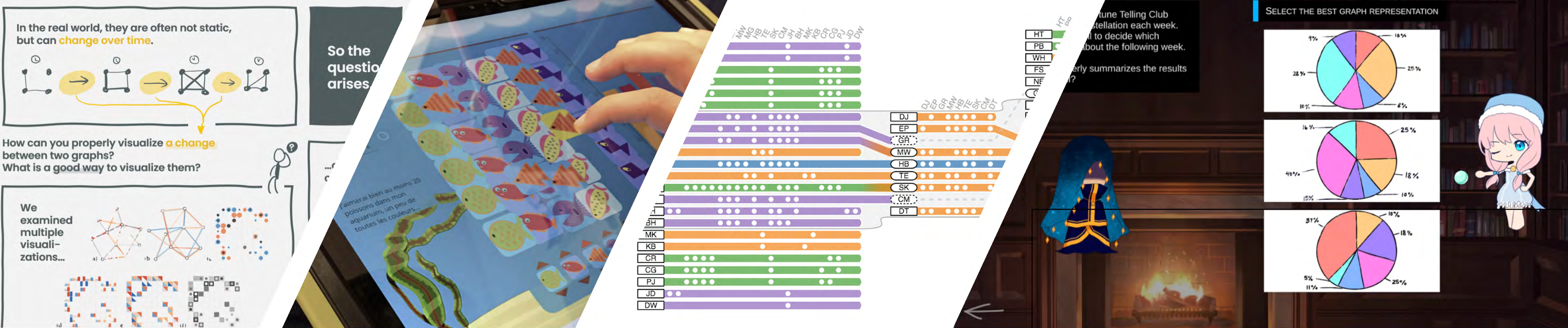




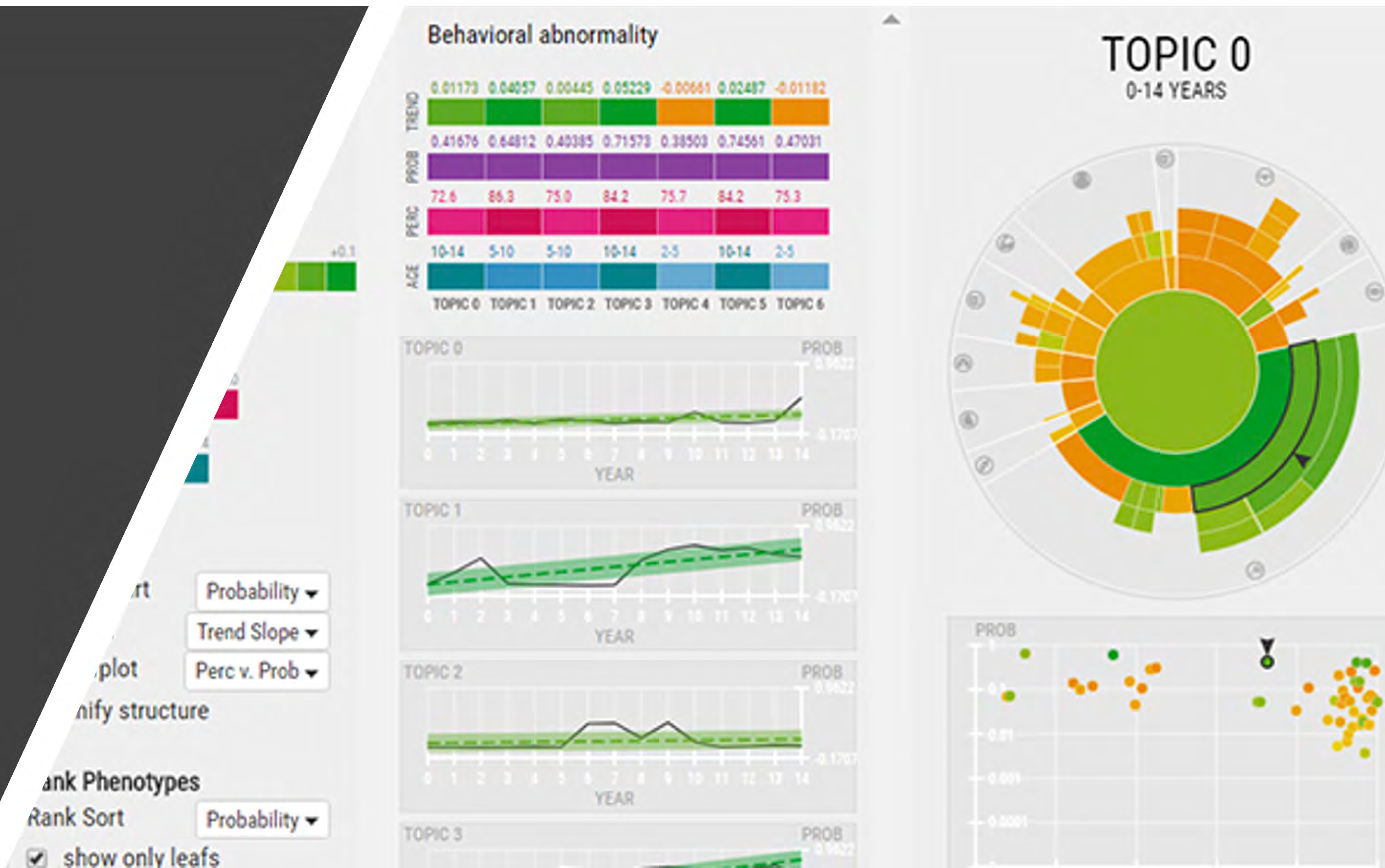
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Data Insights: Bridging the Gap Between Numbers and Knowledge

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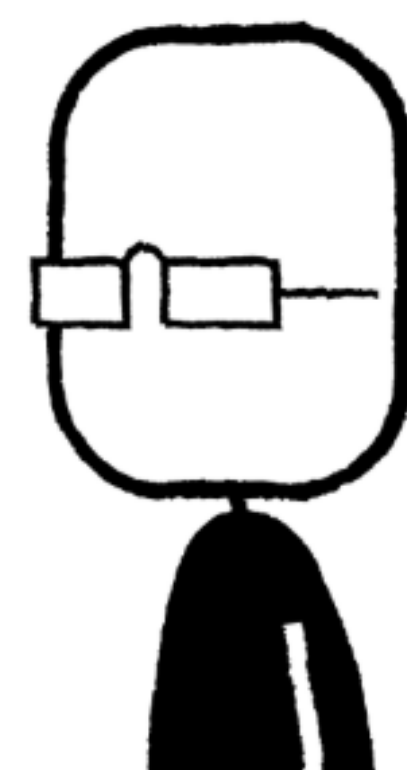
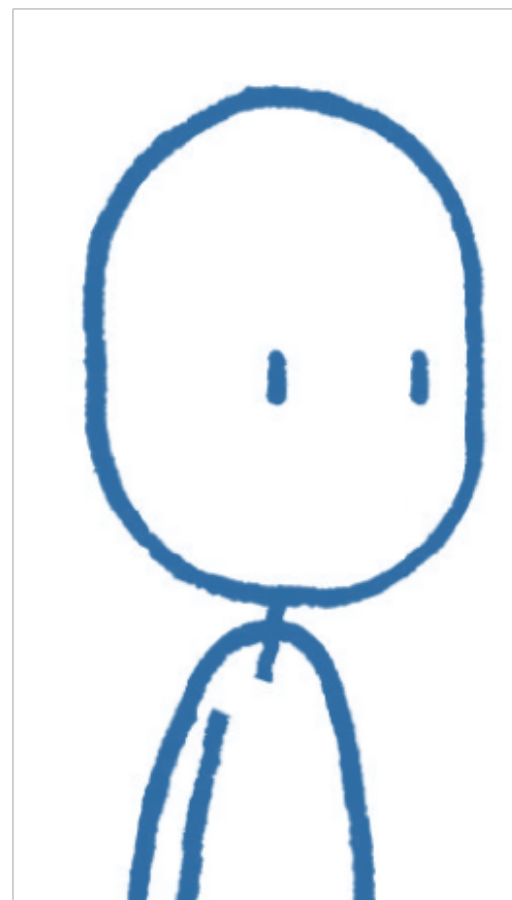
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Scientists make sense of data
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Making sense of data in critical environments





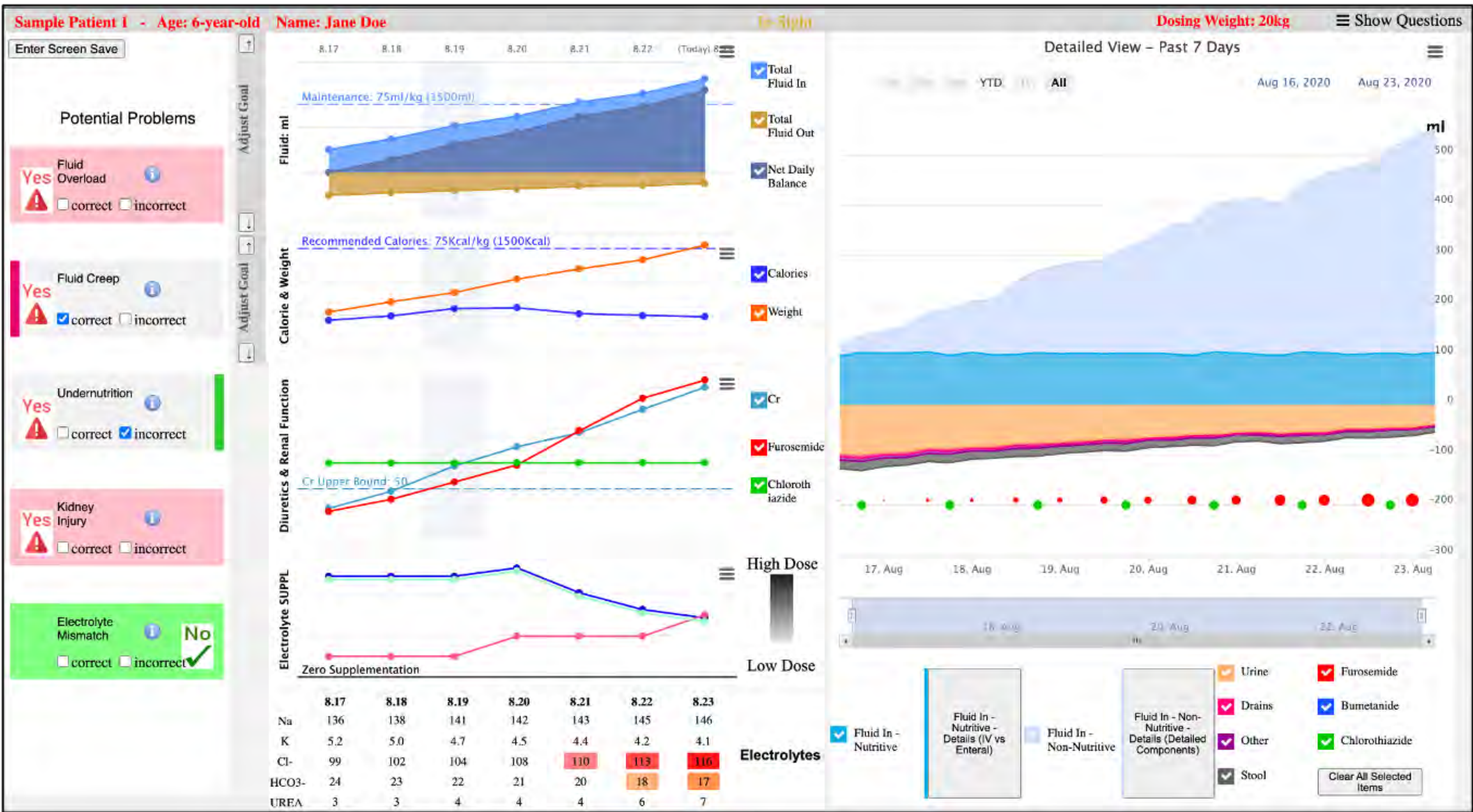
Many displays
Constant alarms
Complex interfaces

The screenshot displays a medical software interface, likely an anesthesia management system. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Header:** Includes patient name "AnnieClass-ANPROV Hippolyta", date of service "2/7/2022", and time "8:40 AM".
- Left Sidebar:** Contains patient demographics (Female, 20 y.o., 2/5/2002), vital signs (BP 110/60, HR 88, SpO2 98%), and a list of procedures including "SURGICAL LAPAROSCOPY WITH REPAIR OF RUPTURED UMBILICAL HERNIA".
- Main Content Area:**
 - Preprocedure Evaluation:** A section for evaluating the patient's readiness for surgery, including a checklist for "Anesthesia Preprocedure Evaluation".
 - Problem List:** A table listing various medical problems and their status. The table has columns for "Problem", "Status", "Severity", "Priority", and "Action".
- Right Sidebar:** Contains a "My Notes" section with a "Subtotal" and a "Relevant Problems" section listing conditions like "Maligned hyperthermia" and "Motion sickness".

Problem	Status	Severity	Priority	Action
Maligned hyperthermia	Active	High	High	Monitor
Motion sickness	Active	Low	Low	Monitor
ROMV gastroesophageal reflux and vomiting	Active	Low	Low	Monitor
Diabetes 1.5 managed as type 2 (CM5)	Active	Low	Low	Monitor
Generalized abdominal pain	Active	Low	Low	Monitor
Abdominal pain	Active	Low	Low	Monitor
Diabetes mellitus type 1 controlled (CM5/PCQ)	Resolved	Low	Low	Monitor

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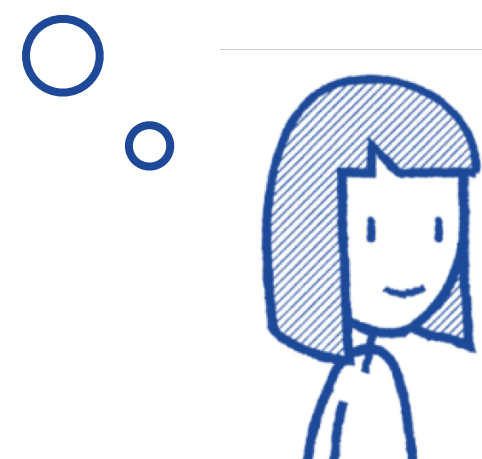


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Problem-Based Curated Data Views

- ☐ Fluid Overload
- ☐ Fluid Creep
- ☐ Undernutrition
- ☐ Kidney Injury
- ☐ Electrolyte Mismatch

Checklist



Visualization



Leave Screen Save

Potential Problems



Fluid Overload

☐ correct ☐ incorrect



Fluid Creep

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Undernutrition

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Kidney Injury

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Electrolyte Mismatch

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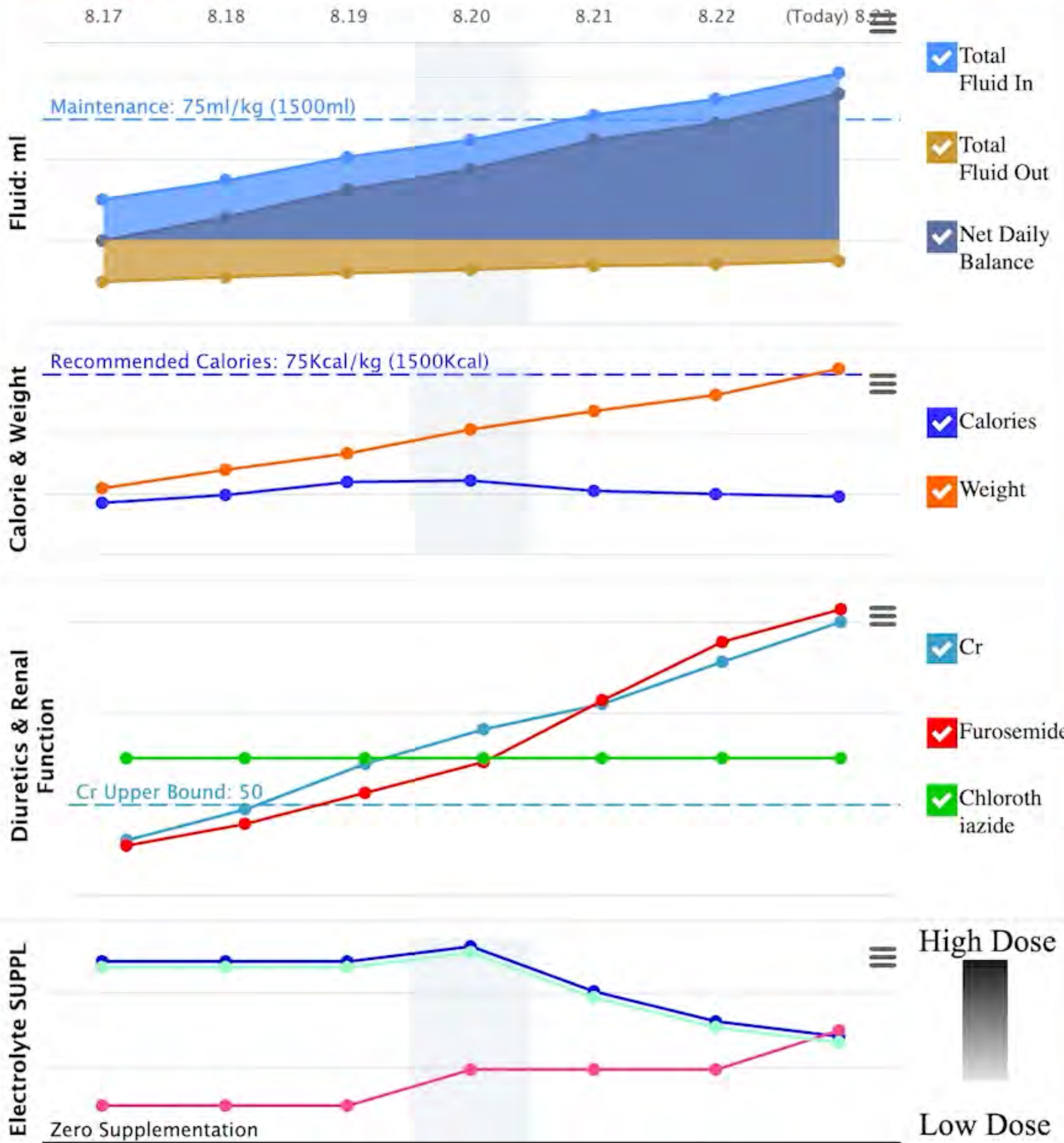
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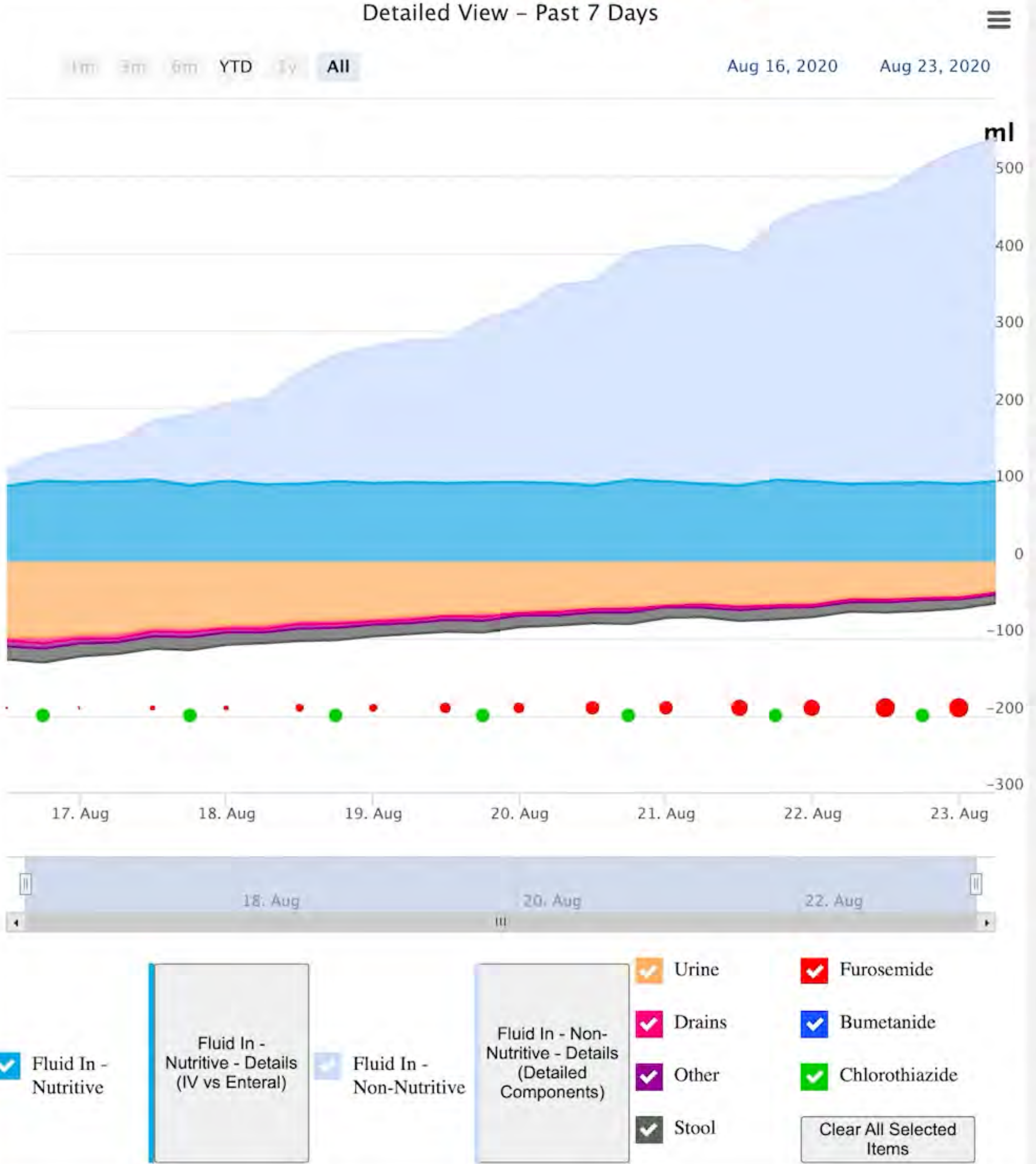
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Electrolyte Mismatch

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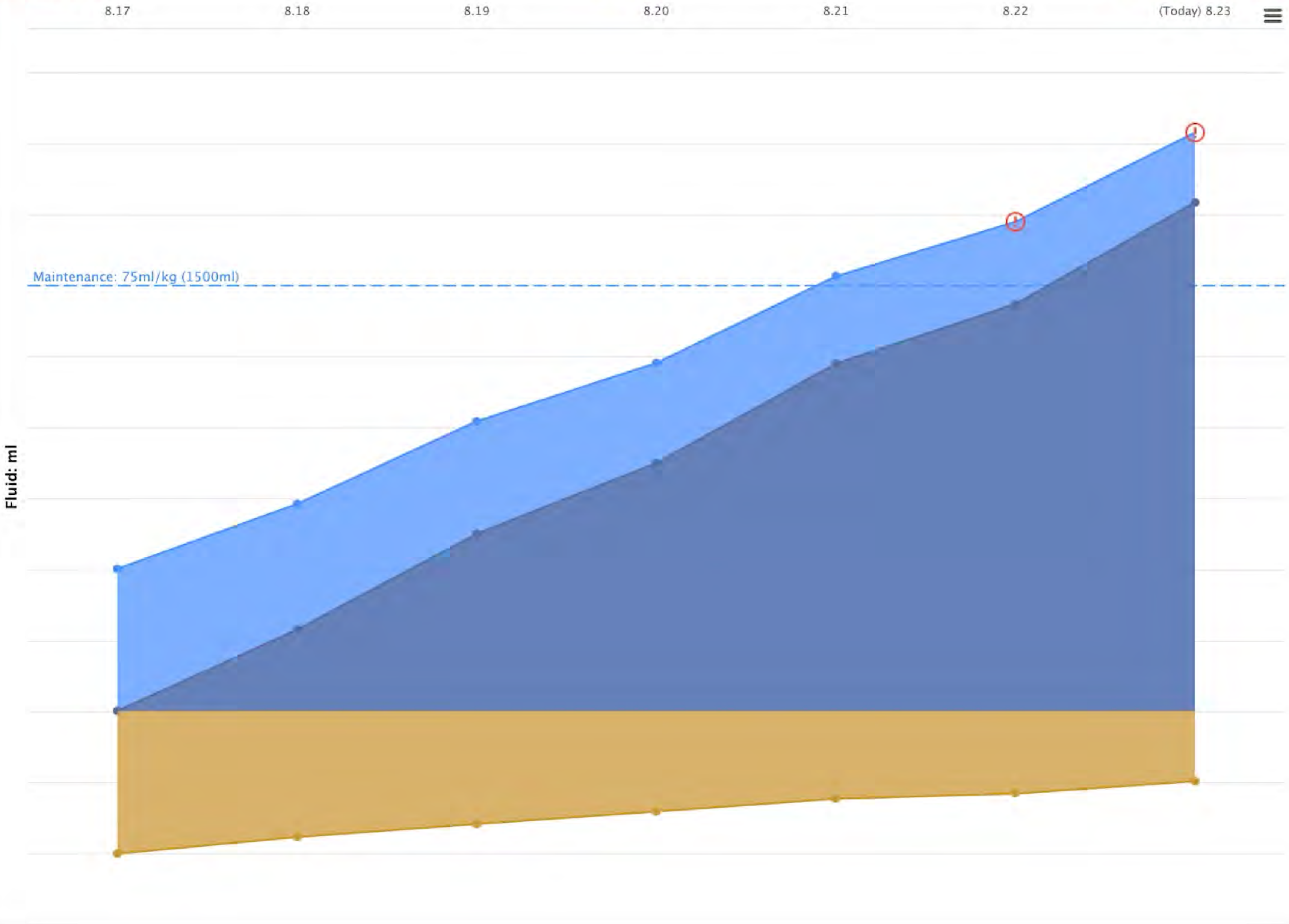
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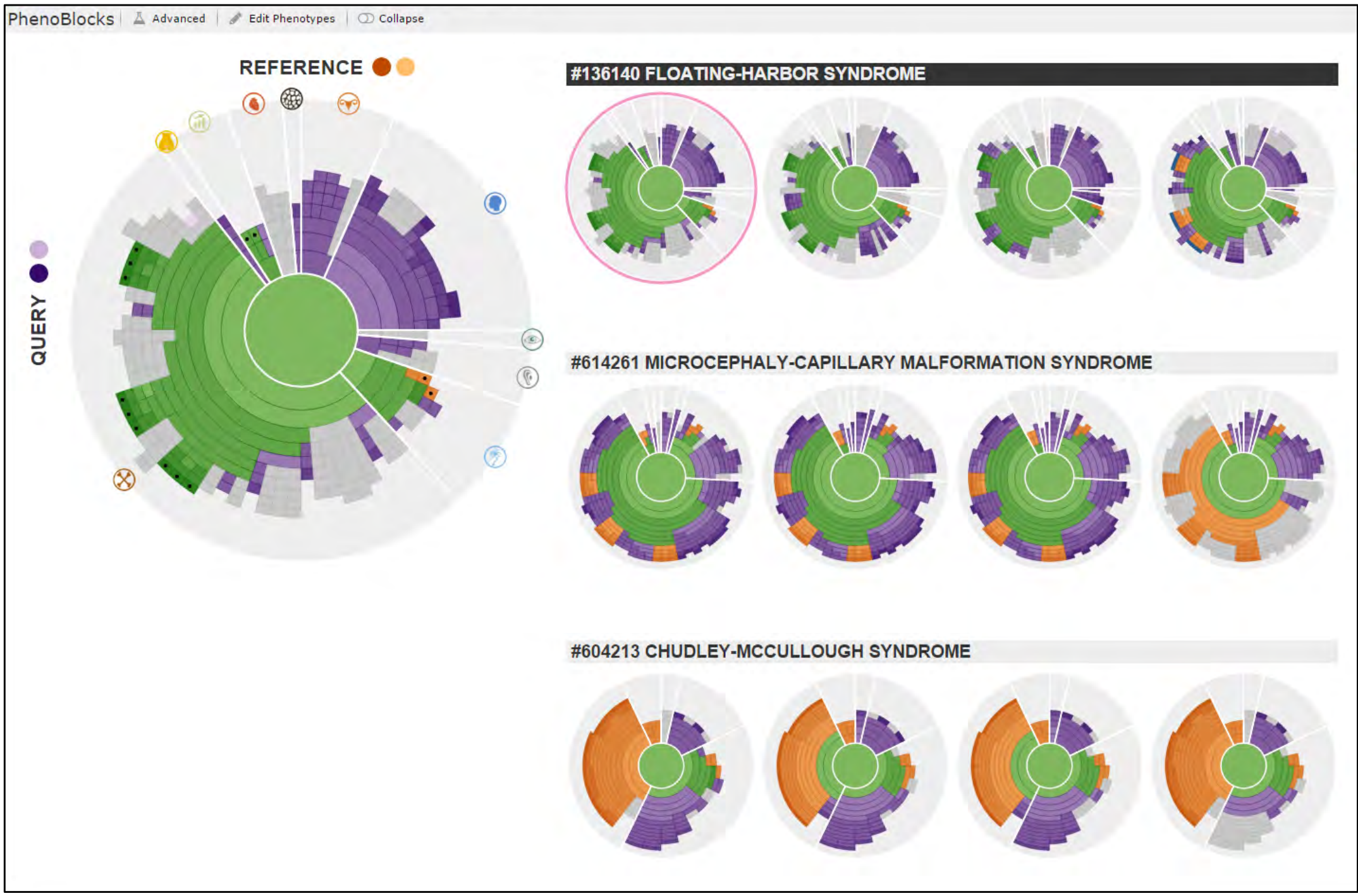
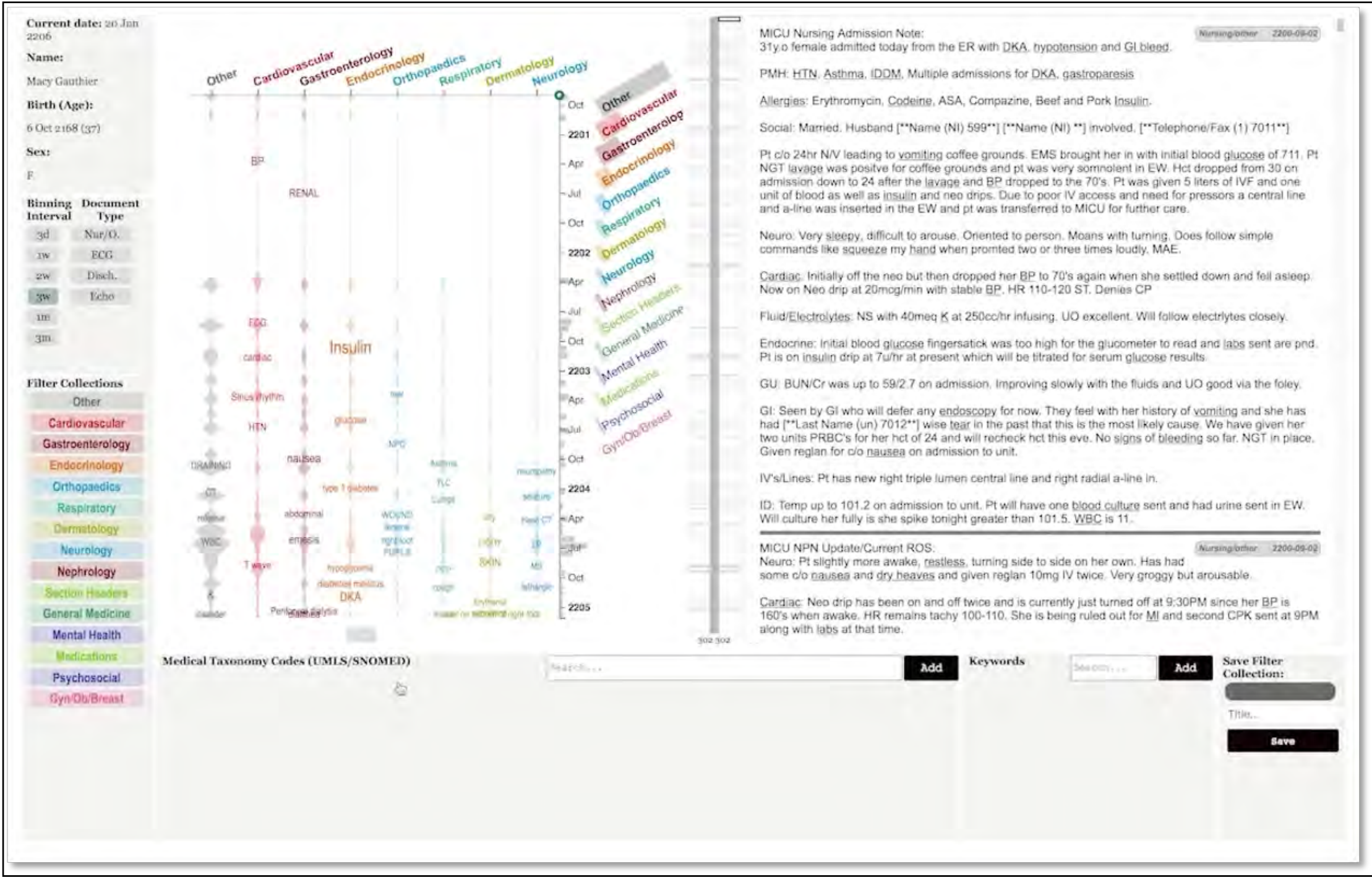
- ☒ Total Fluid In
- ☒ Total Fluid Out
- ☒ Net Daily Balance

Problem-Based Curated Data Views

- Beyond yet-another dashboard: **design for user relevance**
- Balance **guidance** via checklist vs **discovery** via freeform exploration

Scientists

Design to support experts' goals



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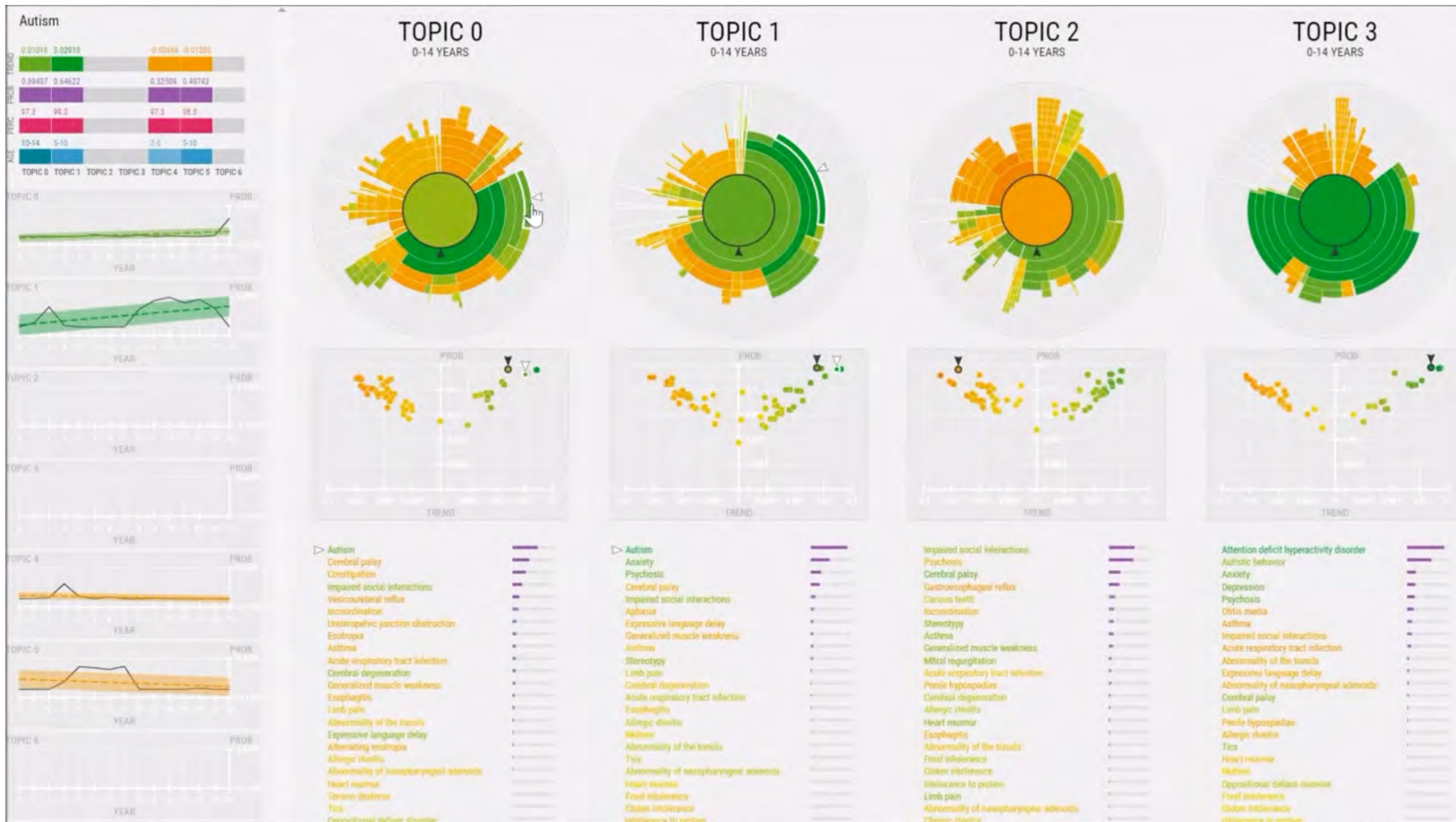
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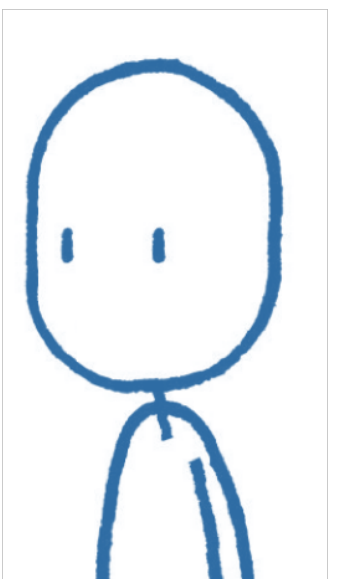
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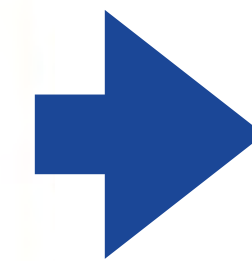
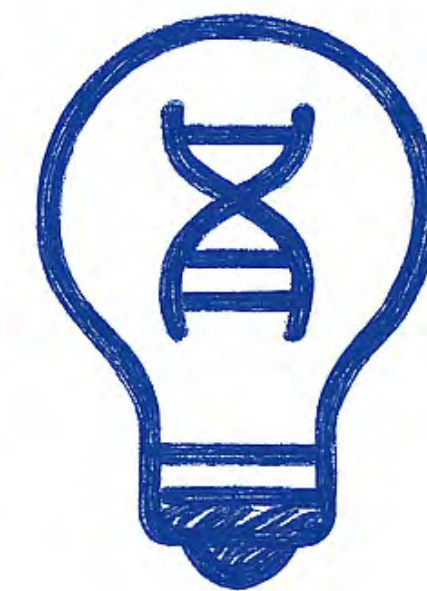
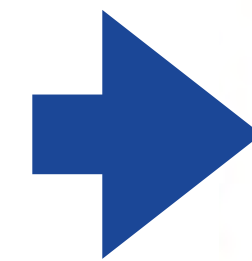
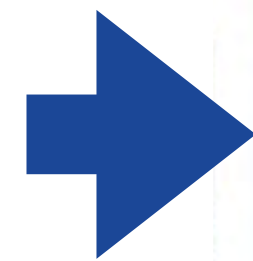
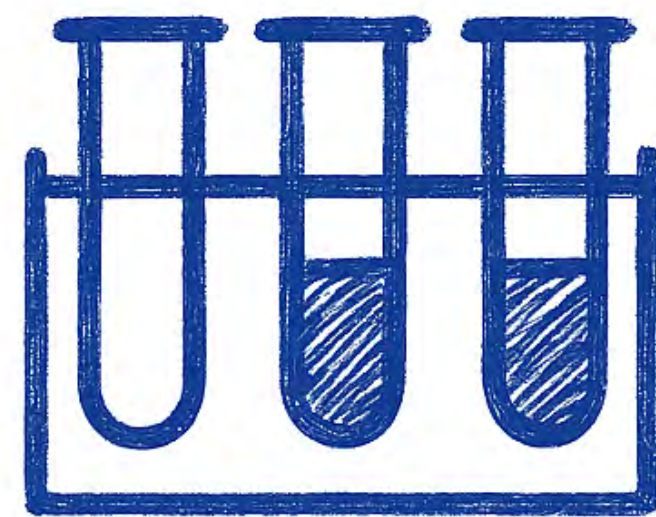
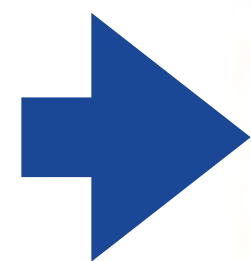
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Do hurricanes with more feminine names
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Female hurricanes are deadlier than male hurricanes

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Do people judge hurricane risks in the context of gender-based expectations? We use more than six decades of death rates from US hurricanes to show that feminine-named hurricanes cause significantly more deaths than do masculine-named hurricanes. Laboratory experiments indicate that this is because hurricane names lead to gender-based expectations about severity and this, in turn, guides respondents' preparedness to take protective action. This finding indicates an unfortunate and unintended consequence of the gendered naming of hurricanes, with important implications for policymakers, media practitioners, and the general public concerning hurricane communication and preparedness.

gender stereotypes | implicit bias | risk perception | natural hazard communication | bounded rationality

Estimates suggest that hurricanes kill more than 200 people in the United States annually, and severe hurricanes can cause fatalities in the thousands (1). As the global climate changes, the frequency and severity of such storms is expected to increase (2). However, motivating hurricane preparedness remains a major

violence and destruction (23, 24). We extend these findings to hypothesize that the anticipated severity of a hurricane with a masculine name (Victor) will be greater than that of a hurricane with a feminine name (Victoria). This expectation, in turn, will affect the protective actions that people take. As a result, a hurricane with a feminine vs. masculine name will lead to less protective action and more fatalities.

Archival Study

To test this hypothesis, we used archival data on actual fatalities caused by hurricanes in the United States (1950–2012). Ninety-four Atlantic hurricanes made landfall in the United States during this period (25). Nine independent coders who were blind to the hypothesis rated the masculinity vs. femininity of historical hurricane names on two items (1 = very masculine, 11 = very feminine, and 1 = very man-like, 11 = very woman-like), which were averaged to compute a masculinity-femininity index (MFI). A series of negative binomial regression analyses (26, 27) were performed to investigate effects of perceived masculinity-femininity of hurricane names (MFI), minimum pressure, normalized

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safety infrastructure and other characteristics after 1978. Even if there is a convergence of safety infrastructure and an overreliance on the death tolls, the results are not robust to the inclusion of these variables.



Are female hurricanes really deadlier than male hurricanes?

Jung et al. (1) claim to show that “feminine-named hurricanes cause significantly more deaths than do masculine-named hurricanes” (p. 1). This conclusion is mainly obtained by analyzing data on fatalities caused by hurricanes in the United States (1950–2012). By reanalyzing the same data, we show that the conclusion is based on biased presentation and invalid statistics.

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In the light of an alternating male-female

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To summarize, the data do not contain evidence that feminine-named hurricanes cause more deaths than masculine-named hurricanes.

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named hurricanes are deadlier because people do not take them seriously based on a questionable statistical analysis of a narrowly defined data set. This is an open access article under the CC BY-NC-ND license (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-nd/4.0/>).

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“If you torture the data long enough, it will confess.”

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– Ronald Coase, 1988 (Nobel Laureate)

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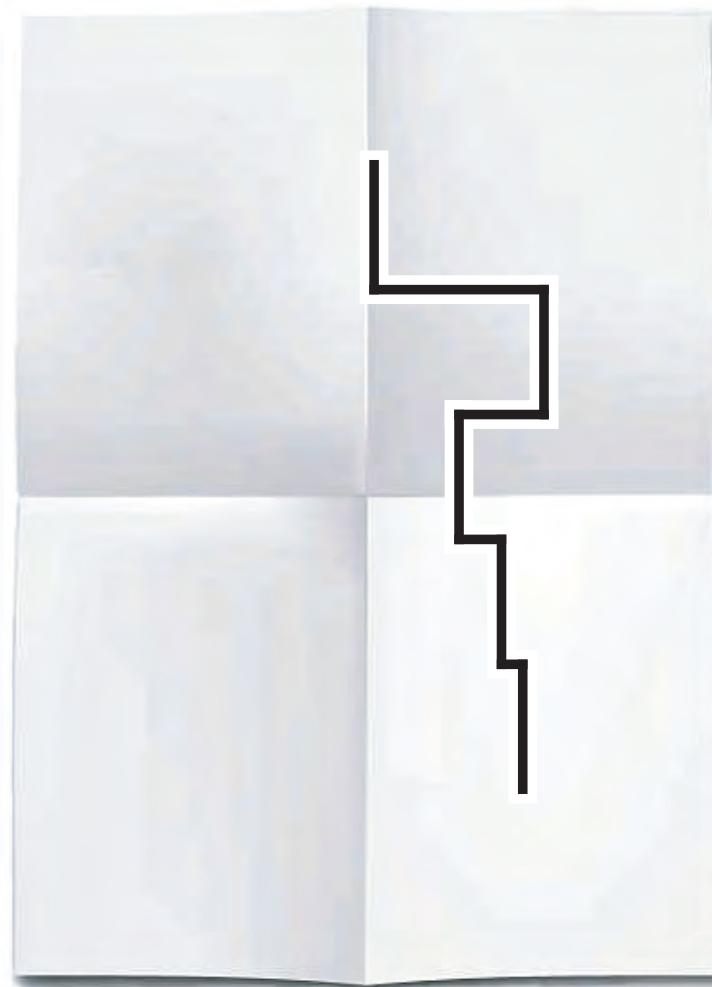
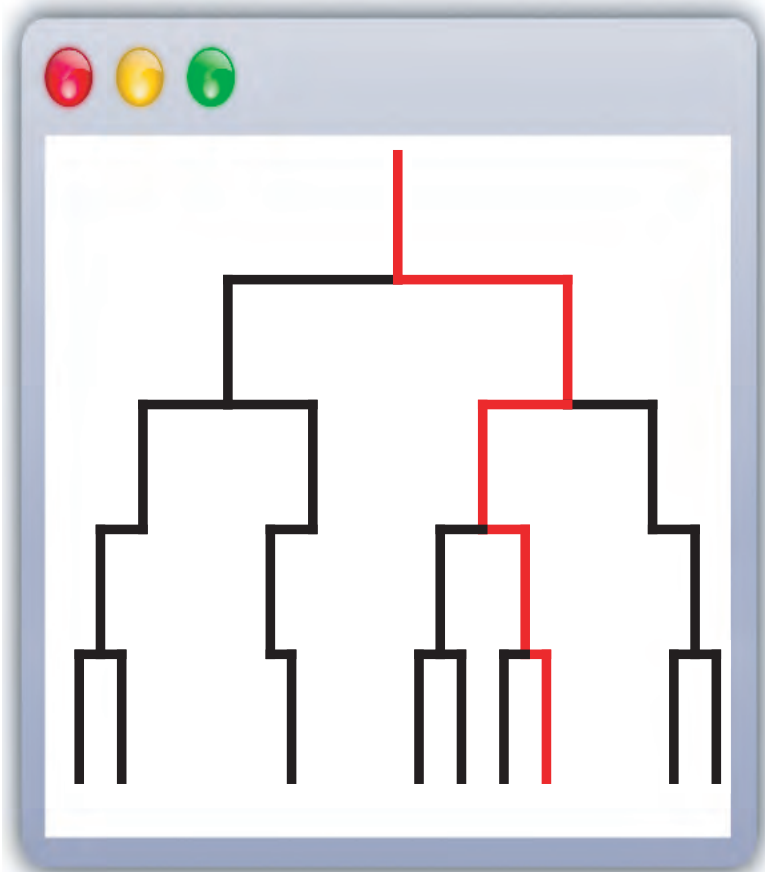
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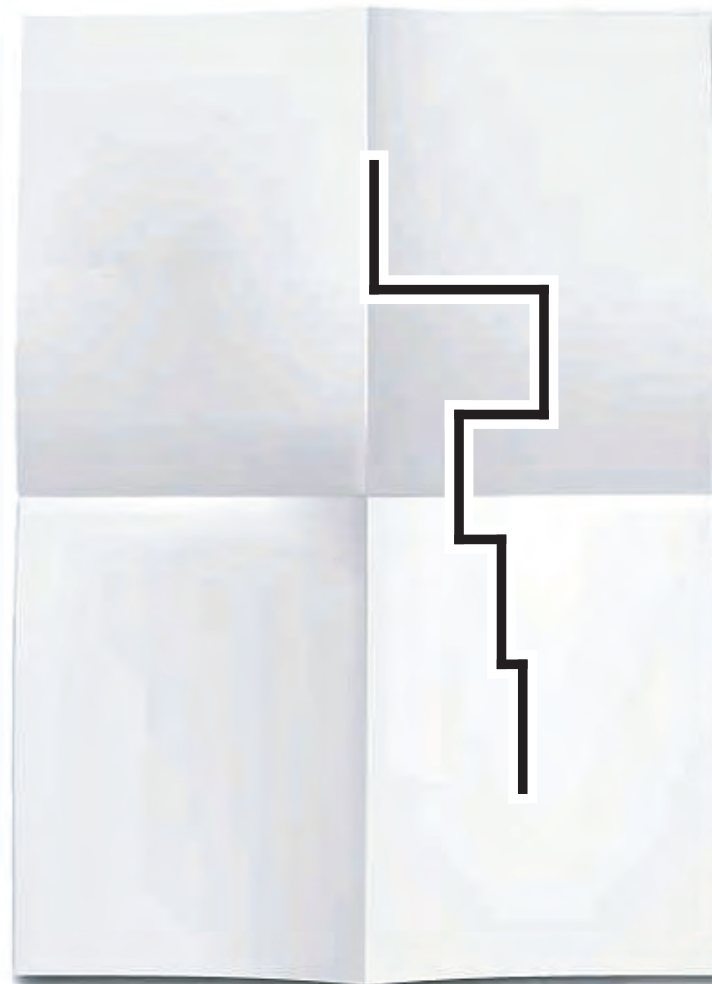
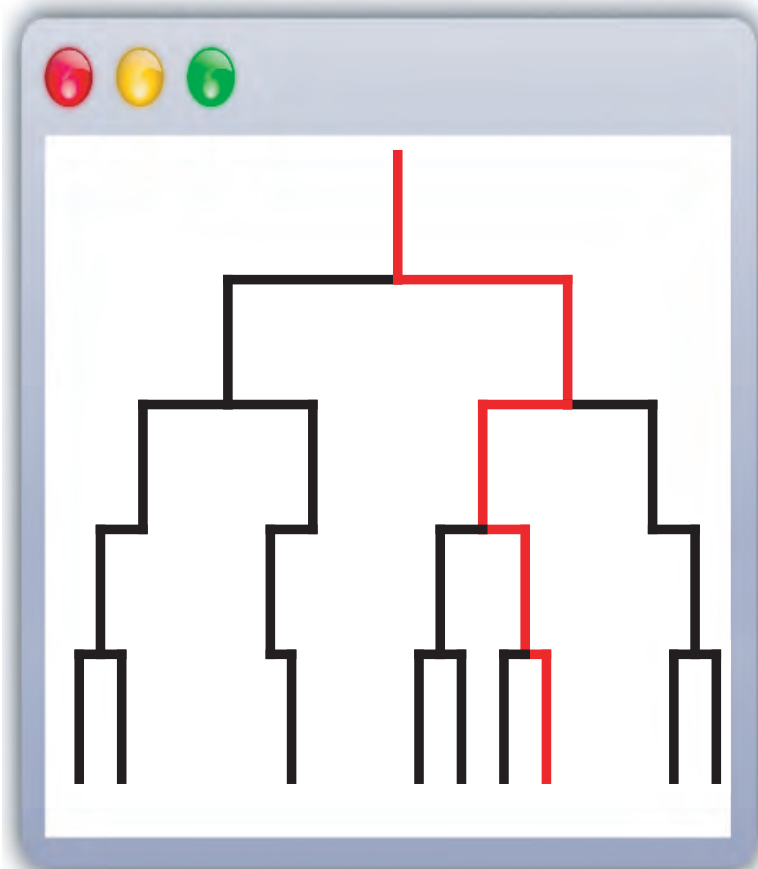
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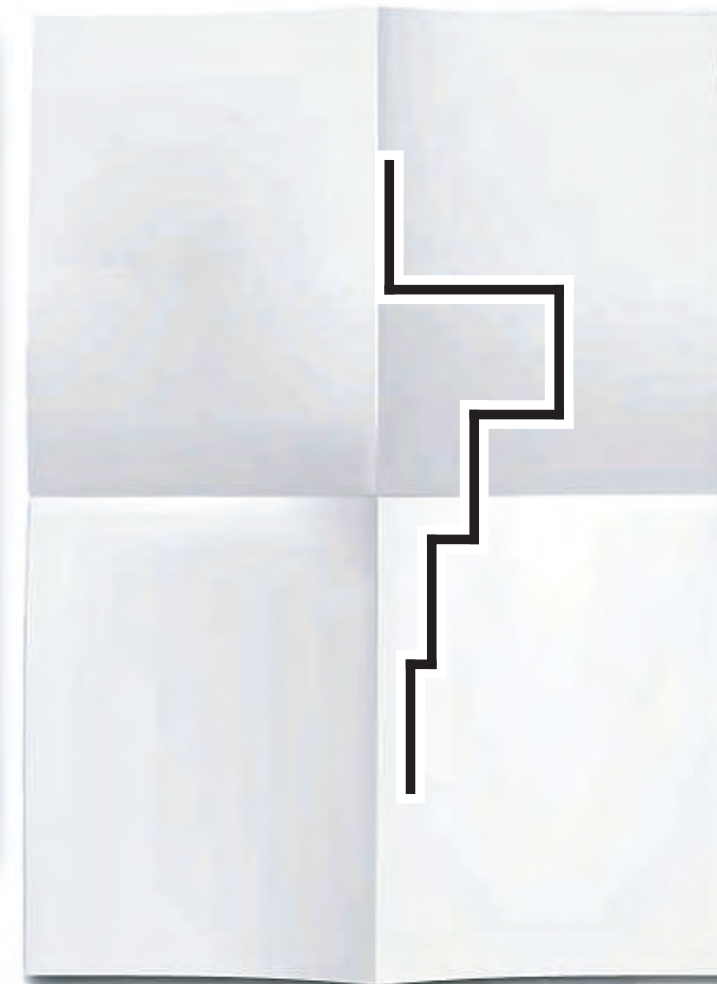
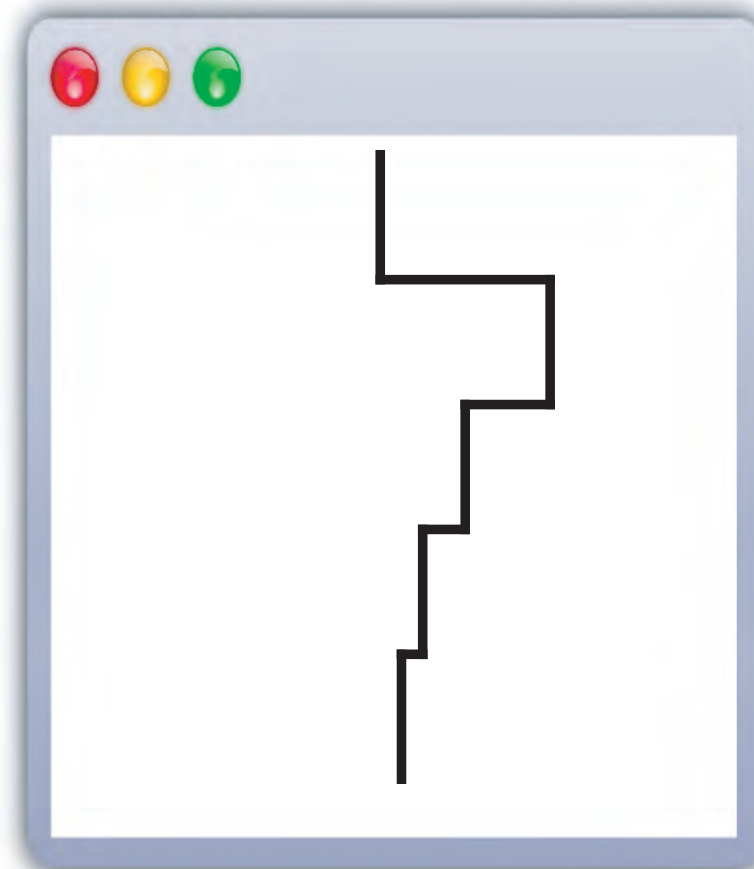


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4 Do soccer referees give more red cards to dark-skinned players than light-skinned ones?

Same Data, Many Possible Analyses

Zixin's plan



Skin colour:

3-levels: dark, medium, light

Co-variate use:

Control for positions (defensive players may commit more fouls)

Transformations:

Average skin-tone ratings (mean)

Exclusions:

Player-referee with no red card

Sophia's plan



Skin colour:

5 levels: (very) dark, medium, (very) light

Co-variate use:

Control for referees' skin colour

Transformations:

Max (darkest) skin-tone rating

Exclusions:

Games with no red card

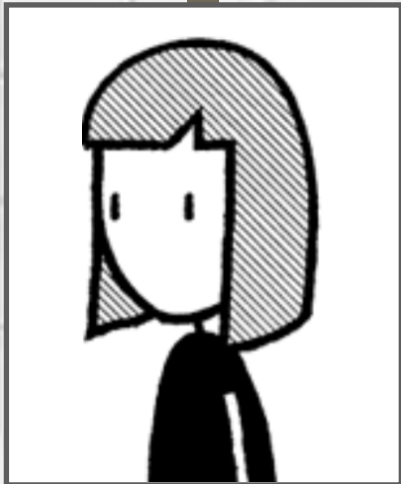
Analytic approach:

Same Data, Different Conclusions

Referees are **three times as likely** to give red cards to dark-skinned players

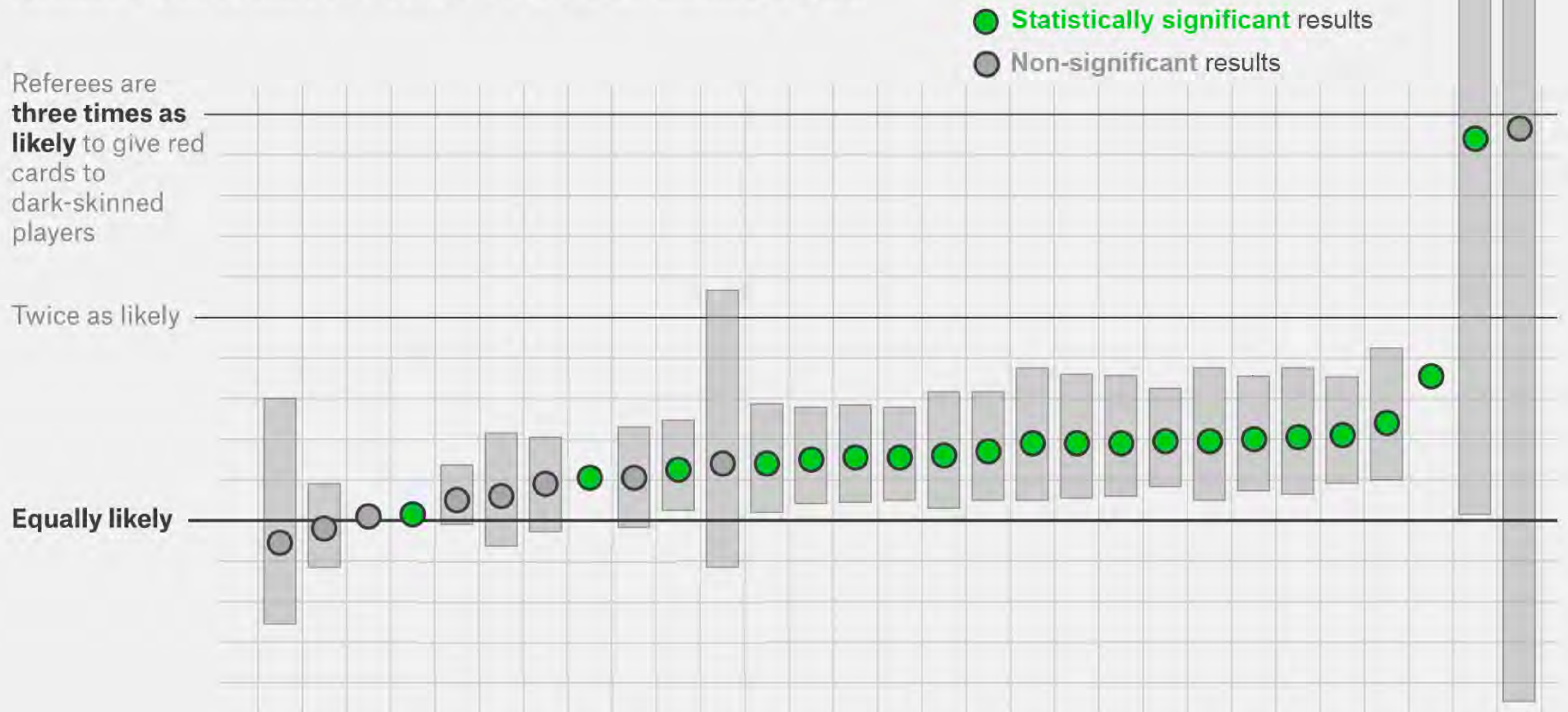
Twice as likely

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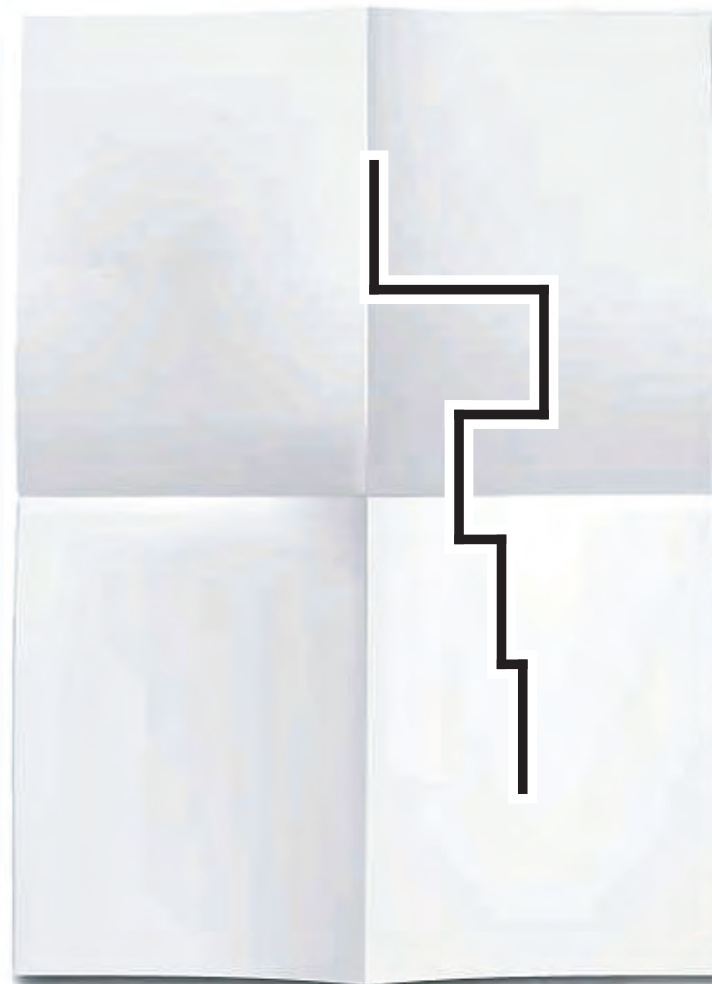
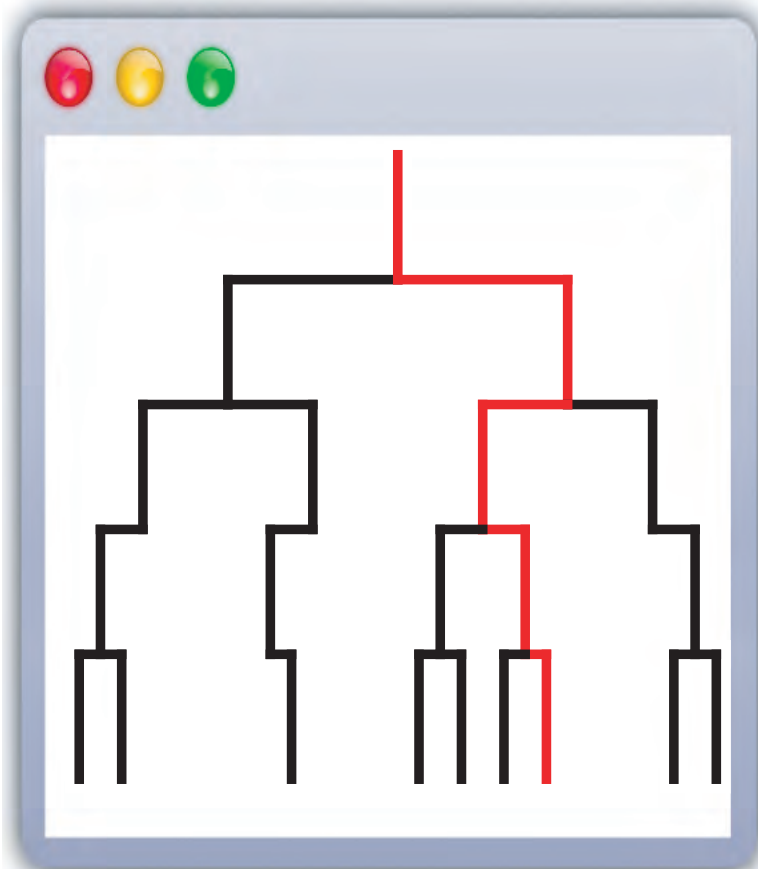
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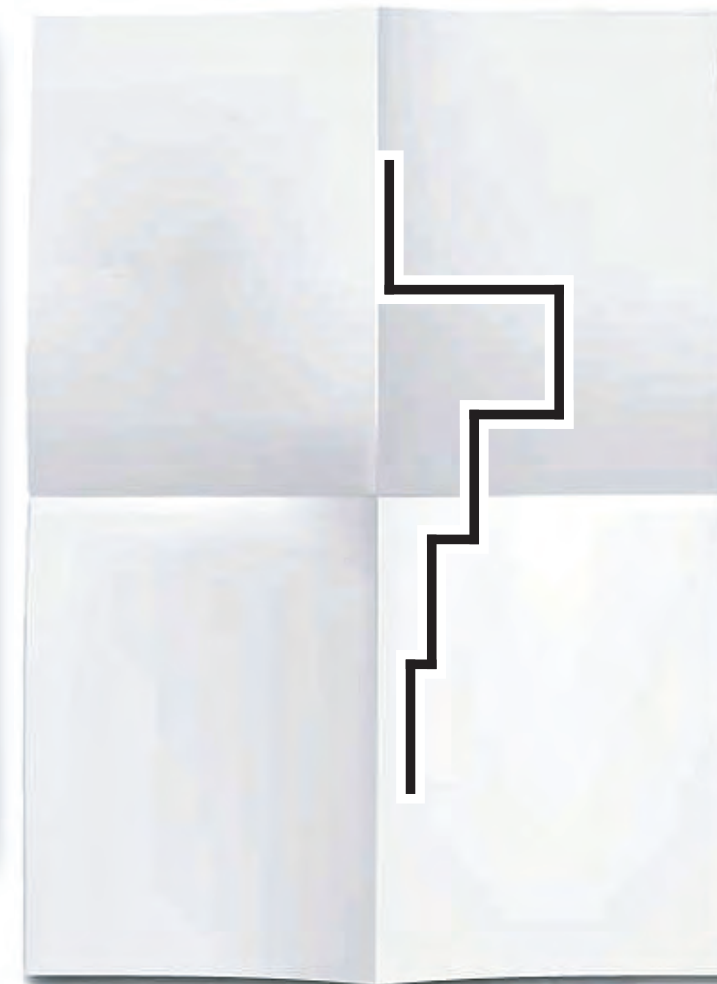
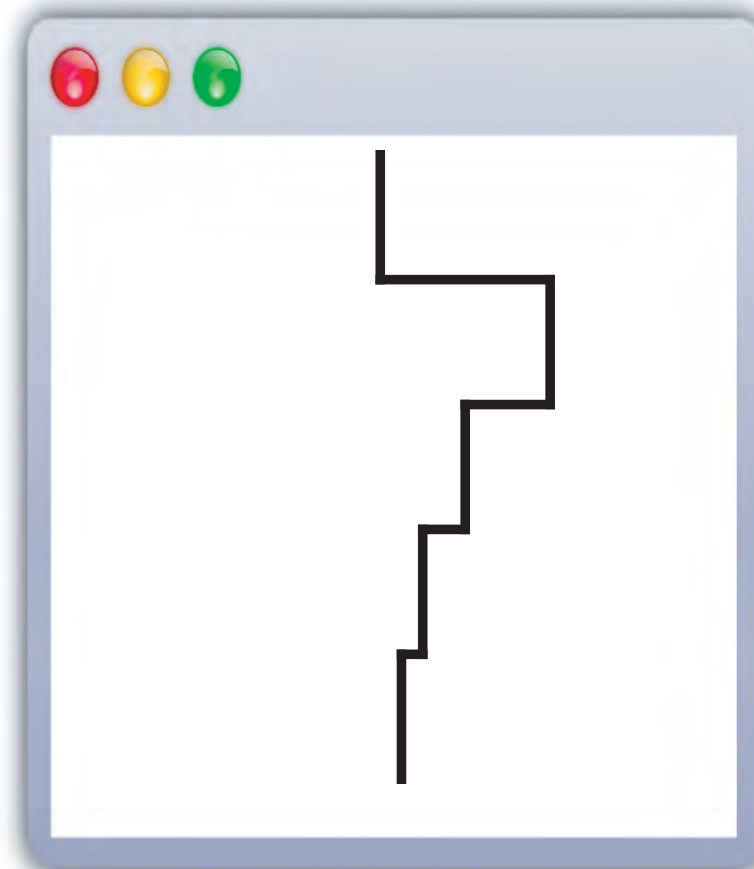


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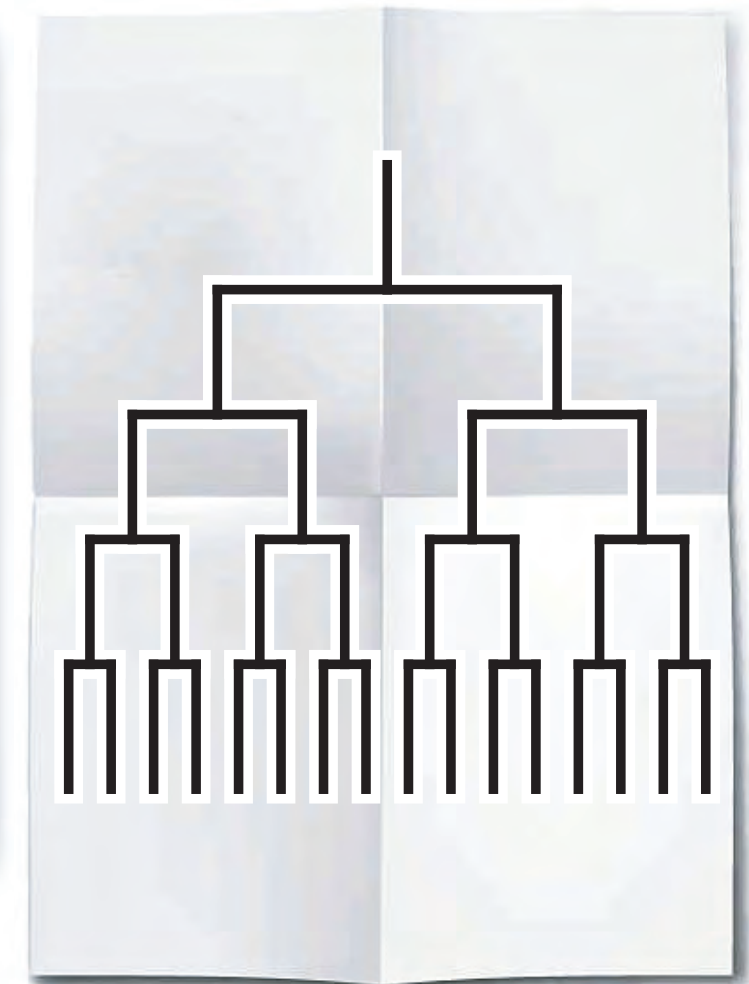
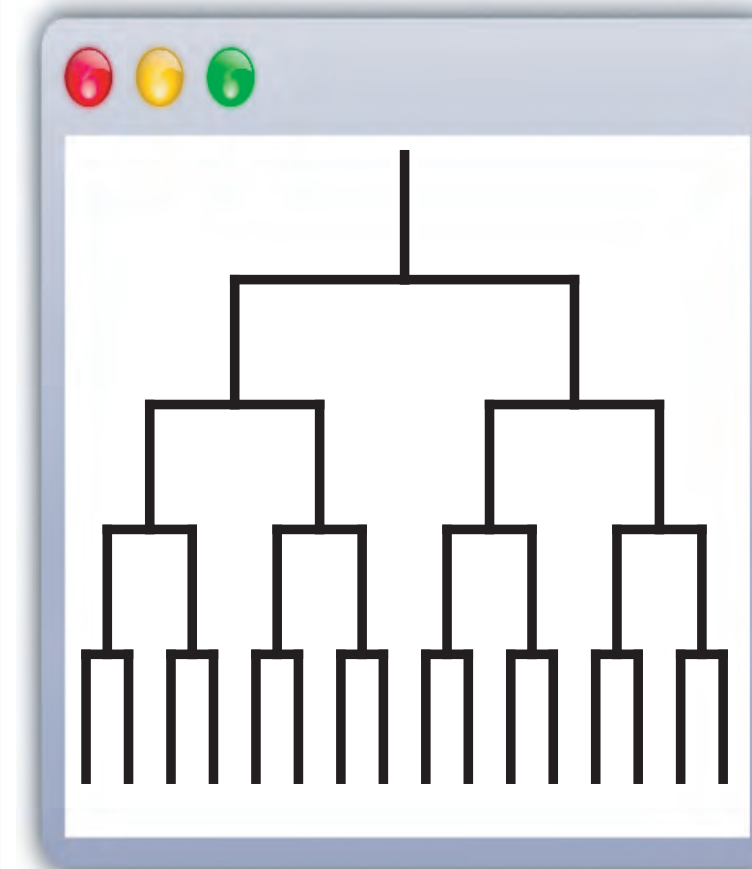


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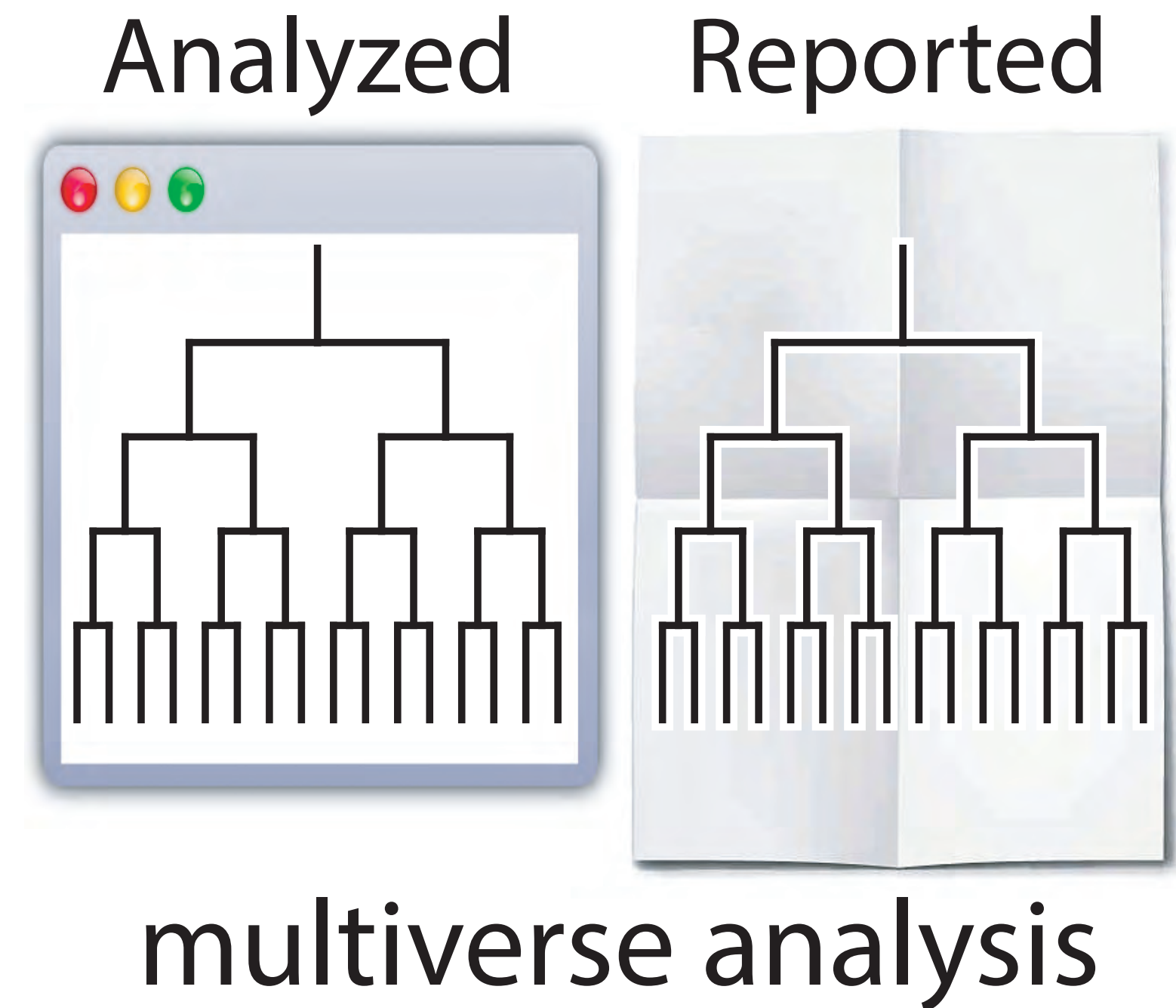


multiverse analysis

Even higher transparency

Multiverse Analysis

Performing and reporting all analyses corresponding to a large set of reasonable analysis scenarios.

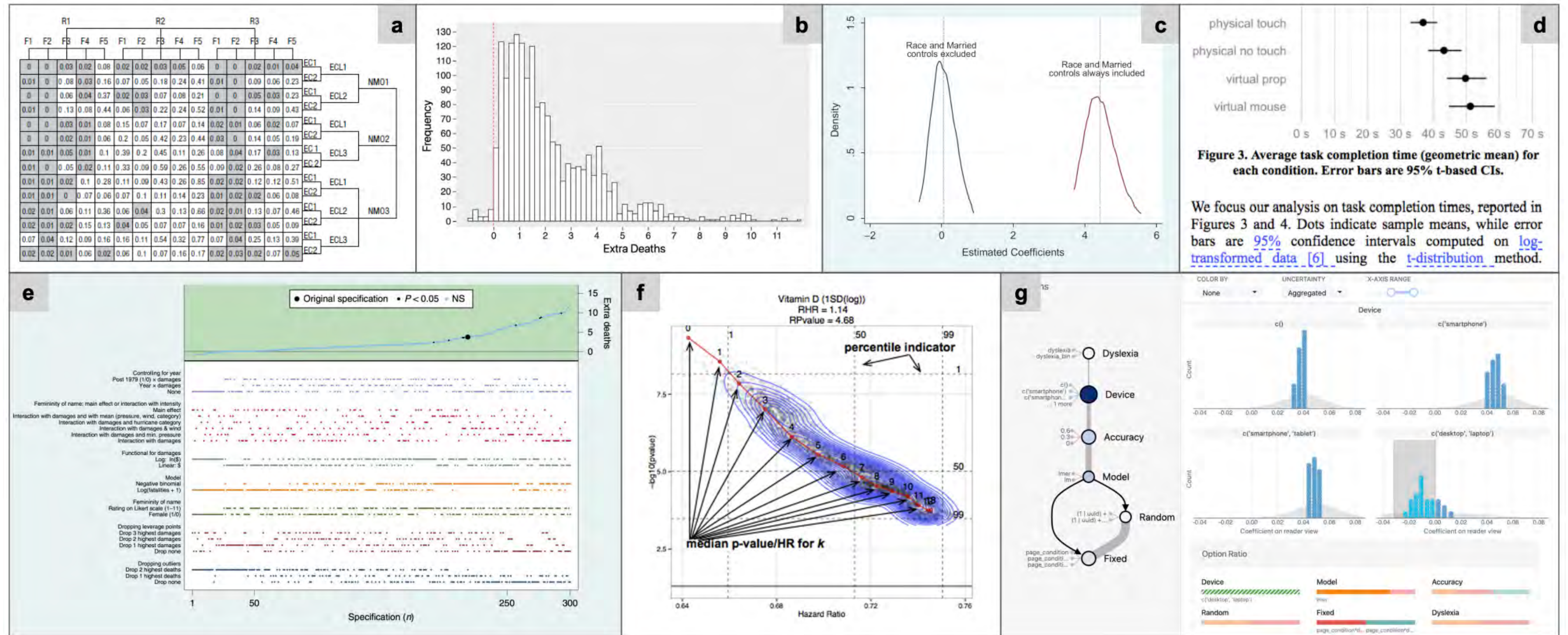


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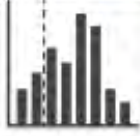
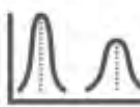
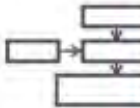
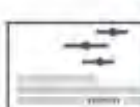
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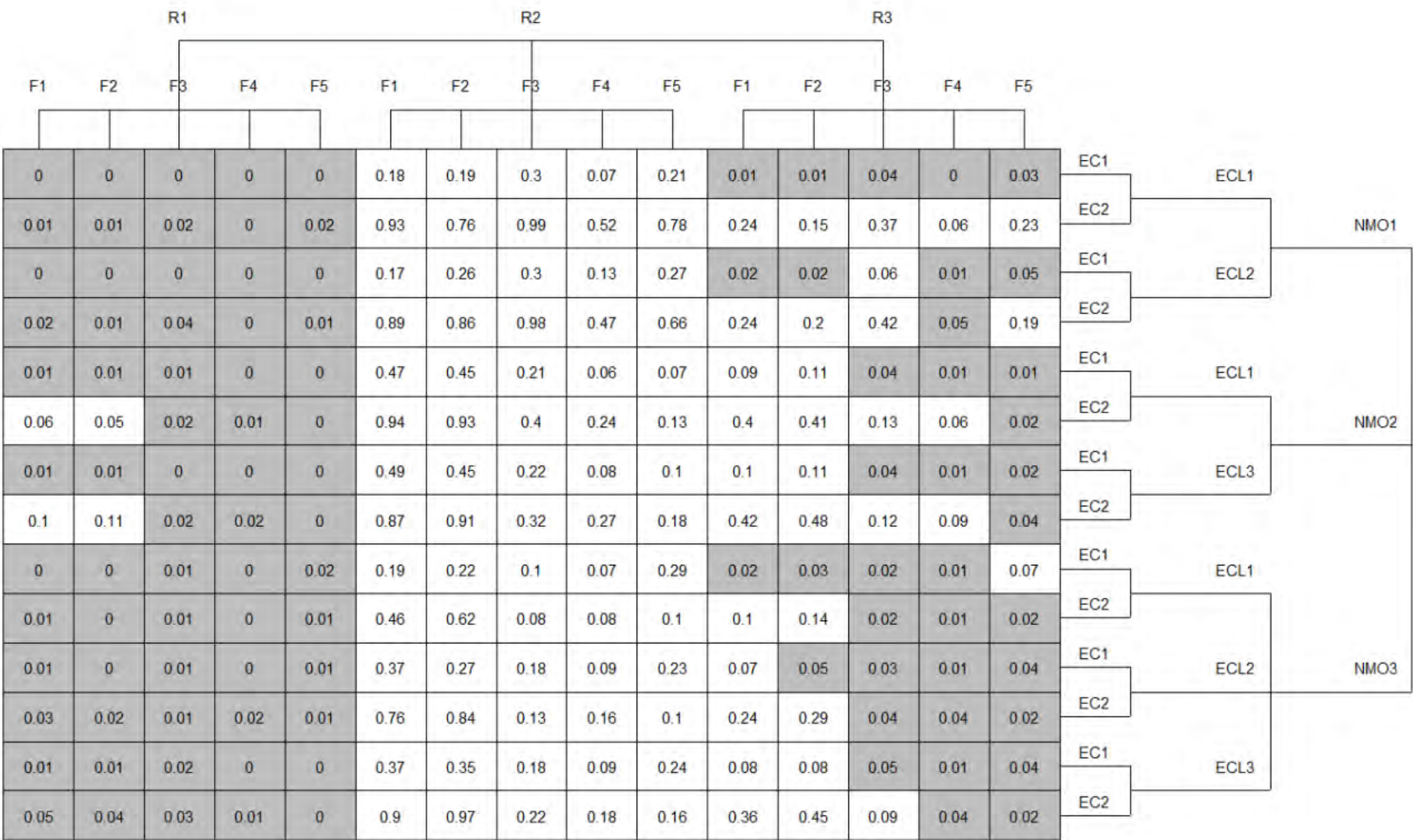
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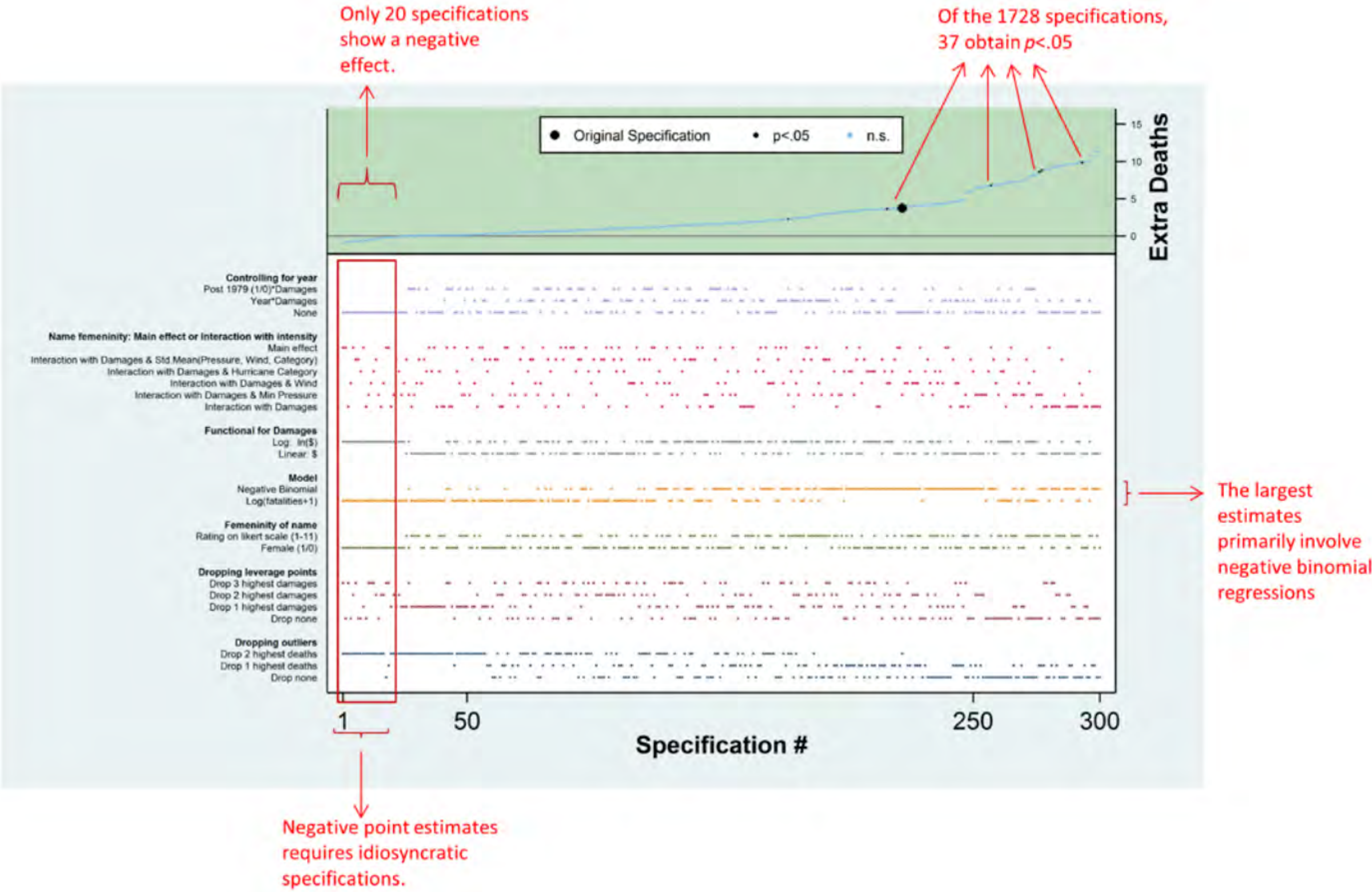
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Visual Summaries



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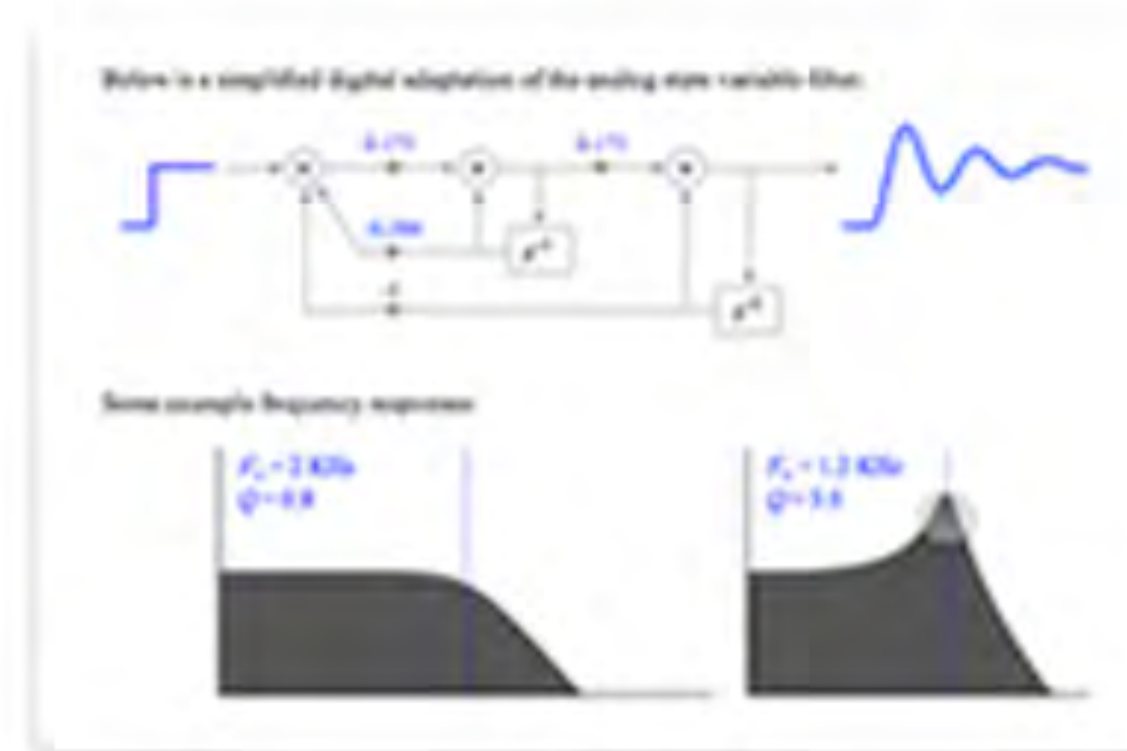
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What does it mean to be an **active reader**?

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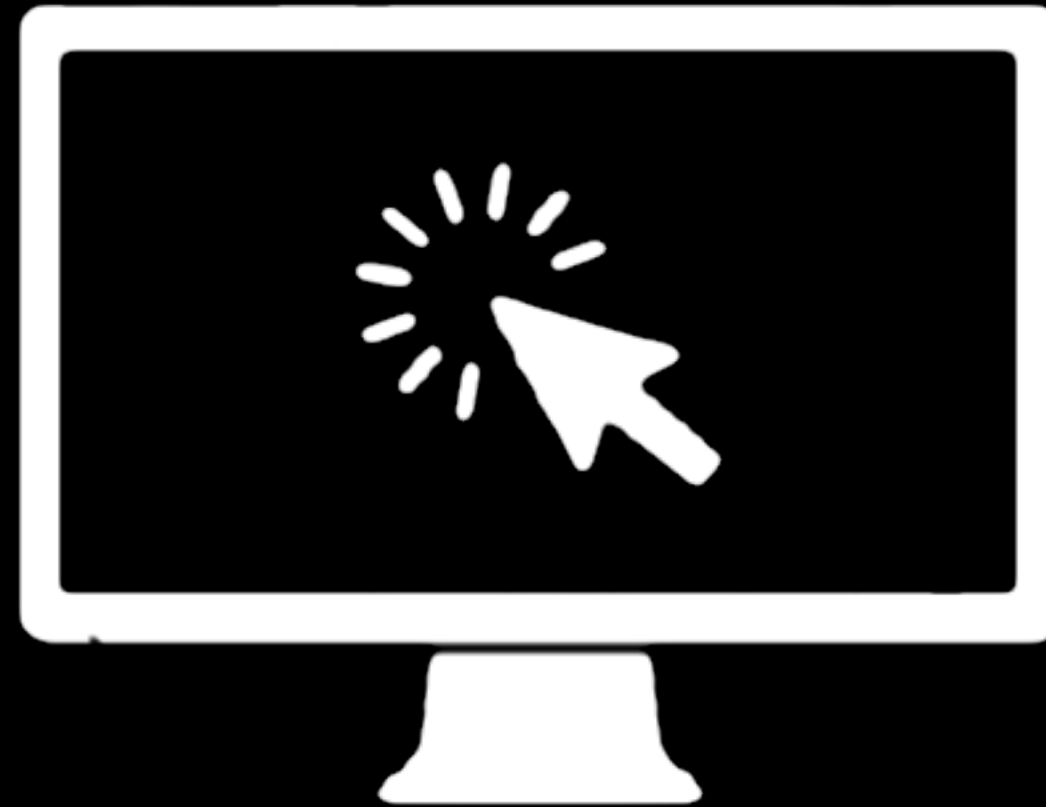
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<https://explorablemultiverse.github.io/>



*Promote and support
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Like the original paper we use an estimation approach, meaning that we report and interpret all results based on (unstandardized) effect sizes and their interval estimates [4]. We explain how to translate the results into statistical significance language to provide a point of reference, but we warn the reader against the pitfalls of dichotomous interpretations [5].

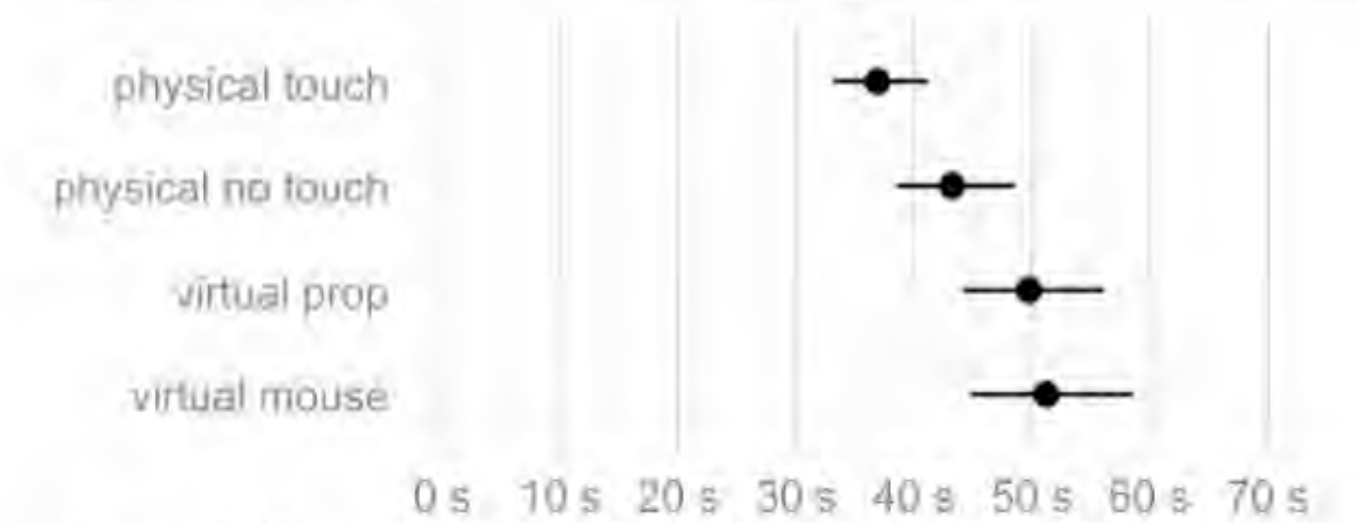


Figure 3. Average task completion time (geometric mean) for each condition. Error bars are 95% t-based CIs.

We focus our analysis on task completion times, reported in Figures 3 and 4. Dots indicate sample means, while error bars are 95% confidence intervals computed on [log-transformed data](#) [6] using the [t-distribution](#) method. Strictly speaking, all we can assert about each interval is that it comes from a procedure designed to capture the population mean 95% of the time across replications, under some assumptions [8]. In practice, if we assume we have very little prior knowledge about population means, each interval can be informally interpreted as a range of plausible values for the population mean, with the midpoint being about 7 times more likely than the endpoints [9].

Figure 3 shows the (geometric) mean completion time for each condition. At first sight, *physical touch* appears to be faster than the other conditions. However, since condition is a within-subject factor, it is preferable to examine within-subject differences [9], shown in Figure 4.

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multiverse: R library



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B. Decisions, also referred to as *parameters*, are declared using **branch()**. First argument is the name of the *parameter*. Alternate analysis are passed as arguments in the form **options_name ~ option_value**

C. **multiverse** compiles this declaration into three separate expressions

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2   filter(name != "Katrina" & name != "Audrey")
```



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1 df ← hurricane %>%
2   filter(branch(death_outliers,
3     "no_exclusion" ~ TRUE,
4     "most_extreme" ~ name != "Katrina",
5     "two_most_extreme" ~ !(name %in% c("Katrina", "Audrey"))
6   ))
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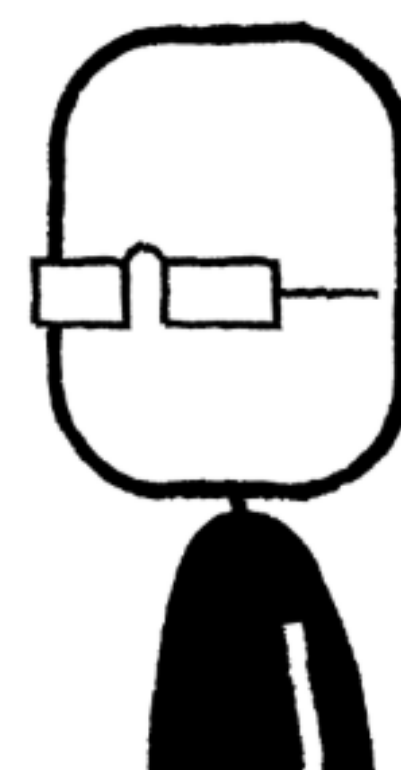
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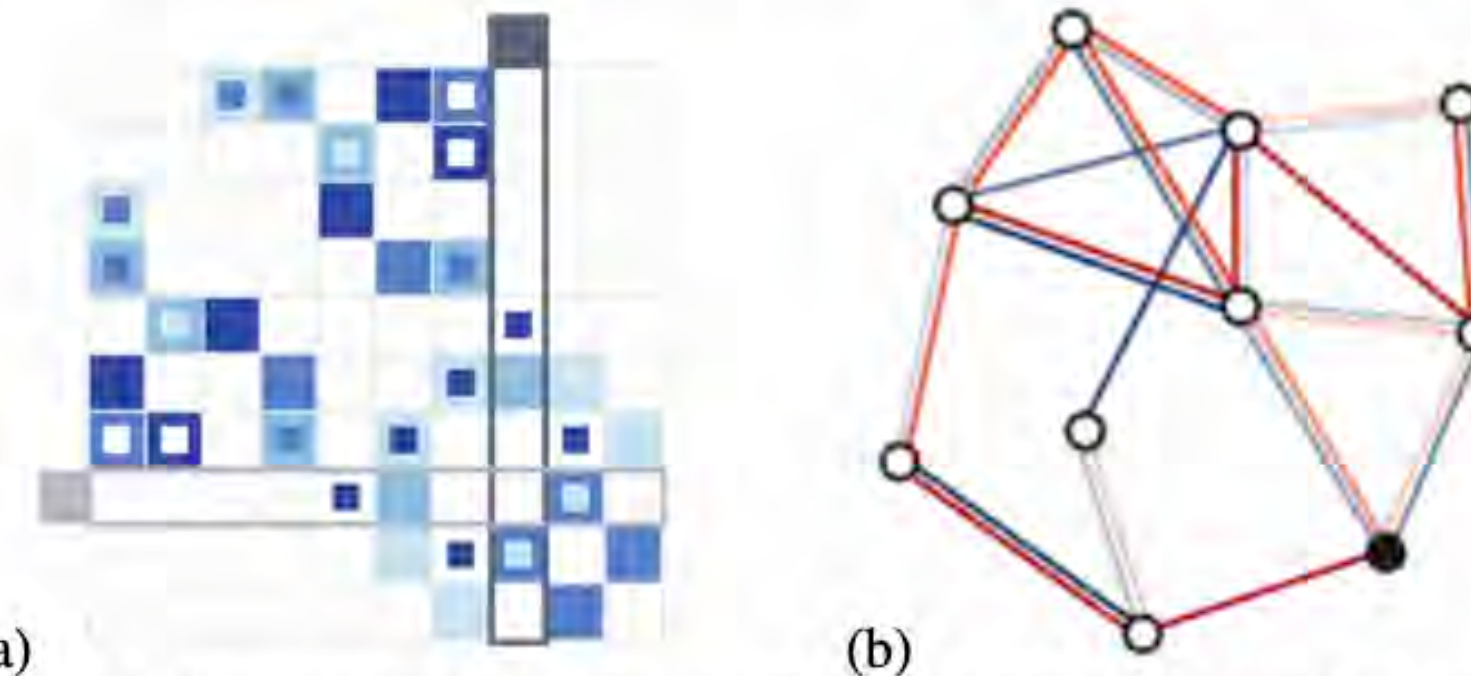
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(a) (b)
Figure 1. Alternative superimposed (a) matrix and (b) node-link visualizations supporting weighted graph comparisons.

ral groupings or anatomically segregated brain regions [26]. Although, the processes for acquiring the two types of connectivity data differ, they can both be expressed as weighted graphs in which nodes represent ROIs and edges can encode the strength of their correlation (*functional*) or the density of fibers connecting them (*anatomical*).

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We examined multiple visualizations...

So the question arises...

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II Tasks & Conditions

Though there are many existing visualization solutions, most are based on 2 techniques:

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TECHNIQUES

- NODE-LINK -

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- MATRICES -

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To test which one performs better, we designed three **tasks**. Tasks like these are frequently used in domains like brain connectivity analysis:

TASKS

- TREND -** Assess the weight change of a node's connections
 - Identify all connections to the highlighted node.
 - Assess the change in weight for each connection.
 - Estimate the aggregated change trend for all these connections.
- CONNECTIVITY -** Assess the connectivity of common neighbors of two nodes
 - Find the common neighbors, meaning the nodes that are connected to both of the highlighted nodes.
 - Among them, count how many are present in both graphs.
 - Select an option from 0 to 6.
- REGION -** Identify the region with most changes
 - Iterate each region and observe the graph change.
 - Estimate the changes in each region.
 - Click on the region with the highest edge weight variation.

Additionally, we arranged different sizes & densities for the datasets we created.

SMALL - LARGE

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III Hypotheses

For each task, we measured performance as number of correct trails. We sought to verify the following hypotheses:

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H2

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H3

For the **region** task, **Matrices** always outperform **node-link diagrams**.

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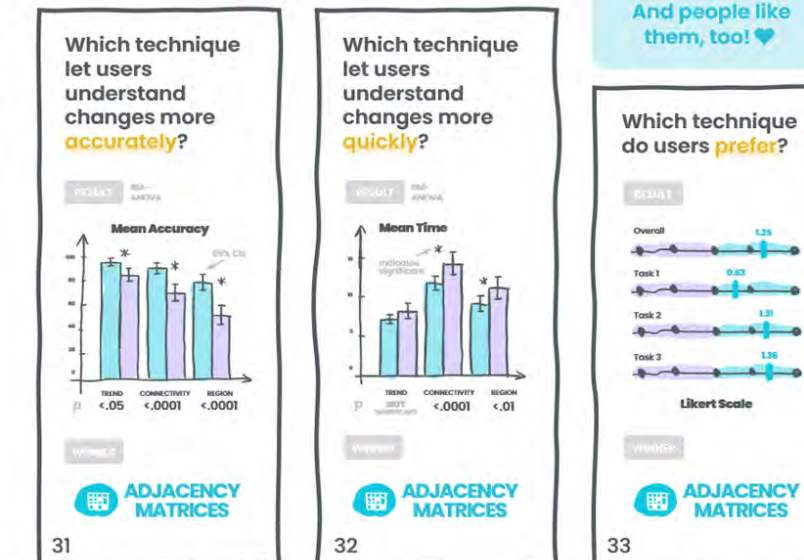
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H1 & H3

We thought **matrices** would outperform **node-link diagrams** for **Trend (H1)** and **Region (H3)** tasks on **dense datasets**... Turns out this applies to **all** tasks across **all** datasets!

H2

We thought for the **Connectivity** task, **matrices** should NOT outperform **node-link diagrams**... But well, it did.

H4 Supported

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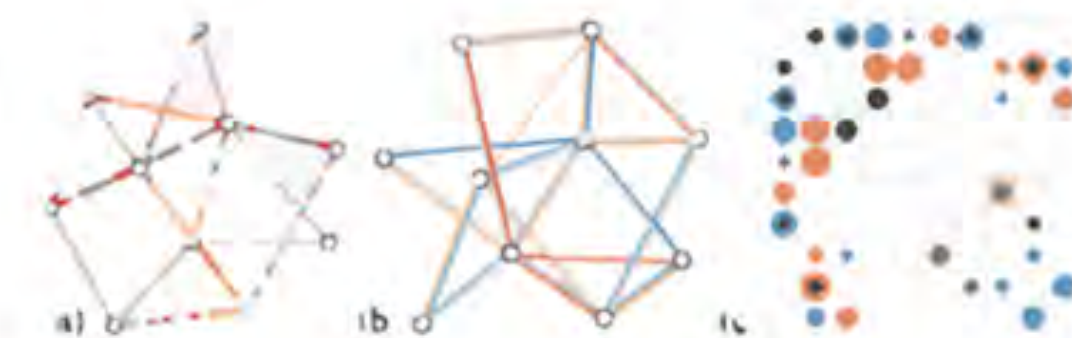


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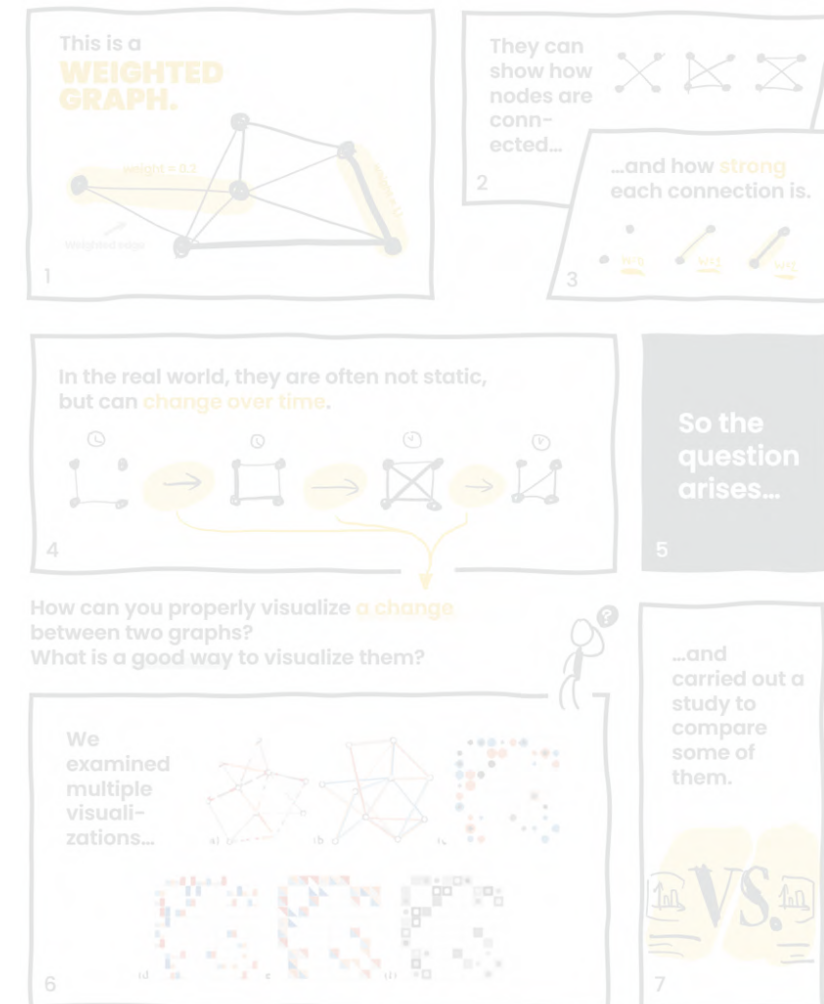
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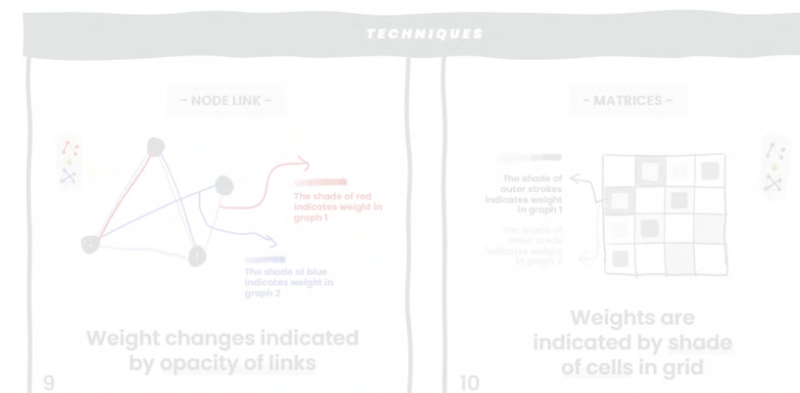
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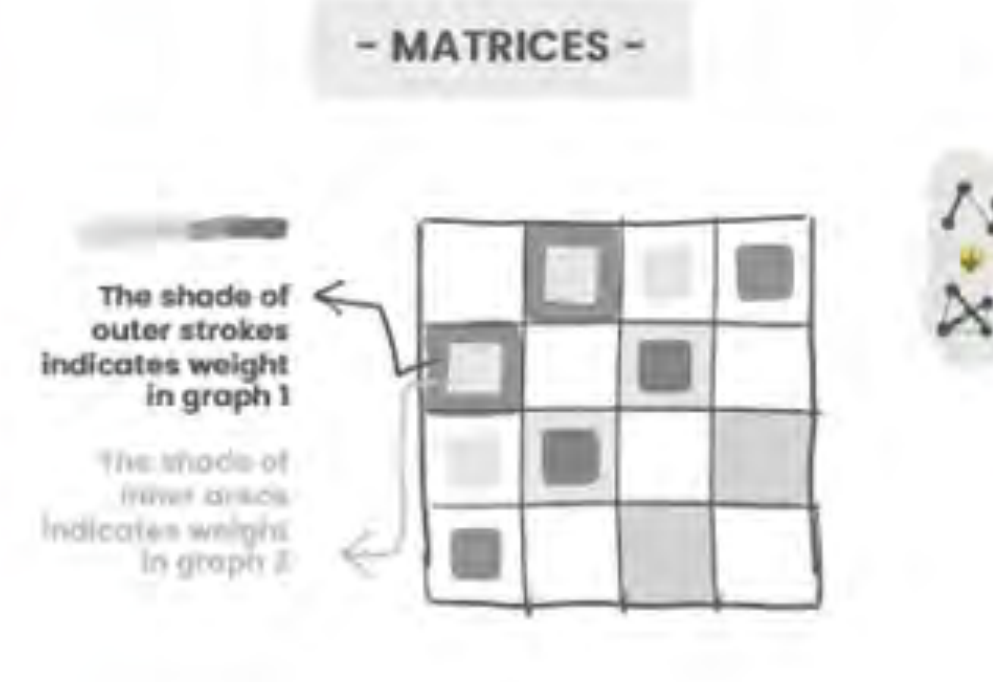
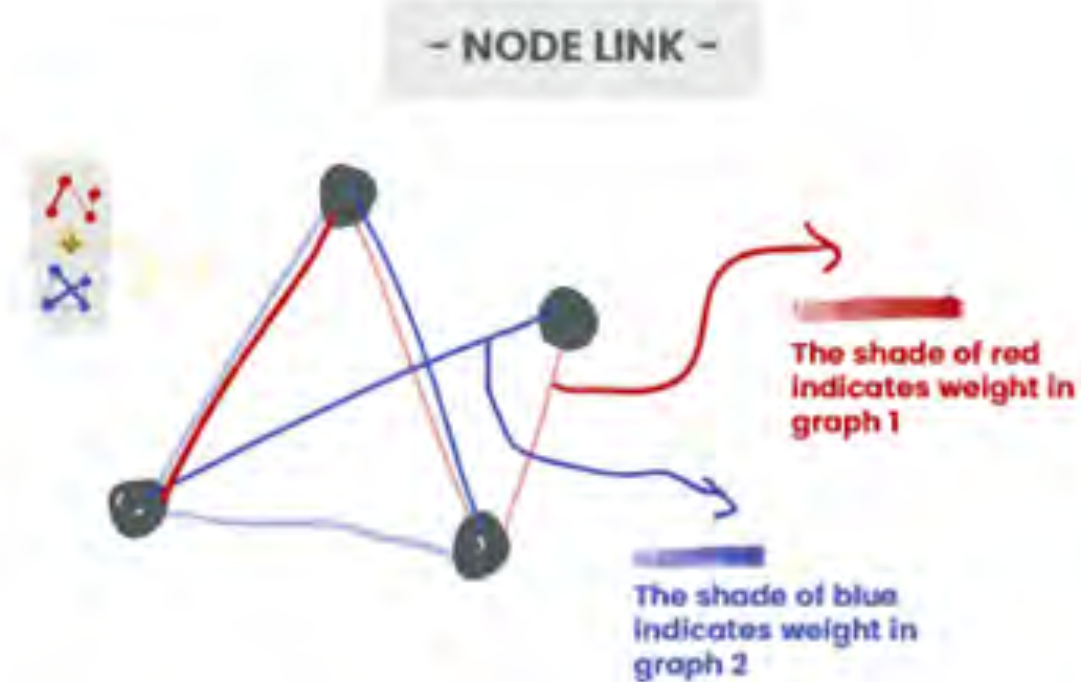


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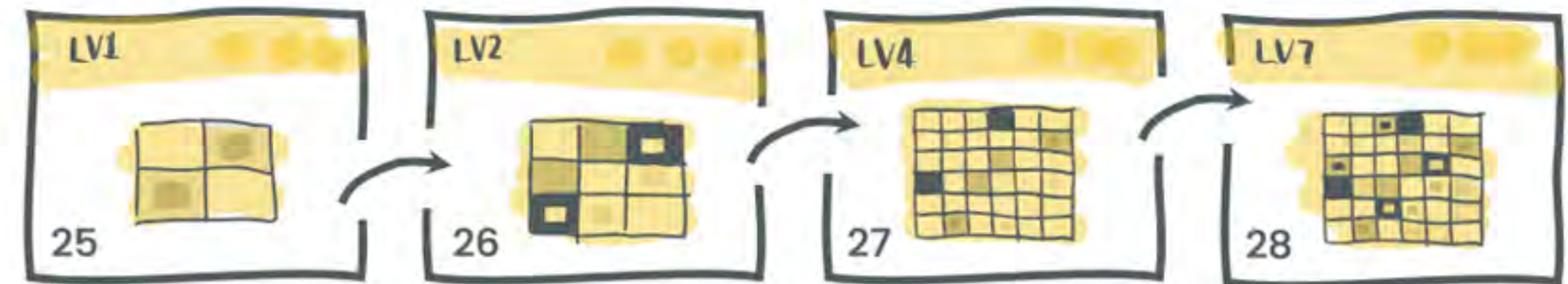
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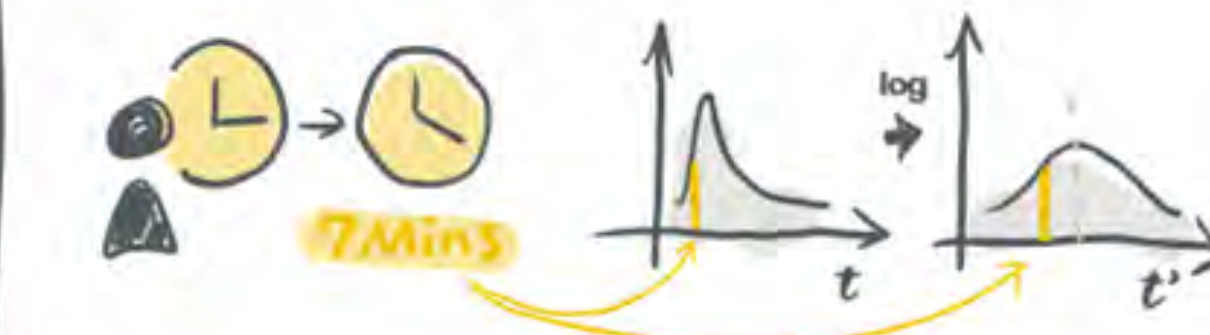
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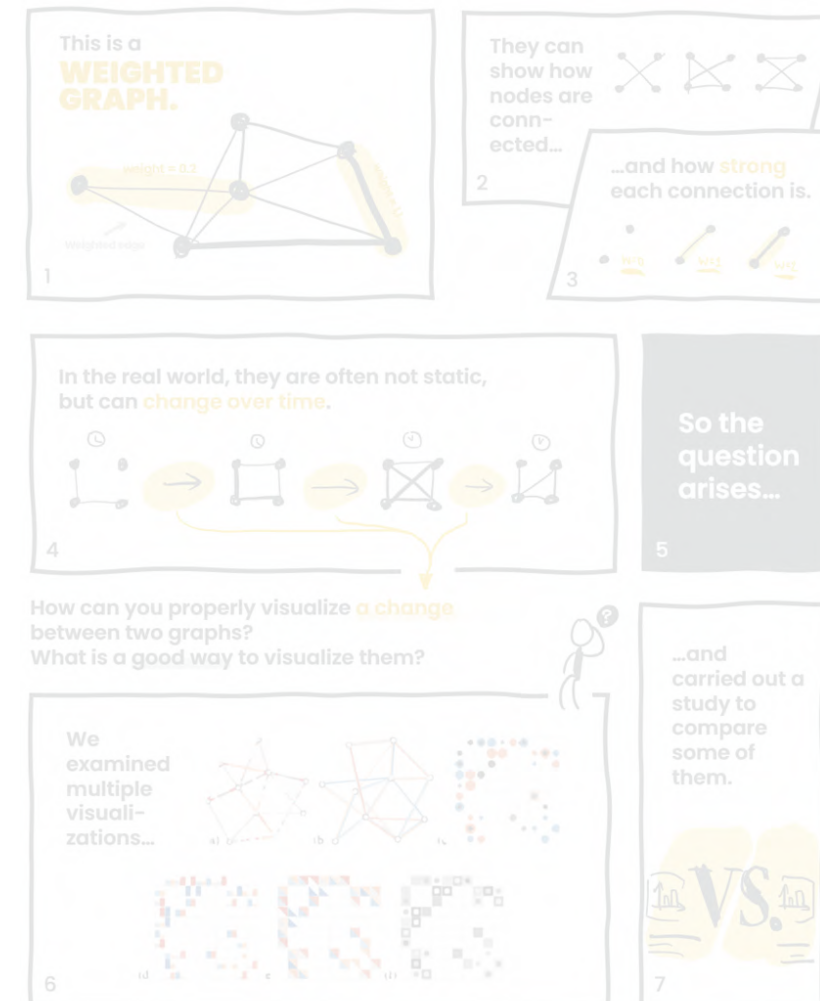
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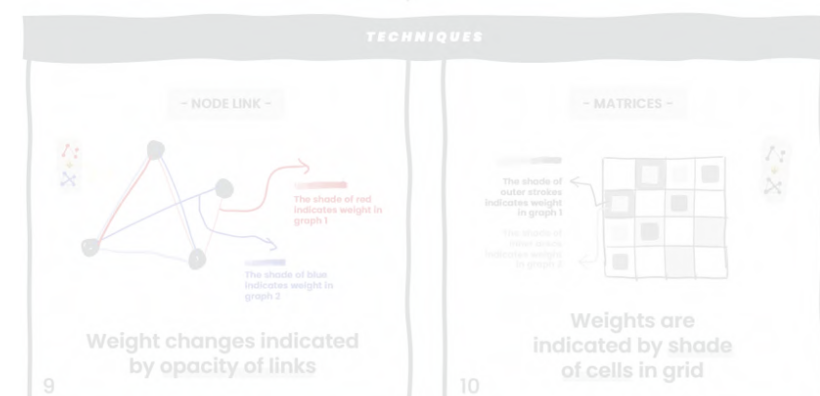
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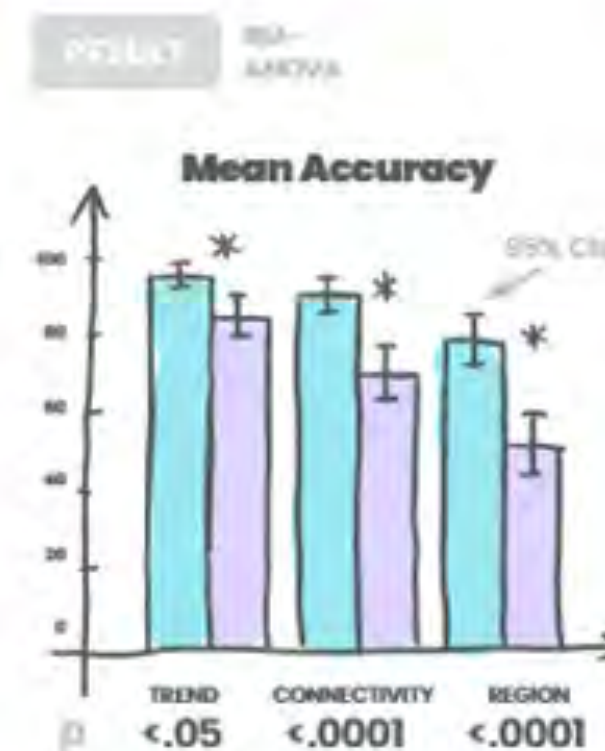
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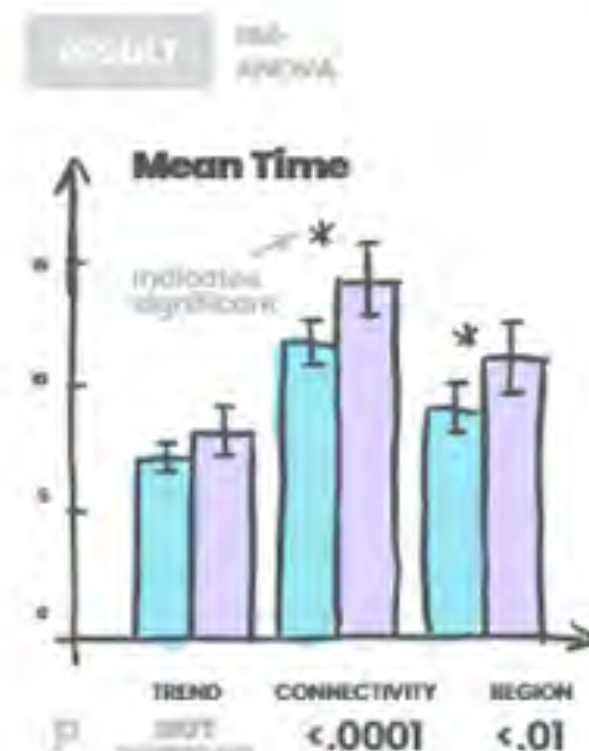
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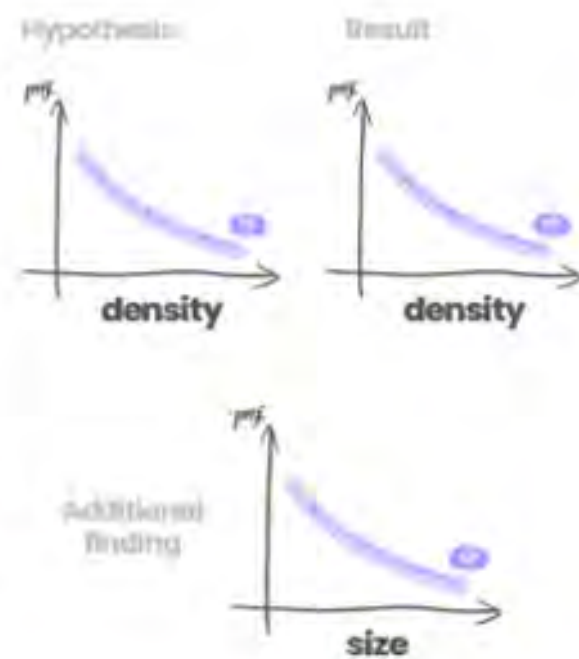
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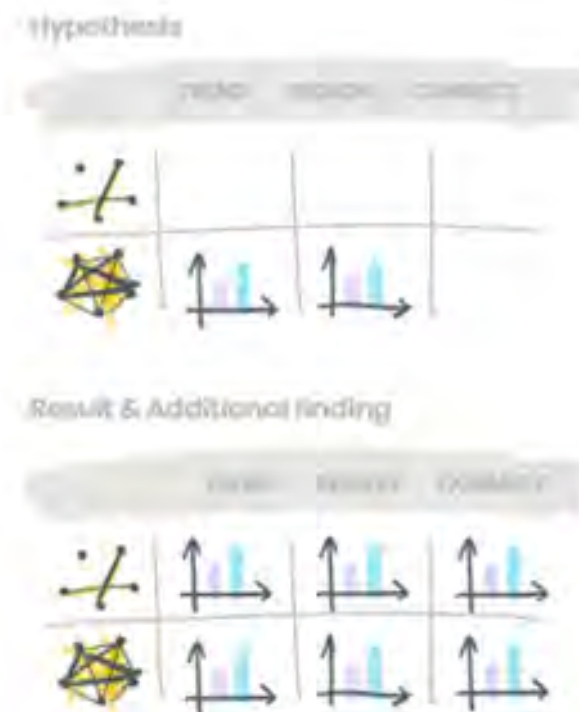
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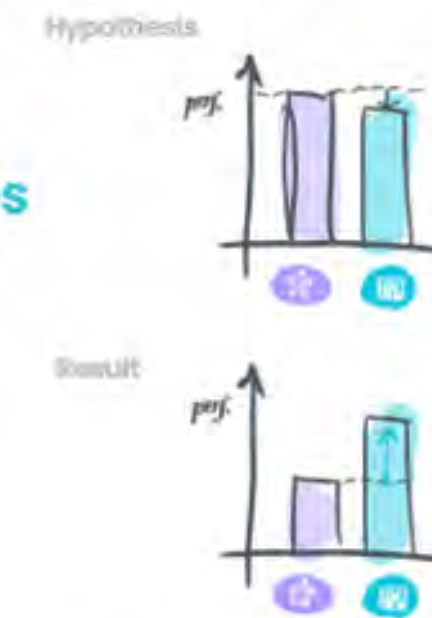


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But well, it did.



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I Context, Motivation & Problem Study

This is a **WEIGHTED GRAPH**.

They can show how nodes are connected... ..and how **strong** each connection is.

In the real world, they are often not static, but can **change over time**.

How can you properly visualize **a change** between two graphs? What is a good way to visualize them?

We examined multiple visualizations...

So the question arises...

...and carried out a study to compare some of them.

II Tasks & Conditions

Though there are many existing visualization solutions, most are based on 2 techniques:

- node-link diagrams
- adjacency matrices

TECHNIQUES

- NODE-LINK -

Weight changes indicated by opacity of links

- MATRICES -

Weights are indicated by shade of cells in grid

To test which one performs better, we designed three **tasks**. Tasks like these are frequently used in domains like brain connectivity analysis:

TASKS

- TREND -** Assess the weight change of a node's connections
 - Identify all connections to the highlighted node.
 - Assess the change in weight for each connection.
 - Estimate the aggregated change trend for all these connections.
- CONNECTIVITY -** Assess the connectivity of common neighbors of two nodes
 - Find the common neighbors, meaning the nodes that are connected to both of the highlighted nodes.
 - Among them, count how many are present in both graphs.
 - Select an option from 0 to 6.
- REGION -** Identify the region with most changes
 - Iterate each region and observe the graph change.
 - Estimate the changes in each region.
 - Click on the region with the highest edge weight variation.

Additionally, we arranged different sizes & densities for the datasets we created.

SMALL - LARGE

SPARSE - DENSE

III Hypotheses

For each task, we measured performance as number of correct trails. We sought to verify the following hypotheses:

H1

For the **trend** task, **Matrices** outperform **node-link diagrams** for **dense** networks.

H2

For the **connectivity** task, **Matrices** do NOT outperform **node-link diagrams**.

H3

For the **region** task, **Matrices** always outperform **node-link diagrams**.

H4

Overall, We expect **node-link diagrams** to decrease in performance for **dense** datasets.

IV Study Setup, Data Collection & Data Transformation

We recruited 11 participants to complete the study...

We used a **full factorial** design for the test problems, so every single possible combination was present.

2 TECHNIQUES x 3 TASKS x 2 SIZES x 2 DENSITIES

Also, every participant was doing all conditions. (within-subject study).

Where we estimate their performance on understanding the weighted graph changes.

The complexity of test problems gradually increases in the test...

LV1, LV2, LV4, LV7

A user's responding time will be recorded and log-transformed...

At the end, they will also be asked to give answer on which **technique** they prefer.

V Results

Result shows that **Adjacency matrices** perform better for visualizing weighted graph changes under most conditions...

Which technique let users understand changes more **accurately**?

Which technique let users understand changes more **quickly**?

Which technique do users **prefer**?

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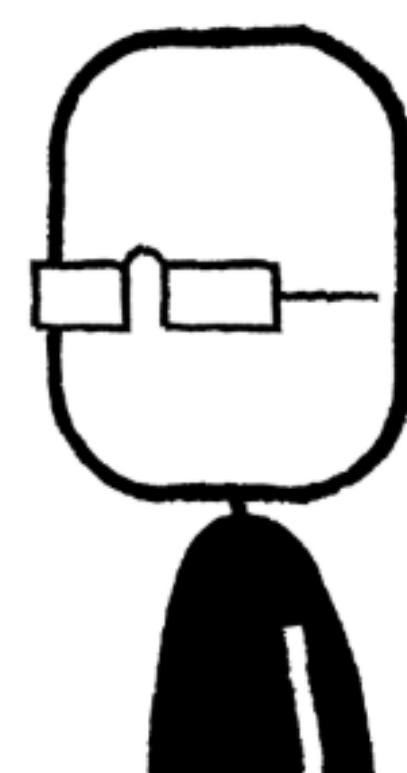
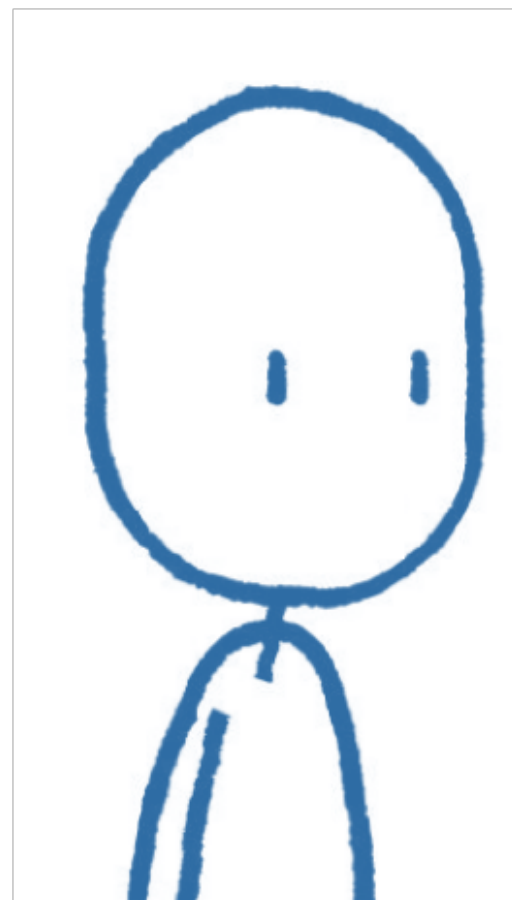
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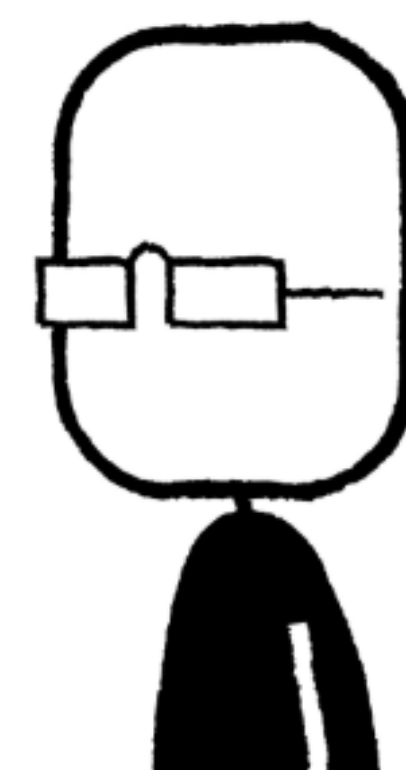
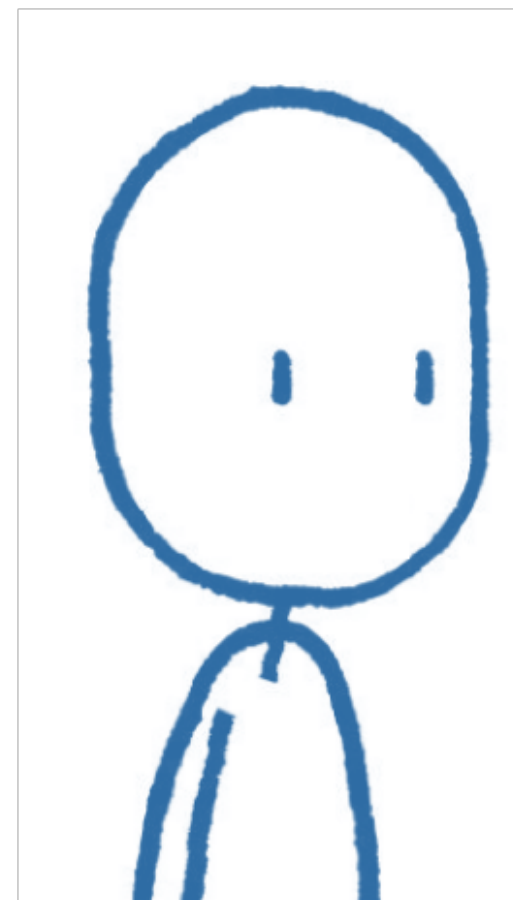
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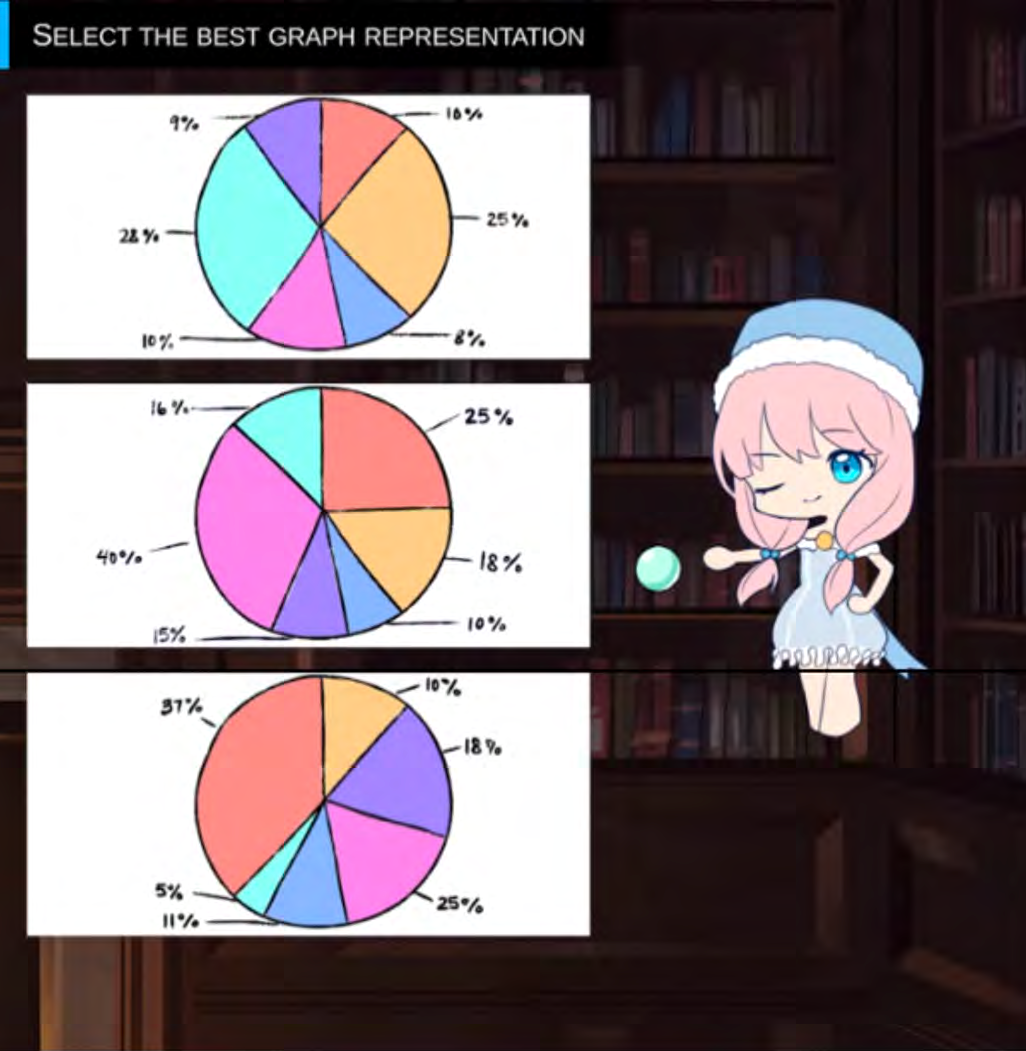
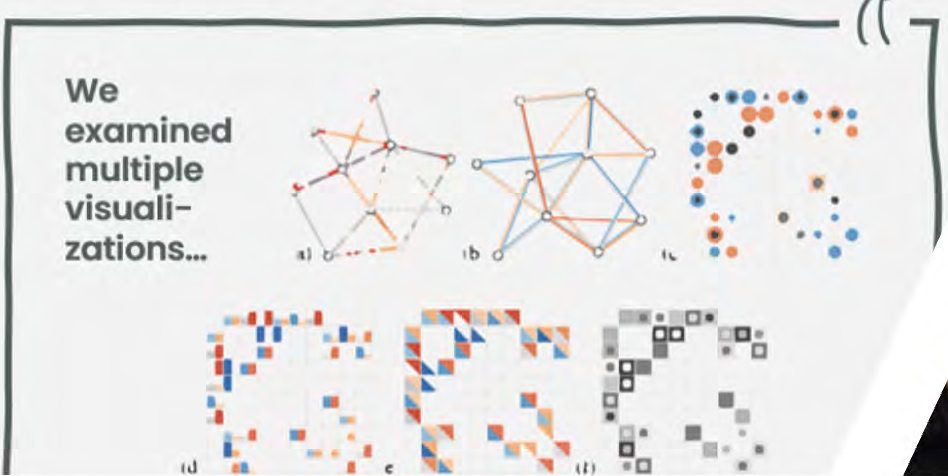
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