

# PLIN064 Úvod do *digital humanities*

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## Why visualization

Data visualization using graphs, charts, diagrams etc. is the expression of quantitative information in graphic form.

Good visualization = persuasive visual arguments

Mapping visualization (inspired by cartography) is a symbolic representation of the reality (Digital Cultural Mapping, Spatial Humanities)

- **reveal** patterns, anomalies, concurrences
- **illustrate** findings or **distillate** argument

# Visualization Tools for Python

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- matplotlib
- pandas
- seaborn
- yellowbrick
- bokeh

## Visualization Methods have to Fit the Data

(almost) continuous data: temperature, age, time

- line charts

discrete data: categories, places

- bar charts

continuous data made discrete: weekdays, age groups

- bar charts – histograms (probability distribution for given intervals)
- box plots – five number summaries (0, 25, 50, 75, 100)

## Co-occurrence visualization

- continuous 2D: correlation
- continuous 3D: depth, density plots
- discrete 2D: scatter plot
- discrete multi-D: heat map, confusion matrix

to visualize multi-D, we can

- be more **creative**: up to 6D, we can use colors, sizes, shapes in a 3D visualization space
- draw several charts for one dataset: **faceting**
- reduce the dimensionality  
e.g. using **t-SNE** (t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding = probabilistic technique)  
or **PCA** (Principal Component Analysis = matrix-based technique)

## More Information & Try it Yourself

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<https://towardsdatascience.com/  
introduction-to-data-visualization-in-python-89a54c97fbed>  
<https://towardsdatascience.com/  
the-art-of-effective-visualization-of-multi-dimensional-da
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Free datasets, e.g. Iris + any python module to try it yourself.

