

From Visual Exploration to Storytelling and Back Again



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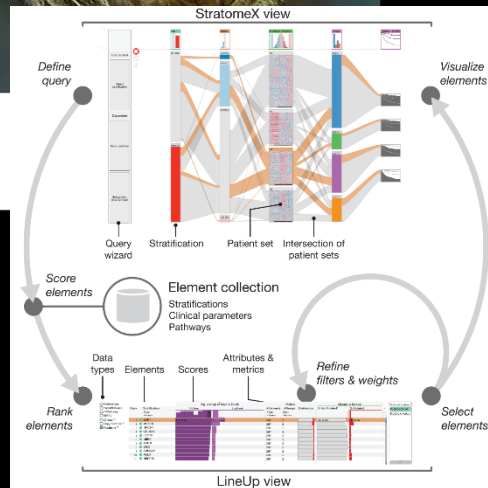


Presentation

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StratomeX Demonstration Video

The Cancer Genome Atlas
Clear Cell Renal Carcinoma Case Study



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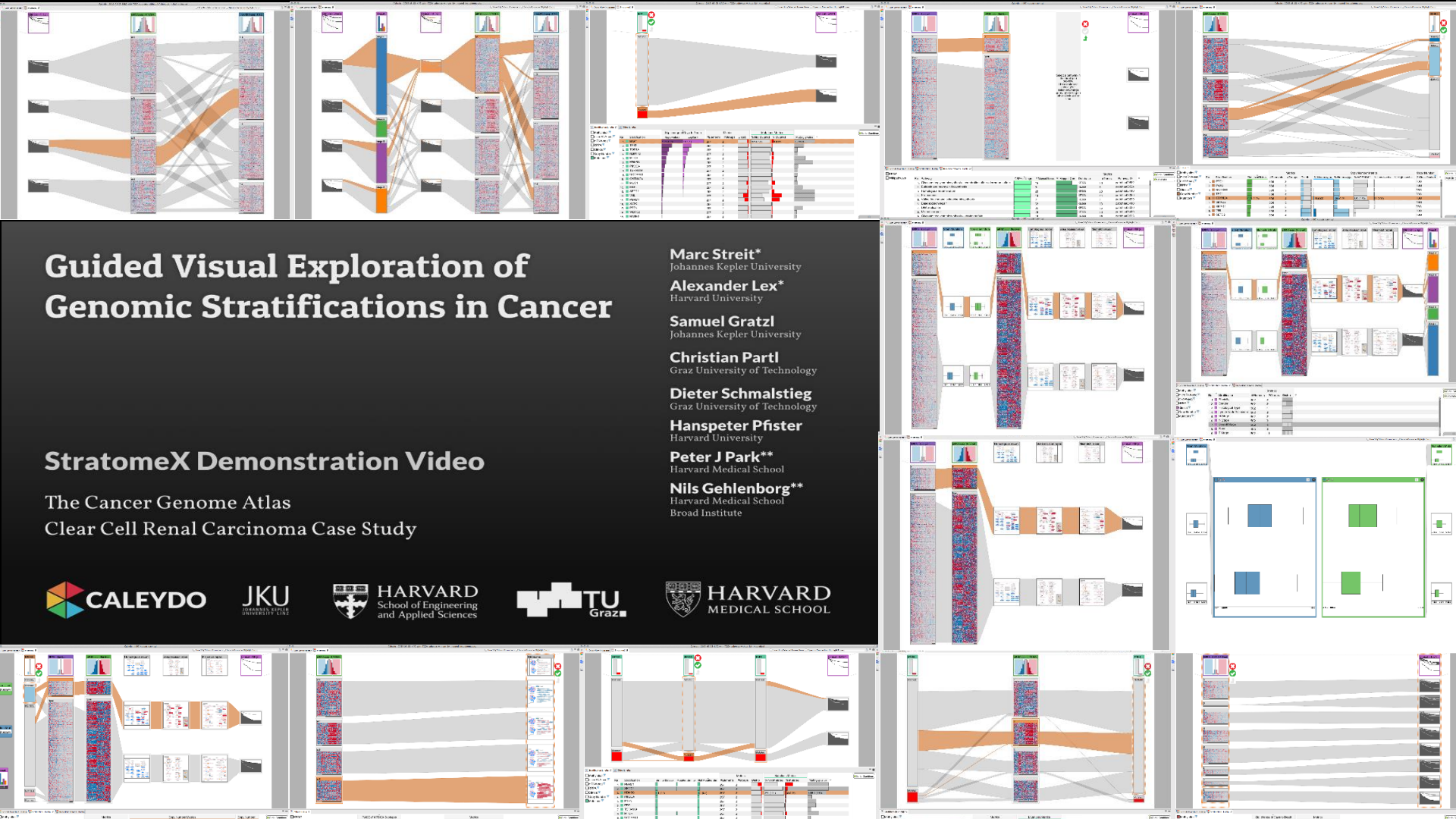
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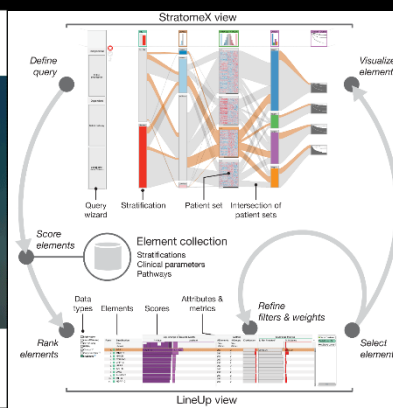
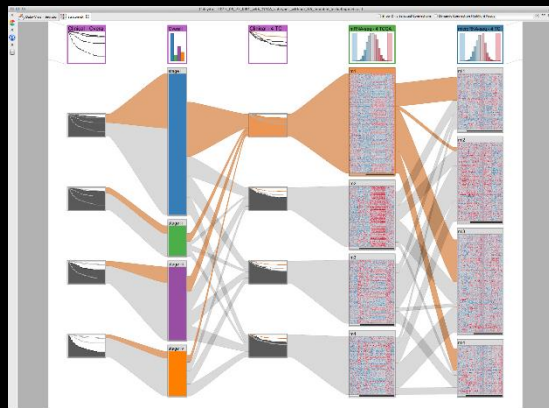
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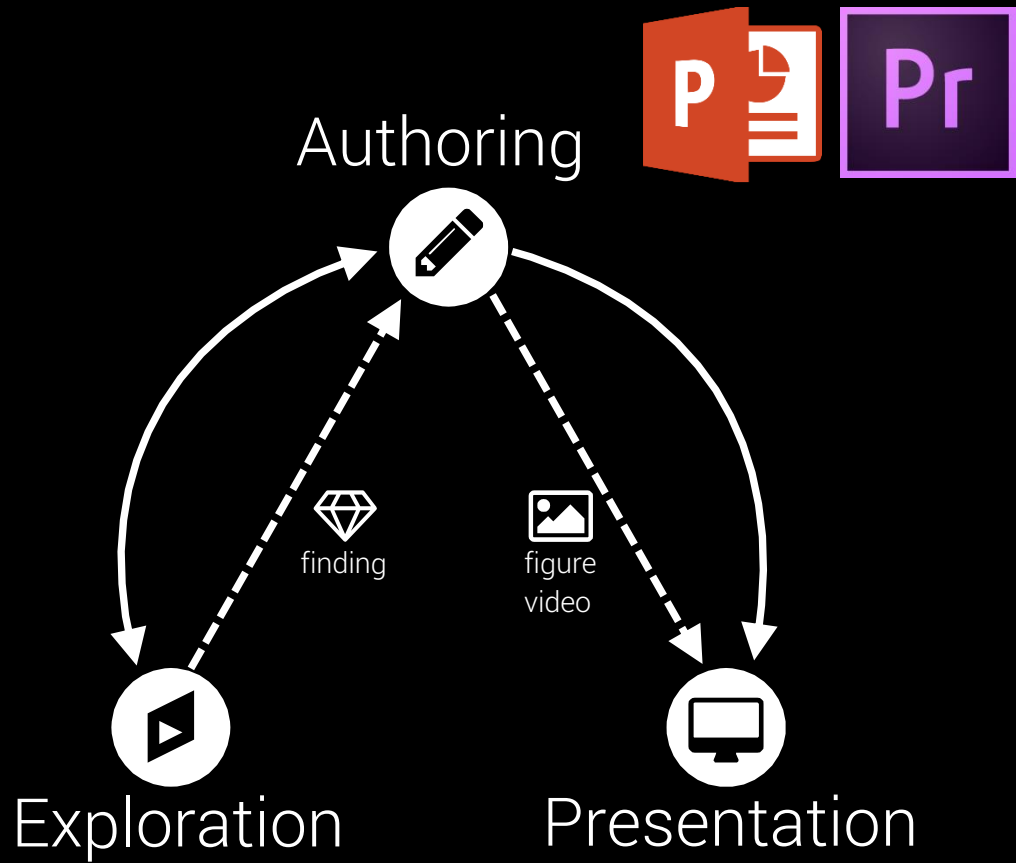
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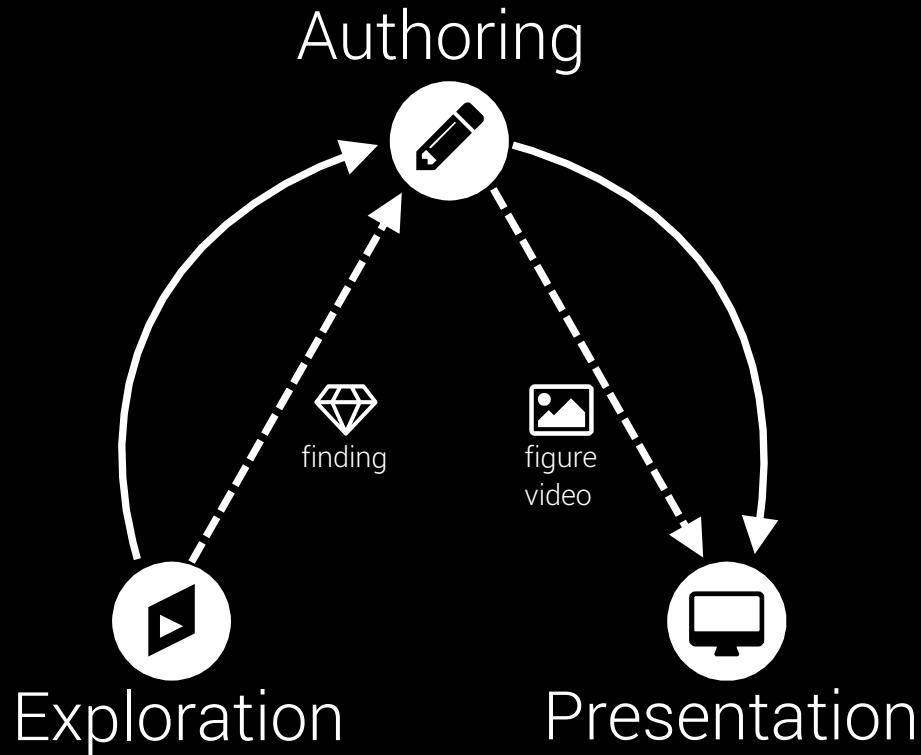


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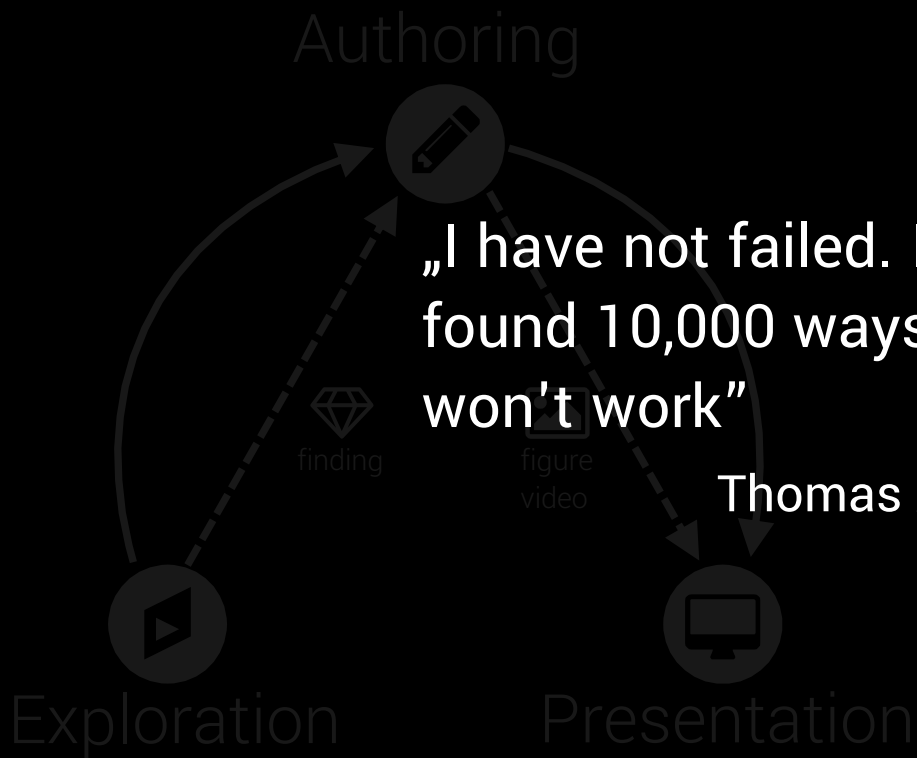
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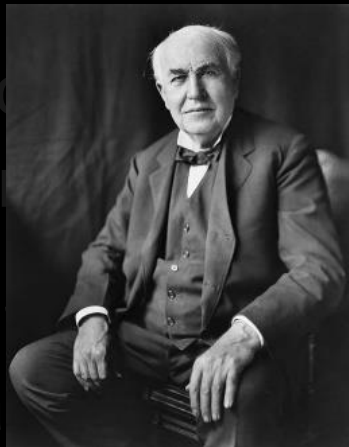
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- fraction/selection of the exploration
- tell just the „good“ parts
- no back link



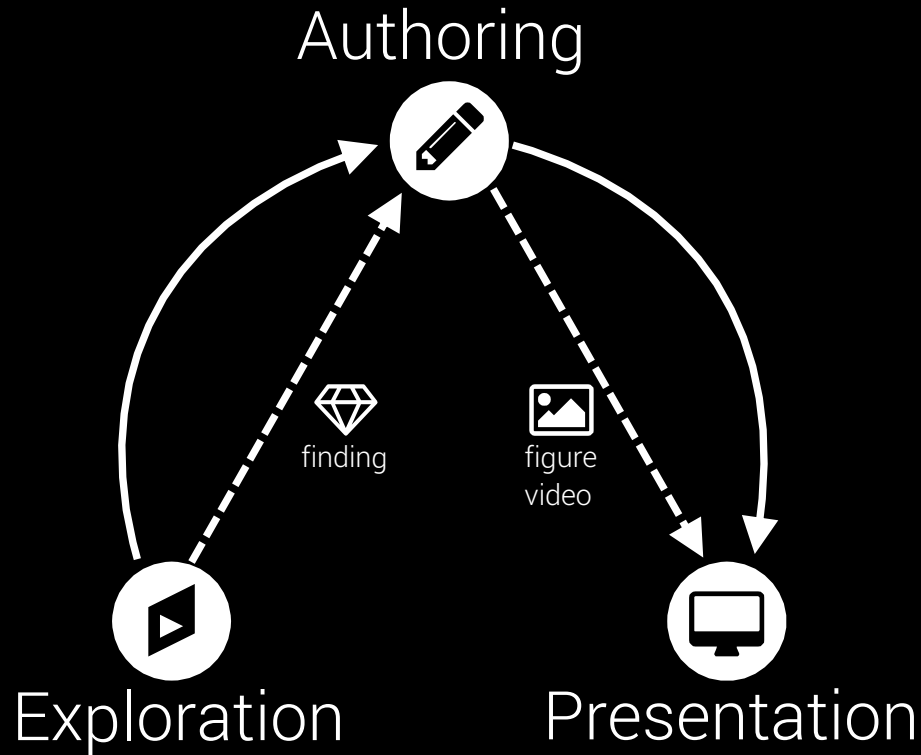
„I have not failed. I've just
found 10,000 ways that
won't work"

Thomas A. Edison




Issues

- frustration
- exploration of the
- tell just what the "parts
- no ba



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THE CANCER TEST

A nonprofit's effort to replicate 50 top cancer papers is shaking up labs

By Jocelyn Kaiser

Repeat failures

6 of 53
Cancer papers that Amgen could reproduce

14 of 67
Biomedical papers that Bayer completely reproduced

55%
MD Anderson researchers who could not reproduce a published study

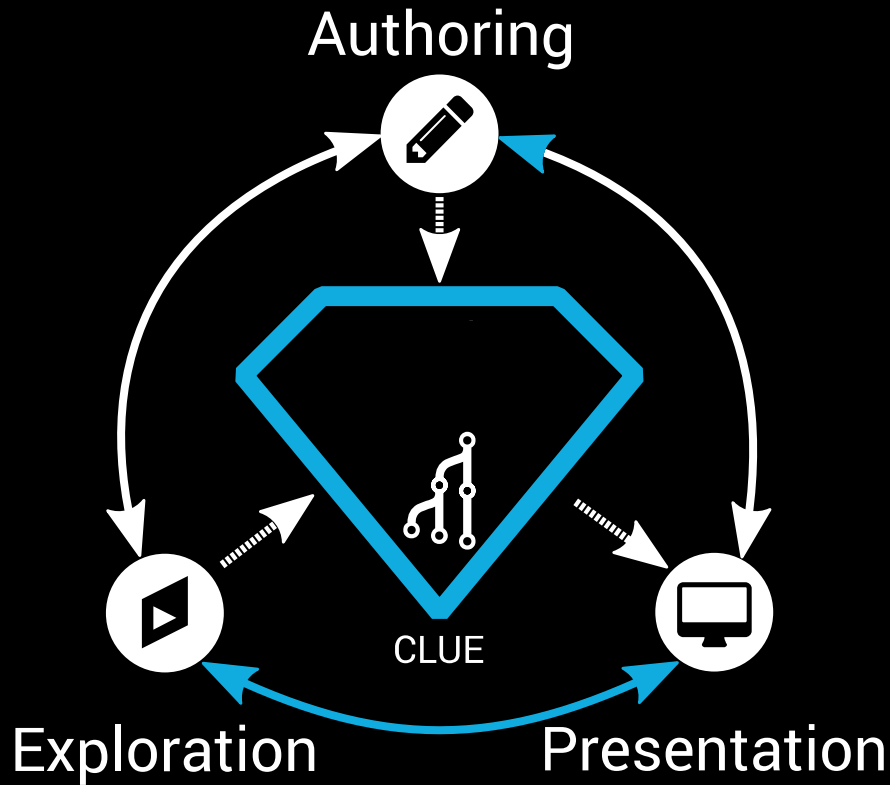
Exploration

continue

How to reproduce the presented exploration?

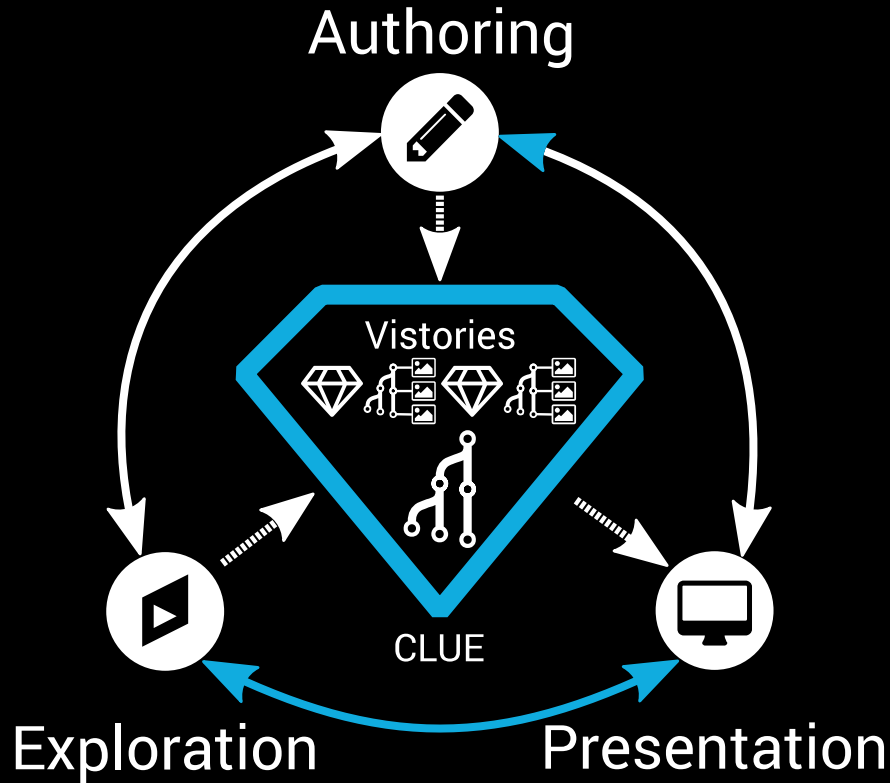
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How to go from
visual exploration to storytelling
and back again?



Capture
Label
Understand
Explain

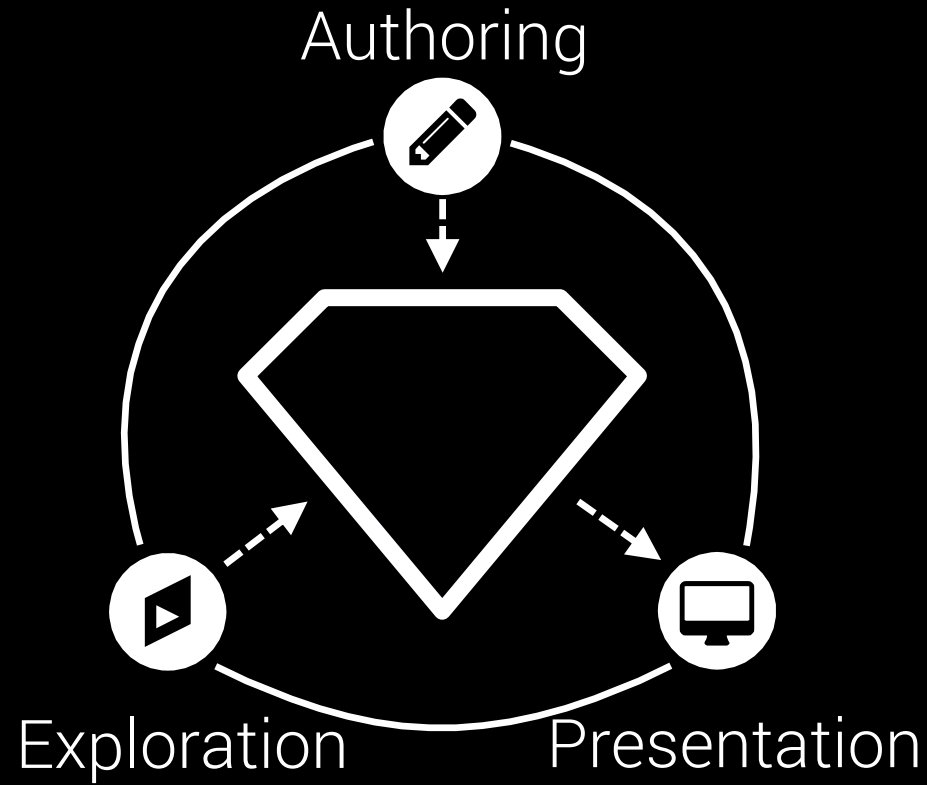
visualization driven
explorations based on
automated recorded
provenance data.

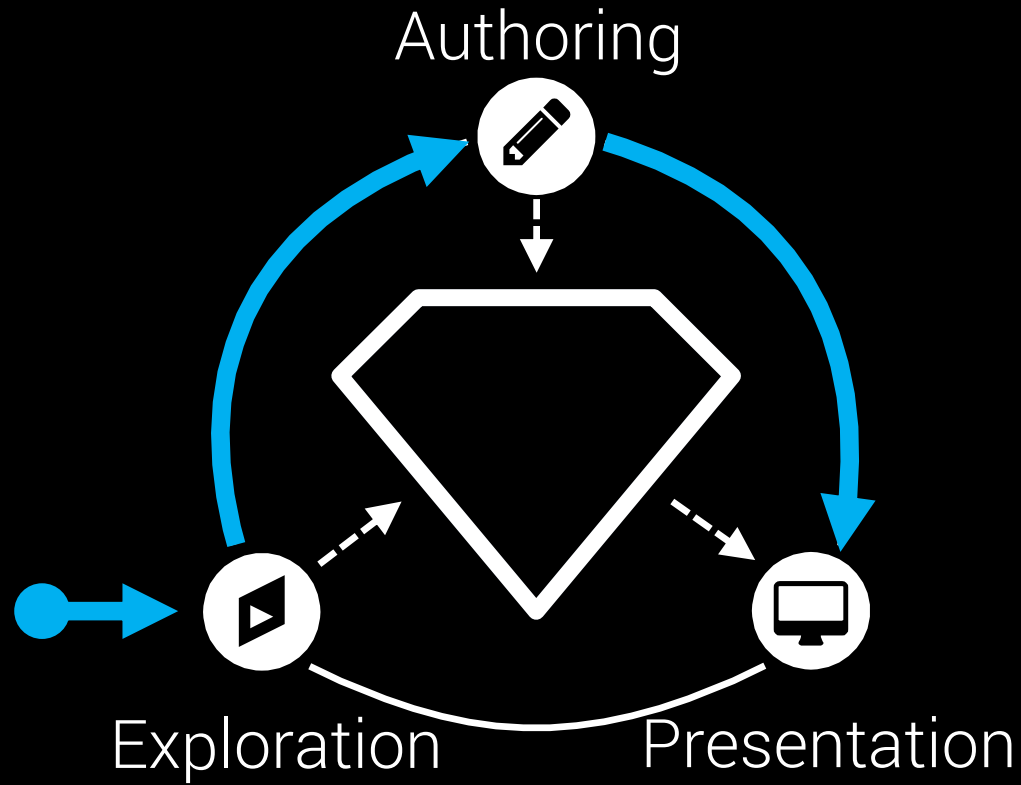


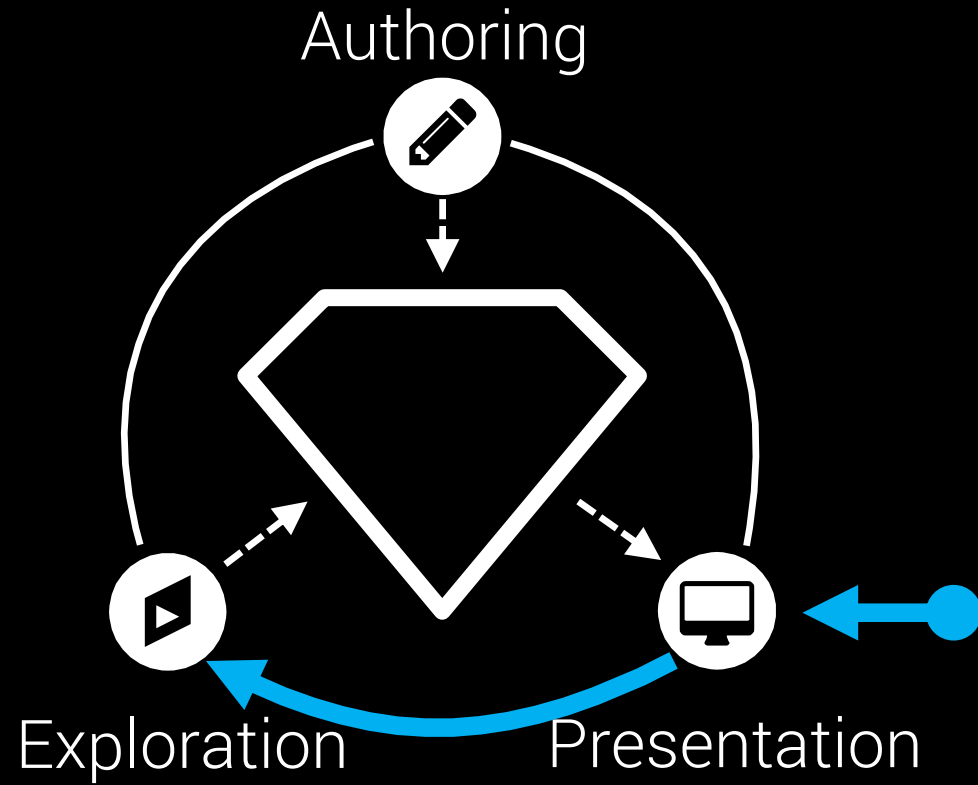
Vistories

- visual data stories
- visual histories

stories consisting of authored subset of the provenance graph

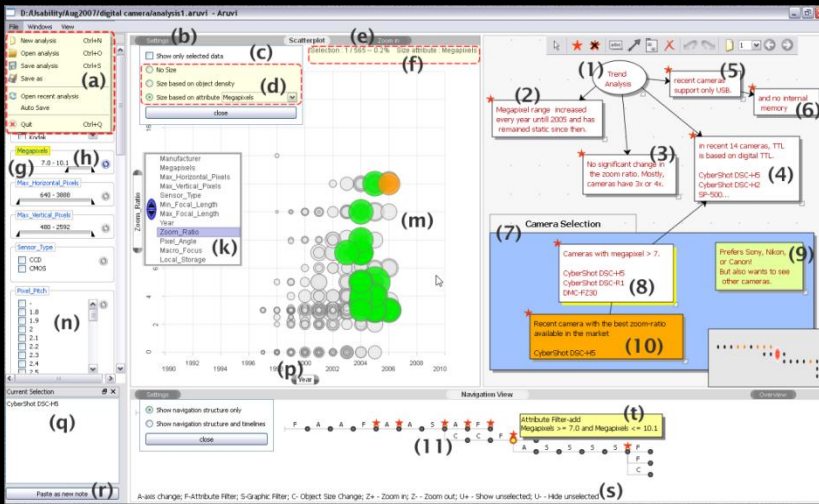






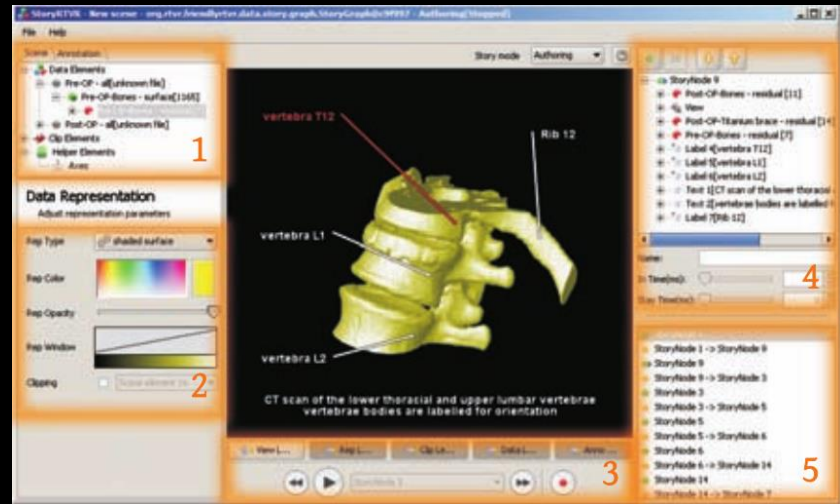
Shrinivasan and van Wijk, 2008

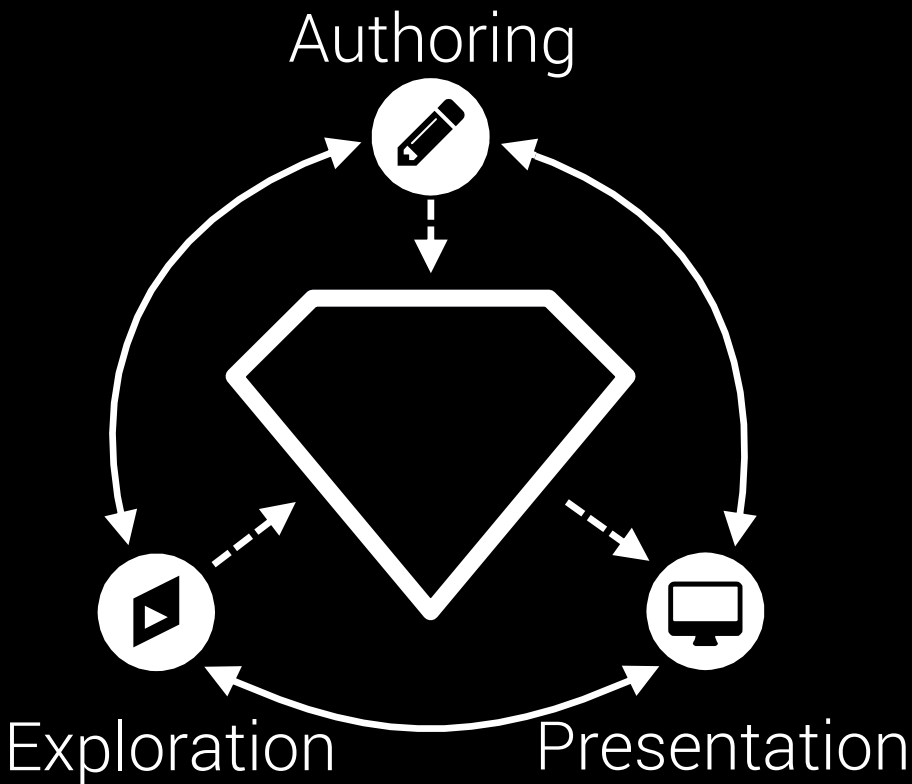
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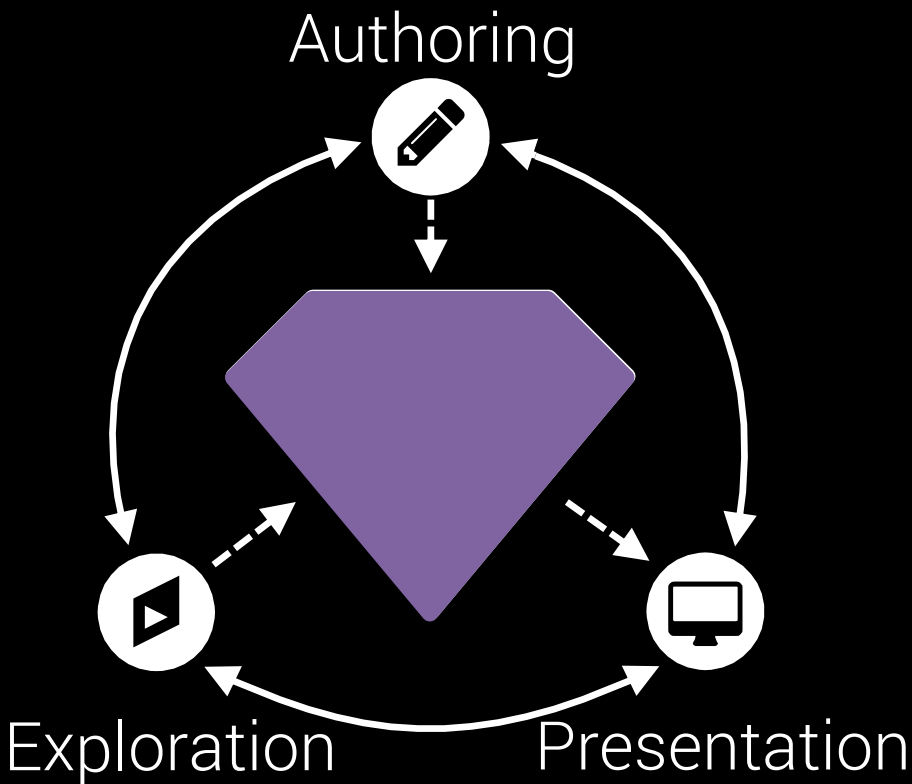
Wohlfahrt and Hauser, 2007

Story Telling for Presentation in Volume Visualization

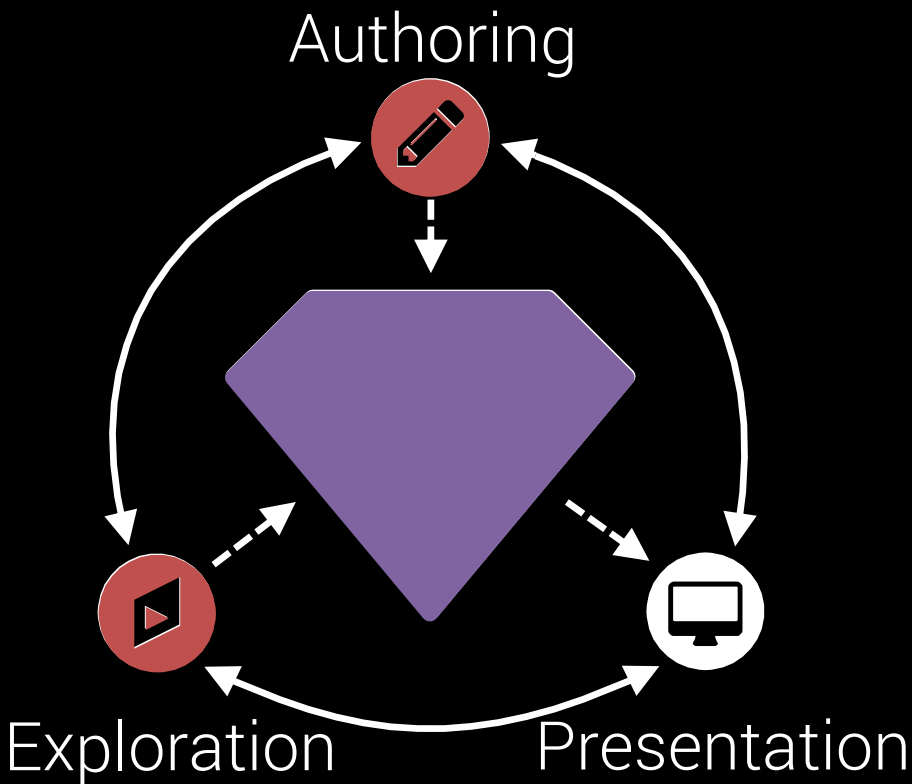




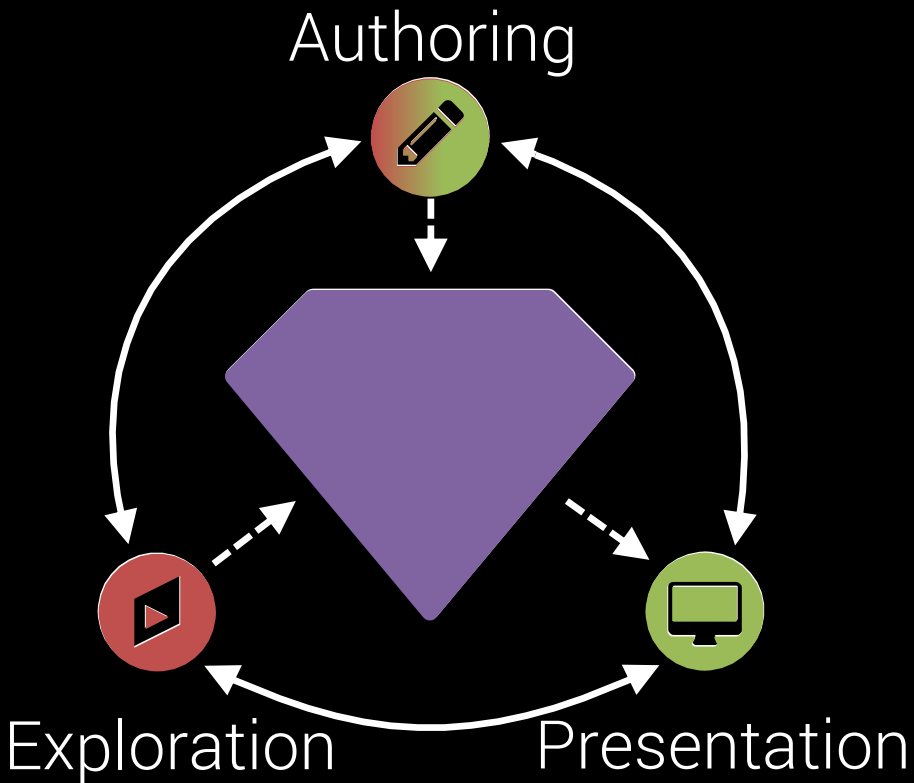
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- ❖ Provenance Graph Visualization
- ❖ Story Editor Visualization



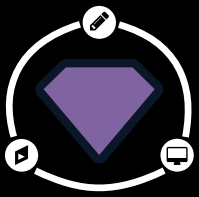
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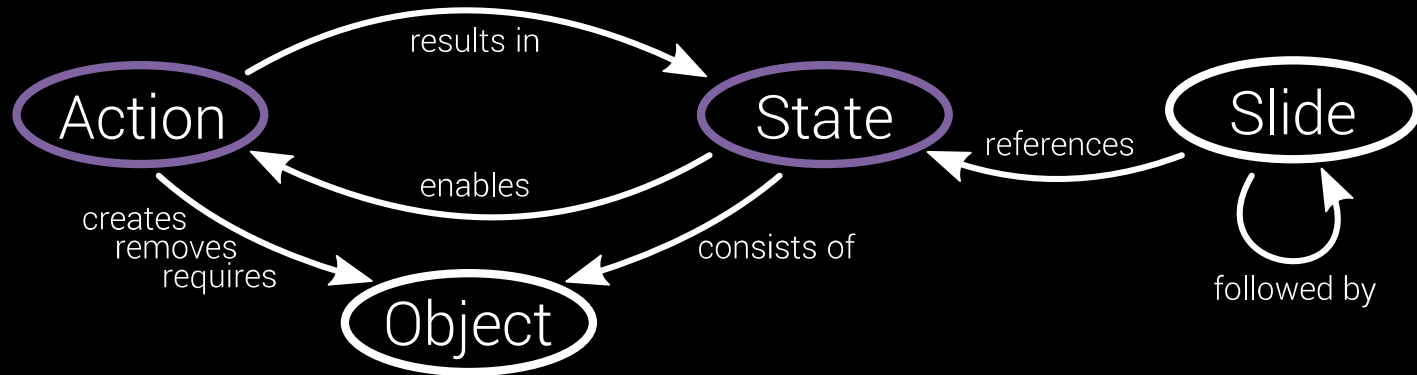


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Provenance Graph Recording

- action-centered bi-partite graph
- a state is determined by the action sequence from the root





Provenance Graph View

degree-of-interest driven skewed
node-link diagram

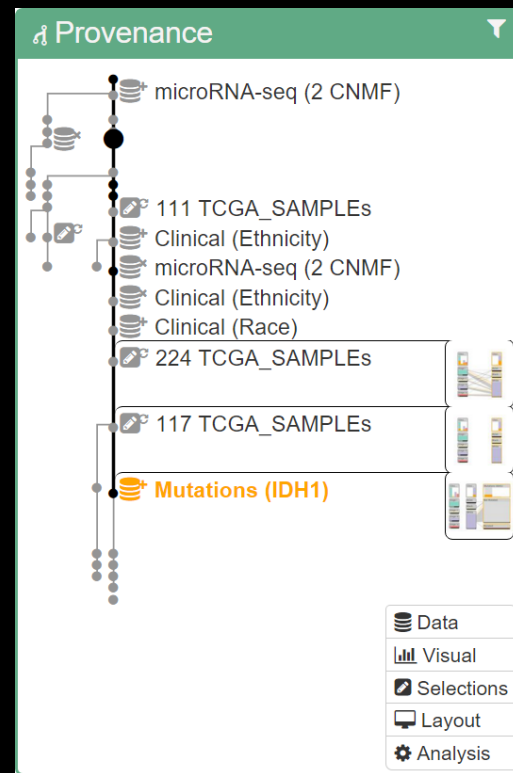
node = state

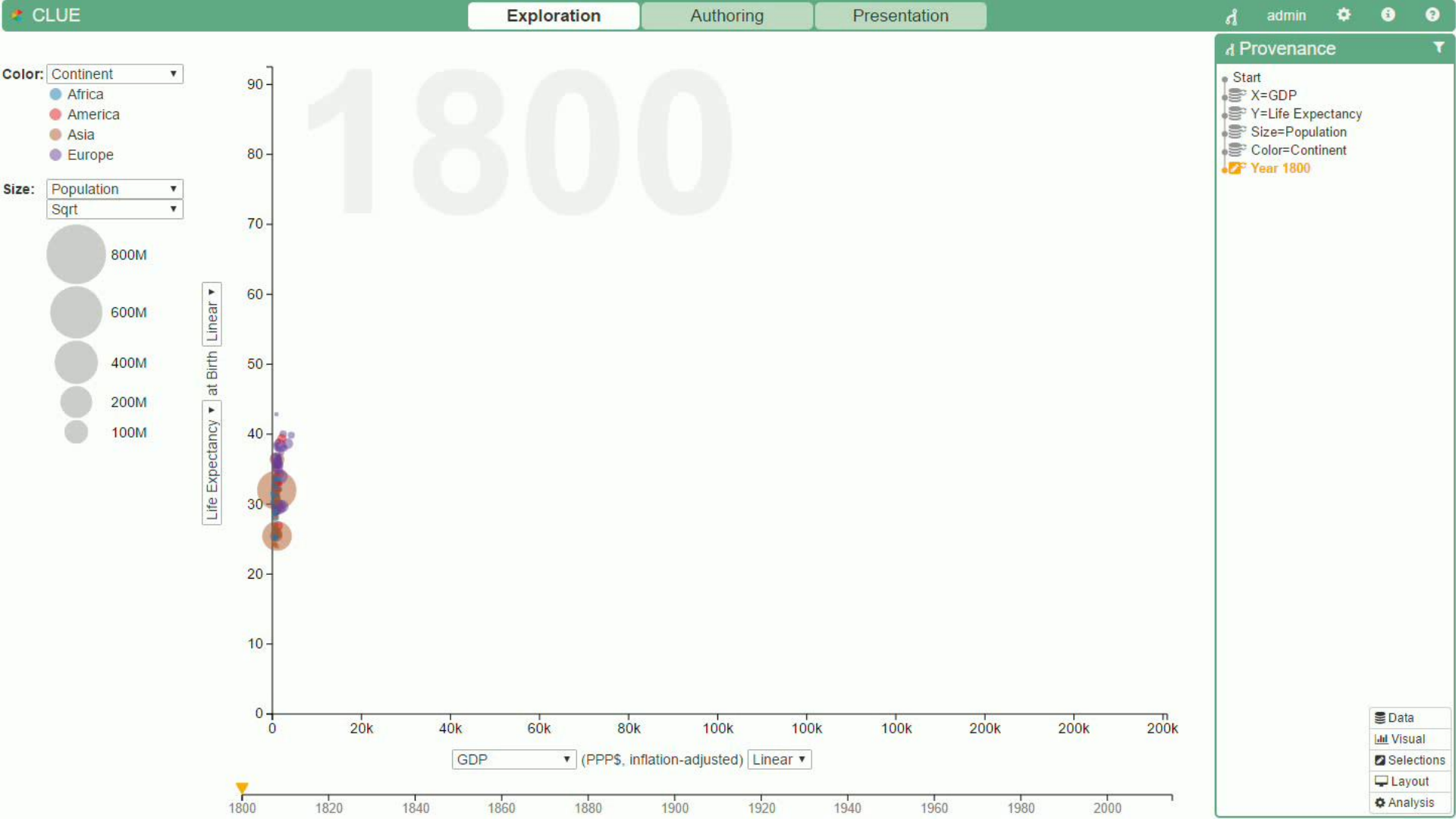
link = action

purpose

exploration: orientation, navigation

authoring: selection







Story Editor View

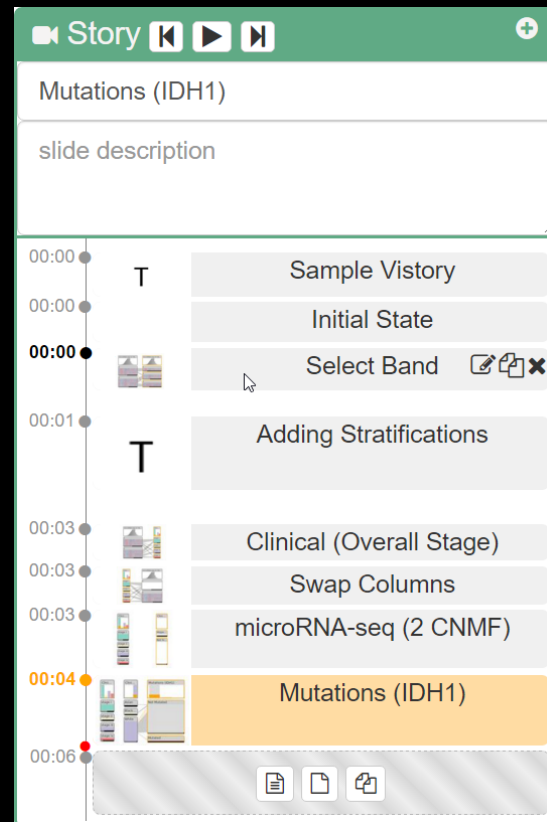
define one or multiple Vistories

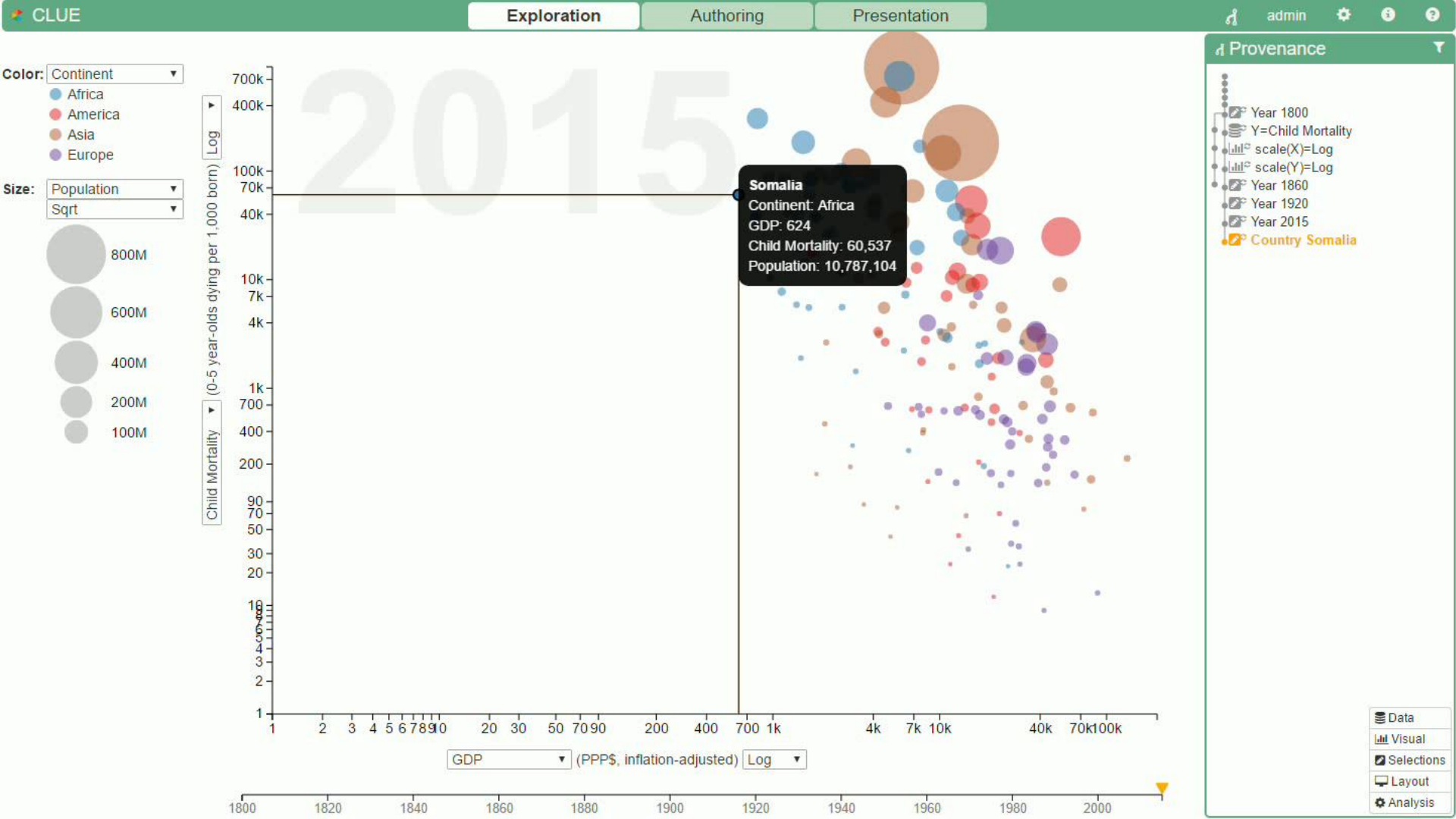
- select provenance states
- annotations (text, frame, arrow)
- timing information

purpose

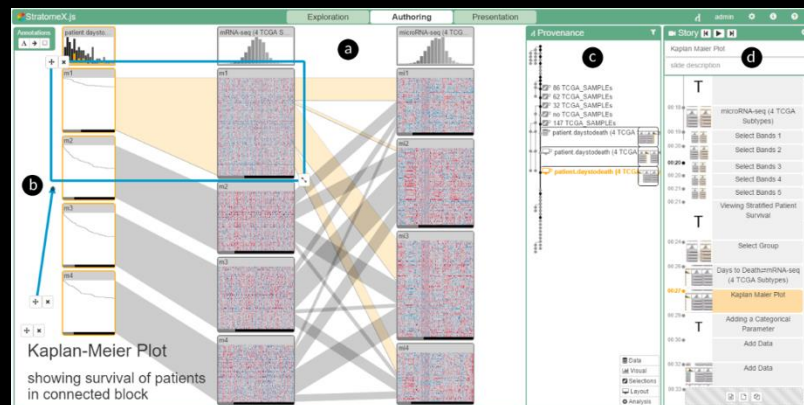
authoring: definition, annotation

presentation: orientation, navigation





StratomeX



<http://vistories.org/v/stratomex>

Implementation

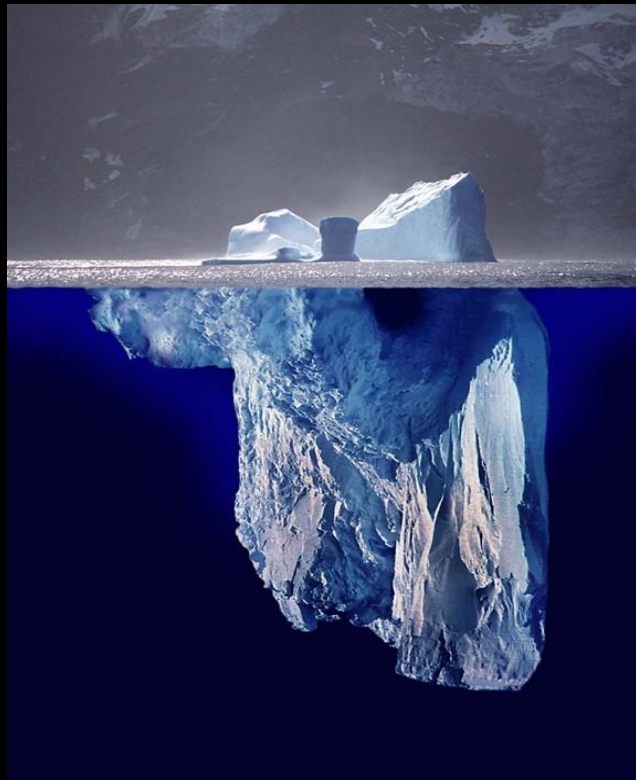
wrapper library around Caleydo Web applications



requires: **command design pattern**

open source (BSD license)

http://github.com/Caleydo/caleydo_clue



what is tracked

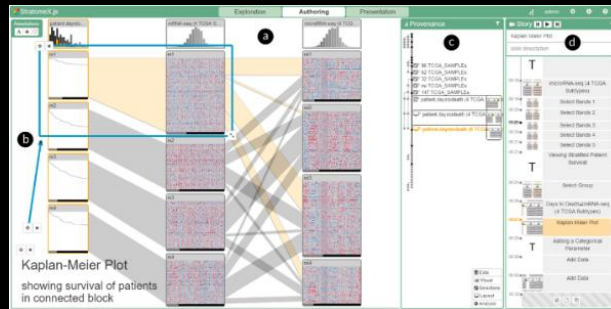
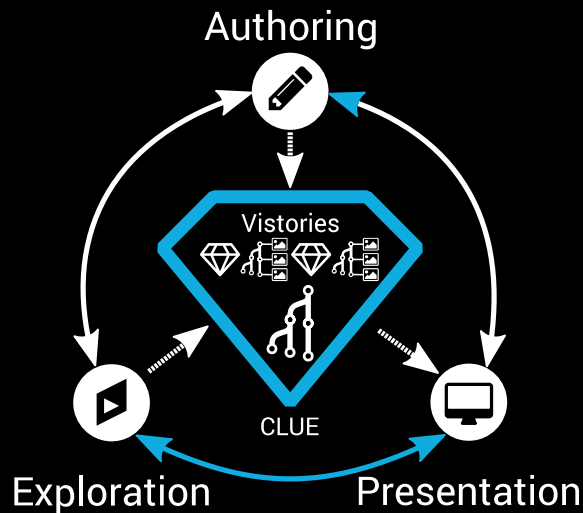
- visual exploration actions

what not

- datasets
- data processing / wrangling
- application
- meta provenance

Capture Label Understand Explain

a framework for reproducible,
shareable, and communicable
visual explorations



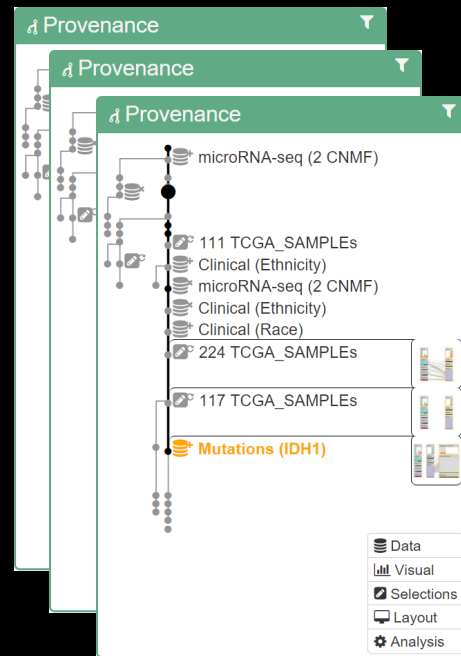
Provenance Graph Analysis

support user

- similar states
- possible next actions

insights

- usage patterns
- exploration strategies





vistories.org

- visual explorations tracked like source code
- provenance part of the supplementary material
- use case figures have a DOI linking to their Vistory



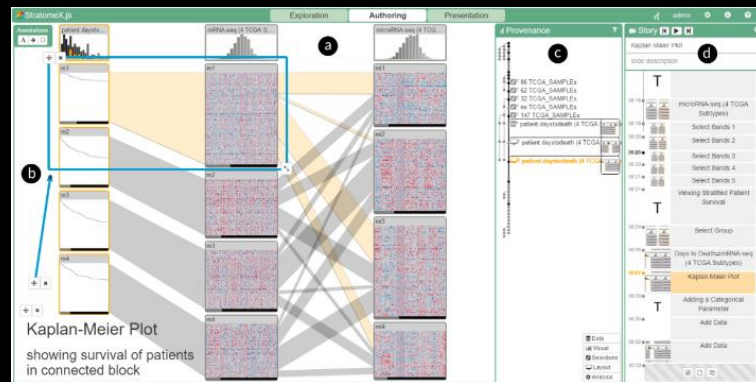
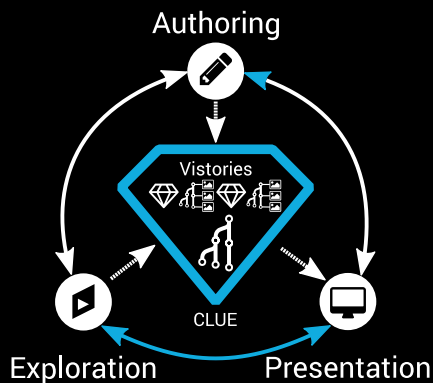
efficient

collaborative

sustainable

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