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# Advanced Data Visualizations with **Stata**: Part II

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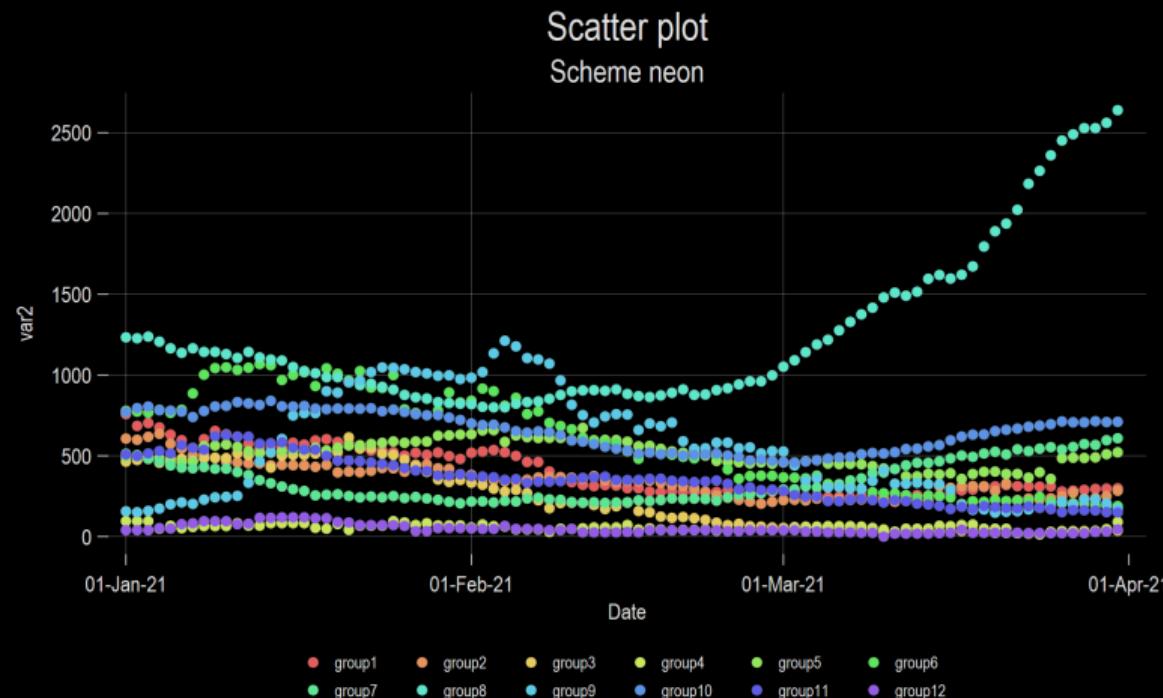
## Background

- Currently based in Vienna, Austria
- Some 20 years of research + academia
- Started using Stata in 2003
- Have worked on numerous research projects using Stata
  - Data management, workflow, analysis
- Why do all the dataviz stuff?
  - Explosion of COVID-19 related dataviz + work-from-home + curiosity
  - Huge positive response from the online community

## Why we need more #StataViz?

- Few official releases for graphs
- Still lots of options available in the default Stata structure
- Lots of great development in terms of dataviz packages:
  - `colorpalette`, `colrspace`, `heatplot` (Jann), `spmap` (Pisati), `geo2xy`, `geonear`, `geoinpoly` (Piccard)
- What I will discuss here:
  - Part1: Polar plots
  - Part2: Maps
  - Overview of data visualizations

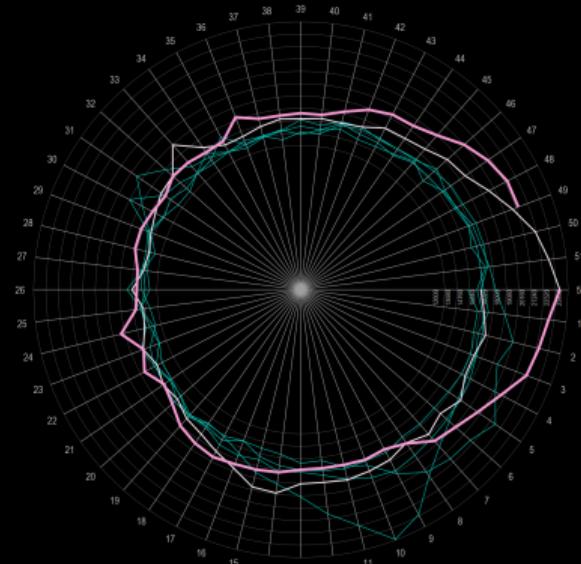
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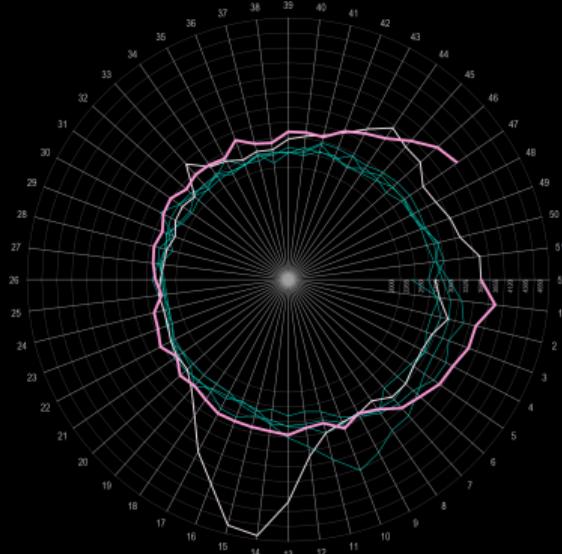
## Polar plots

Excess weekly deaths for 65+ - **DE**



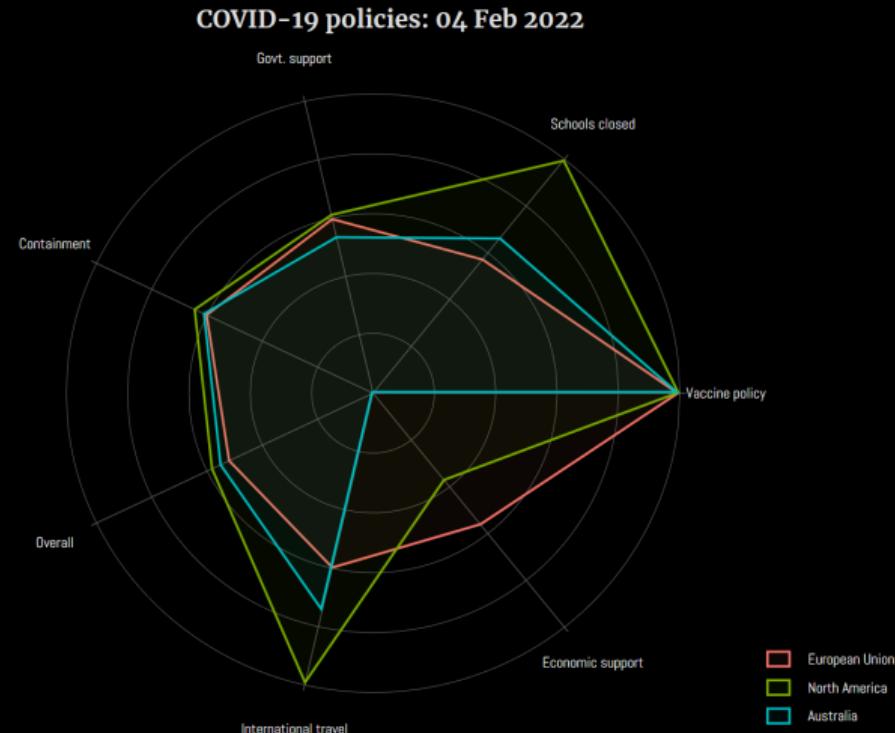
Source: Eurostat table demo\_z\_mweek3. 2020 = light pink, 2021 = dark pink, and 2018-2019 = green shades.

Excess weekly deaths for 65+ - **NL**



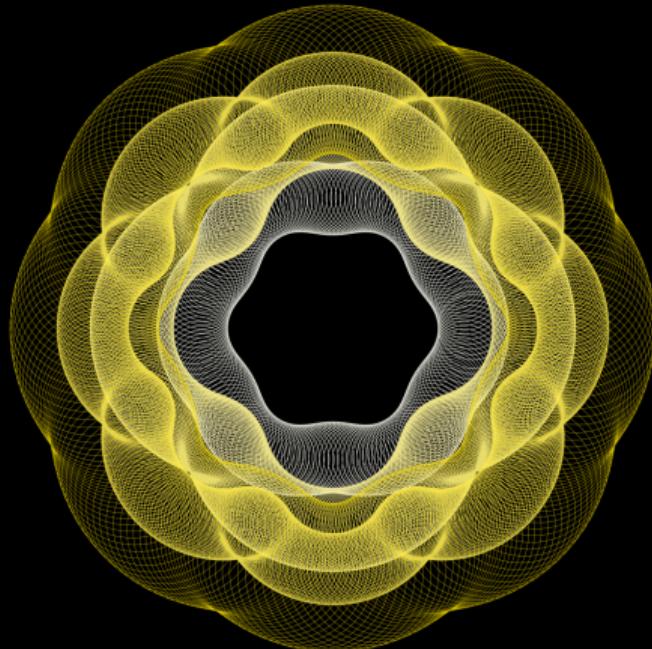
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## Spider plots

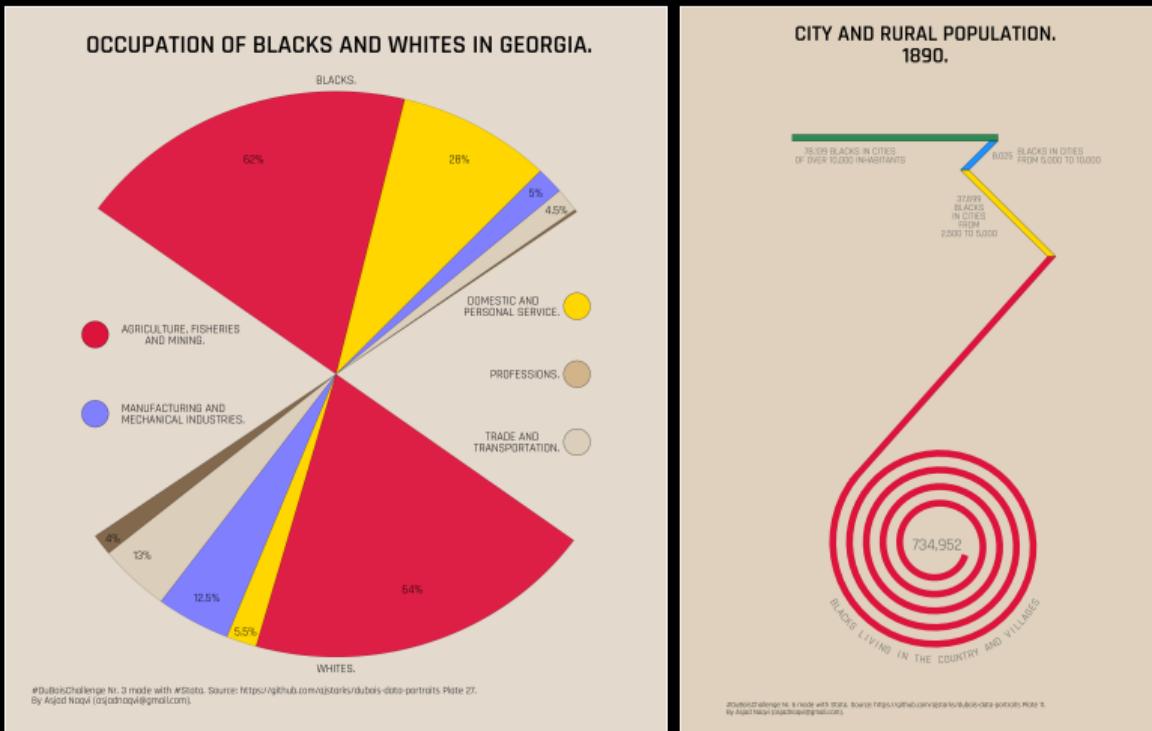


**The Roving Mind (1983)**

Isaac Asimov, *The Roving Mind*, The evidence for it. The wilder and more ridiculous something is, however, the firmer and more solid the evidence will have to be. If there is evidence in favor of mind and reasoning, if the evidence is valid and independent observers, I'll believe anything, no matter how wild and ridiculous it is. I believe in observation, measurement, and reasoning. I believe in evidence, contingencies, coincidences, and correlations. I believe in observation, measurement, and reasoning. I believe in evidence, contingencies, coincidences, and correlations. I believe in observation, measurement, and reasoning. I believe in evidence, contingencies, coincidences, and correlations.

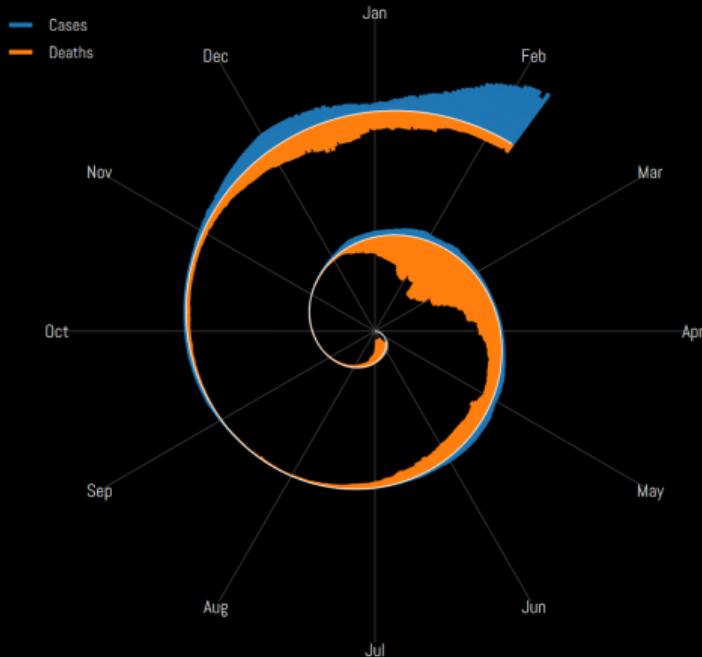


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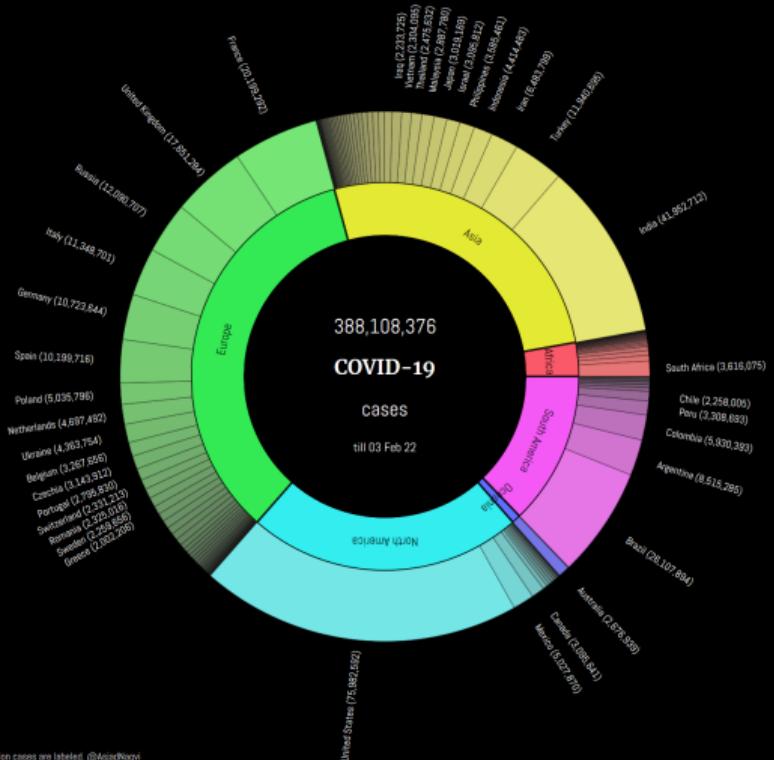
## Snakeplot

### Daily Cases and Deaths in Germany (2020-2022)

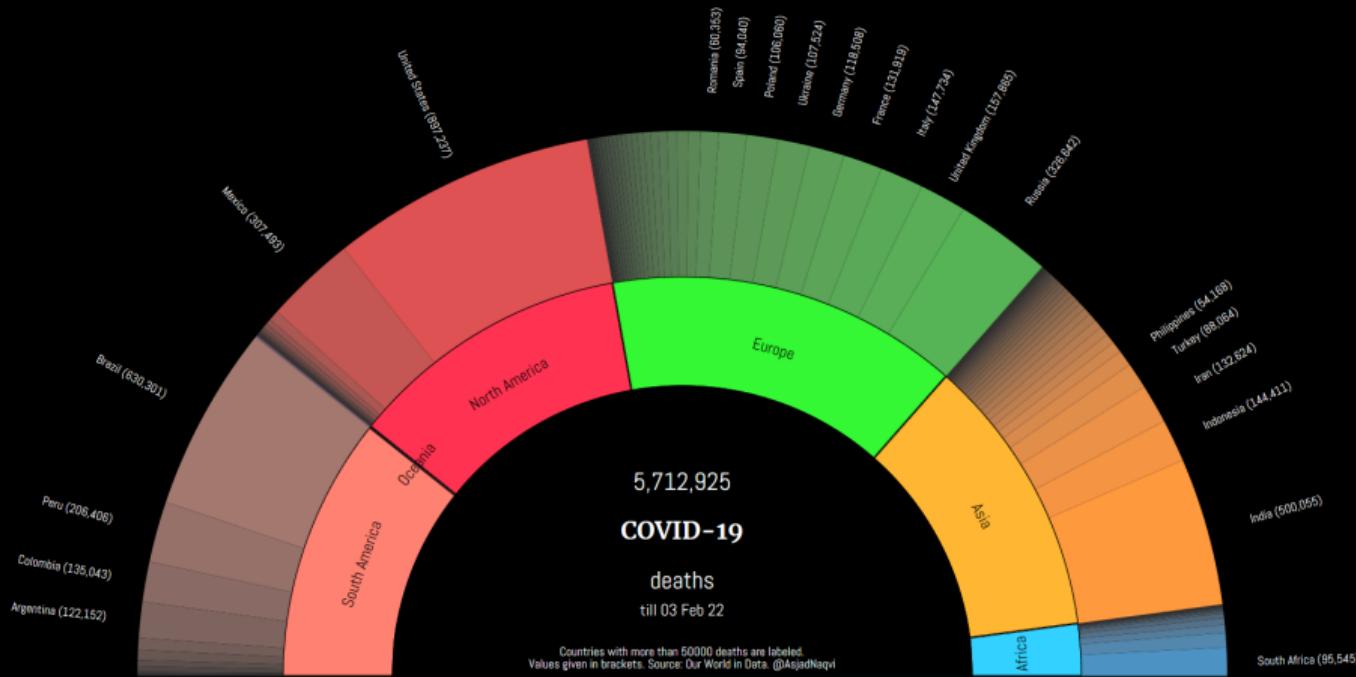


Data: Our World in Data. Inspiration: The New York Times' spiral plot. Made with #Stats. @MojadNagy

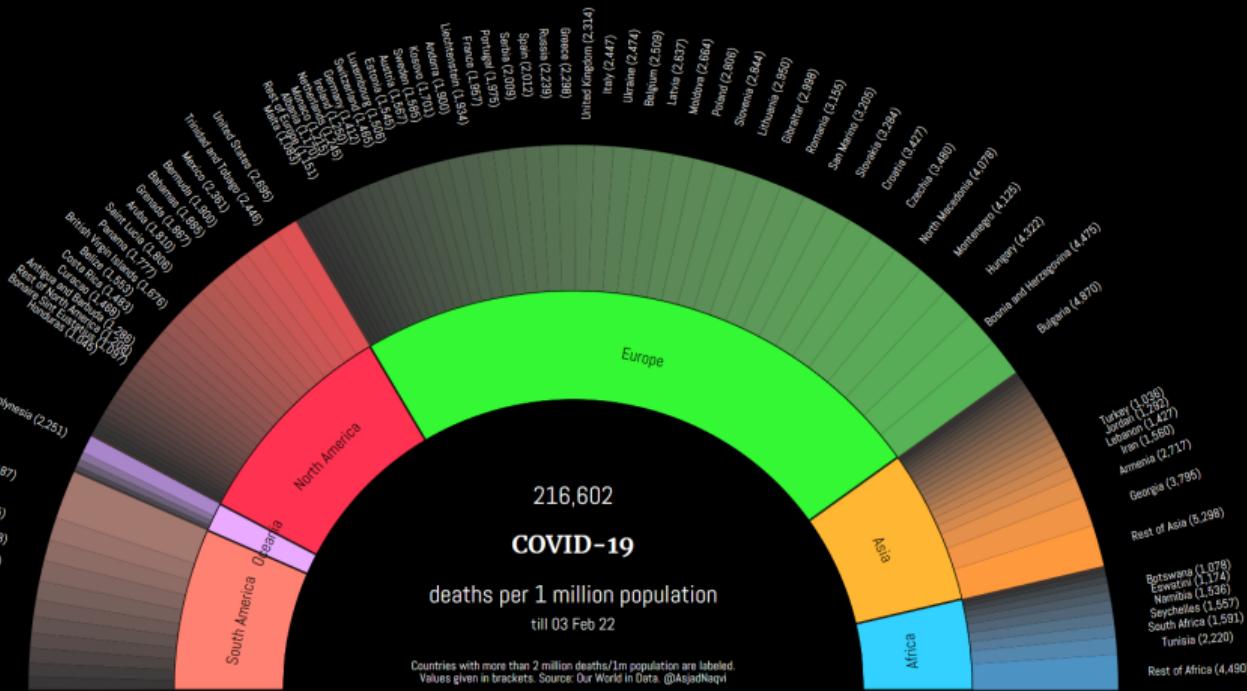
# Sunburst plot



# Half sunburst plot



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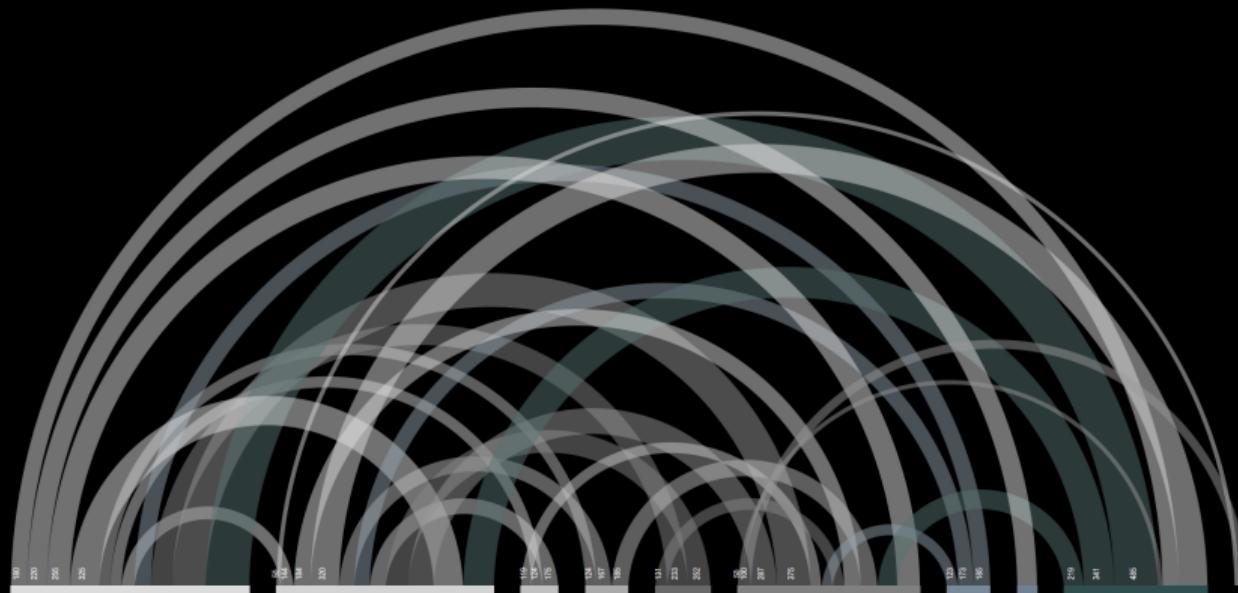
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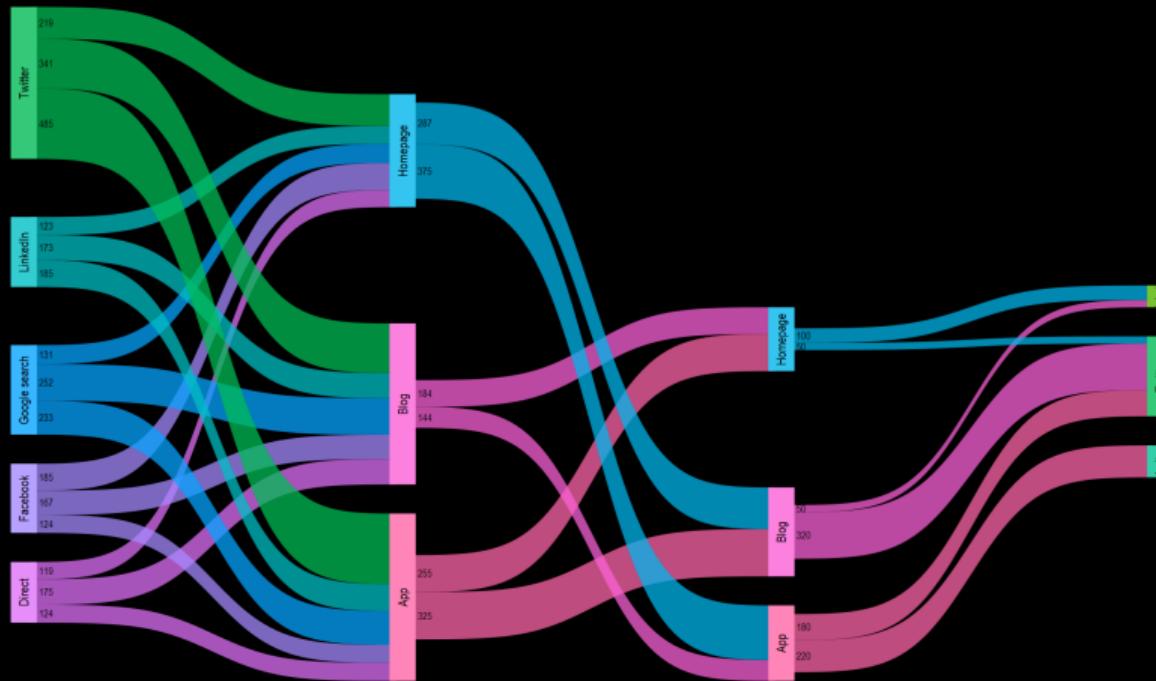
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## Arc plot

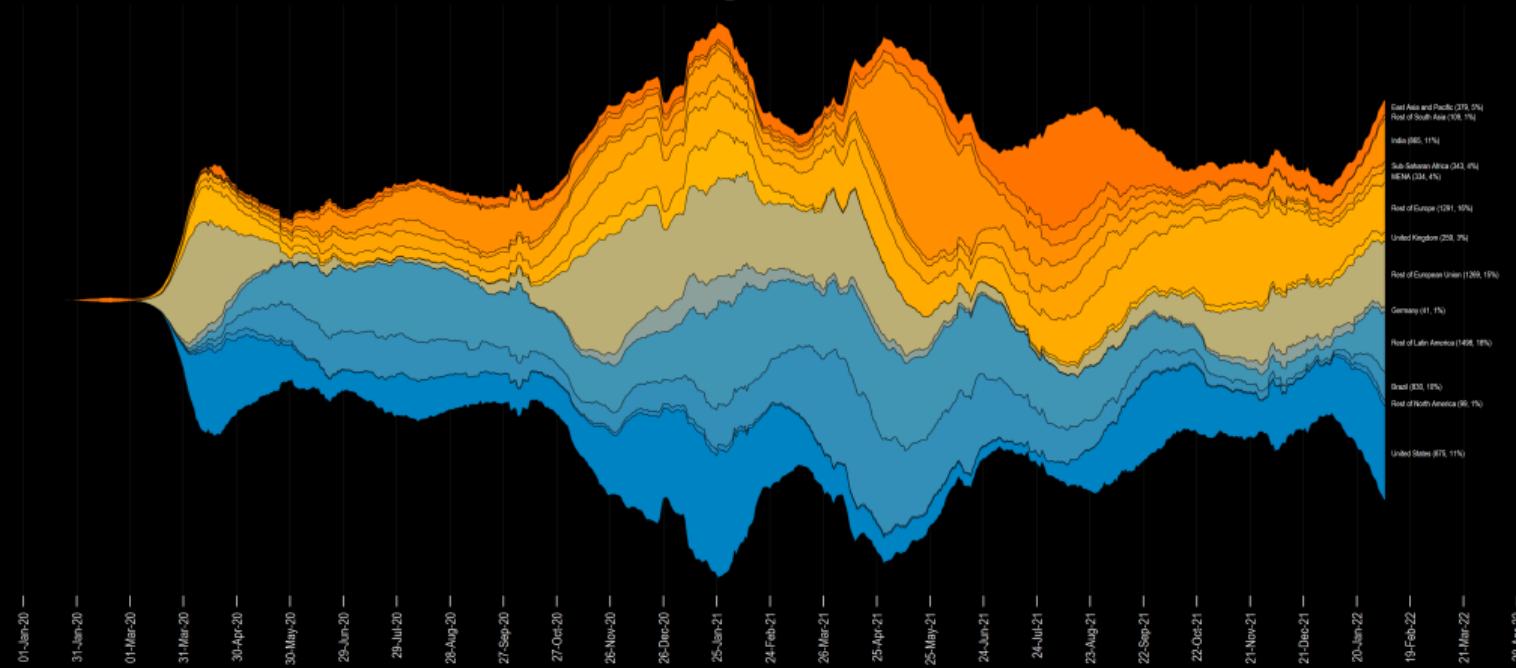


# Sankey



## Stream plots

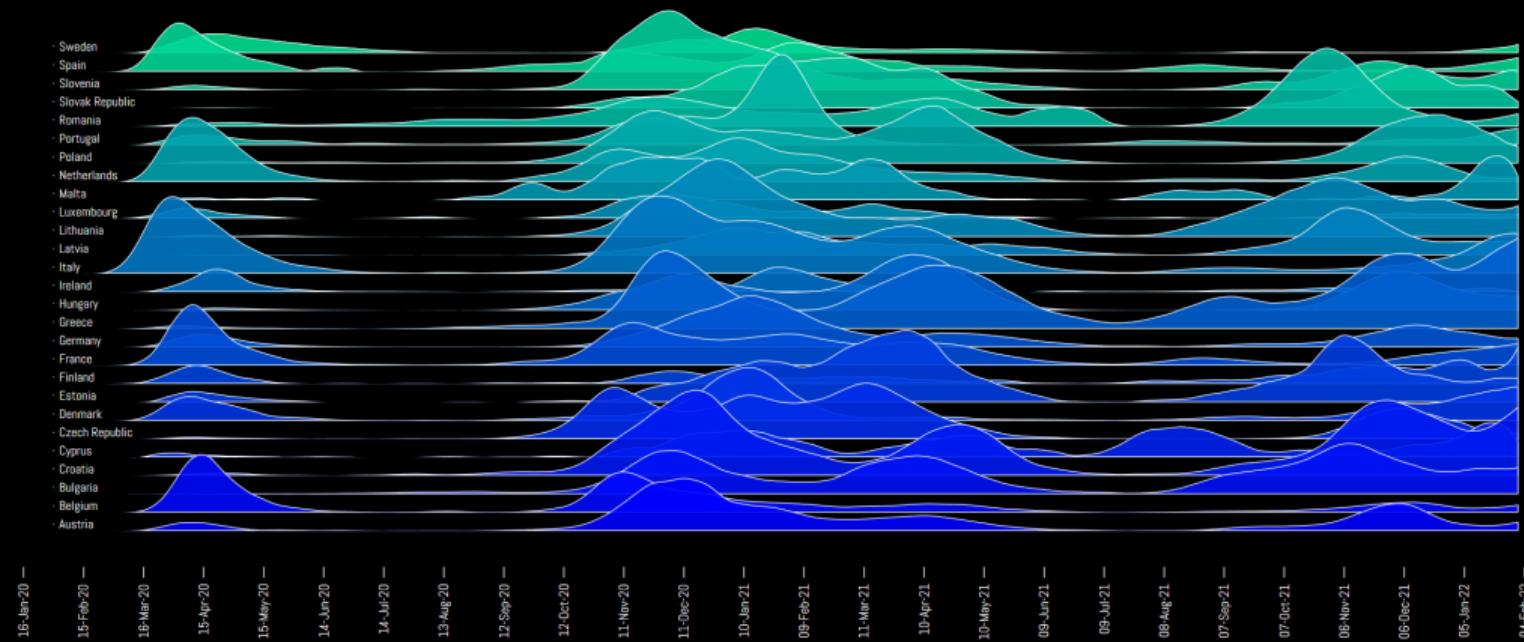
# COVID-19 daily global deaths: 8,292



Data sources: Our World in Data. World Bank 2020 classifications used for country groups.

## Joyplots

## COVID-19 daily deaths in the EU



Data sources: Our World in Data, World Bank. Classifications used for country groups. Each country plot is normalized by its maximum value.

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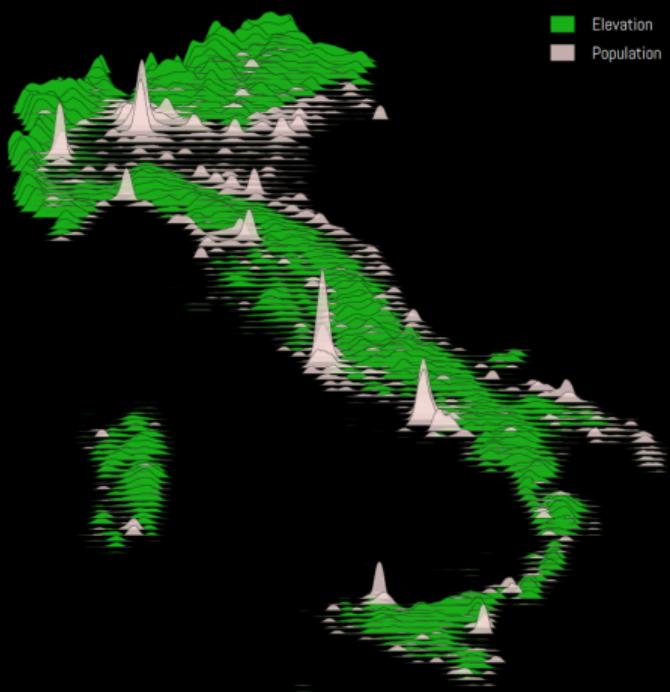
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## Italy: Population vs Elevation

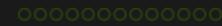


Data sources: JRC Geostat 2018 Population raster, Copernicus elevation raster v1.1. @AsjadNagy

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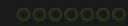
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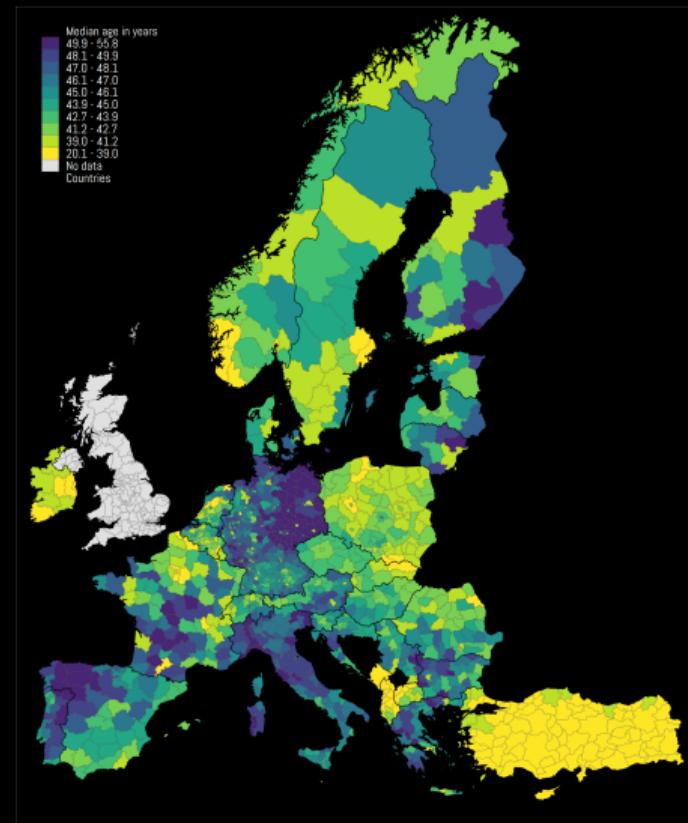
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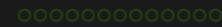
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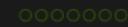
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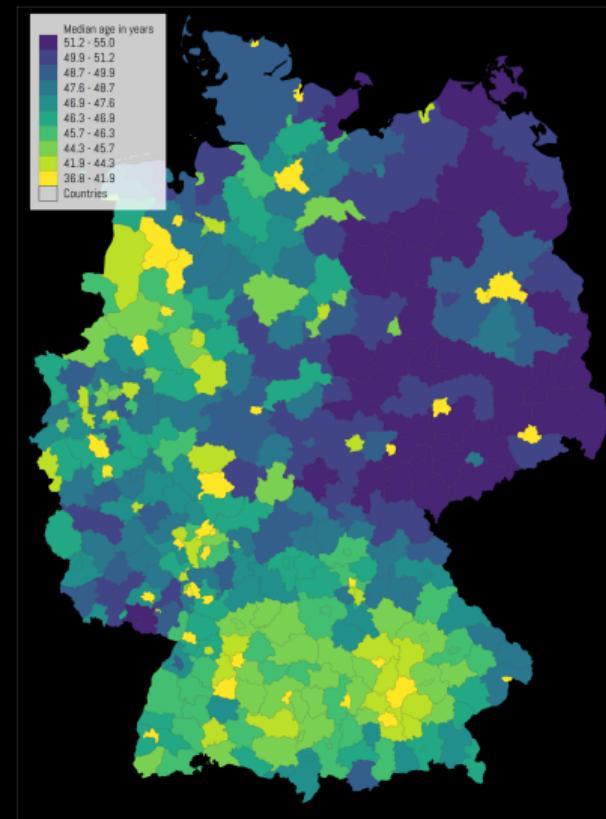
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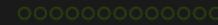
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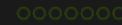
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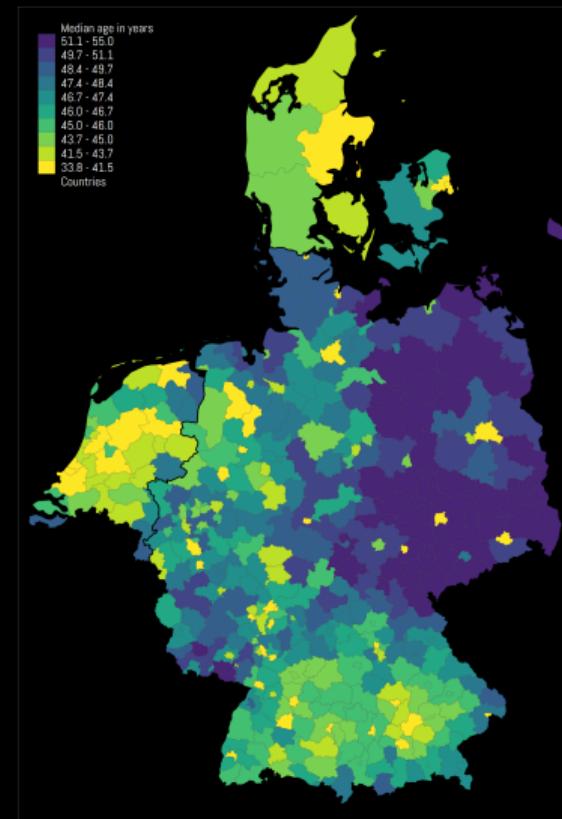
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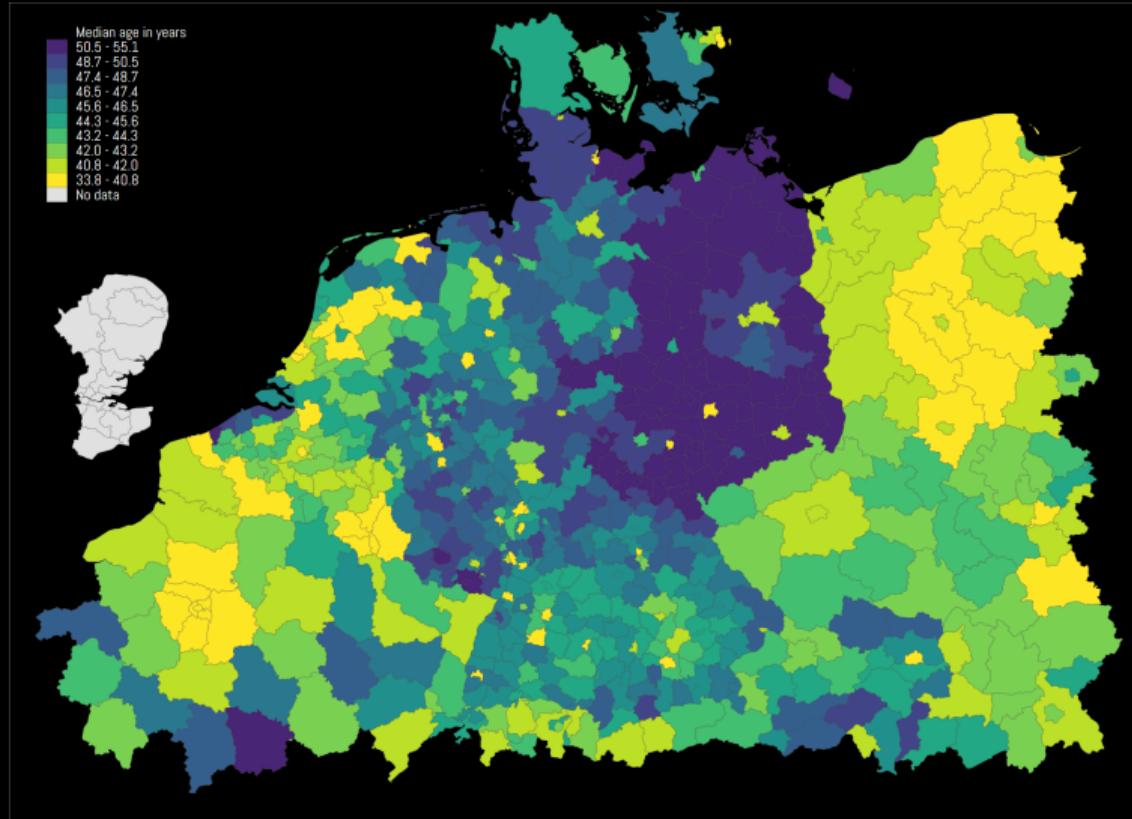
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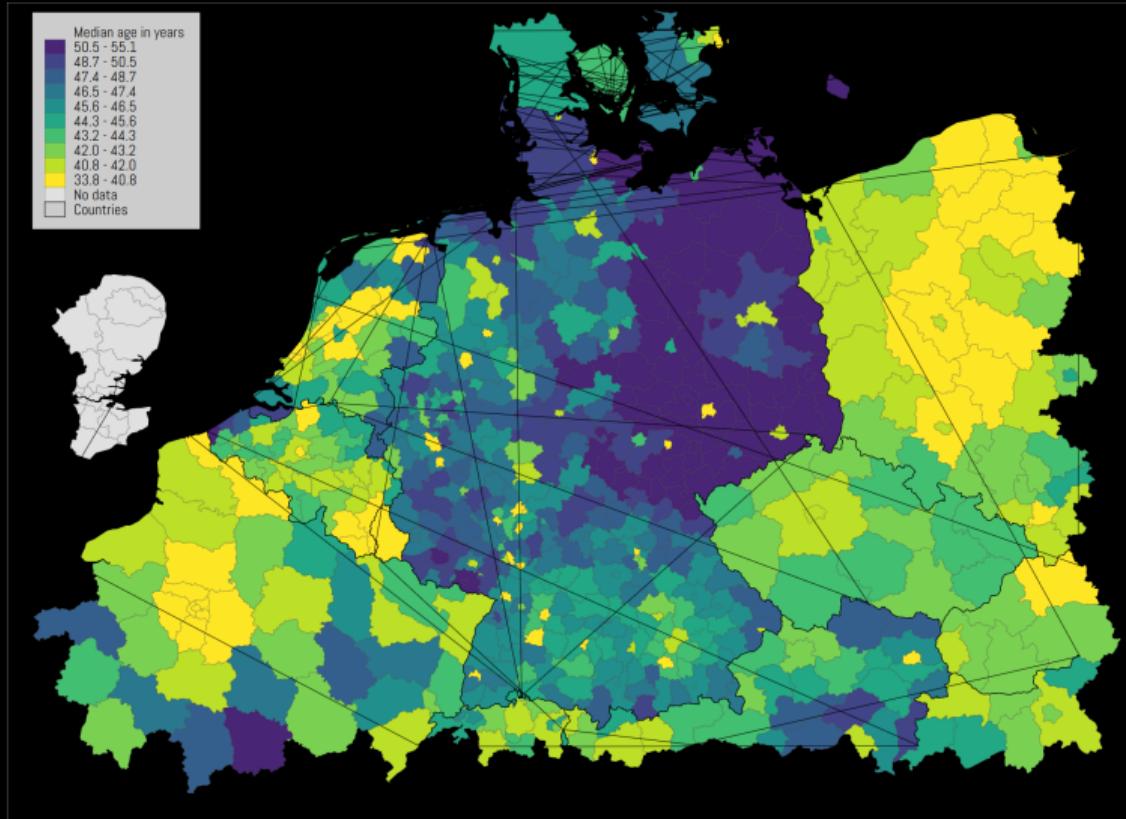
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## Sutherland–Hodgman polygon clipping algorithm

- Input 1: Polygon `_shp` file: Should be sorted clockwise or counter-clockwise
- Input 2: Bounding convex shape: Needs to be **convex** and sorted **clockwise** and fully closed
- Stata psuedo script:
  - ① Fully identify all the “islands” in `*_shp` (Additional step post `spshape2dta`)
  - ② Identify points in `*_shp` file which are inside and outside the bounds (`geoinpoly` by Picard 2015)
  - ③ Throw out the polygons that are fully outside
  - ④ Separate fully inside and partially inside
  - ⑤ Process only the partially inside using the S-H algorithm
  - ⑥ Ensure shape order (a lot of reshaping here)
  - ⑦ Save as clipped shapefile

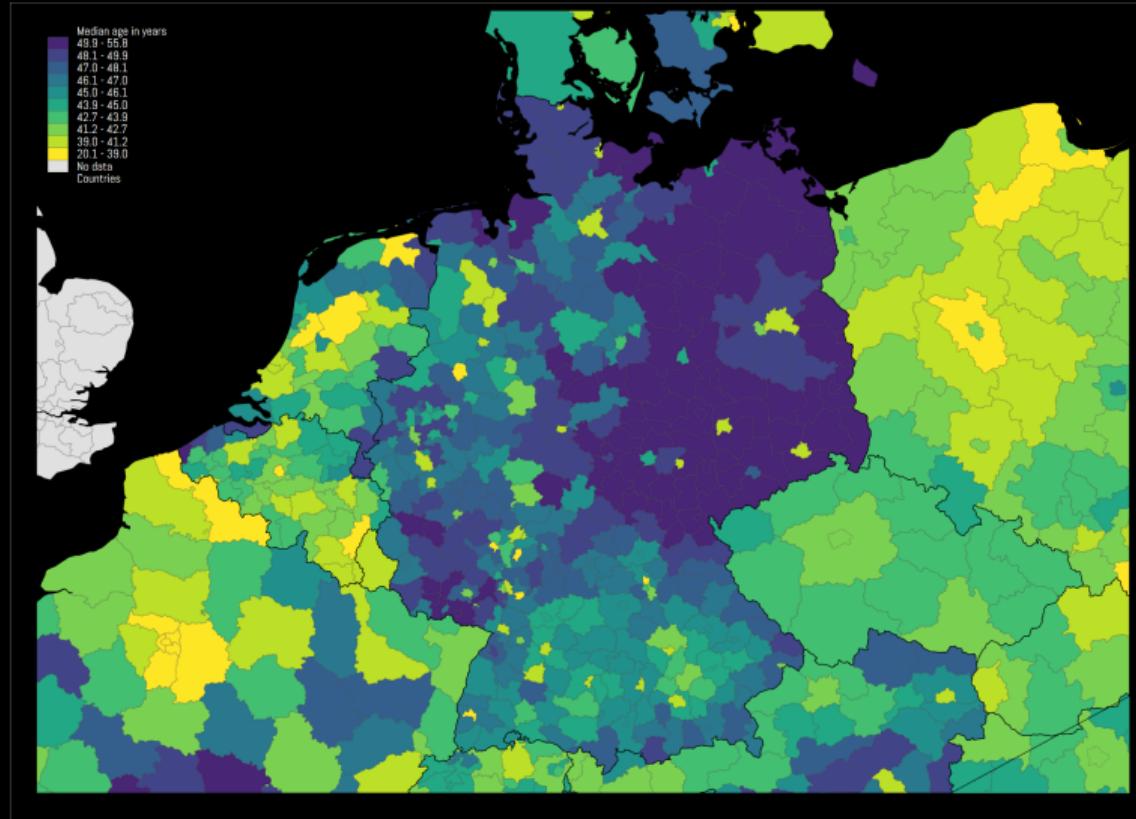
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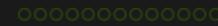
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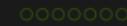
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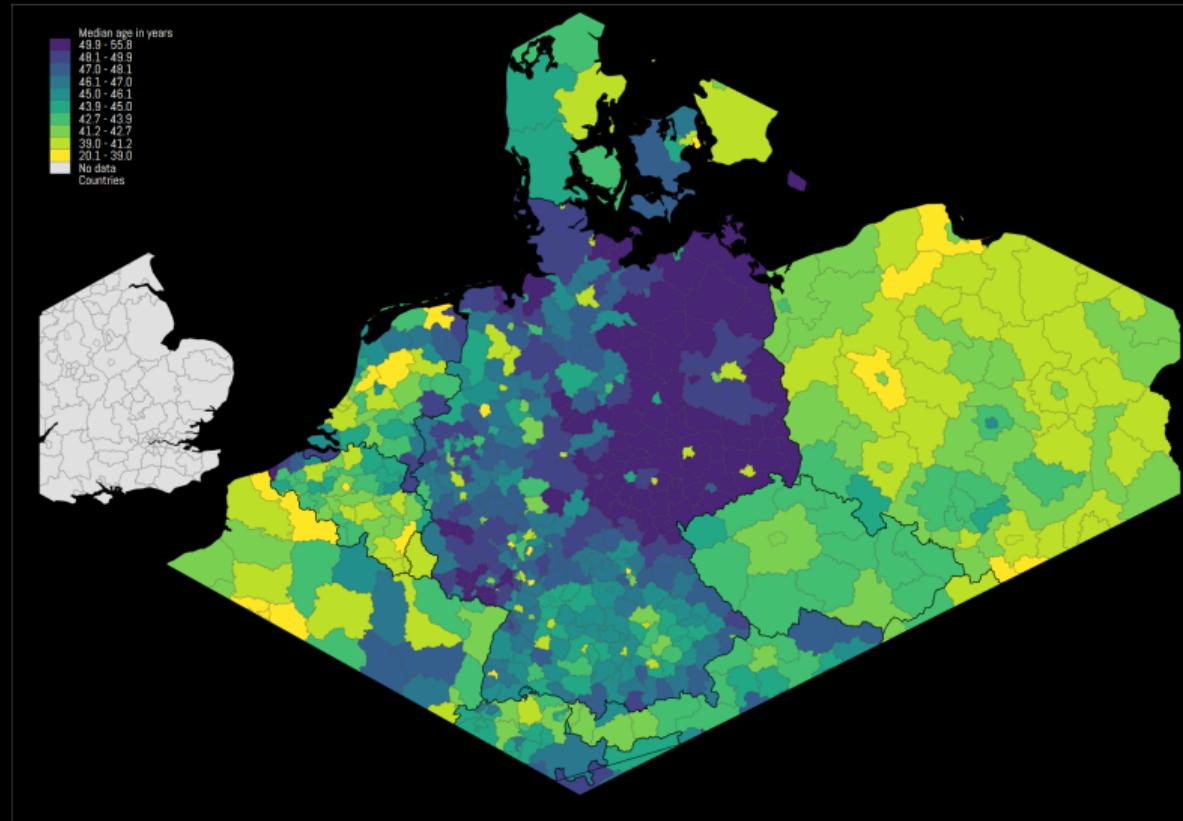
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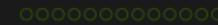
## Hexagon clipping



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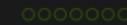
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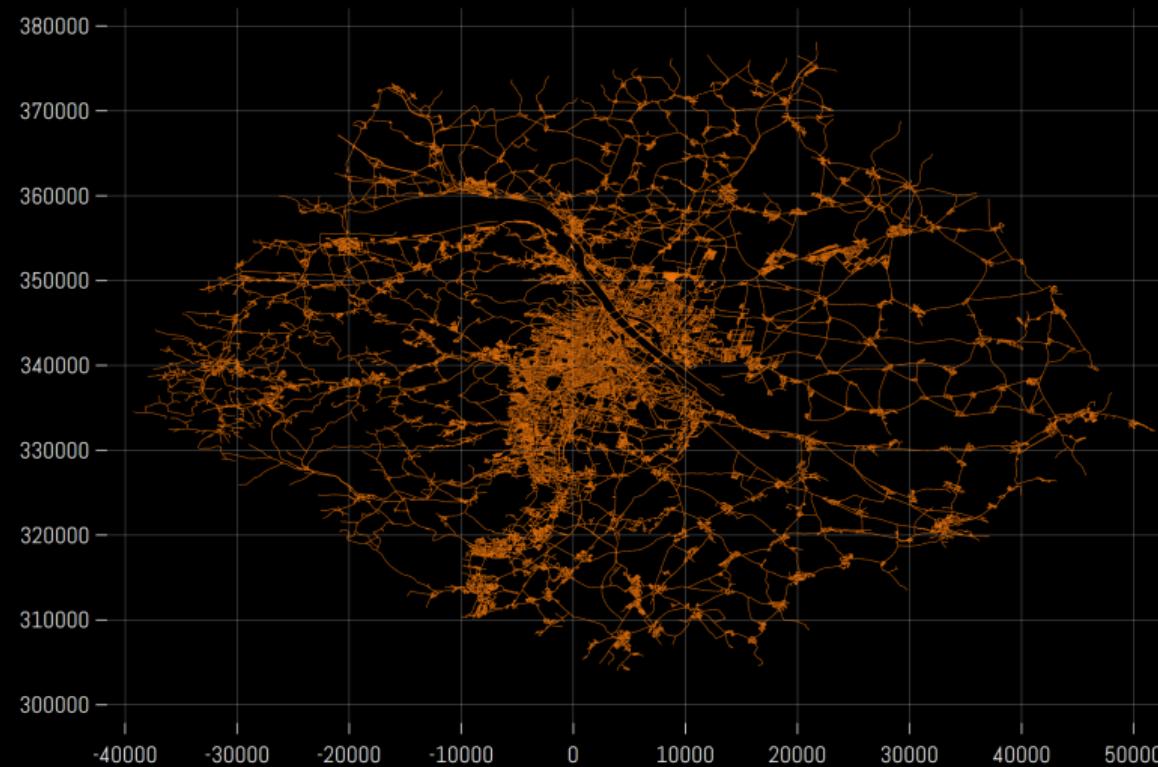
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## Line clipping (full extent)

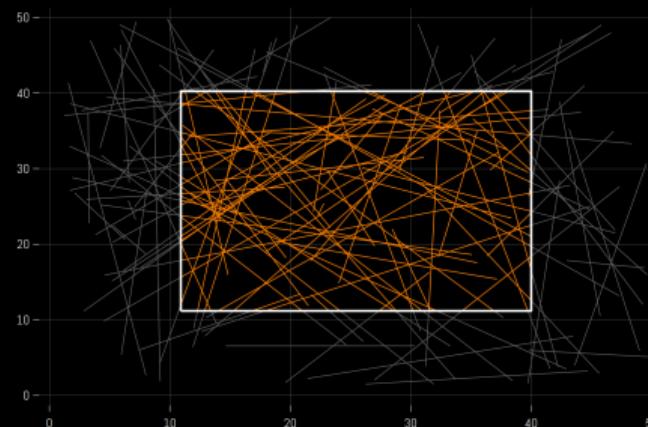


## Line clipping (using a box)

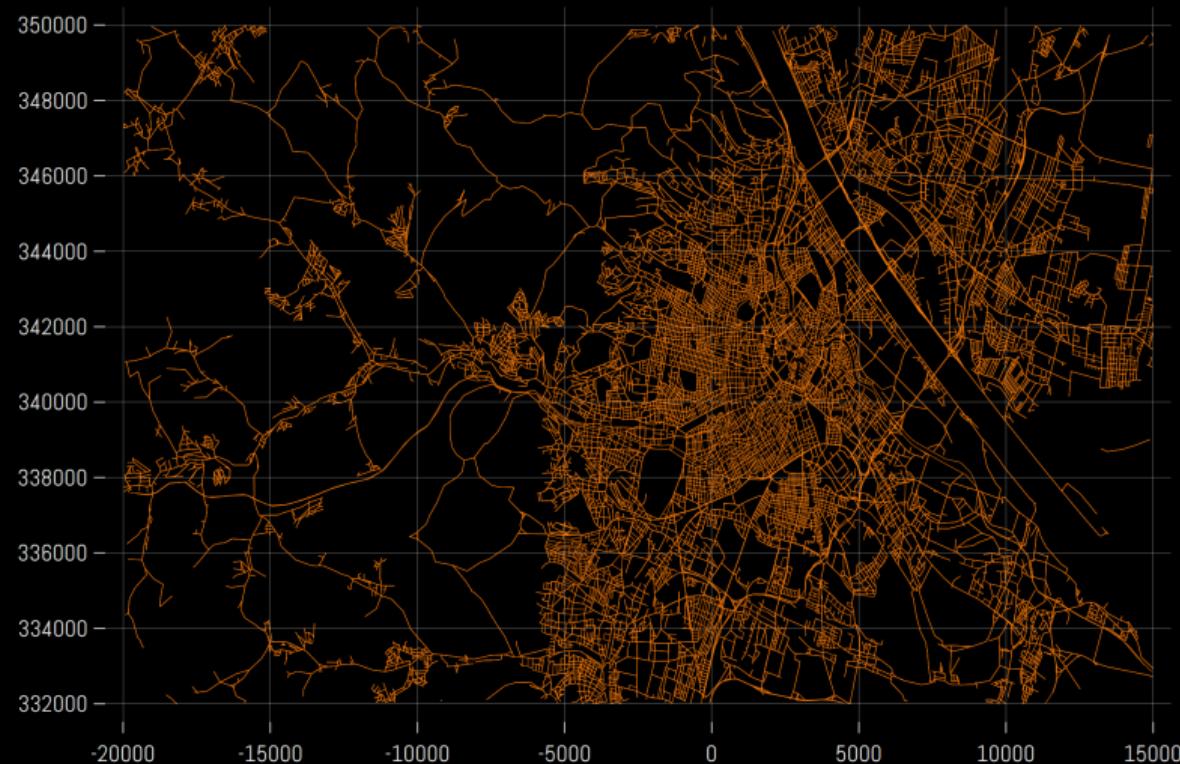


## Cohen–Sutherland line clipping algorithm

- Input 1: Line endpoints (2 coordinate pairs)
- Input 2: Bounding box
- Stata psuedo script:
  - ① Mark lines that are fully outside and inside
  - ② Partially inside lines are clipped on the box intersection
- Beta version on GitHub: [clipline](#)



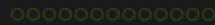
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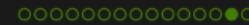
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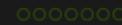
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## Line clipping (spmap)



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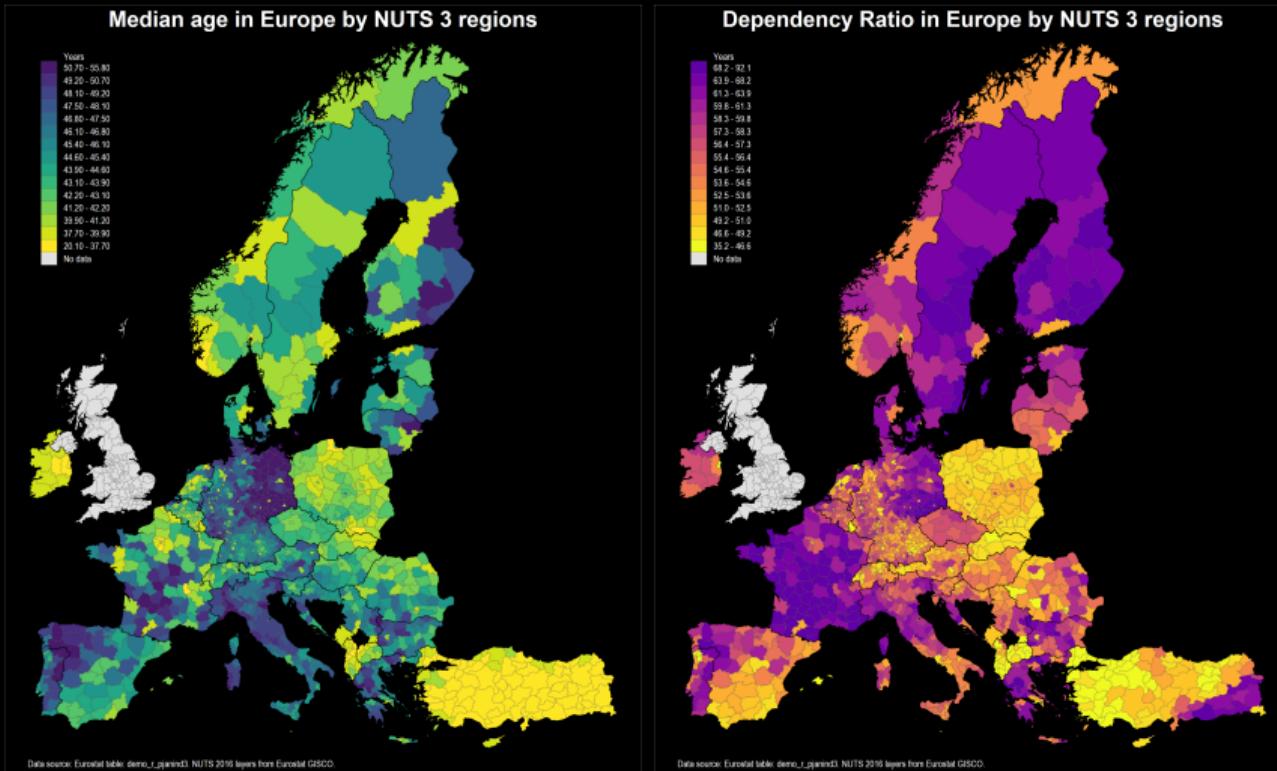
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## Scatter plot extracted from rasters



## Maps II guide



## custom map + spikes

### Social Connectivity Index - UK

Lines show NUTS 2 regions with the highest connectivity outside the origin country



Map layers: GISCO-Eurostat, SD data: Facebook

### Social Connectivity Index - Poland

Lines show NUTS 2 regions with the highest connectivity outside the origin country

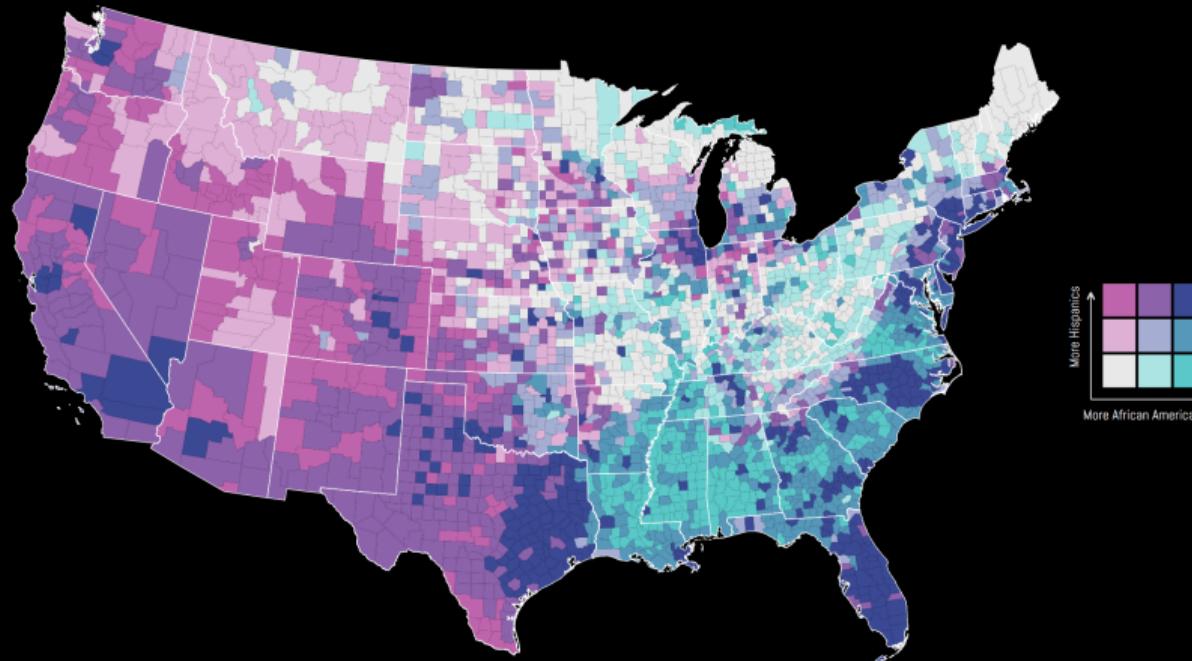


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## Bi-variate map

# The USA Race Space

County-level share of African Americans vs Hispanics



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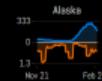
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## custom map + QGIS

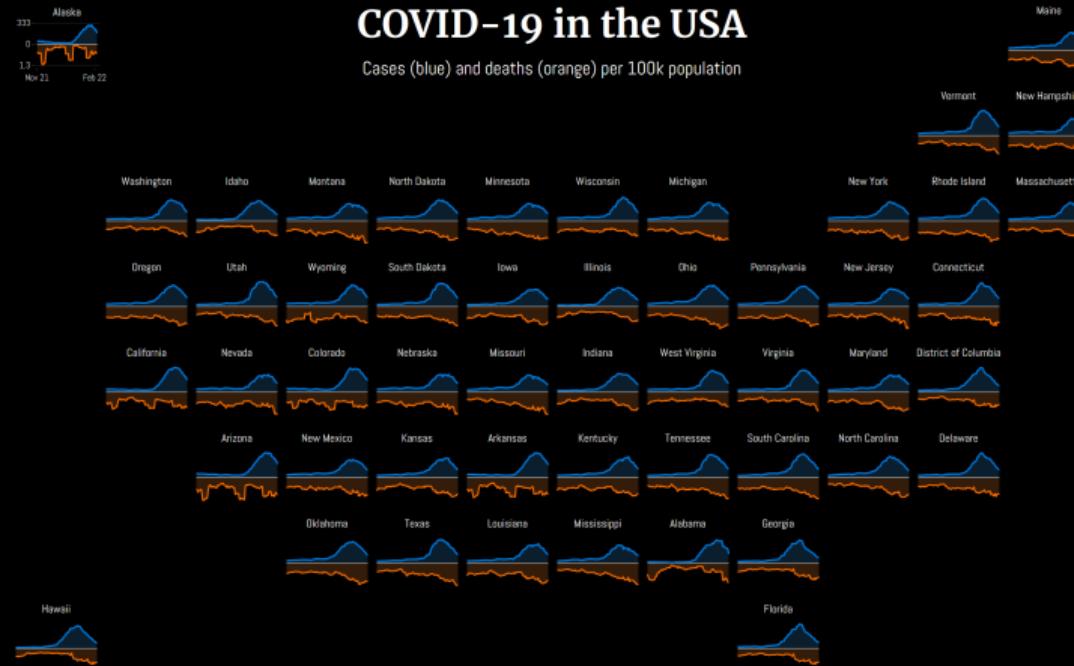


## Tilemap



# COVID-19 in the USA

Cases (blue) and deaths (orange) per 100k population

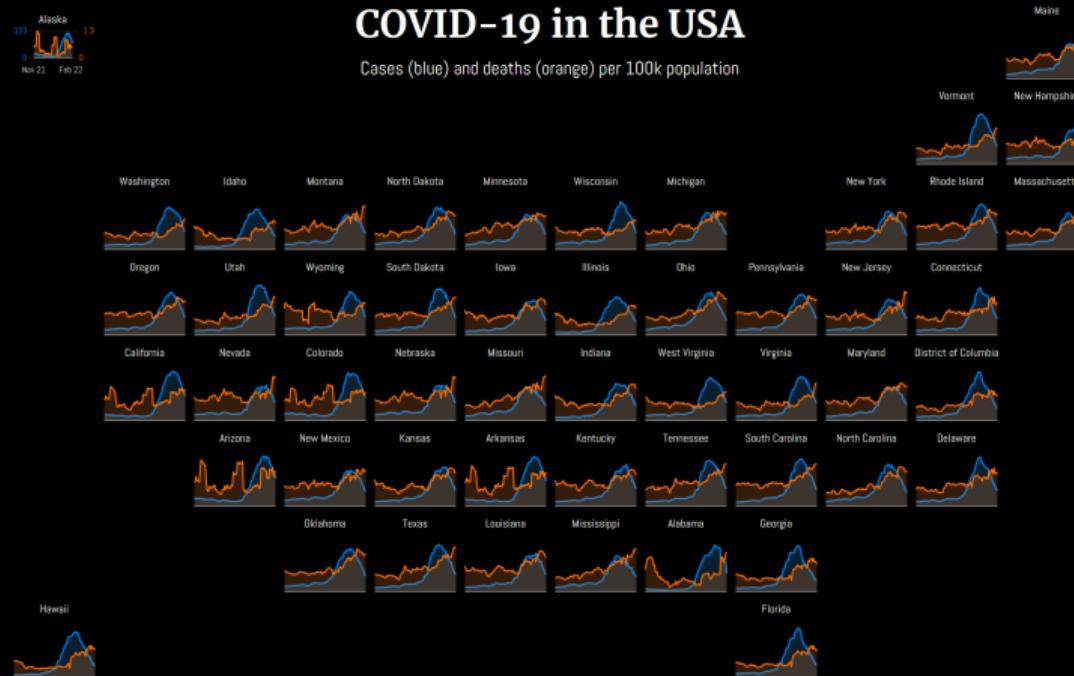


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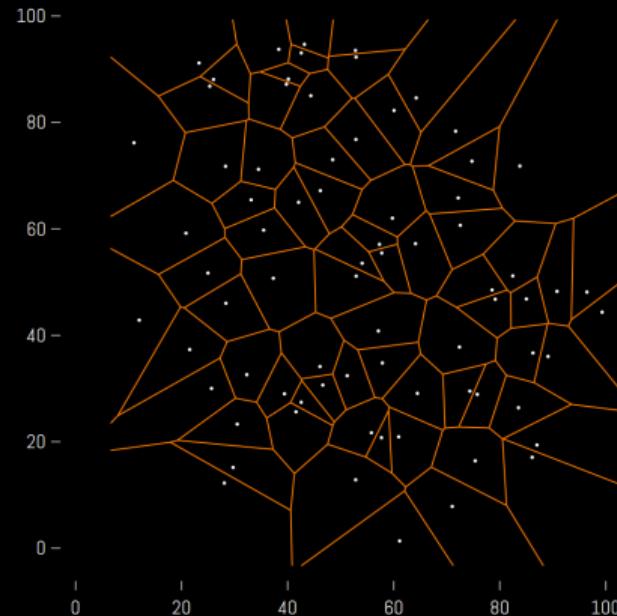
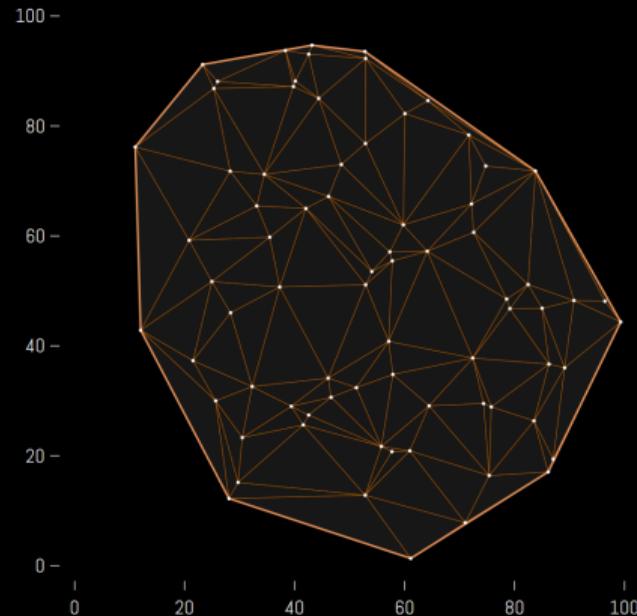
Cases (blue) and deaths (orange) per 100k population



Source: New York Times GitHub repository (<https://github.com/nytimes/covid-19-data>). 7-day moving average used to smooth the data. @AsjaNazyi

## Delaunay triangles + Voronoi tessellations + Convex hull

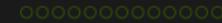
Beta package on GitHub: [delaunay](#)



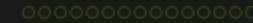
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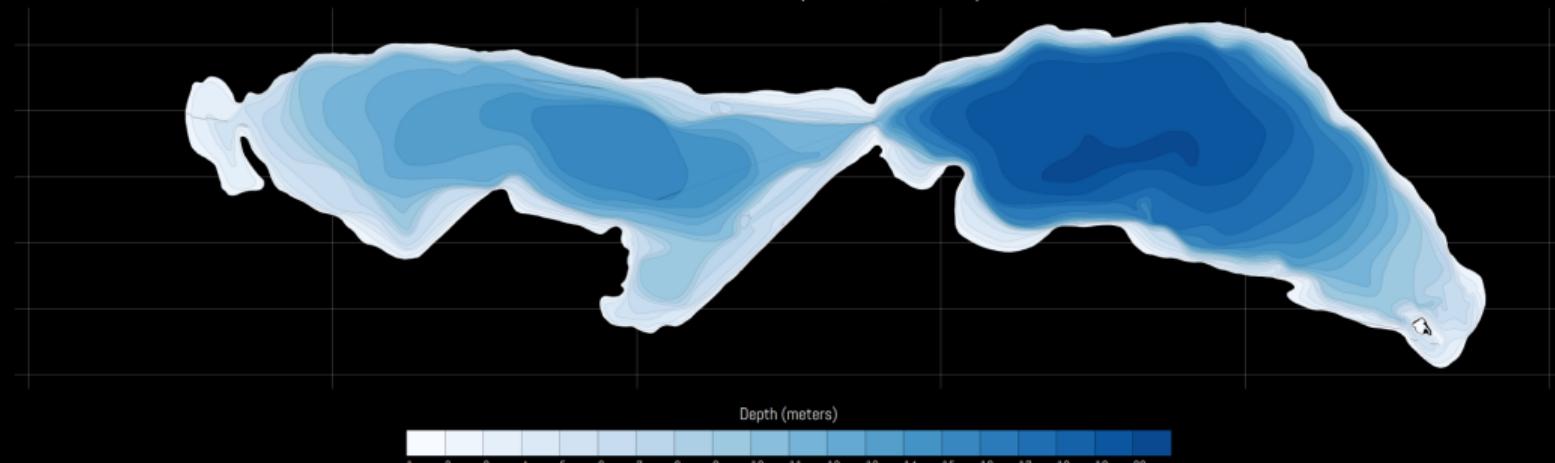
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## Bezier curves and splines

# Bathymetric contours

Lesser Slave Lake (Alberta, Canada)



Map layer: Open data provided by the Government of Alberta, Canada.

## More info

More Stata viz:

-  [The Stata Guide on Medium](#)
-  [#30DayMapChallenge 2021](#)
-  [The Stata Gallery](#)

Activities:

- Recently featured on the World Bank's [Development Impact](#) blog
- Regular online courses on dataviz with Stata

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## Wish list!

- Ability to control marker size scaling
- Fully flexible marker clock position
- Line weights (like marker weights)
- Allow angles/sizes/colors to be read from variables (like mlabels)
- Color/alpha scaling for markers/lines
- Color gradients for lines/areas
- Ability to add custom markers (or increase marker pool)
- Ability to added colored text in graphs
- Ability to add images in figures
- Better graph combine options
- Ability to read images (pixel data/colors)
- Ability to draw/add/subtract areas between two or more functions