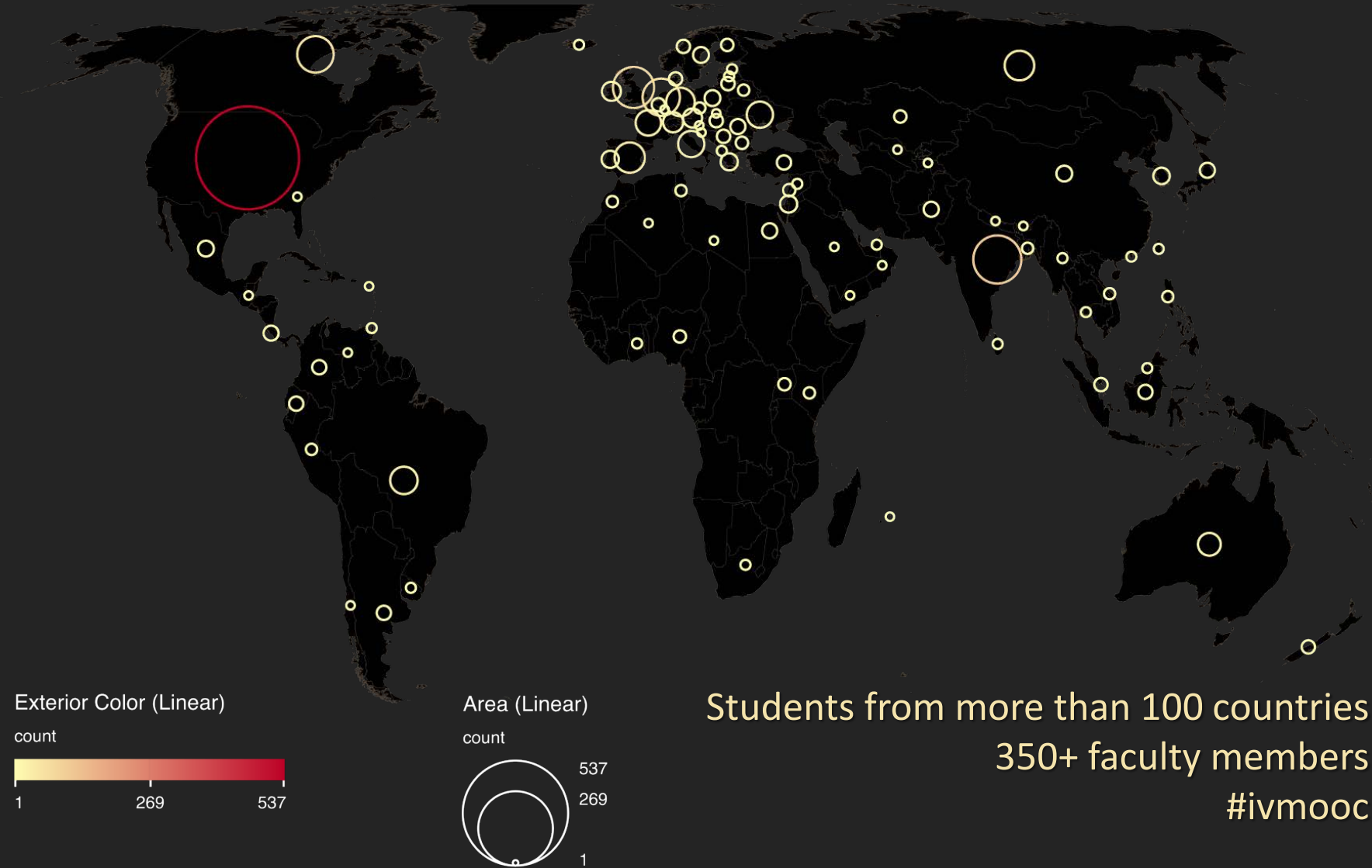




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The Information Visualization MOOC

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Course Schedule

Part 1: Theory and Hands-On

- **Session 1** – Workflow Design and Visualization Framework
- **Session 2** – “When:” Temporal Data
- **Session 3** – “Where:” Geospatial Data
- **Session 4** – “What:” Topical Data

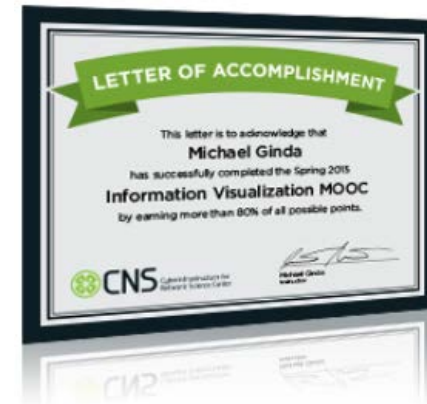
Mid-Term

- **Session 5** – “With Whom:” Trees
- **Session 6** – “With Whom:” Networks
- **Session 7** – Dynamic Visualizations and Deployment

Final Exam

Part 2: Students work in teams on client projects.

Final grade is based on Homework and Quizzes (**10%**), Midterm (**20%**), Final (**30%**), Client Project (**30%**), and Class Participation (**10%**).





Places & Spaces: Mapping Science Exhibit, online at <http://scimaps.org>

How to Classify (Name & Make) Different Visualizations?

By

- User insight needs?
- User task types?
- Data to be visualized?
- Data transformation?
- Visualization technique?
- Visual mapping transformation?
- Interaction techniques?
- Or ?

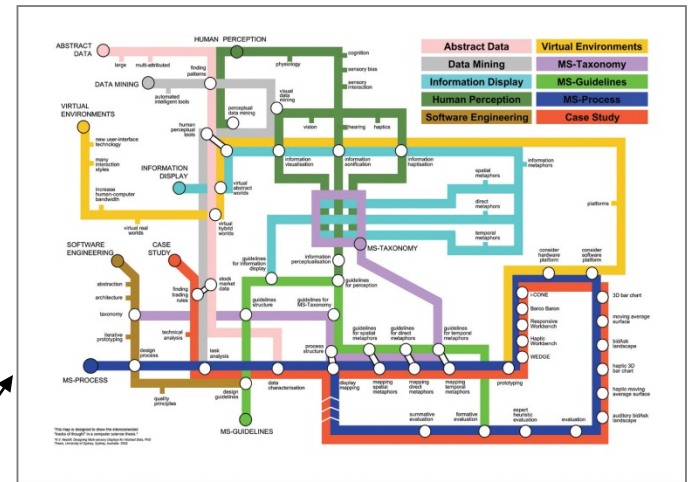


Different Question Types



Terabytes of data

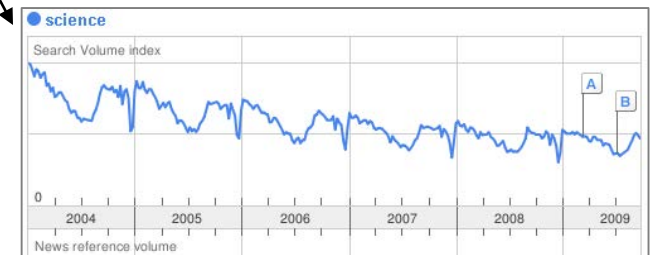
Descriptive & Predictive Models



Find your way



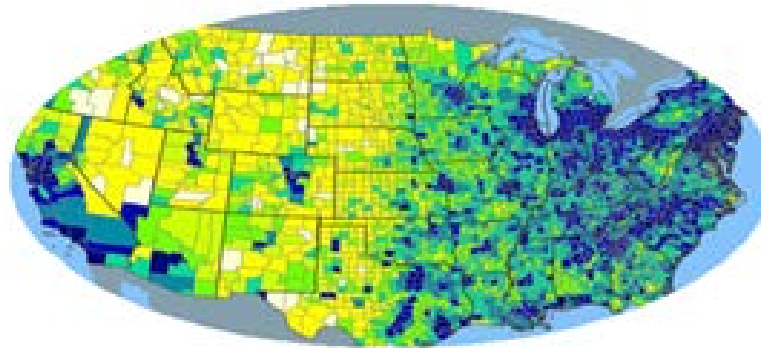
Find collaborators, friends



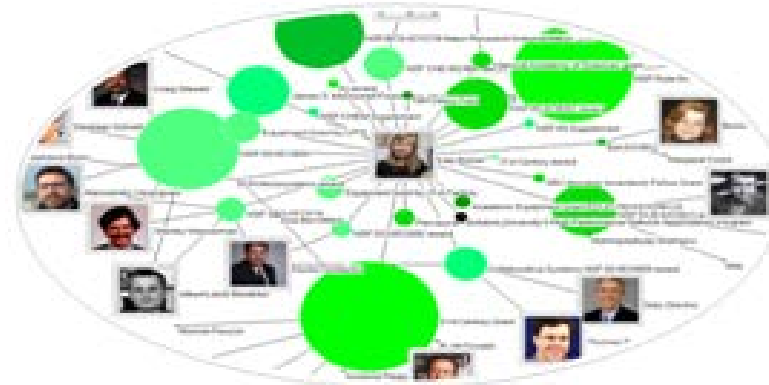
Identify trends

Different Levels of Abstraction/Analysis

Macro/Global
Population Level



Meso/Local
Group Level



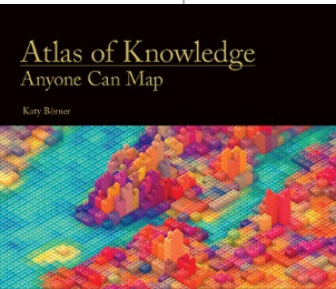
Micro
Individual Level



Tasks

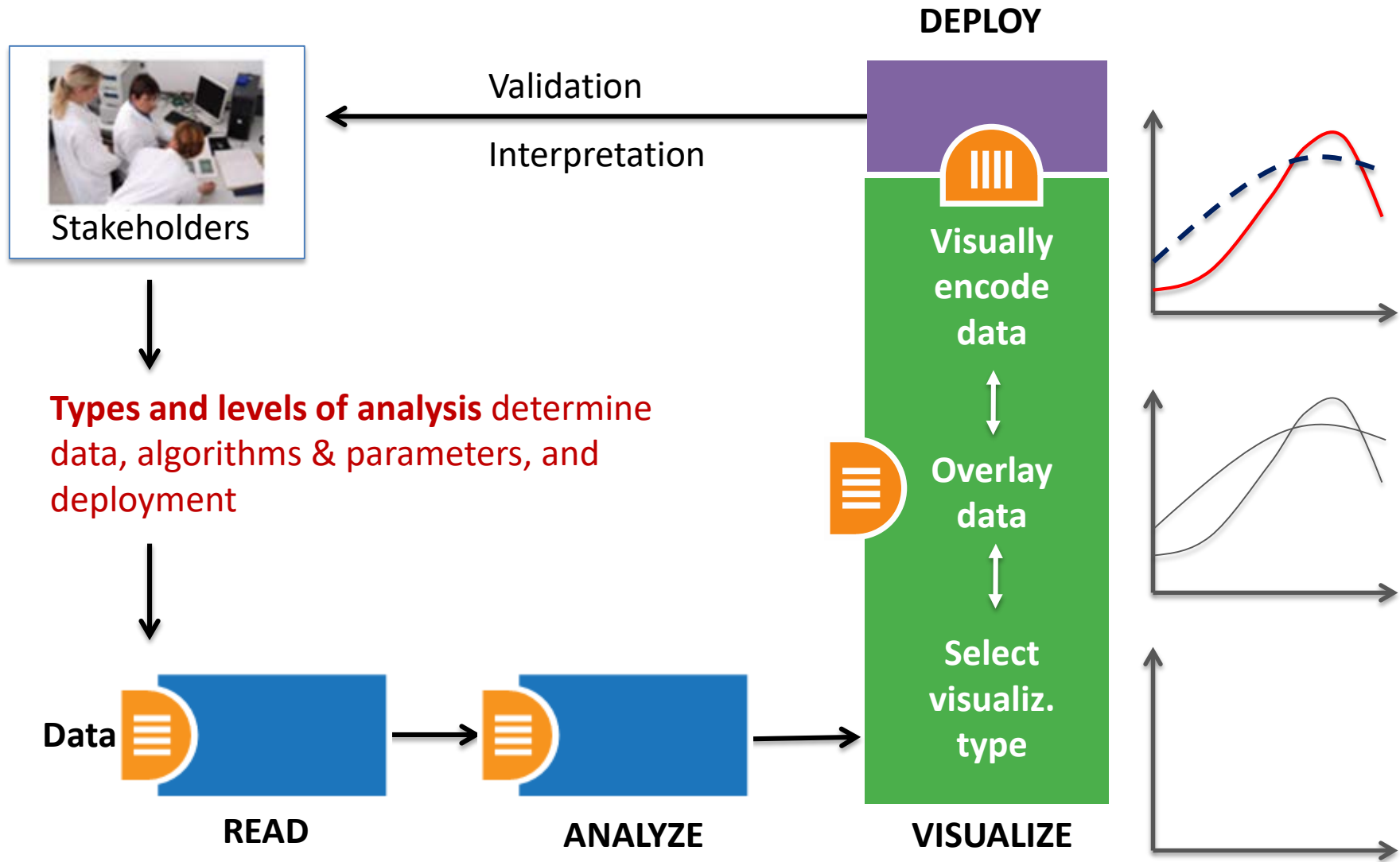
LEVELS

	MICRO: Individual Level about 1–1,000 records page 6	MESO: Local Level about 1,001–100,000 records page 8	MACRO: Global Level more than 100,000 records page 10
TYPES			
Statistical Analysis page 44	 Knowledge Cartography page 135	 Productivity of Russian life sciences research teams page 105	 Science and Society in Equilibrium Number of scientists versus population and R&D costs versus GNP. page 103
WHEN: Temporal Analysis page 48	 Visualizing decision-making processes page 95	 Key events in the development of the video tape recorder page 85	 Increased travel and communication speeds page 83
WHERE: Geospatial Analysis page 52	 Cell phone usage in Milan, Italy page 109	 Victorian poetry in Europe page 137	 Ecological footprint of countries page 99
WHAT: Topical Analysis page 56	 Evolving patent holdings of Apple Computer, Inc. and Jerome Lemelson page 89	 Evolving journal networks in nanotechnology page 139	 Product space showing co-export patterns of countries page 93
WITH WHOM: Network Analysis page 60	 World Finance Corporation network page 87	 Electronic and new media art networks page 133	 World-wide scholarly collaboration networks page 157

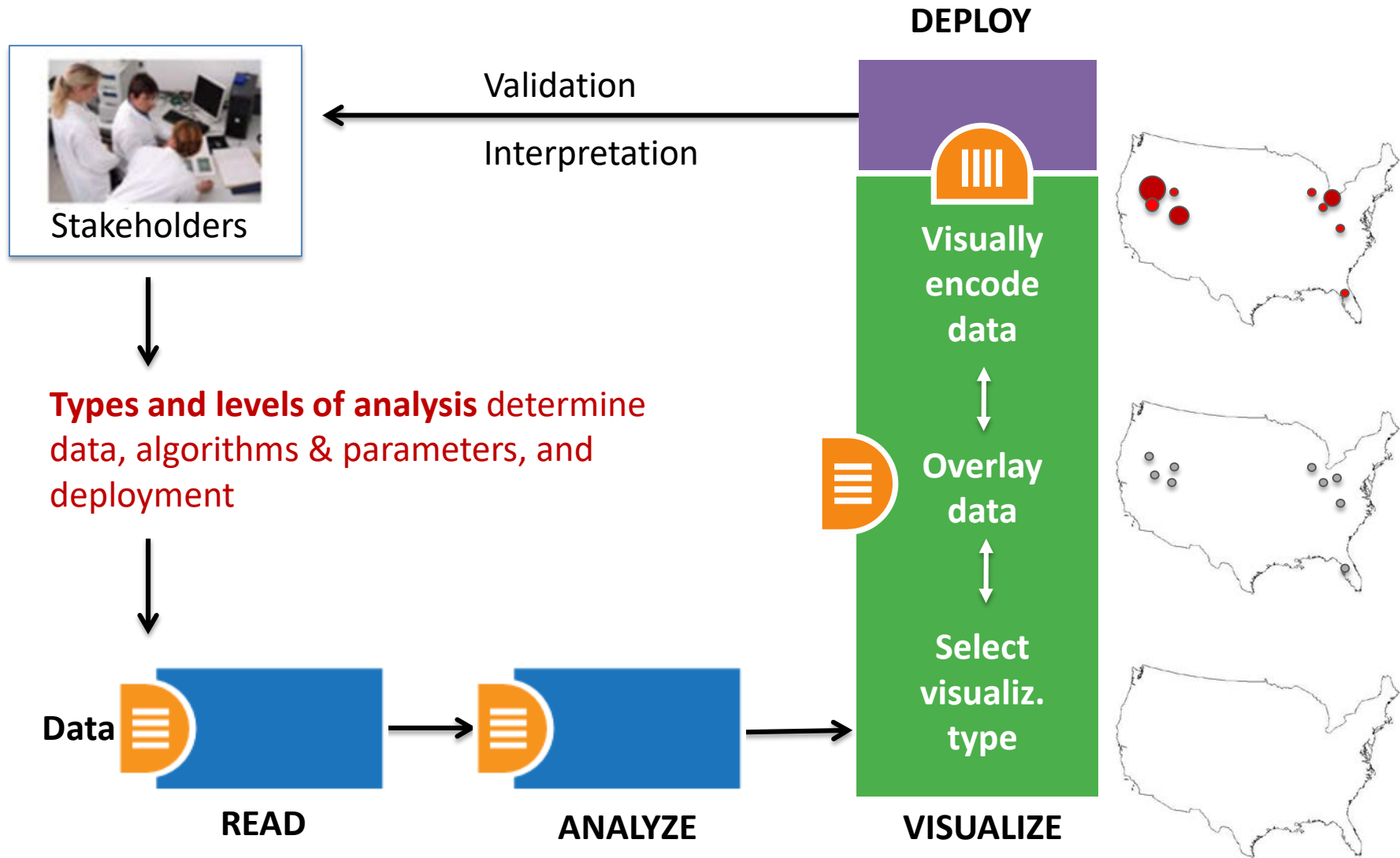


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Needs-Driven Workflow Design

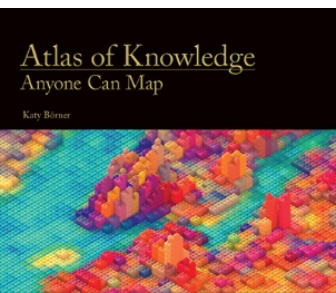


Needs-Driven Workflow Design



Visualization Framework

Insight Need Types page 26	Data Scale Types page 28	Visualization Types page 30	Graphic Symbol Types page 32	Graphic Variable Types page 34	Interaction Types page 26
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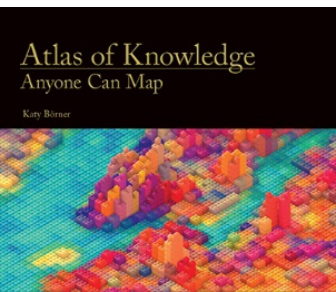
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Visualization Framework

Basic Task Types								
Bertin, 1967	Wehrend & Lewis, 1996	Few, 2004	Yau, 2011	Rendgen & Wiedemann, 2012	Frankel, 2012	Tool: Many Eyes	Tool: Chart Chooser	Börner, 2014
selection	categorize			category				categorize/ cluster
order	rank	ranking					table	order/rank/ sort
	distribution	distribution					distribution	distributions (also outliers, gaps)
	compare	nominal comparison & deviation	differences		compare and contrast	compare data values	comparison	comparisons
		time series	patterns over time	time	process and time	track rises and falls over time	trend	trends (process and time)
		geospatial	spatial relations	location		generate maps		geospatial
quantity		part-to- whole	proportions		form and structure	see parts of whole, analyze text	composition	compositions (also of text)
association	correlate	correlation	relationships	hierarchy		relations between data points	relationship	correlations/ relationships

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Graphic Variable Types Versus Graphic Symbol Types

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			Point		Line		Area	
Spatial	x	quantitative						
	y	quantitative						
	z	quantitative						
Retinal	Form	Size	quantitative	NA (Not Applicable)				
		Shape	qualitative	NA				
		Rotation	quantitative	NA				
		Curvature	quantitative	NA				
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	Color	Value	quantitative					
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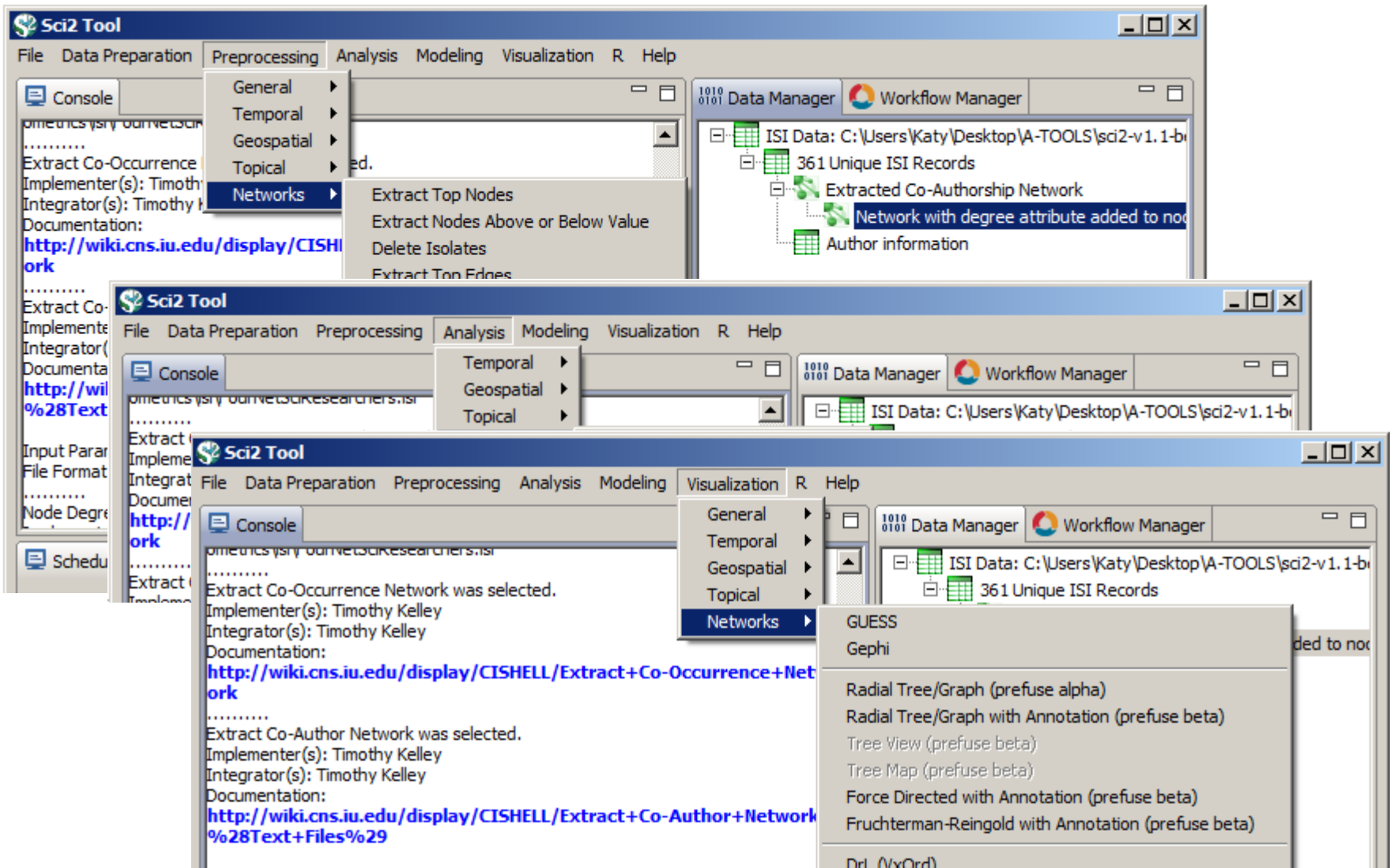
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Texture	Spacing	quantitative							
	Granularity	quantitative							
	Pattern	qualitative							
	Orientation	quantitative	NA						
	Gradient	quantitative							
	Blur	quantitative							
	Optics	Transparency	quantitative						
Shading		quantitative							
Stereoscopic Depth		quantitative	Point in foreground -- background	Line in foreground -- background	Area in foreground -- background	Surface in foreground -- background	Volume in foreground -- background	Text in foreground -- background	Icons in foreground -- background
Motion	Speed	quantitative							
	Velocity	quantitative							
	Rhythm	quantitative	Blinking point slow -- fast	Blinking line slow -- fast	Blinking area slow -- fast	Blinking surface slow -- fast	Blinking volume slow -- fast	Blinking text slow -- fast	Blinking icons slow -- fast

Sci2 Tool Interface Components Implement Vis Framework

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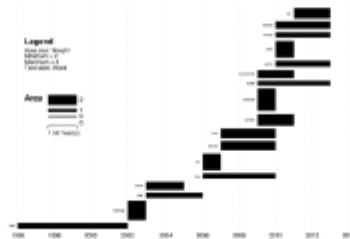
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Statistical Analysis—p. 44

Location	Count	# Citations
Netherlands	13	292
United States	9	318
Germany	11	36
United Kingdom	1	2

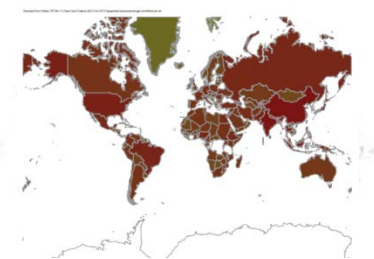
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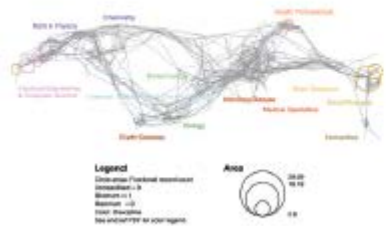
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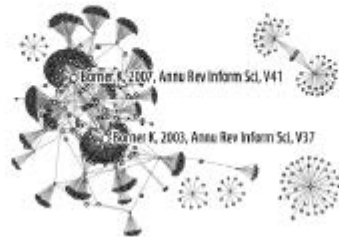
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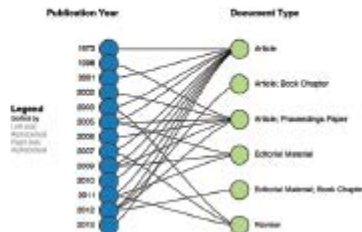
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Bi-Modal Network—p. 60



Co-author and many other bi-modal networks.

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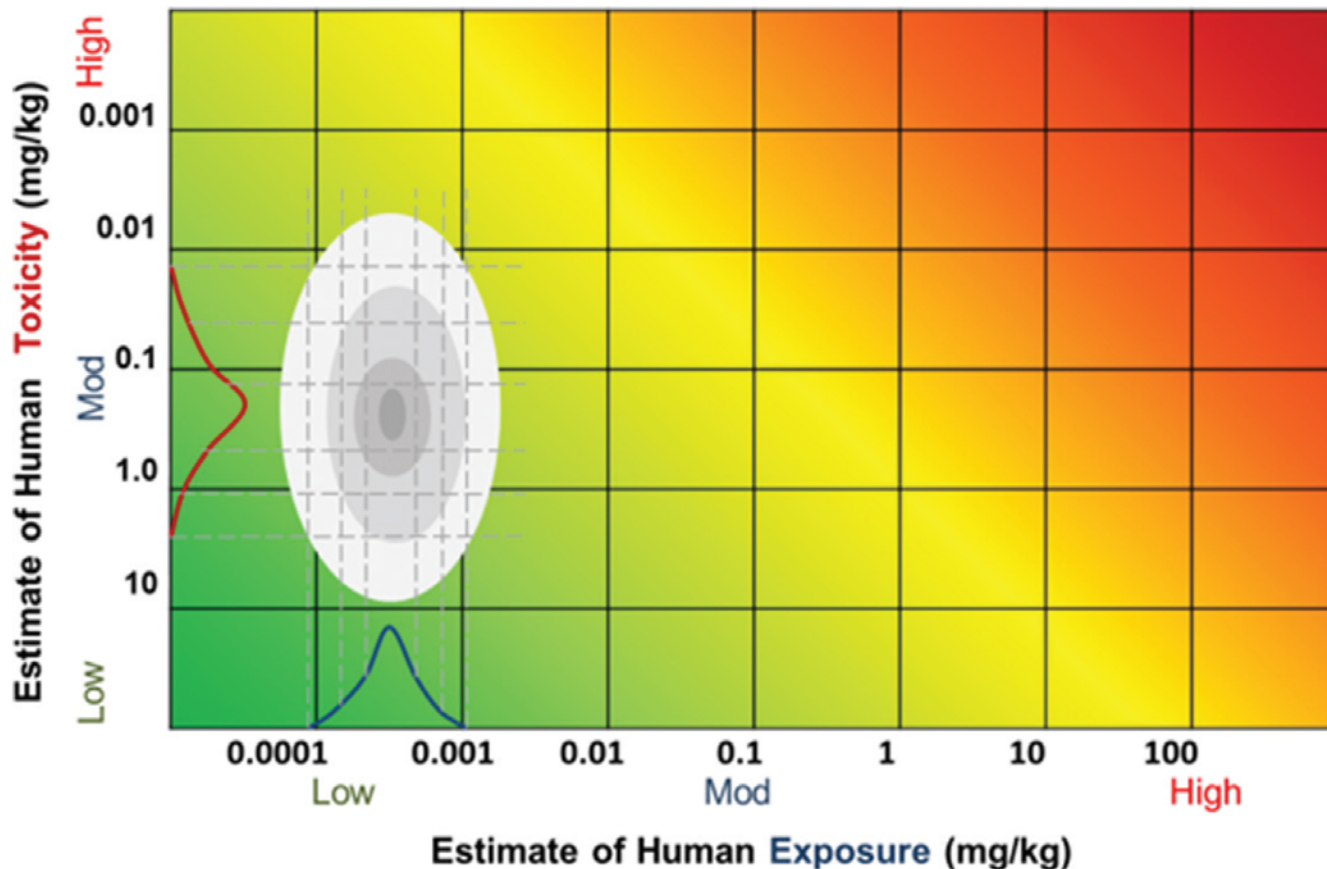
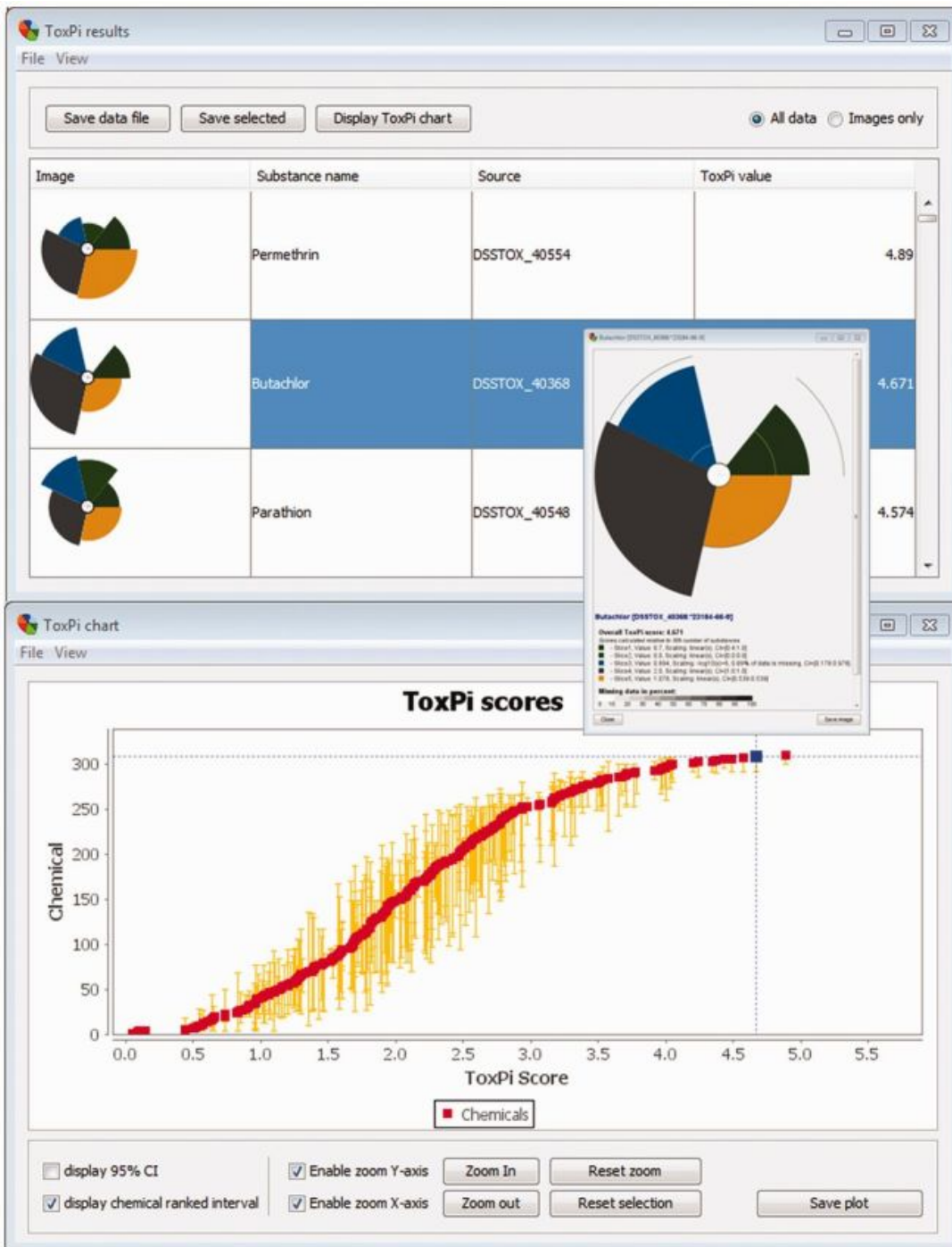


Figure 7. Exposure-toxicity intersection formed from mixing two probability distributions showing isoprob contours.



[Fig. 1. From: ToxPi GUI: an interactive visualization tool for transparent integration of data from diverse sources of evidence.](#)

Example of relationship between *Results* and *Chart* windows. The upper panel shows sorted ToxPi results, with the highlighted reference chemical (rank #2) signified by the bold square and cross-hairs on the lower panel. *Inset*: pop-up high-resolution window showing individual chemical's ToxPi and information

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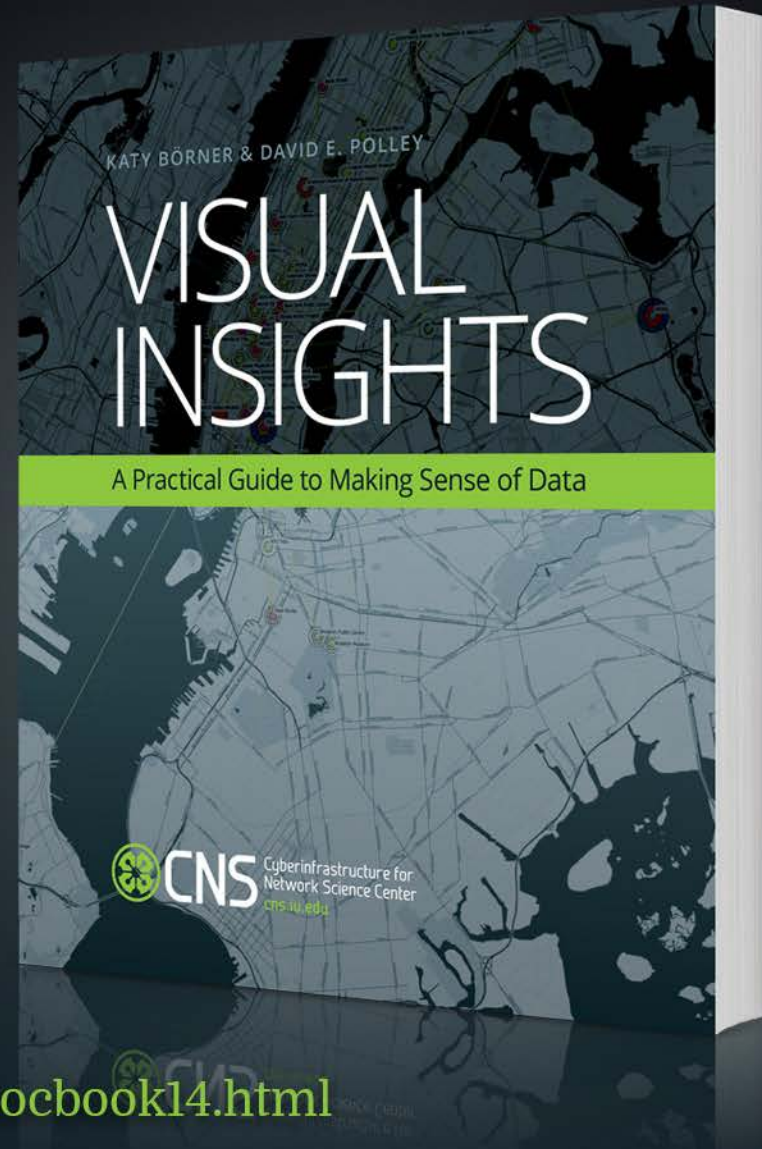
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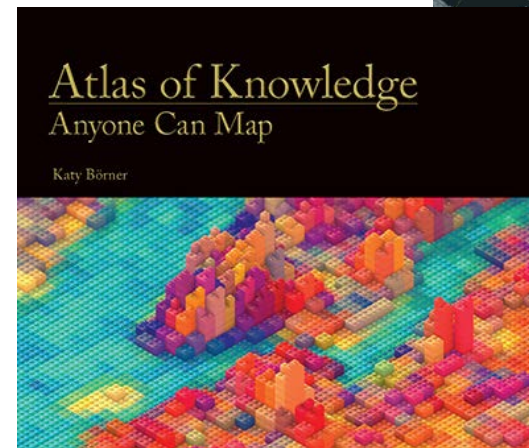
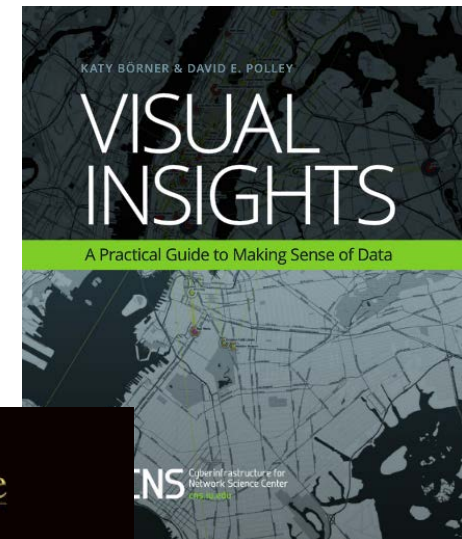
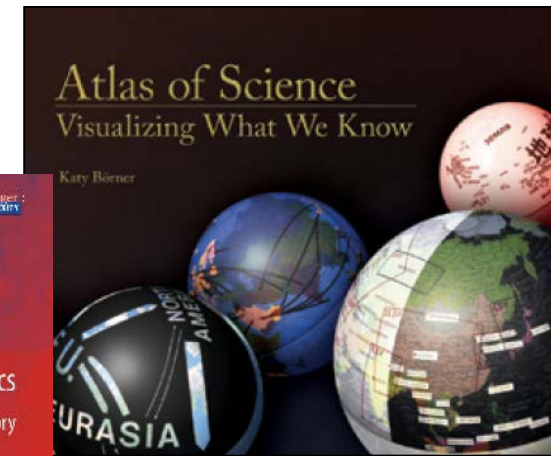
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