

Data Handling and Aggregation

VISUALIZATION ON THE WEB

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Data loading

- The most common file types are handled by specific functions in D3
 - csv, json, tsv, dsv
- CSV

```
d3.csv("/data/cities.csv", function(data) {  
  console.log(data[0]);  
});  
=> {city: "seattle", state: "WA",  
population: "652405", land area: "83.9"}
```

Data processing and cleaning

```
=> {city: "seattle", state: "WA", population: "652405", land  
area: "83.9"}
```

- All values are parsed as string. We need to do type conversion manually.
- We **iterate** over an array using the function **forEach()**

```
d3.csv("/data/cities.csv", function(d) {  
    return {  
        city : d.city,  
        state : d.state,  
        population : +d.population,  
        land_area : +d["land area"]  
    };  
}, function(data) {  
    console.log(data[0]);  
});
```

Loading Multiple files

- To load multiple files that are need for the application, we can use the library `d3.queue`
- The library can be installed via npm
- `npm install d3-queue --save`

```
d3.queue()  
  .defer(d3.csv, "/data/cities.csv")  
  .defer(d3.tsv, "/data/animals.tsv")  
  .await(analyze);  
  
function analyze(error, cities, animals) {  
  if(error) { console.log(error); }  
  
  console.log(cities[0]);  
  console.log(animals[0]);  
}  
=> {city: "seattle", state: "WA", population: "652405", land area:  
"83.9"}  
{name: "tiger", type: "mammal", avg_weight: "260"}
```

Merging data from different datasets

- In case our data is splitted in several files, we can load them separately and comine within our script with d3.merge()

```
function combine(error, big_data_1, big_data_2,  
big_data_3) {  
    if (error) {  
        console.log(error);  
    }  
    console.log(d3.merge([big_data_1, big_data_2,  
big_data_3]));  
}  
=> [{"a": "1", "b": "2"}, {"a": "3", "b": "4"}, {"a":  
"5", "b": "6"}]
```

Statistics and Summary

```
var data = [
    {"city":"seattle", "state":"WA",
"population":652405, "land_area":83.9},
    {"city":"new york", "state":"NY",
"population":8405837, "land_area":302.6},
    {"city":"boston", "state":"MA",
"population":645966, "land_area":48.3},
    {"city":"kansas city", "state":"MO",
"population":467007, "land_area":315}
];
```

Statistics and summary of data

- Min, Max and Extent

```
var minLand = d3.min(data, function(d)  
{ return d.land_area; });  
console.log(minLand); // => 48.3
```

```
var maxLand = d3.max(data, function(d)  
{ return d.land_area; });  
console.log(maxLand); // => 315
```

```
var landExtent = d3.extent(data, function(d)  
{ return d.land_area; });  
console.log(landExtent); // => [48.3, 315]
```

- Average, Median, Deviation

Statistics and summary of data

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```
var landAvg = d3.mean(data, function(d) { return  
d.land_area; });  
  
console.log(landAvg); // => 187.45  
  
var landMed = d3.median(data, function(d)  
{ return d.land_area; });  
  
console.log(landMed); // => 193.25  
  
var landSD = d3.deviation(data, function(d)  
{ return d.land_area; });  
  
console.log(landSD); // => 140.96553952414519
```

Iteration, Map and Reduce

- Javascript `map()` function allows to transform our data into a new dataset
- The function takes an array in input and produce a `new` array with the result of calling a function on each element of the input

map() example

```
var smallData = data.map(function(d,i) {  
  return {  
    name: d.city.toUpperCase(),  
    index: i + 1,  
    rounded_area: Math.round(d.land_area)  
  };  
});  
console.log(data[0]);  
console.log(smallData[0]);  
  
=> {city: "seattle", state: "WA", population:  
652405, land_area: 83.9}  
{name: "SEATTLE", index: 1, rounded_area: 84}
```

Filtering

- To select a subset of available rows we use the function filter()

```
var large_land = data.filter(function(d)
{ return d.land_area > 200; });
console.log(JSON.stringify(large_land));
=> [{"city":"new
york","state":"NY","population":8405837,"land_area":302.6},
 {"city":"kansas
city","state":"MO","population":467007,"land_area":315}]
```

Sorting

- To sort rows of a dataset, we use the function `sort()`
- The sorting is done inplace (it modifies the original data)
- Sorting is done according to a **comparator** function. The comparator is given two entries **a** and **b** of the data and should return -1 (if **a** is smaller than **b**), 0 (if **a** and **b** are equal), +1 (if **a** is larger than **b**)

Sorting Example

```
data.sort(function(a,b) {  
  return b.population - a.population;  
});  
console.log(JSON.stringify(data));  
=> [{"city": "new york", "state": "NY", "population":  
8405837, "land_area": 302.6},  
 {"city": "seattle", "state": "WA", "population":  
652405, "land_area": 83.9},  
 {"city": "boston", "state": "MA", "population":  
645966, "land_area": 48.3},  
 {"city": "kansas city", "state": "MO", "population":  
467007, "land_area": 315}]
```

Reducing

- A family of functions that takes a whole array and reduce it to a single value
- Eg: sum, average, median
- Sum

```
var landSum = data.reduce(function(sum, d) {  
    return sum + d.land_area;  
}, 0);  
  
console.log(landSum);  
=> 749.8
```

Reducing

- Function `reduce()` takes two parameters
 - A function to compute the aggregated value, that takes in input the value computed at the previous step of the iteration and the current value
 - An initial value of the aggregate. If this value is not specified, the initial value is set to the value of the first element and the iteration starts from the second entry.

Chaining

- The functional declaration of these transformation enable function chaining

```
var bigCities = data.filter(function(d) { return  
d.population > 500000; })  
    .sort(function(a,b) { return a.population -  
b.population; })  
    .map(function(d) { return d.city; });  
console.log(bigCities);  
=> ["boston", "seattle", "new york"]
```

Grouping

Example data (from VC 2008)

```
var expenses = [  
    {"name": "jim", "amount": 34, "date": "11/12/2015"},  
    {"name": "carl", "amount": 120.11, "date": "11/12/2015"},  
    {"name": "jim", "amount": 45, "date": "12/01/2015"},  
    {"name": "stacy", "amount": 12.00, "date": "01/04/2016"},  
    {"name": "stacy", "amount": 34.1, "date": "01/04/2016"},  
    {"name": "stacy", "amount": 44.8, "date": "01/05/2016"}  
];
```

Slice data by values

- Group rows by value

```
var expensesByName = d3.nest()
  .key(function(d) { return d.name; })
  .entries(expenses);
=> expensesByName = [
  {"key": "jim", "values": [
    {"name": "jim", "amount": 34, "date": "11/12/2015"},  

    {"name": "jim", "amount": 45, "date": "12/01/2015"}
  ]},  

  {"key": "carl", "values": [
    {"name": "carl", "amount": 120.11, "date": "11/12/2015"}
  ]},  

  {"key": "stacy", "values": [
    {"name": "stacy", "amount": 12.00, "date": "01/04/2016"},  

    {"name": "stacy", "amount": 34.10, "date": "01/04/2016"},  

    {"name": "stacy", "amount": 44.80, "date": "01/05/2016"}
  ]}
];
```

Summarize data by values in each group

```
var expensesAvgAmount = d3.nest()  
  .key(function(d) { return d.name; })  
  .rollup(function(v) { return d3.mean(v,  
    function(d) { return d.amount; }); })  
  .entries(expenses);  
  
console.log(expensesAvgAmount);  
=> [  
  {"key": "jim", "values": 39.5},  
  {"key": "carl", "values": 120.11},  
  {"key": "stacy", "values": 30.3}  
]
```

Crossfilter.js

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

Crossfilter

- Crossfilter is a library for multidimensional filtering
- Two basic concepts:
 - **Dimension**: a property of the data to exploit to split items (i.e. a column in a relational table)
 - **Groups**: to aggregate rows by values in a dimension (i.e. like a groupby in SQL)

Example from VC 2008

```
[  
  {"EncounterDate": "2005-04-26", "NumDeaths": 0, "Passengers": 6, "RecordNotes": null, "RecordType": "Interdiction", "USCG_Vessel": "Cunningham", "VesselType": "Raft", "year": 2005, "Month": "2005-04", "EncounterCoords": [-80.14622349209523, 24.53605142362535], "LaunchCoords": [null, null]},  
  {"EncounterDate": "2005-05-15", "NumDeaths": 0, "Passengers": 11, "RecordNotes": null, "RecordType": "Interdiction", "USCG_Vessel": "Forthright", "VesselType": "Rustic", "year": 2005, "Month": "2005-05", "EncounterCoords": [-80.75496221688965, 24.72483828554483], "LaunchCoords": [-79.65932674368925, 23.70743135623052]},  
  {"EncounterDate": "2005-02-25", "NumDeaths": 0, "Passengers": 6, "RecordNotes": null, "RecordType": "Interdiction", "USCG_Vessel": "Pompano", "VesselType": "Raft", "year": 2005, "Month": "2005-02", "EncounterCoords": [-80.32020594311533, 25.02156920297054], "LaunchCoords": [null, null]},  
  {"EncounterDate": "2005-04-13", "NumDeaths": 0, "Passengers": 6, "RecordNotes": null, "RecordType": "Interdiction", "USCG_Vessel": "Tripoteur", "VesselType": "Raft", "year": 2005, "Month": "2005-04", "EncounterCoords": [-80.15149489716094, 24.57412215015249], "LaunchCoords": [-79.65999190070923, 23.73619147168514]}]  
]
```

Basic statistics

```
var cf = crossfilter(migrants);
// how many report?
// select count(*) from migrants
console.log("num reports",
cf.groupAll().reduceCount().value());

// select sum(Passengers) from migrants
console.log("num passengers",
cf.groupAll().reduceSum(function(d){return
d.Passengers}).value())

// select sum(NumDeaths) from migrants
console.log("num deaths",
cf.groupAll().reduceSum(function(d){return
d.NumDeaths}).value())
```

Dimensions and Filtering

- Define a dimension by providing a function to select a value for each row

```
var dVesselType = cf.dimension(function(d){return d.VesselType});  
// select count(*) from migrants where VesselType=="Rustic"  
dVesselType.filter("Rustic");  
console.log("num reports  
(Rustic)",cf.groupAll().reduceCount().value());  
// select sum(Passengers) from migrants where VesselType=="Rustic"  
console.log("num passengers (Rustic)",  
cf.groupAll().reduceSum(function(d){return d.Passengers}).value())  
// select sum(NumDeaths) from migrants where VesselType=="Rustic"  
console.log("num deaths (Rustic)",  
cf.groupAll().reduceSum(function(d){return d.NumDeaths}).value())  
// select VesselType, count(*) from migrants group by VesselType  
var countVesselType = dVesselType.group().reduceCount();  
console.log(countVesselType.all());
```

RESTful APIs with Express

