

Infographic  
Introduction  
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# Exercise 1 - draw a tiny chart of a part of your life

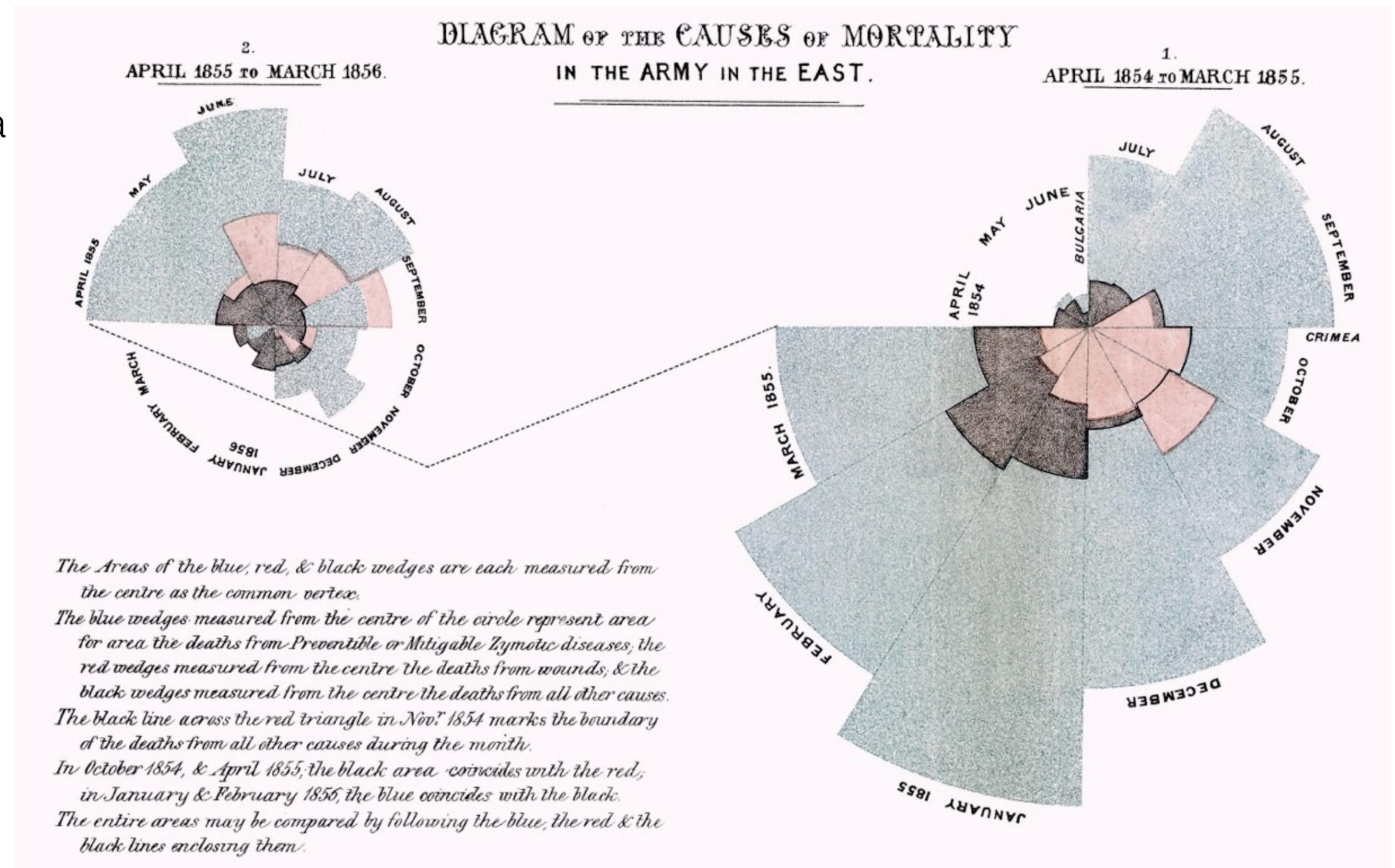
Now, please create a tiny chart of your life and answer one of the following question. Scribble on a paper, if possible the description in English, write your name in big Letter on the scribble, take a photo and import it to miro or send me a signal message with the photo.

- Where have you life until now?
- How is your workflow?
- What kind of doors did you pass trough the way to your work?
- How is your Work-life-Balance?
- How do you use your mobile?
- How locks like your daily mobility?
- How many man and woman have you seen yesterday?
- How much of your dream have you realized?

# Infographic have the power to change the mind!

- Polar-area-diagram
- every pie piece is a month, divided in three parts.
- red: wounding
- black: other
- blue: infection
- the scale is the longitudinal axis of the pie pieces

Is it allowed to show the data like this?  
Is it manipulative?



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"To effect through the eyes what we cannot convey to the public through their ears, which are sealed against words"

Florence Nightingale, Nurse

*The Areas of the blue, red, & black wedges are each measured from the centre as the common vertex.*

*The blue wedges measured from the centre of the circle represent area for area the deaths from Preventible or Mitigable Zymotic diseases; the red wedges measured from the centre the deaths from wounds; & the black wedges measured from the centre the deaths from all other causes.*

*The black line across the red triangle in Nov. 1854 marks the boundary of the deaths from all other causes during the month.*

*In October 1854, & April 1855, the black area coincides with the red; in January & February 1856, the blue coincides with the black.*

*The entire areas may be compared by following the blue, the red & the black lines enclosing them.*

2.  
 APRIL 1855 to MARCH 1856. DIAGRAM OF THE CAUSES OF MORTALITY  
 IN THE ARMY IN THE EAST. APRIL 1854



Florence Nightingale



# Why are we using infographics?

- to inform
- to explain
- to convince
- to tell the truth
- to get attention
- ~~to emotionalize~~



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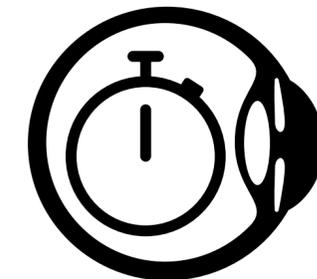
- humans recognize their environment with the eyes



**70%** of sensory receptors are in the eyes



**50%** of the brain have to work with visual perception



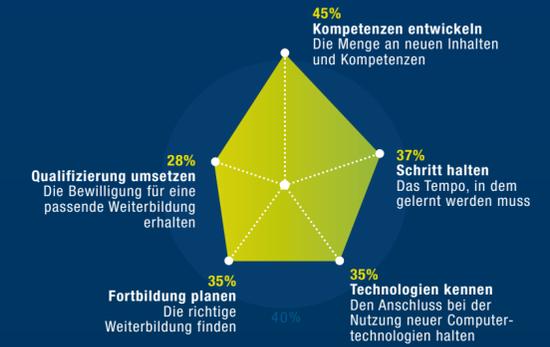
**0,01 sec.** We need to understand a visual scene

# Why are infographics so *super* ?

- they seem to be serious ★ ★ ★
  - people believe diagrams
  - they show comparison
  - **color** is faster than content!
- ... and we love to solve puzzles!

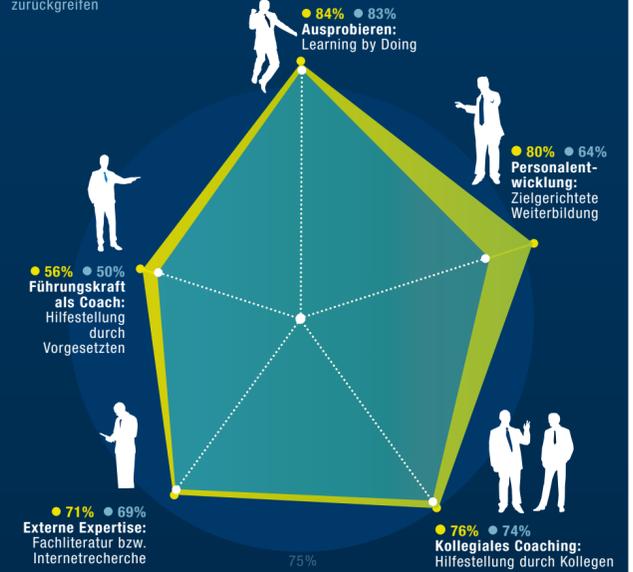
## GRÖSSTE HERAUSFORDERUNGEN

Dies sind besonders große Schwierigkeiten bei Veränderungen im Berufsalltag

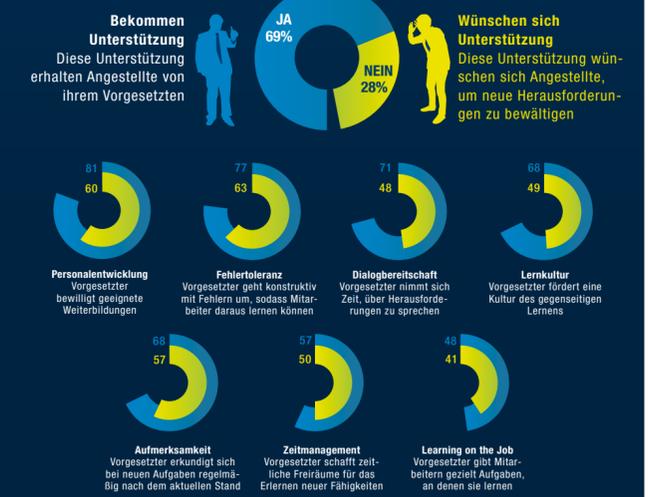


## WUNSCH UND WIRKLICHKEIT

● Wunsch: So wollen Angestellte neue Herausforderungen bewältigen  
 ● Wirklichkeit: Auf diese Maßnahmen können Angestellte im Berufsalltag zurückgreifen



## HILFE VOM CHEF



Quelle: Bundesweite forsa-Umfrage im Auftrag der Haufe Akademie, Oktober 2014. Befragt wurden 1.001 Angestellte ab 18 Jahren

What is most important for a good visualization?

to tell an  
emotional story

**A**

to show Data  
exactly

**B**

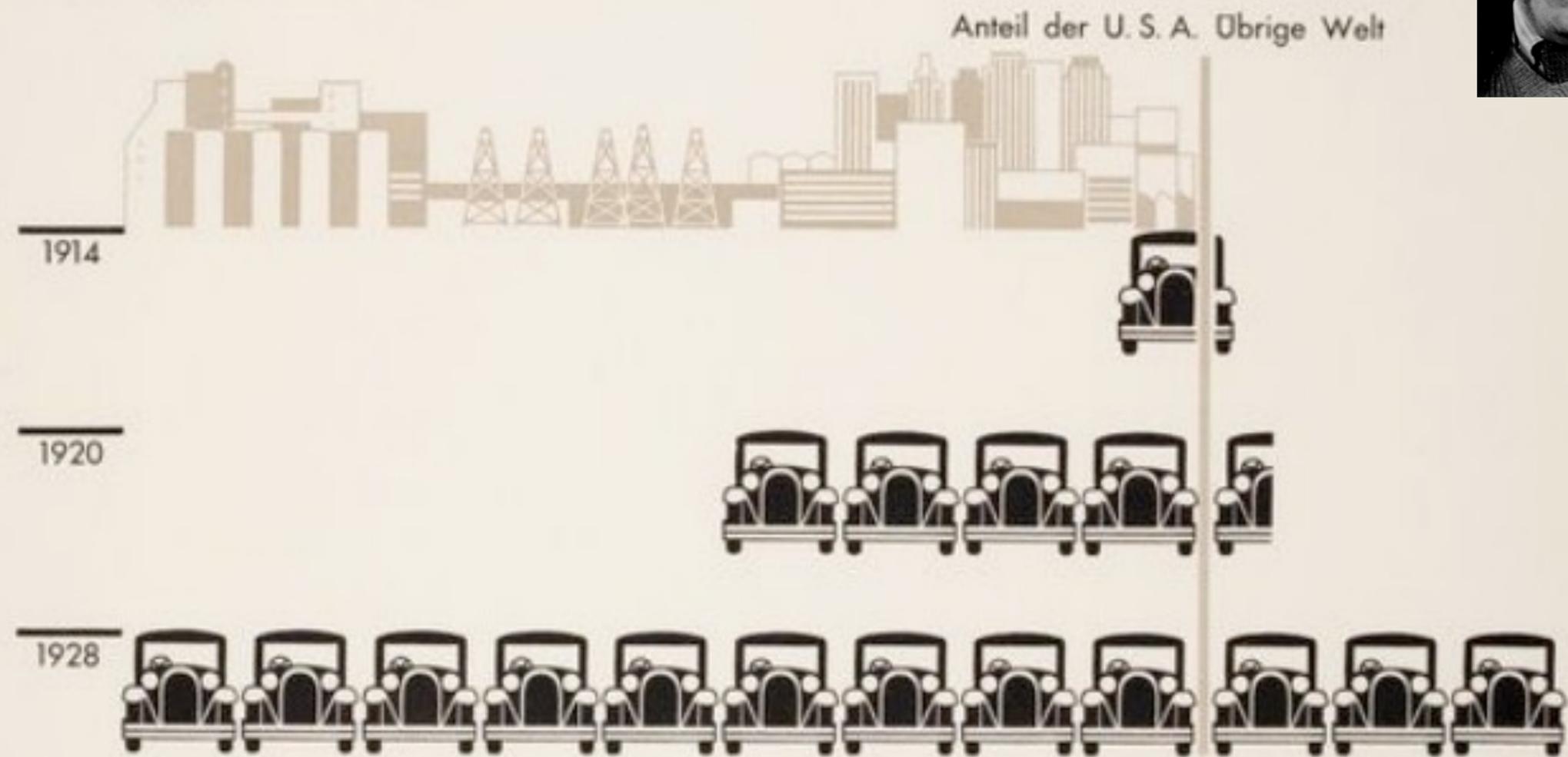
to find out the  
best comparison

**C**

"... to remember simplified set pictures is better than forgetting exact numbers."

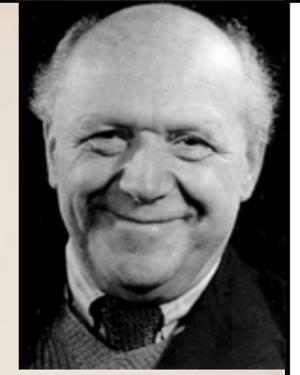
Otto Neurath (isotype)  
Sociologist and economist  
1929

### Kraftwagenbestand der Erde

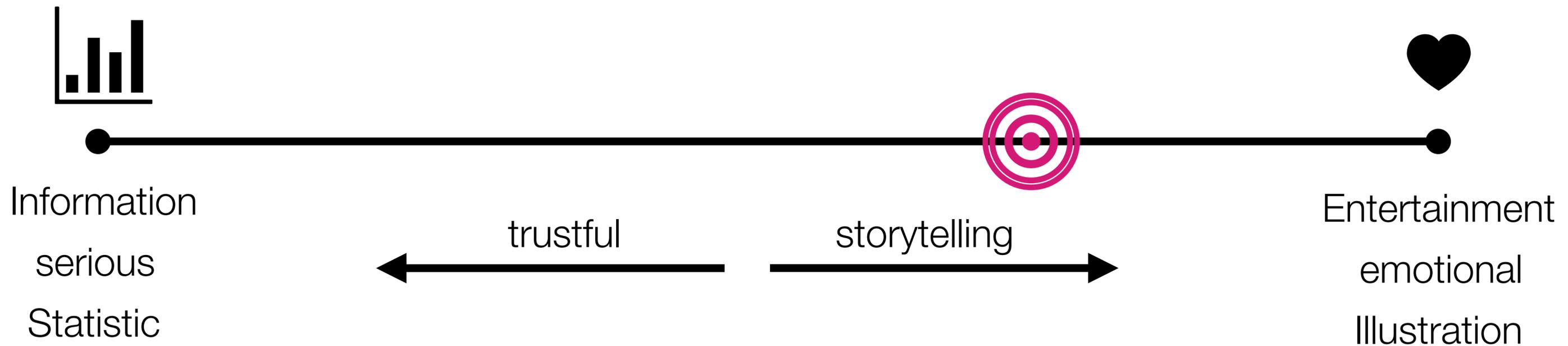


Jedes Auto 2 500 000 Kraftwagen

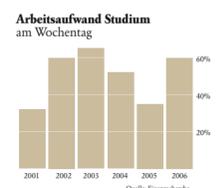
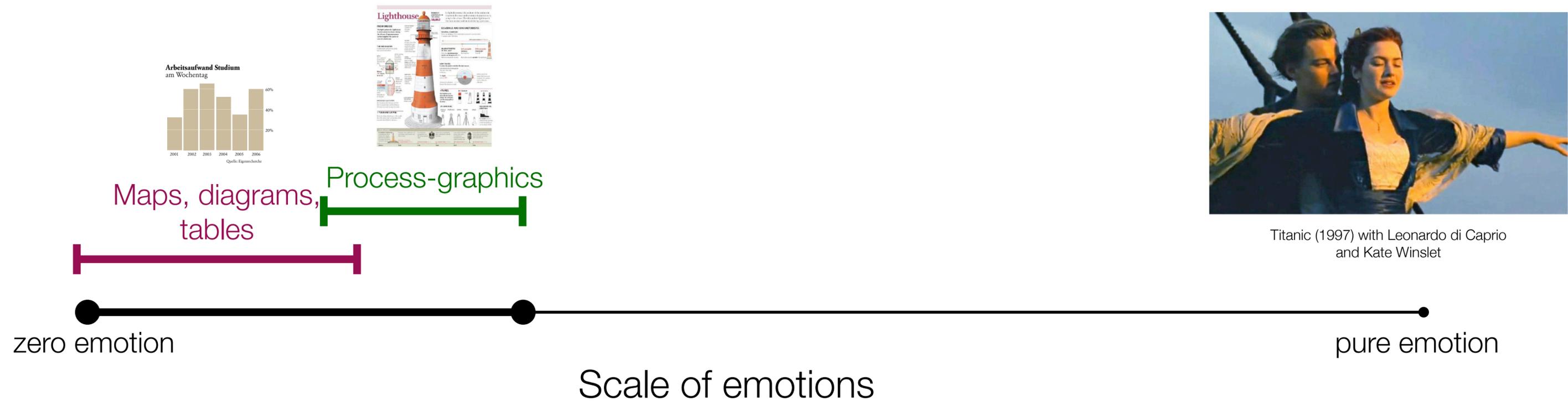
Angabe für die Weltkarte aller 20 Jahre  
Statistik und Wirtschaftswissenschaften



# How to use - is your decision!



# Emotional potential of infographics



# It is important to know the medium!

## Print



Magazine

conscious  
decision to read  
the article

## Digital



Website

conscious  
decision to visit  
the site



Socialmedia

Short Attention  
*Used on a mobil  
with distracting  
environment*

# Difference between complexity and reduction

## The empire strikes back

The visualization explores historically, geographically and demographically twenty-one great empires born over the last 2,500 years. Empires are visualized according to the period and reason of their demise. Further information concerning size, population, government and geography are presented visually for each imperium.

### How to read it?

temporal axis 550 BC to present

empire vertically ordered by fall-date

consecutive empires

historical periods

each empire is visualized according to specific parameters:

- Europe
- Asia
- Africa
- North America
- South America
- Oceania
- Antarctica

width = longevity

height = maximum expansion (area)

Empire Name

main capital

fall-date

fall cause

date of maximum expansion

maximum population = 20 million of inhabitants

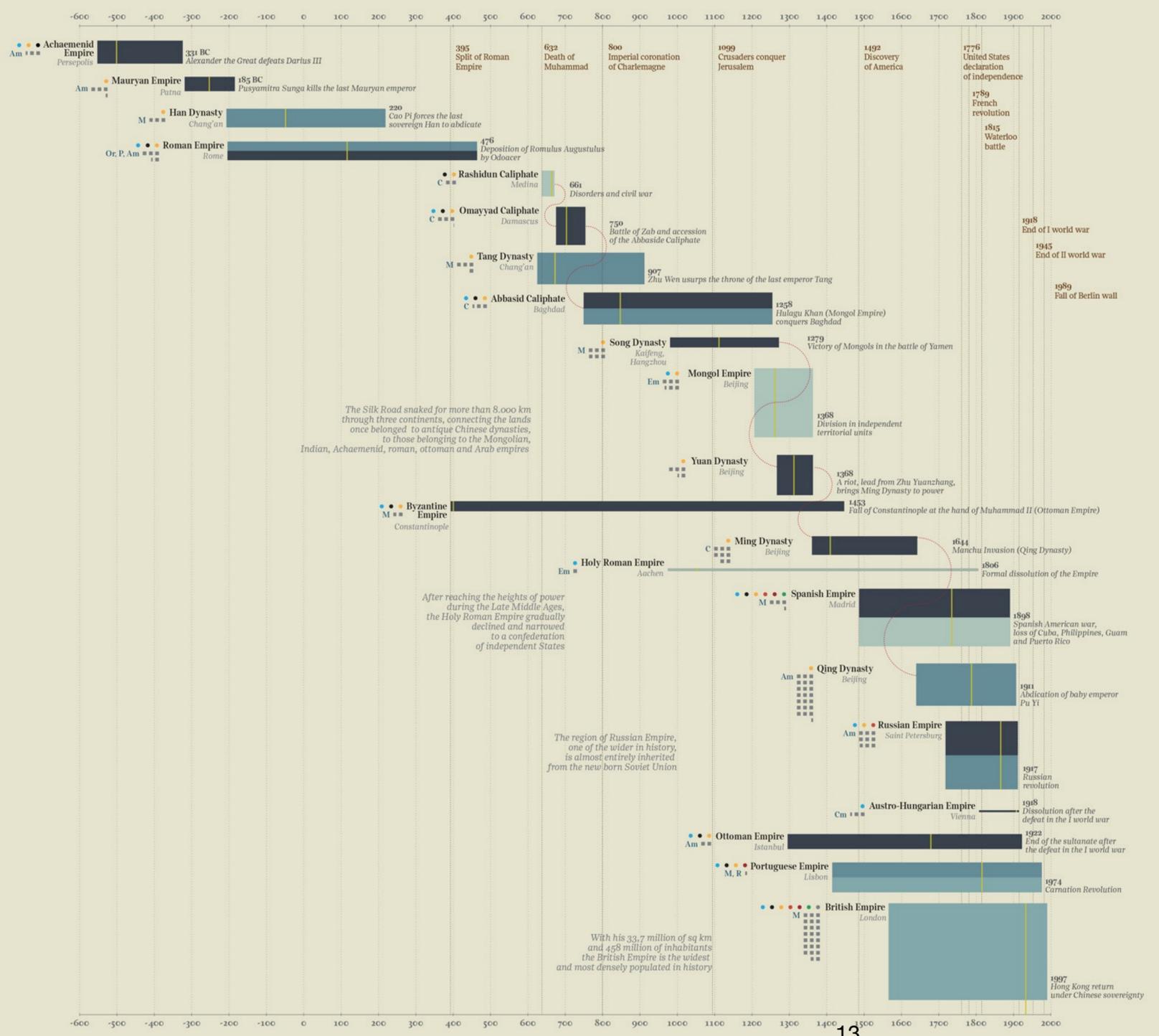
cause of the fall

- war
- inner disorders
- colony independence
- division
- formal dissolution

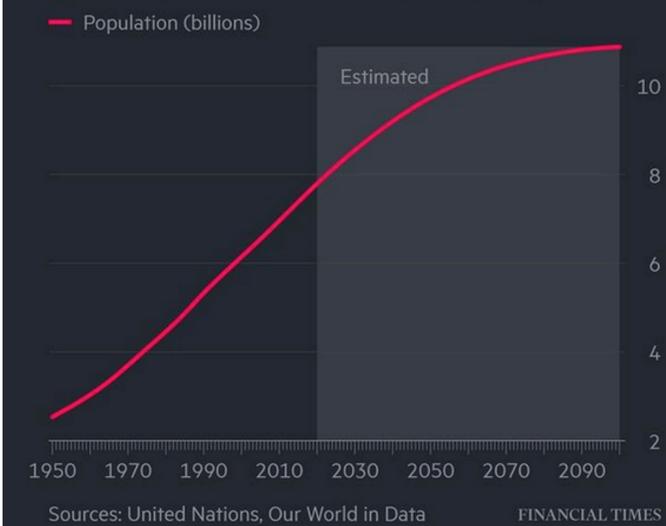
type of government

- M monarchy
- Am absolute monarchy
- Em elective monarchy
- Cm constitutional monarchy
- R republic
- Or oligarchical republic
- P principedom
- C caliphate

The visualization has been designed and produced by Accurat (www.accurat.it), and was originally published in Italian on La Lettura the Sunday cultural supplement of Corriere della Sera.



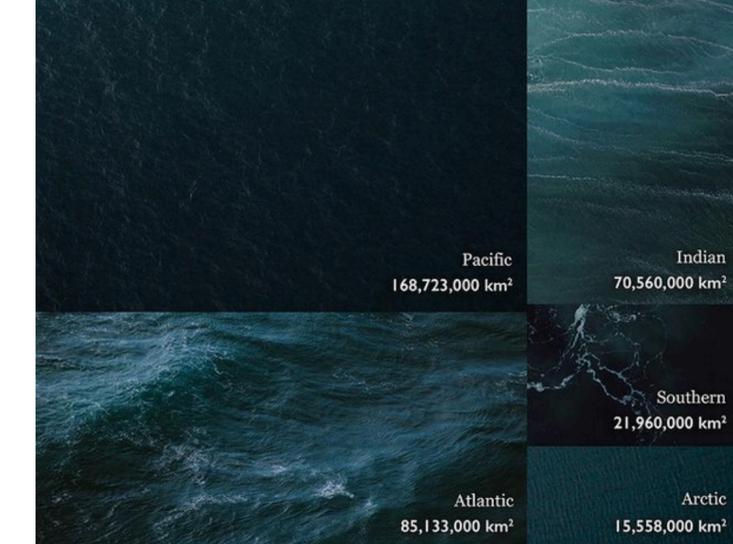
## Global population growth is predicted to tail off by the end of the 21st century



Financial Times [https://www.instagram.com/p/CRWcWIZrYG/?utm\\_source=ig\\_web\\_copy\\_link](https://www.instagram.com/p/CRWcWIZrYG/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link)

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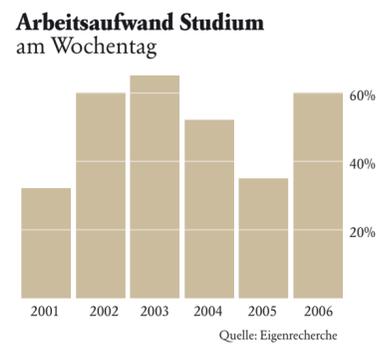
## The 5 Oceans by Size



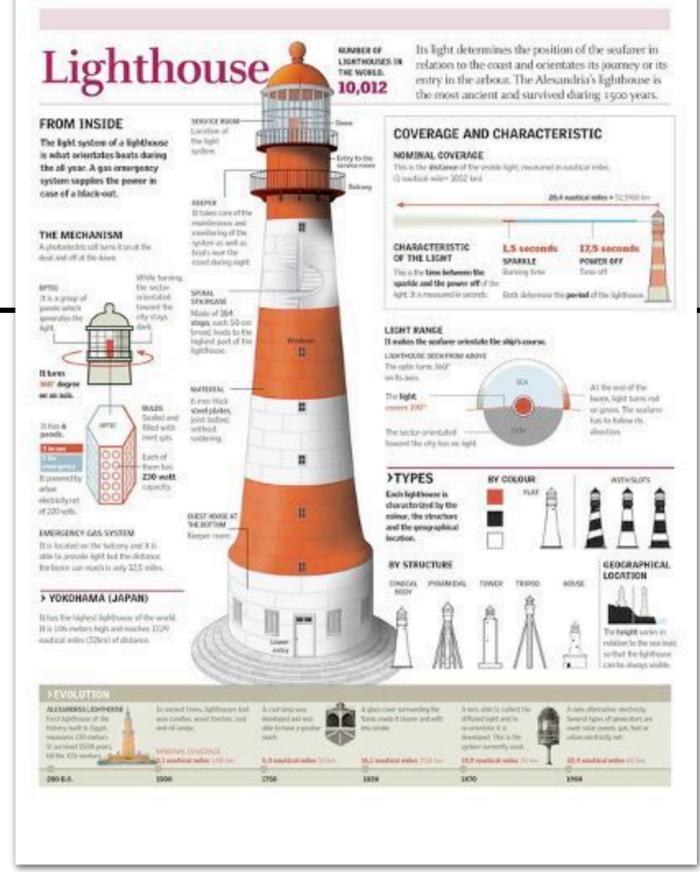
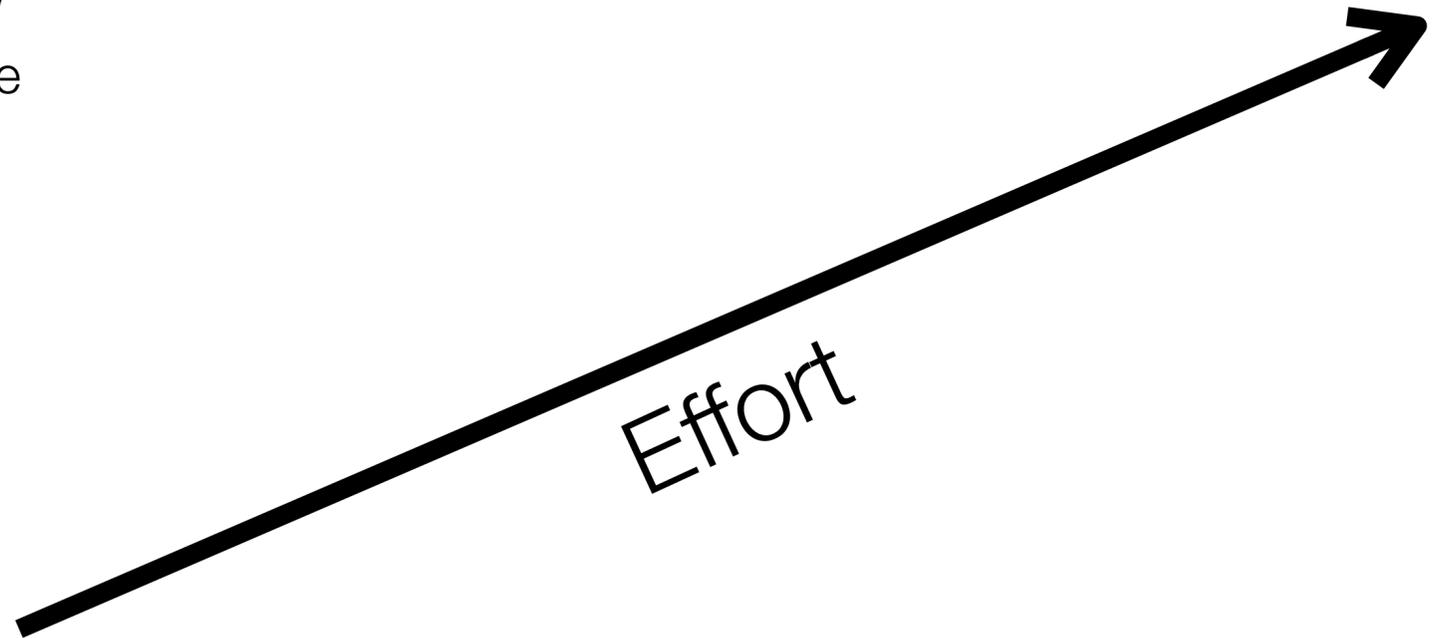
Giogia Lupi  
Accurat

# Two kind of infographics

- ⊕ Flexible & Standard
- ⊕ Fast understandable
- ⊕ Designelement
- ⊕ Give the report a trend
- ⊕ Standard workflow
- ⊕ Develop just in time
- ⊖ Seems boring



A B C

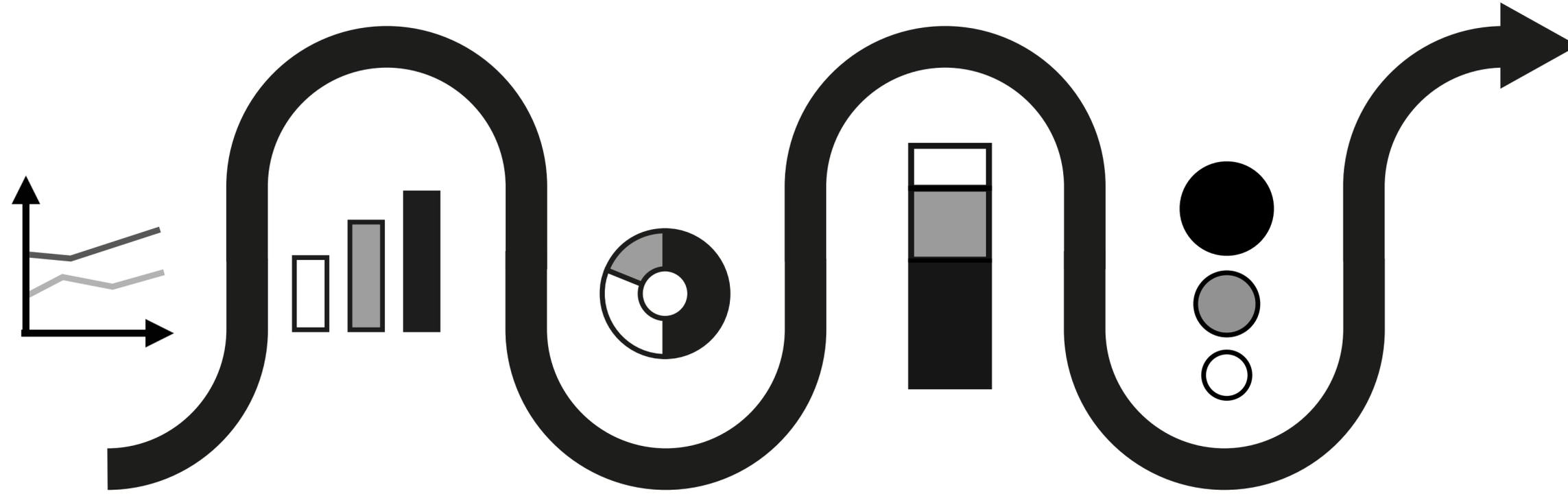


# Lighthouse

- ⊕ Unique
- ⊕ Complex
- ⊕ Attention (key visual)
- ⊕ Powerful
- ⊖ Extremely high effort



# How to start the process of creation



## Exercise 2 - find a form for a small dataset

German elections on next Sunday.

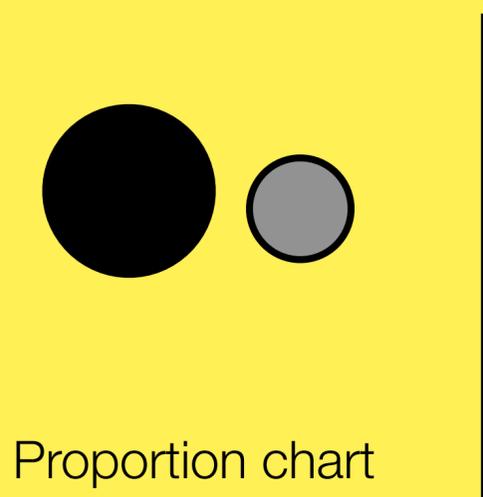
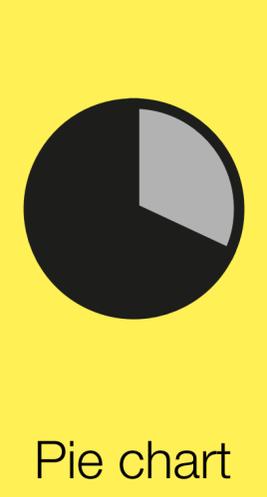
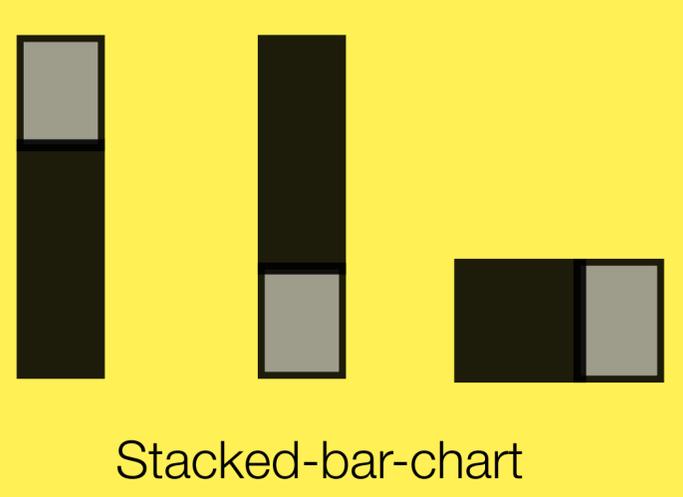
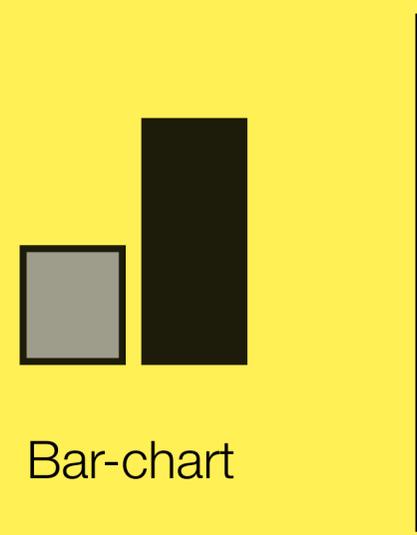
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Tiny dataset:

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<b>Party Green</b>	32 %	68 %

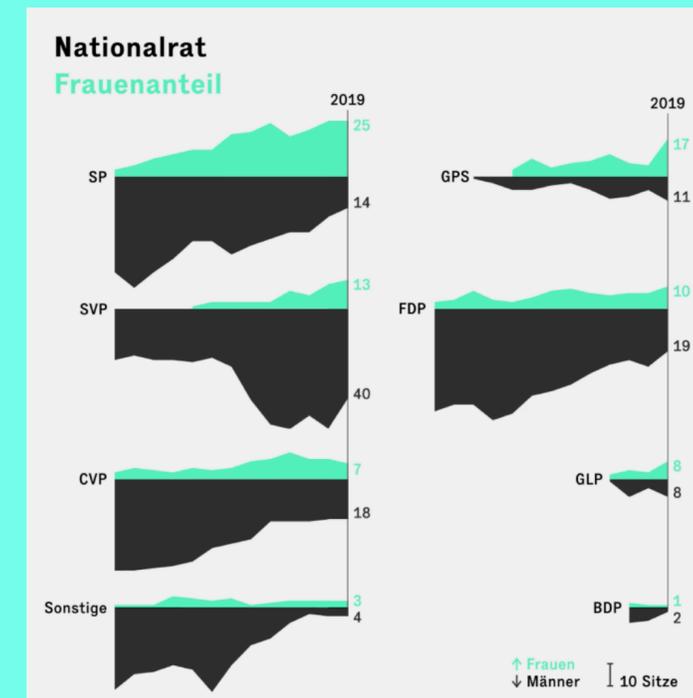
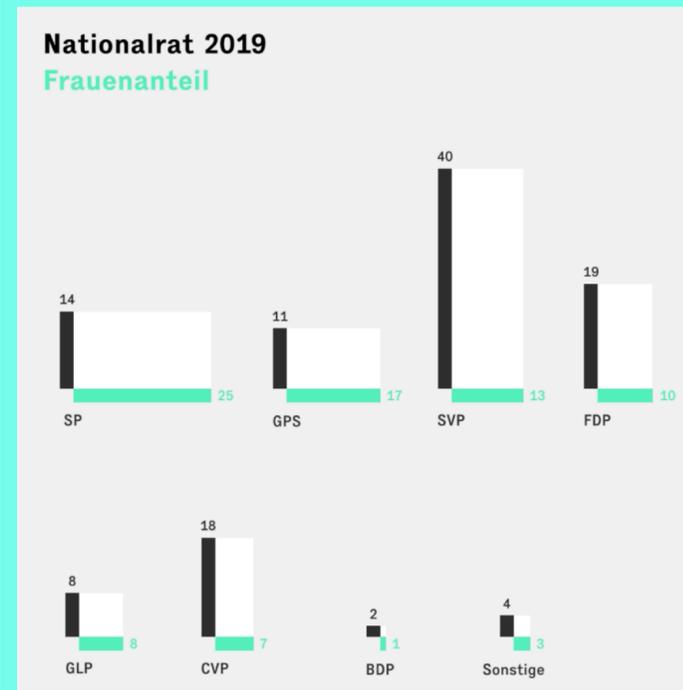
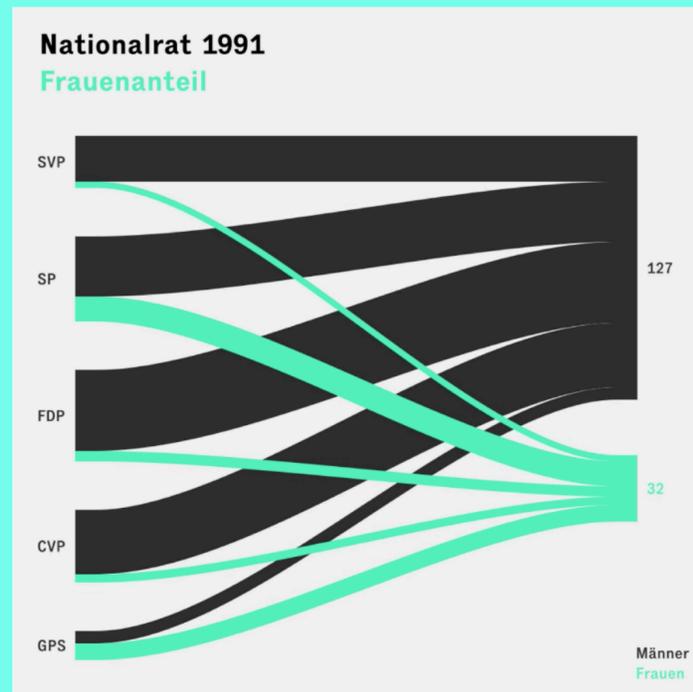
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Take a break

# BREAK



[https://hahn-zimmermann.ch/projekte/nationalratswahlen\\_2019](https://hahn-zimmermann.ch/projekte/nationalratswahlen_2019)

# Forms and Functions

## Different Chart-forms



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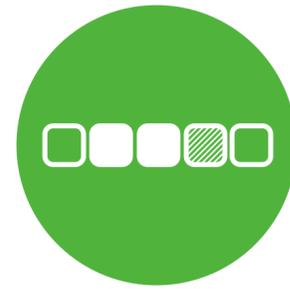
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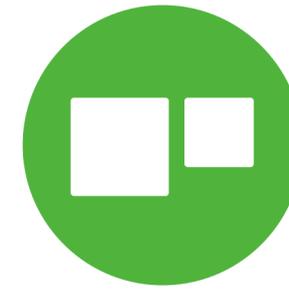
hierarchy



part\_to\_a\_whole



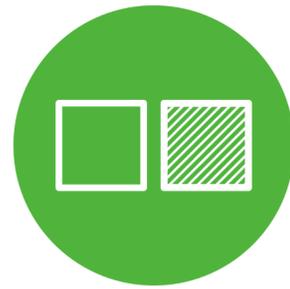
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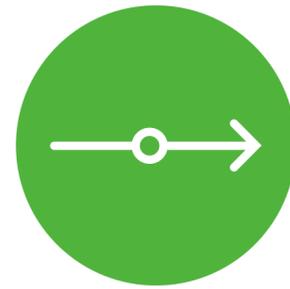
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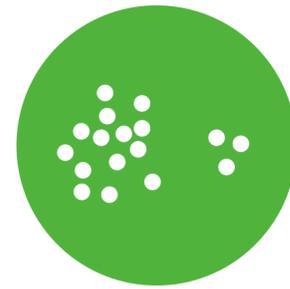
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comparisons



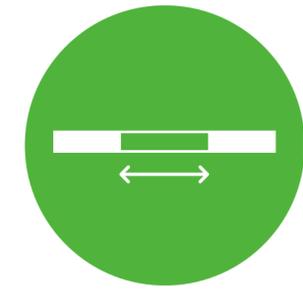
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distribution



location



Range



analysing text



how\_things\_work



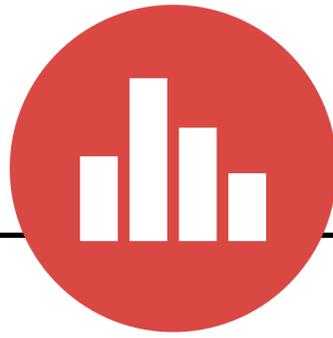
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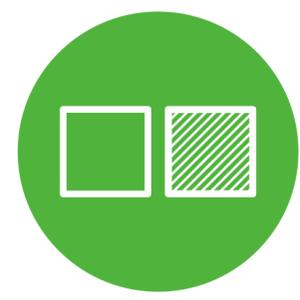
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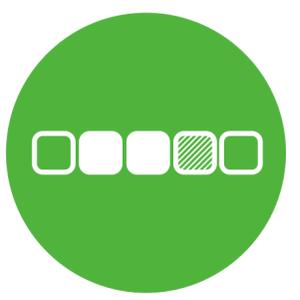
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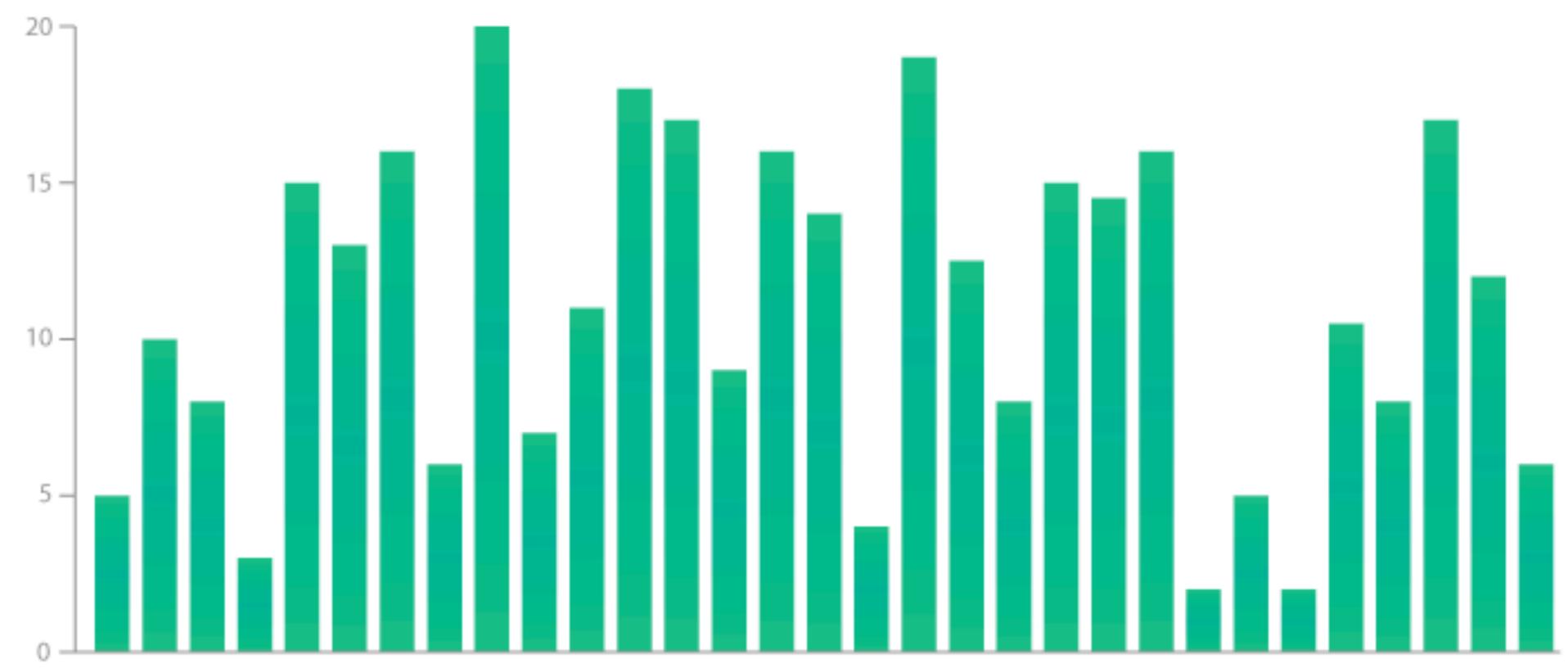
# Bar chart



comparisons



Patterns



Multi-Set-Diagramm



Bevölkerungs-Pyramide



Radical Bar Chart



Chart Column Chart

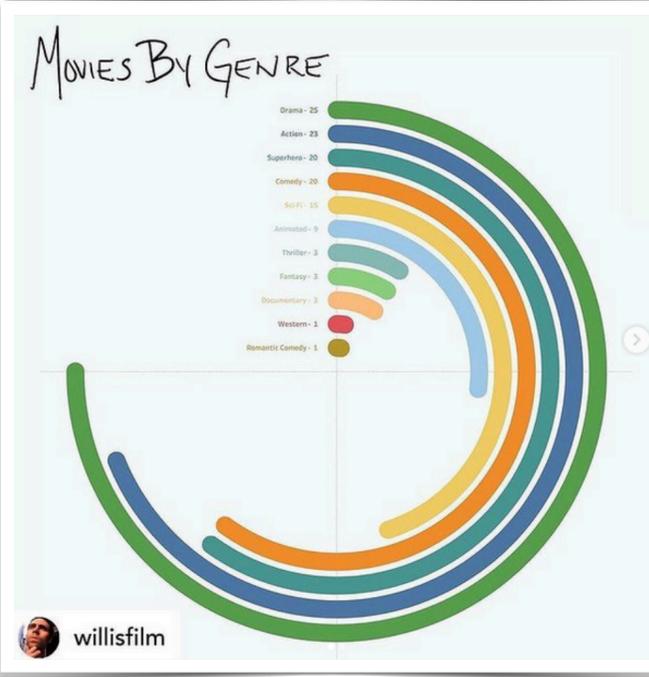


Linien Diagramm



Flächen-diagramm

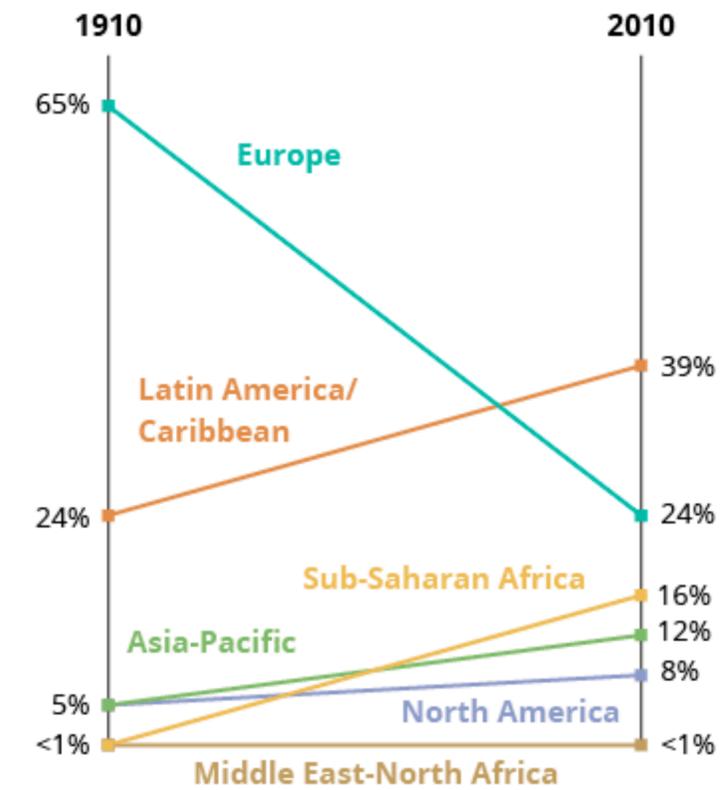
# What kind of function and form



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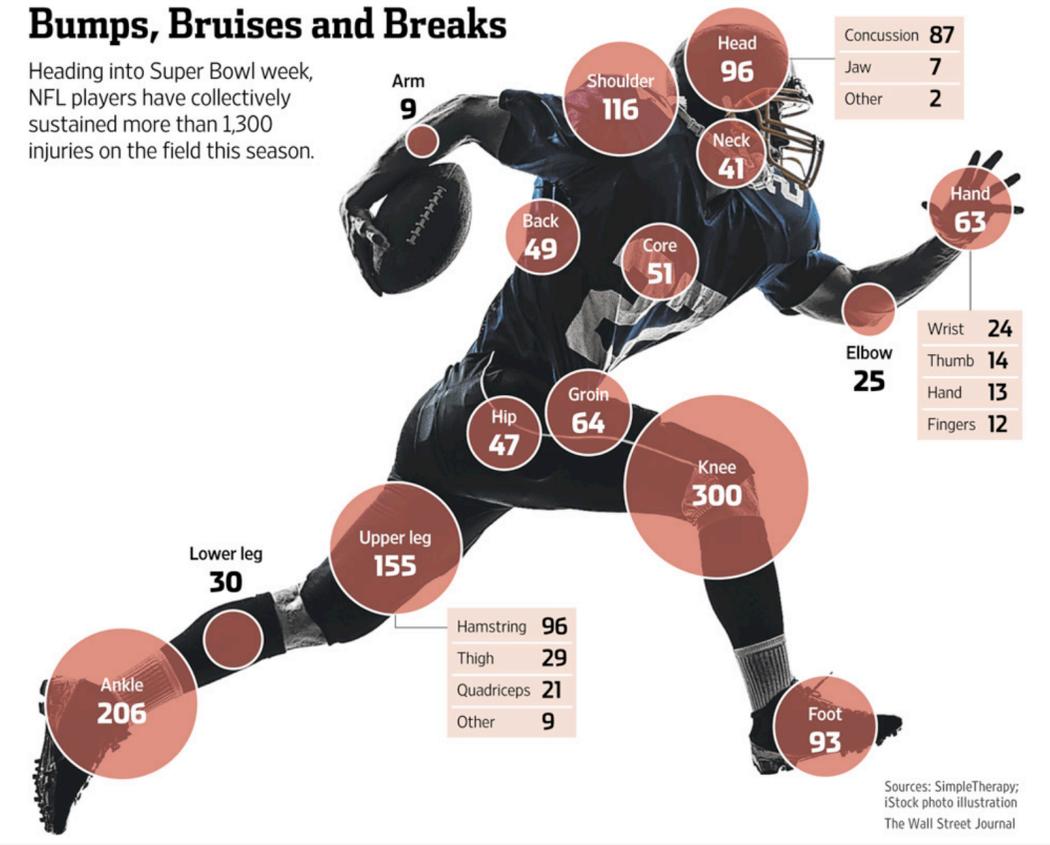
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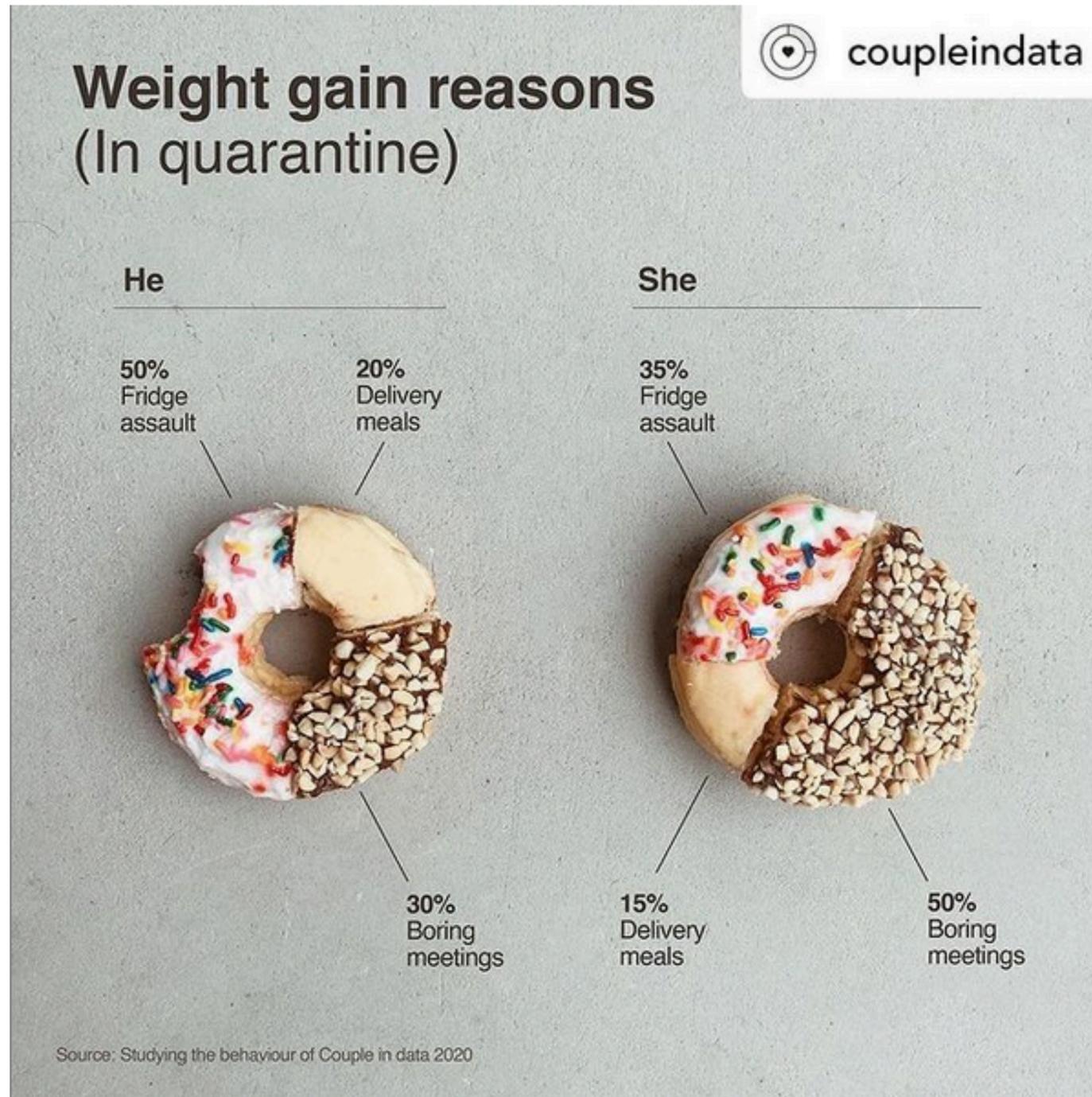
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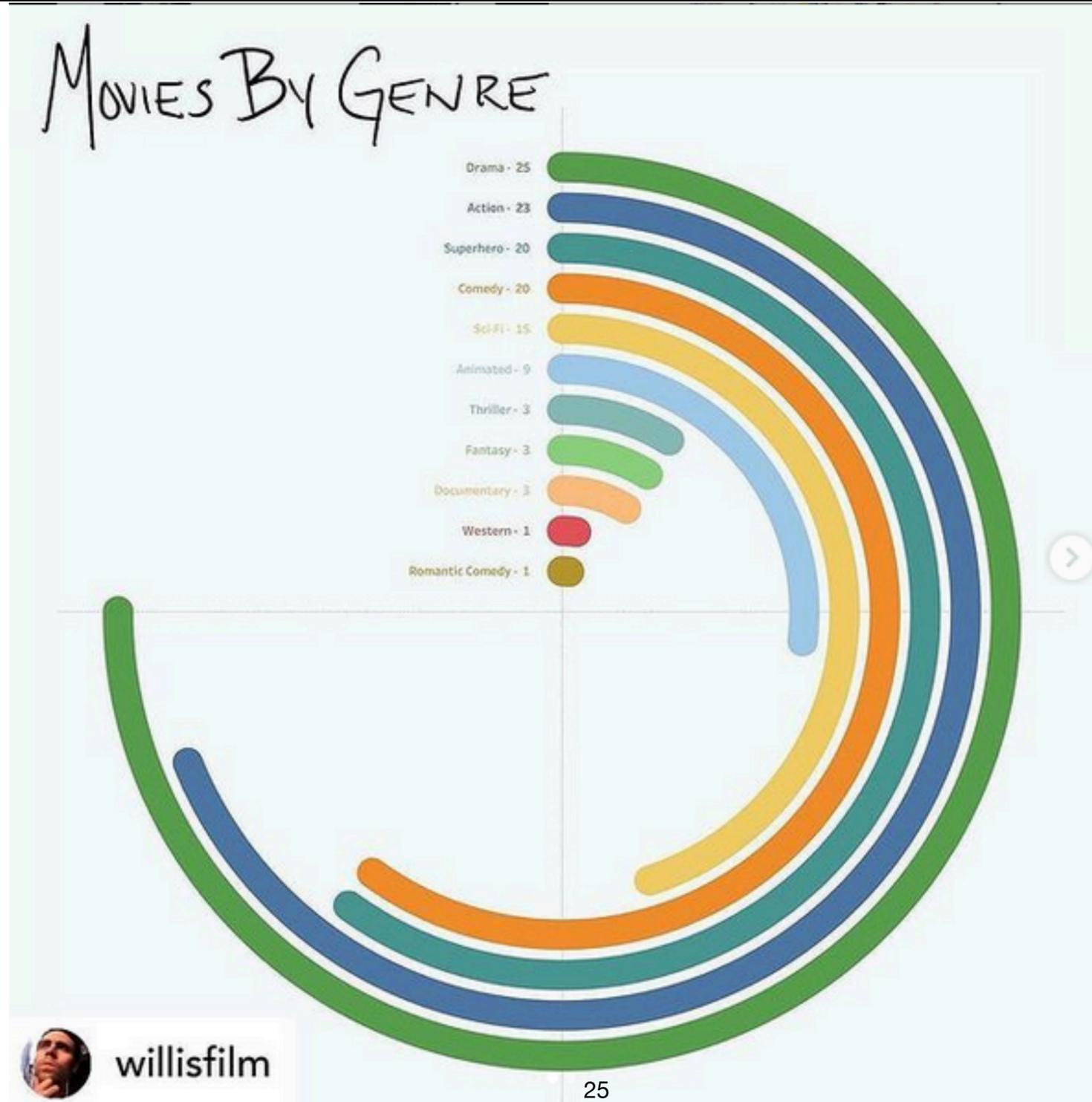
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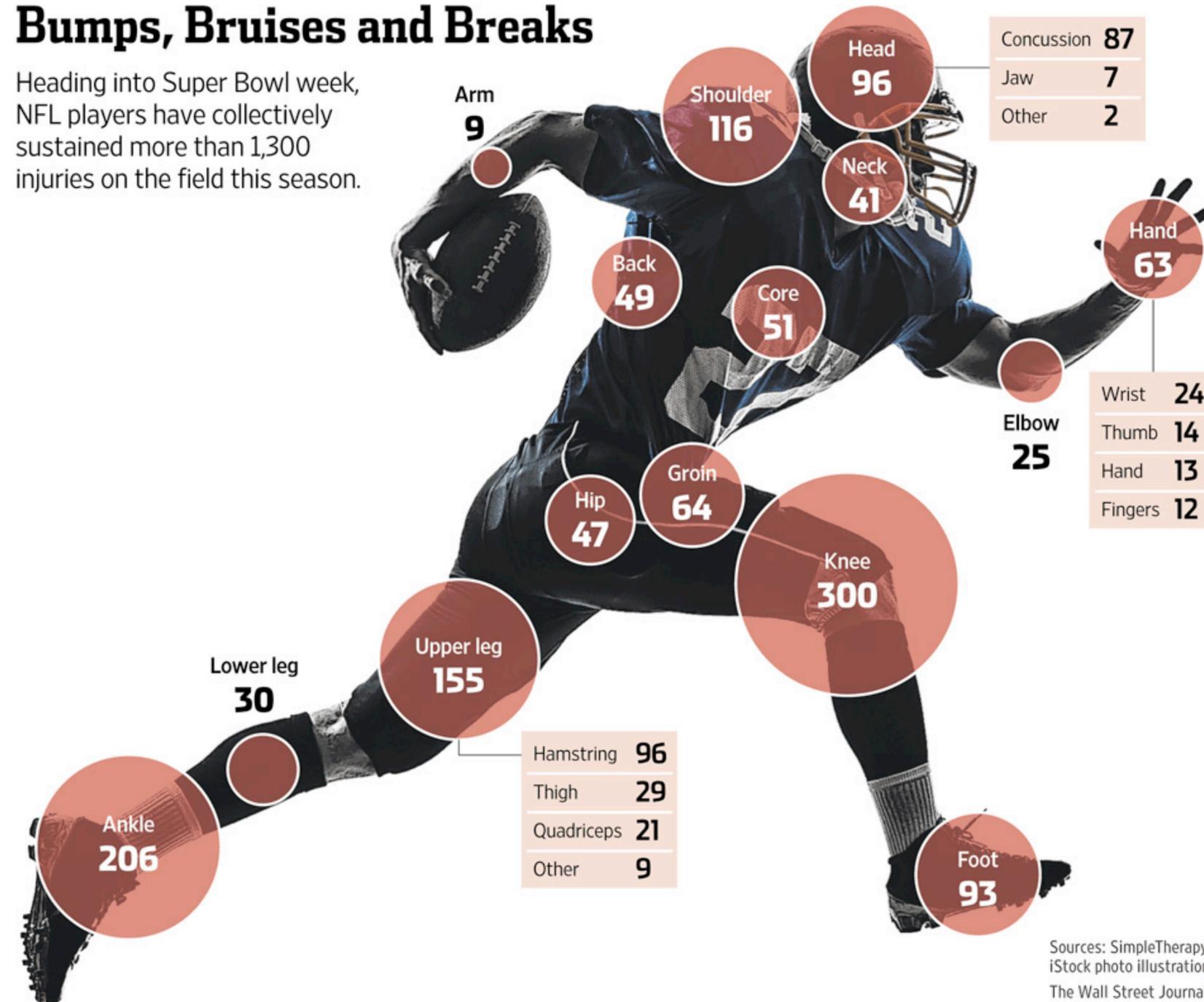
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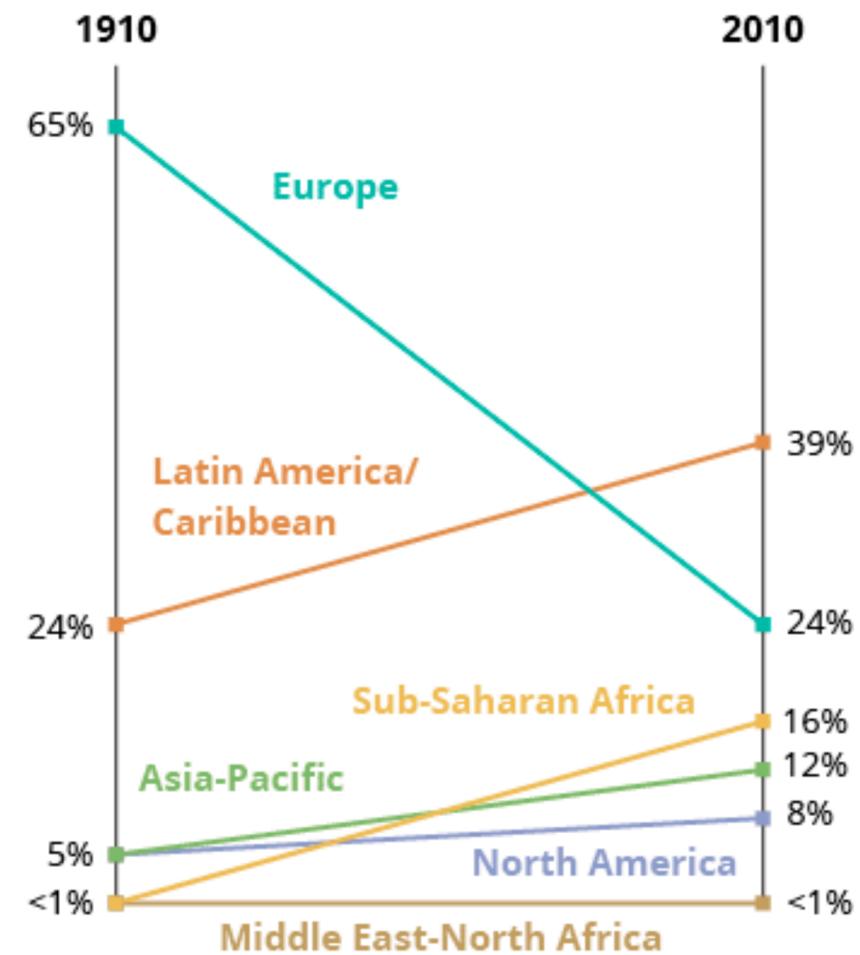


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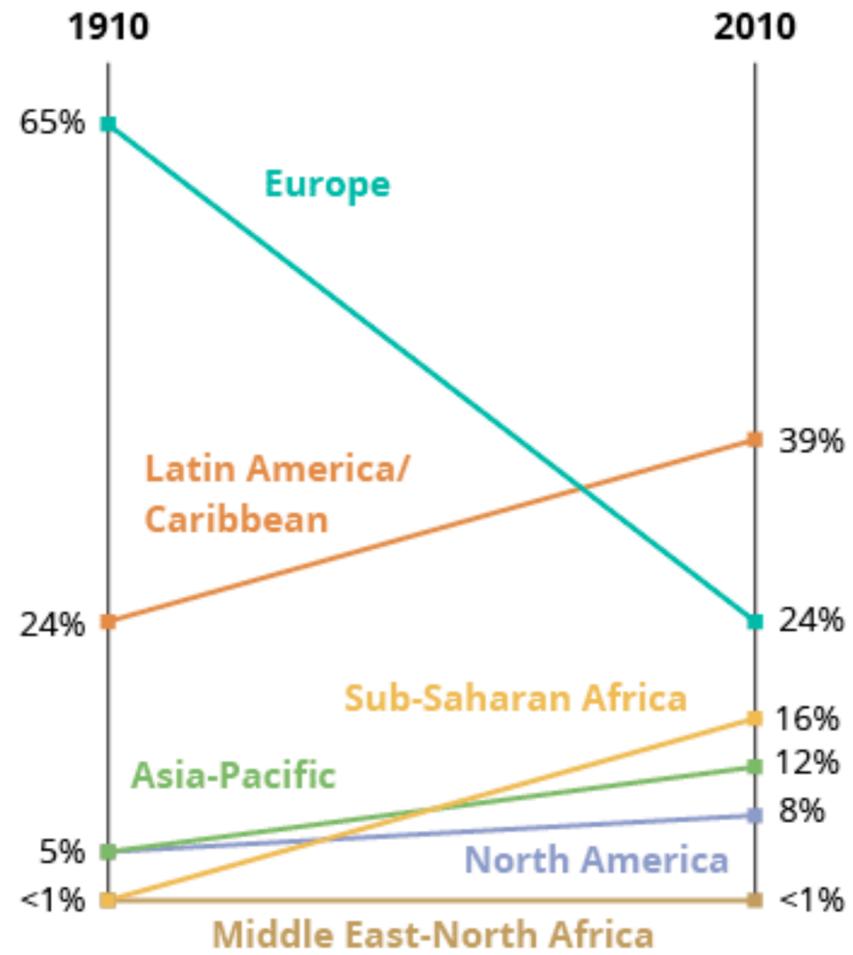


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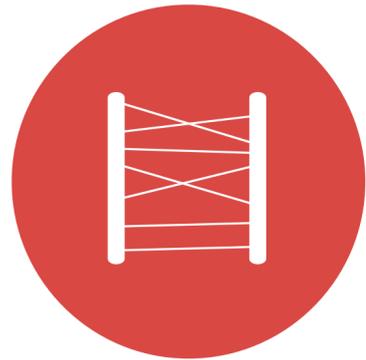
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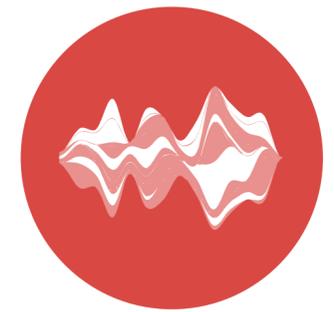
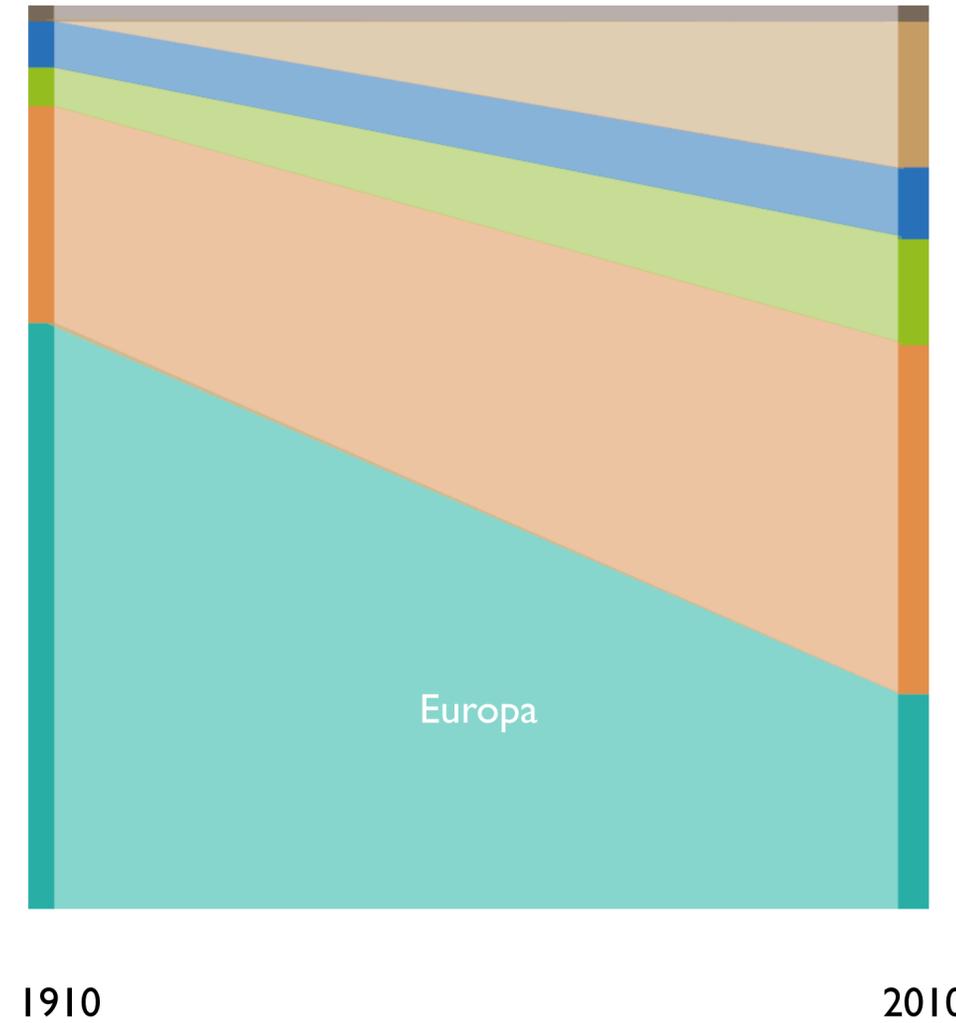
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Scope Chart



Shape Diagramm

## Exercise 3 - find a form for a complex dataset

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Datasets of Group 1 and 2 on the next page

## Exercise 3 - Group 1

Women in % in German parties in the parliament over 37 years

Parties	1990	2005	2017
CDU	13,8	19,9	20
SPD	27,2	36	41,8
FDP	20,3	24,6	23,8
GRÜNE	37,5	56,9	58,2
LINKE	47,1	48,1	53,6

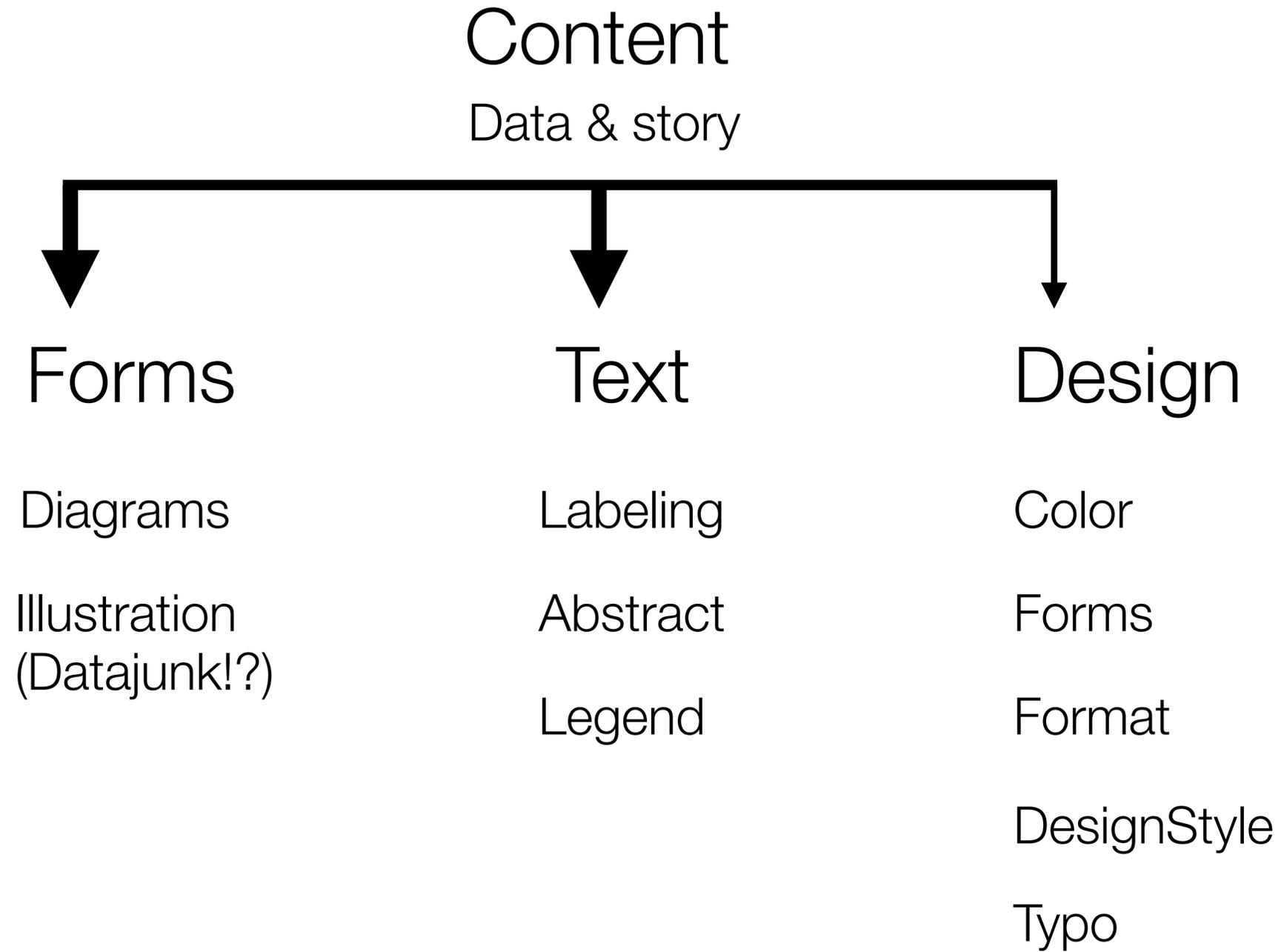
## Exercise 3 - Group 2

Elections 2017 - Vote in % and gender distribution of the parties

Party	Vote in %		Women %	Men %
<b>CDU</b>	32,9		20	80
<b>SPD</b>	20,5		41,8	58,2
<b>FDP</b>	10,7		23,8	76,2
<b>Grüne</b>	8,9		58,2	41,8
<b>Linke</b>	9,2		53,6	46,4
<b>AfD</b>	12,6		10,5	89,5

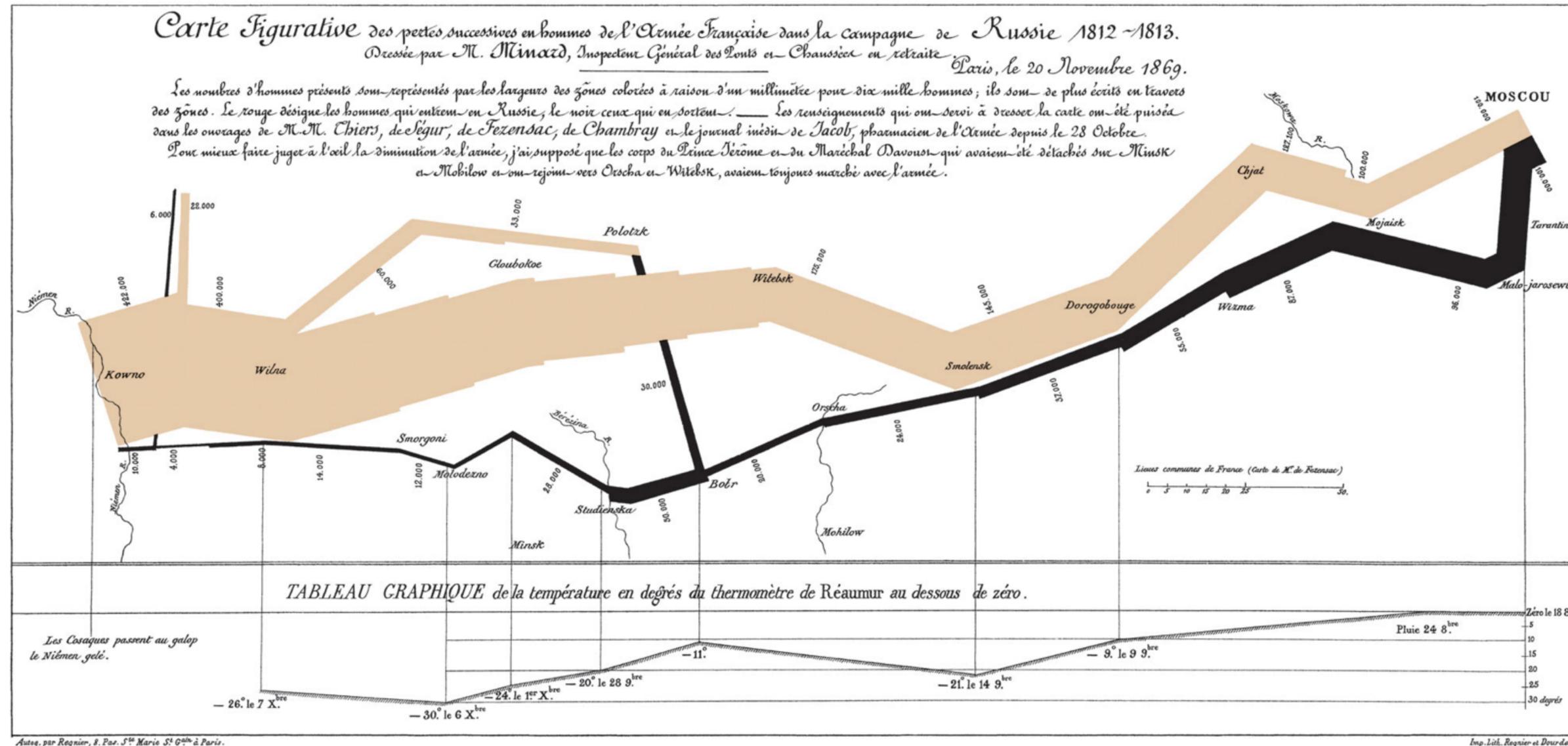
BREAK

# Elements of an infographic



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## Form + Text + Values = Infographic



Only Forms = Illustration