

# IO Lab: D3.js

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# D3.js

A Javascript library for manipulating documents **based on data**.

Binds arbitrary data to the DOM, then applies data-driven transformations to the document.

Works in tandem with other web technologies.

# D3.js

HTML



CSS



D3.js



**SVG**

# Recall SVG

```
<svg xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg"  
version="1.1" width="500" height="200">  
  <rect x="0" y="0" width="100" height="100"  
fill="red" />  
  
</svg>
```

# Recall SVG

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version="1.1" width="500" height="200">  
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fill="red" />  
</svg>
```



# Data Binding

```
[50, 40, 30]
```

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```
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```

```
<rect>
```

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<rect>
```

```
<rect>
```



# Data Binding

[50, 40, 30]

<rect> 50

<rect> 40

<rect> 30

# Data Binding

`<rect>` 50

`<rect>` 40

`<rect>` 30

```
var svg = d3.select("#viz");  
svg.selectAll("rect")  
  .data([50, 40, 30])  
  .enter().append("rect")  
  .attr({  
    "width": function(d,i) {  
      return d;  
    }  
  });
```

# Breaking It Down

Select

```
var svg = d3.select("#viz");
```

Bind

```
svg.selectAll("rect")
```

Enter

```
.data([50, 40, 30])
```

Set

```
.enter().append("rect")
```

```
.attr({
```

```
  "width": function(d,i) {
```

```
    return d;
```

```
  }
```

```
});
```

# Breaking It Down

## Select

... the DOM element(s)

Bind

Enter

Set

```
var svg = d3.select("#viz");
```

```
svg.selectAll("rect")
```

```
  .data([50, 40, 30])
```

```
  .enter().append("rect")
```

```
  .attr({
```

```
    "width": function(d,i) {
```

```
      return d;
```

```
    }
```

```
  });
```

# Breaking It Down

Select

**Bind**

... data point(s) to the selected element(s)

Enter

Set

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svg.selectAll("rect")  
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  .enter().append("rect")  
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    "width": function(d,i) {  
      return d;  
    }  
  });
```

# Breaking It Down

Select

```
var svg = d3.select("#viz");
```

Bind

```
svg.selectAll("rect")
```

```
.data([50, 40, 30])
```

```
.enter().append("rect")
```

```
.attr({
```

```
    "width": function(d,i) {
```

```
        return d;
```

```
    }
```

```
});
```

**Enter**

... and add elements if the # of elements  
do not match the # of data points

Set

# Breaking It Down

Select

```
var svg = d3.select("#viz");
```

Bind

```
svg.selectAll("rect")
```

Enter

```
.data([50, 40, 30])
```

```
.enter().append("rect")
```

**Set**

... the element's attribute(s) and/or style(s)

```
.attr({
```

```
  "width": function(d,i) {
```

```
    return d;
```

```
  }
```

```
});
```

# Extra Attributes

You can add **title & description** attributes to an SVG element.

This may come in handy if you need to store datum-specific metadata.

```
<rect width="75" height="20" x="0" y="10"  
title="Rating" desc="75/100"></rect>
```



# Extra Attributes

You can also add **custom** attributes to an SVG element.

Although it works in practice, custom attributes are not officially supported by W3C (yet), so use with caution.

```
<rect width="75" height="20" x="0" y="10"  
rating="75/100" rating-category="Mid-Tier"></  
rect>
```

# Resources

# SVG Documentation

<https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/SVG/Element>

<https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/SVG/Attribute>

<http://oreilly.com/catalog/svgess/chapter/ch03.html>

# D3.js Examples & Tutorials

<https://github.com/mbostock/d3/wiki/Gallery>

<http://christopheviau.com/d3list/gallery.html>

<http://shop.oreilly.com/product/0636920026938.do>

(book; free to access online)

<http://alignedleft.com/tutorials>

(great introduction to D3.js)

# Other Visualization Tools

Raphael

[http://raphaeljs.com/](http://dmitrybaranovskiy.github.io/raphael/)

Highcharts

<http://www.highcharts.com/>

Google Charts

<https://developers.google.com/chart/>

**Next Class**

# Next Class

D3.js part 2