

D3 Tutorial



CS 4460 - Intro. to Information Visualization

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Homework 3



- Create a bar chart with D3
- Due September 30

Assumptions



- You have a basic understanding of the following topics
 - HTML
 - CSS
 - Javascript
- See course website for reading materials

What is and Why D3?



- Data-Driven Documents (D3)
 - Mike Bostock
- Let's see some examples!
 - <http://d3js.org>
 - <http://bl.ocks.org/mbostock>

What is D3 Doing?



- HTML elements => Webpage
- Manipulate HTML elements dynamically with Javascript based on input data to create visualizations
- Style with CSS

Reference Tutorial



- Let's Make a Bar Chart by Mike Bostock
- Use examples in this tutorial
- Part 2: <http://bostocks.org/mike/bar/2/>
- Part 3: <http://bostocks.org/mike/bar/3/>

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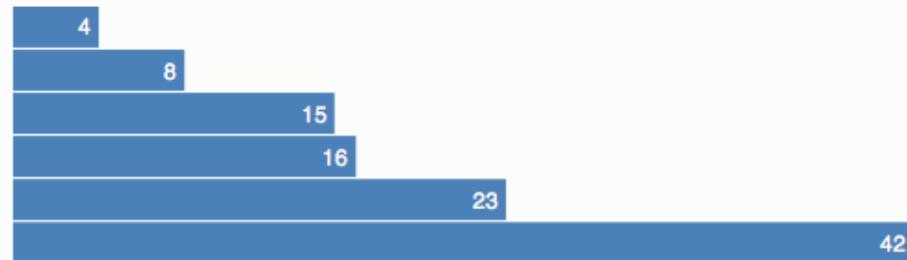
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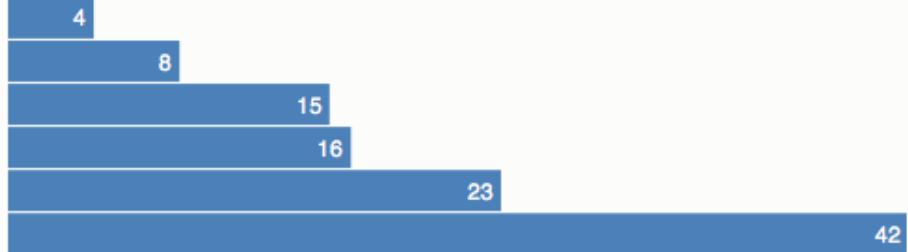
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Selections



- Acquire html element to manipulate
- CSS selector (e.g. “.class” and “#id”)
- `d3.select(“.chart”)`
 - Select first element of class “chart”
 - `d3.selectAll(selector)` - select all elements
 - Can also select a specific node
 - e.g. `d3.select(this)`
- <https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/Selections>

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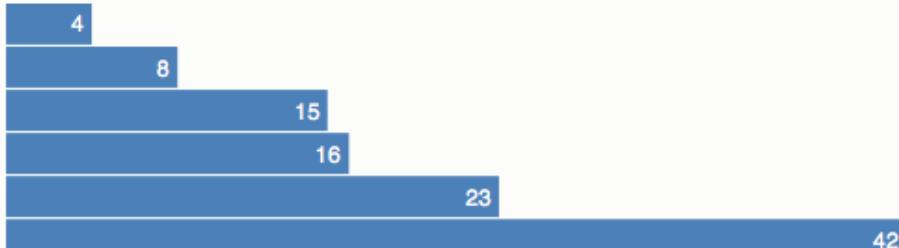
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Loading Data



- Tab-separated values (TSV)
- d3.tsv(url[, accesser][, callback])
 - See also d3.csv(), d3.json()
 - Asynchronous
- Callback: function(error, data)
 - After data are loaded
- <https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/Requests>

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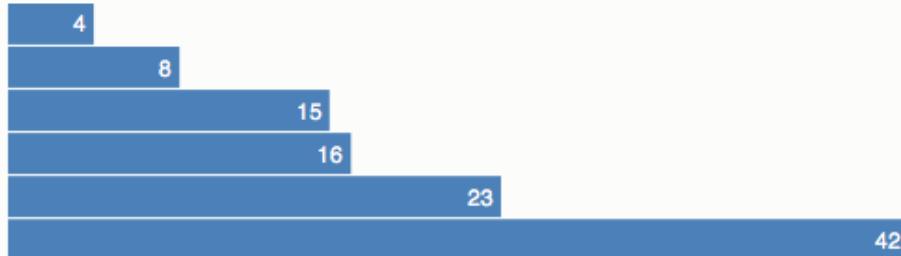
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Local Web Server



- Needed if you were to load data locally with d3.xhr (e.g. d3.tsv)
- > `python -m SimpleHTTPServer 8888`
 - Run at folder with vis source code
- Access `http://localhost:8888/`

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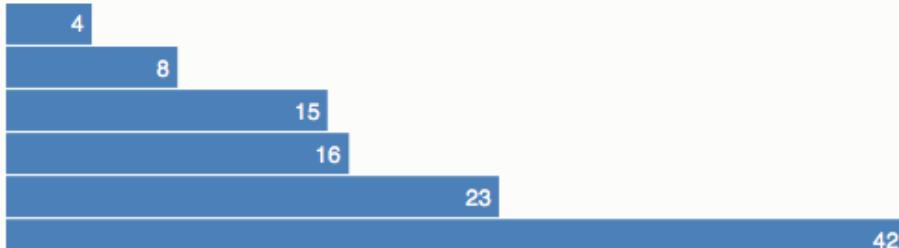
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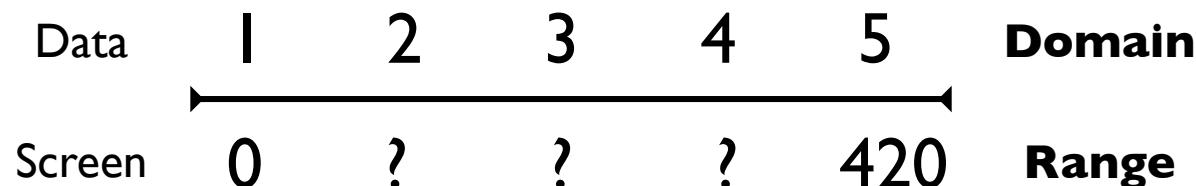


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Linear Scale



- Dynamically rescale variable to fit on screen



- `var x = d3.scale.linear()
.domain([1,5]).range([0,420]);`
- `x(3); // 210`
- Find domain from data: `d3.min()`, `d3.max()`
- <https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/scales>

Ordinal Scales



- ```
var x = d3.scale.ordinal()
 .domain(["a", "b", "c"]).range([0, 210, 420]);
```
- `x("b"); // 210`
- `var color = d3.scale.category10()  
 .domain(["a", "b", "c"]);` The image shows a horizontal bar divided into ten equal-width colored squares. From left to right, the colors are blue, orange, green, red, purple, brown, pink, gray, yellow-green, and teal.
- `color("a"); // #1f77b4` 

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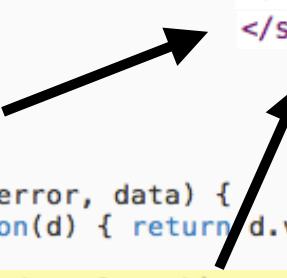
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# Binding Data to Elements



- `d3.selectAll("g").data(data);`
- Attach the array items to SVG group elements `<g>`
- Question: where are they?

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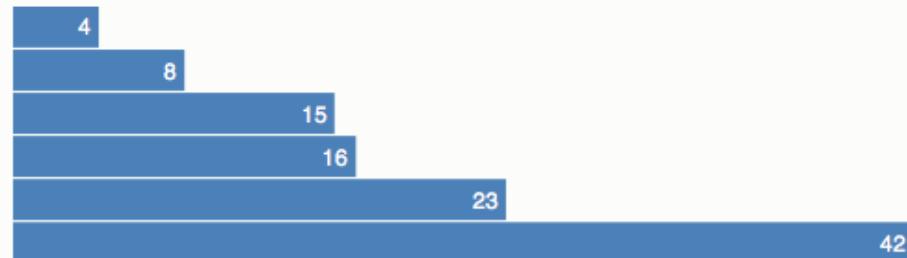
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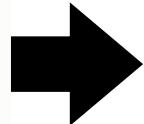
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# Enter()



- Select new elements from data
- `var group = chart.selectAll("g").data(data).enter();`
  - Enter group: array of elements that do not exist
- `group.append("g")  
.attr("transform", ...);`

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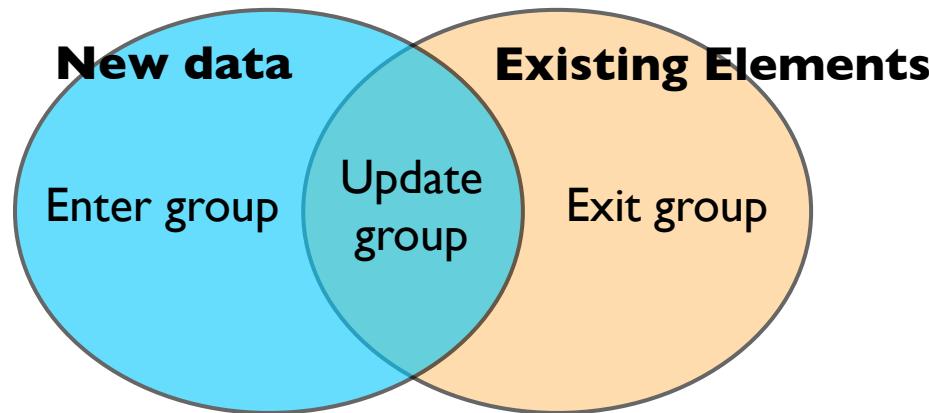
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# What if we need to update the data?

# Enter, Update, Exit



- Three groups
  - **Enter** group - elements that don't exist yet
  - **Update** group - elements that exist
  - **Exit** group - elements that should be removed
- <http://bostocks.org/mike/join/>



# Enter, Update, Exit



- `var newData = [1,2,3,4,5];`
- If there exist 5 elements bounded to data: `[3,4,5,6,7]`
- `var group = d3.selectAll("g").data(newData);`
  - Update group `[3,4,5]`
  - `group.enter()`
    - Enter group `[1,2]`
  - `group.exit()`
    - Exit group `[6,7]`

# Enter, Update, Exit



- chart.selectAll("g")  
    .data(data)  
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- Notice the indentation
  - 2 spaces when the selected group changed
  - 4 spaces if not

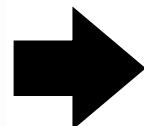
# Looping through Data



- var bar = chart.selectAll("g").data(**data**)  
.enter().append("g")  
.attr("transform", **function(d, i){**  
    **return "translate(0," + i\*barHeight + ")";**  
});
- Callback loop through each item in the array **data**
  - d is the item and i is the index

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# What is “bar?”



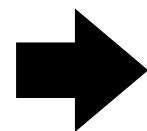
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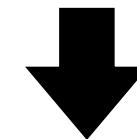


- bar is a group of <g> elements with data!
- bar.append("rect")  
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- <http://www.w3.org/TR/SVG/shapes.html>

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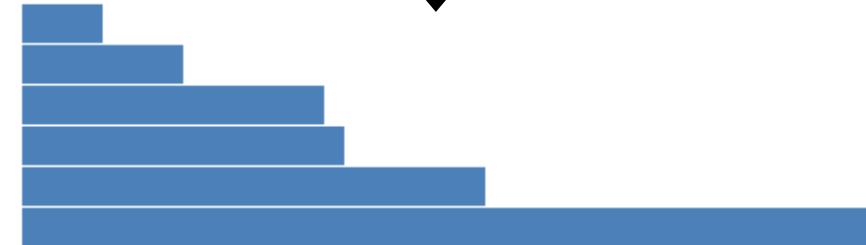
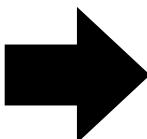


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How was the color chosen?

# Method Chaining



- The return object is the same as the caller object
- D3 extensively uses it
  - `group.attr(...);`  
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  - `group.attr(...).attr(...);`
- Useful for setting attributes of the same object

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 d.value = +d.value; // coerce to number
 return d;
}

</script>

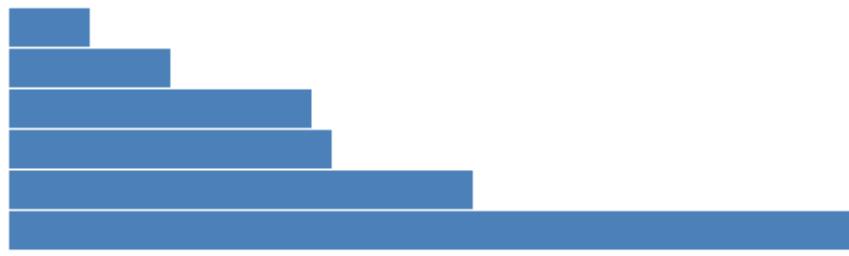
```

# Adding Text



```
bar.append("text")
 .attr("x", function(d) { return x(d.value) - 3; })
 .attr("y", barHeight / 2)
 .attr("dy", ".35em")
 .text(function(d) { return d.value; });
```

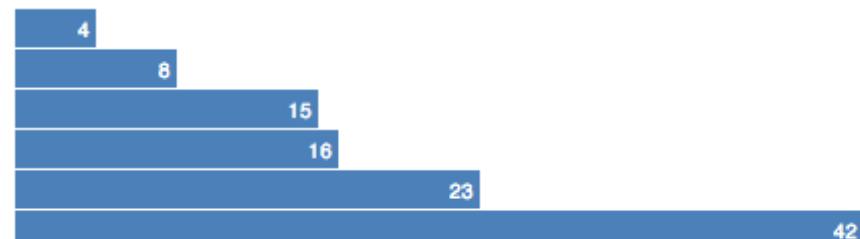
<http://www.w3.org/TR/SVG/text.html>



```
.chart text {
 fill: white;
 font: 10px sans-serif;
 text-anchor: end;
}
```



```
var data = [
 {name: "Locke", value: 4},
 {name: "Reyes", value: 8},
 {name: "Ford", value: 15},
 {name: "Jarrah", value: 16},
 {name: "Shephard", value: 23},
 {name: "Kwon", value: 42}
];
```



```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style>

.chart rect {
 fill: steelblue;
}

.chart text {
 fill: white;
 font: 10px sans-serif;
 text-anchor: end;
}

</style>
<svg class="chart"></svg>
<script src="http://d3js.org/d3.v3.min.js"></script>
<script>

var width = 420,
 barHeight = 20;

var x = d3.scale.linear()
 .range([0, width]);

var chart = d3.select(".chart")
 .attr("width", width);

d3.tsv("data.tsv", type, function(error, data) {
 x.domain([0, d3.max(data, function(d) { return d.value; })]);

 chart.attr("height", barHeight * data.length);

 var bar = chart.selectAll("g")
 .data(data)
 .enter().append("g")
 .attr("transform", function(d, i) { return "translate(0," + i * barHeight + ")"; });

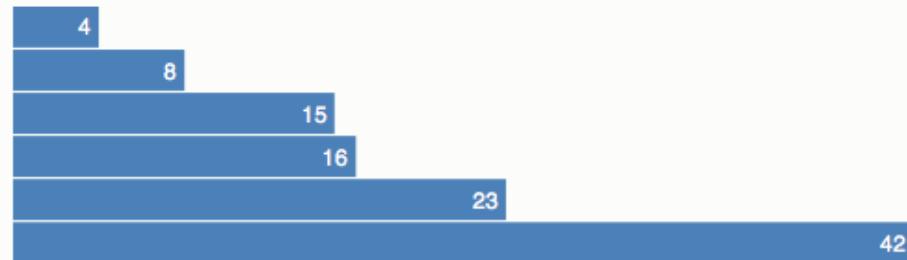
 bar.append("rect")
 .attr("width", function(d) { return x(d.value); })
 .attr("height", barHeight - 1);

 bar.append("text")
 .attr("x", function(d) { return x(d.value) - 3; })
 .attr("y", barHeight / 2)
 .attr("dy", ".35em")
 .text(function(d) { return d.value; });
});

function type(d) {
 d.value = +d.value; // coerce to number
 return d;
}

</script>

```



name	value
Locke	4
Reyes	8
Ford	15
Jarrah	16
Shephard	23
Kwon	42

# Another Example

```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style>

.bar {
 fill: steelblue;
}

.bar:hover {
 fill: brown;
}

.axis {
 font: 10px sans-serif;
}

.axis path,
.axis line {
 fill: none;
 stroke: #000;
 shape-rendering: crispEdges;
}

.x.axis path {
 display: none;
}

</style>
<body>
<script src="http://d3js.org/d3.v3.min.js"></script>
<script>

var margin = {top: 20, right: 20, bottom: 30, left: 40},
 width = 960 - margin.left - margin.right,
 height = 500 - margin.top - margin.bottom;

var x = d3.scale.ordinal()
 .rangeRoundBands([0, width], .1);

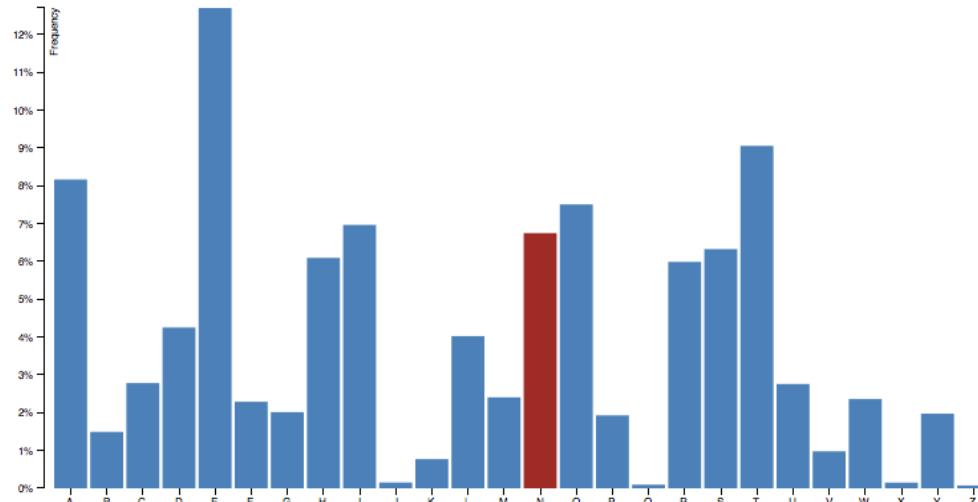
var y = d3.scale.linear()
 .range([height, 0]);

var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()
 .scale(x)
 .orient("bottom");

var yAxis = d3.svg.axis()
 .scale(y)
 .orient("left")
 .ticks(10, "%");

var svg = d3.select("body").append("svg")
 .attr("width", width + margin.left + margin.right)
 .attr("height", height + margin.top + margin.bottom)
 .append("g")
 .attr("transform", "translate(" + margin.left + "," + margin.top + ")");

```



```

d3.tsv("data.tsv", type, function(error, data) {
 x.domain(data.map(function(d) { return d.letter; }));
 y.domain([0, d3.max(data, function(d) { return d.frequency; })]);

 svg.append("g")
 .attr("class", "x axis")
 .attr("transform", "translate(0," + height + ")")
 .call(xAxis);

 svg.append("g")
 .attr("class", "y axis")
 .call(yAxis)
 .append("text")
 .attr("transform", "rotate(-90)")
 .attr("y", 6)
 .attr("dy", ".71em")
 .style("text-anchor", "end")
 .text("Frequency");

 svg.selectAll(".bar")
 .data(data)
 .enter().append("rect")
 .attr("class", "bar")
 .attr("x", function(d) { return x(d.letter); })
 .attr("width", x.rangeBand())
 .attr("y", function(d) { return y(d.frequency); })
 .attr("height", function(d) { return height - y(d.frequency); });

});

function type(d) {
 d.frequency = +d.frequency;
 return d;
}

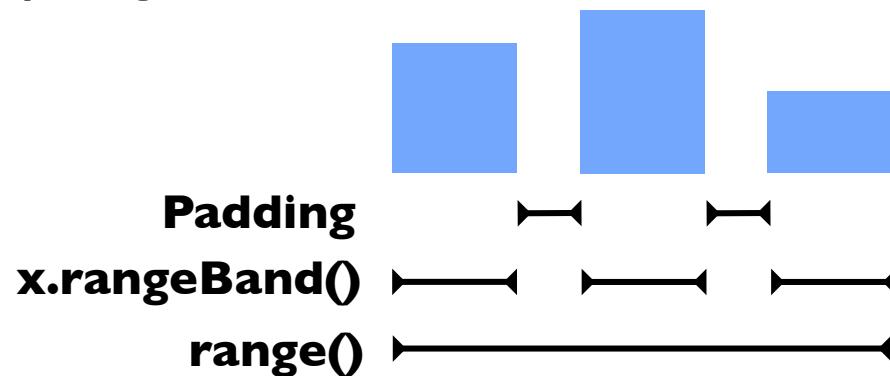
</script>

```

# RangeBand()



- For ordinal scales
- ```
var x = d3.scale.ordinal()  
    .domain(["A","B","C"])  
    .rangeBands([0,width], 0.3); // range with padding
```
- `x.rangeBand();` // bar width
- <https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/Ordinal-Scales>



Data: relative frequency of English letters

```

<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<style>

.bar {
  fill: steelblue;
}

.bar:hover {
  fill: brown;
}

.axis {
  font: 10px sans-serif;
}

.axis path,
.axis line {
  fill: none;
  stroke: #000;
  shape-rendering: crispEdges;
}

.x.axis path {
  display: none;
}

</style>
<body>
<script src="http://d3js.org/d3.v3.min.js"></script>
<script>

var margin = {top: 20, right: 20, bottom: 30, left: 40},
    width = 960 - margin.left - margin.right,
    height = 500 - margin.top - margin.bottom;

var x = d3.scale.ordinal()
    .rangeRoundBands([0, width], .1);

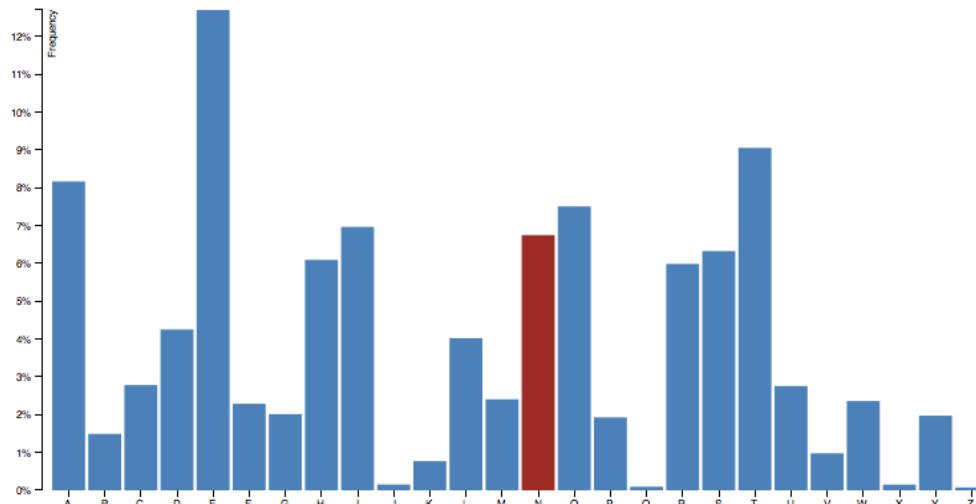
var y = d3.scale.linear()
    .range([height, 0]);

var xAxis = d3.svg.axis()
    .scale(x)
    .orient("bottom");

var yAxis = d3.svg.axis()
    .scale(y)
    .orient("left")
    .ticks(10, "%");

var svg = d3.select("body").append("svg")
    .attr("width", width + margin.left + margin.right)
    .attr("height", height + margin.top + margin.bottom)
    .append("g")
    .attr("transform", "translate(" + margin.left + "," + margin.top + ")");

```



```

d3.tsv("data.tsv", type, function(error, data) {
  x.domain(data.map(function(d) { return d.letter; }));
  y.domain([0, d3.max(data, function(d) { return d.frequency; })]);

  svg.append("g")
    .attr("class", "x axis")
    .attr("transform", "translate(0," + height + ")")
    .call(xAxis);

  svg.append("g")
    .attr("class", "y axis")
    .call(yAxis)
    .append("text")
      .attr("transform", "rotate(-90)")
      .attr("y", 6)
      .attr("dy", ".71em")
      .style("text-anchor", "end")
      .text("Frequency");

  svg.selectAll(".bar")
    .data(data)
    .enter().append("rect")
      .attr("class", "bar")
      .attr("x", function(d) { return x(d.letter); })
      .attr("width", x.rangeBand())
      .attr("y", function(d) { return y(d.frequency); })
      .attr("height", function(d) { return height - y(d.frequency); });

});

function type(d) {
  d.frequency = +d.frequency;
  return d;
}

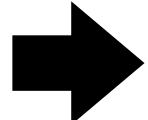
</script>

```

Axes



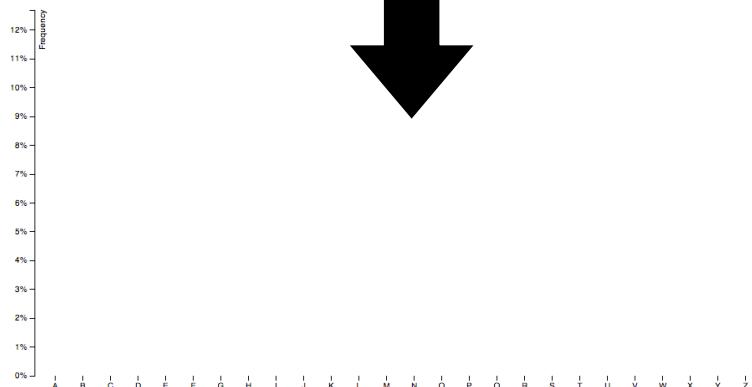
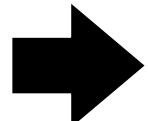
```
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    .orient("bottom");  
  
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    .scale(y)  
    .orient("left")  
    .ticks(10, "%");
```



```
svg.append("g")  
    .attr("class", "x axis")  
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    .call(xAxis);  
  
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    .attr("class", "y axis")  
    .call(yAxis)  
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    .text("Frequency");
```

Number and format of tick marks

```
.axis text {  
    font: 10px sans-serif;  
}  
  
.axis path,  
.axis line {  
    fill: none;  
    stroke: #000;  
    shape-rendering: crispEdges;  
}  
  
.x.axis path {  
    display: none;  
}
```



<https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/SVG-Axes>

```

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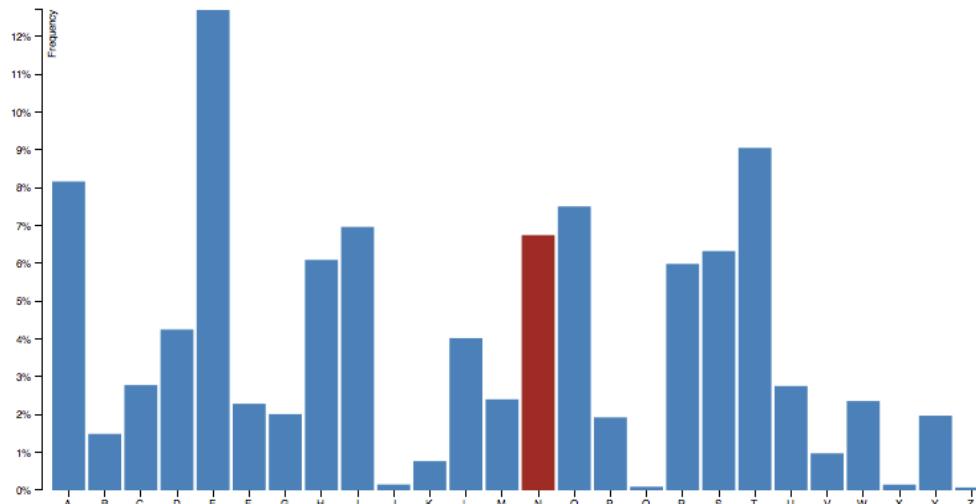
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Mouse Interactions

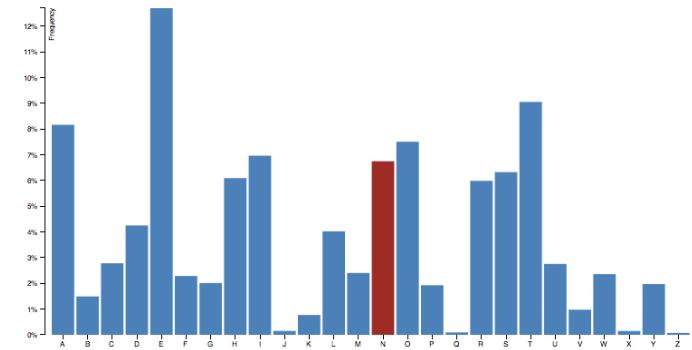


CSS

```
.bar:hover {  
    fill: brown;  
}
```

D3

```
d3.selectAll(".bar")  
    .on("mouseover", function(){  
        d3.select(this).style("fill","brown");  
    })  
    .on("mouseout", function(){  
        d3.select(this).style("fill","steelblue");  
    });
```



<https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/Selections>

Transitions



- ```
d3.selectAll(".bar")
 .on("mouseout", function(){
 d3.select(this)
 .transition()
 .duration(500)
 .style("fill","steelblue");
 });

```
- Bar fades into steelblue over 500 milliseconds when mouse moved out of it
- <https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/Transitions>

```

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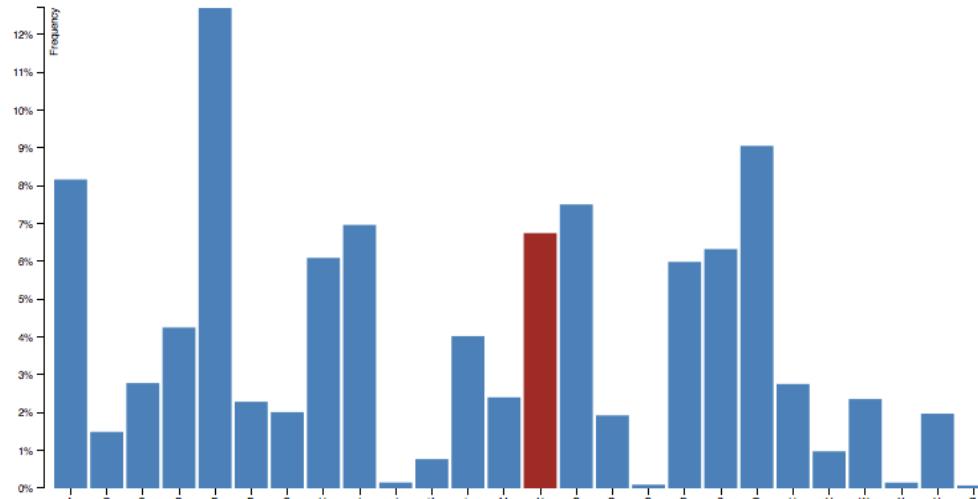
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 .append("text")
 .attr("transform", "rotate(-90)")
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 .attr("dy", ".71em")
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});

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 d.frequency = +d.frequency;
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}

</script>

```

# Debugging



- Google Chrome Developer Tools
- Inspect HTML elements
- Debug Javascript

# Examples

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- Example 1
  - <http://bl.ocks.org/mbostock/7341714>
- Example 2
  - <http://bl.ocks.org/mbostock/3885304>

# Homework 3



- Create a bar chart with D3
- Due September 30

# Project Feedback



- Our thoughts on your project proposals

# Upcoming

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- InfoVis Systems & Toolkits  
Reading:
- Guest lecture: Prof. Rahul Basole