ACCENTUATING FOCUS MAPS VIA PARTIAL SCHEMATIZATION

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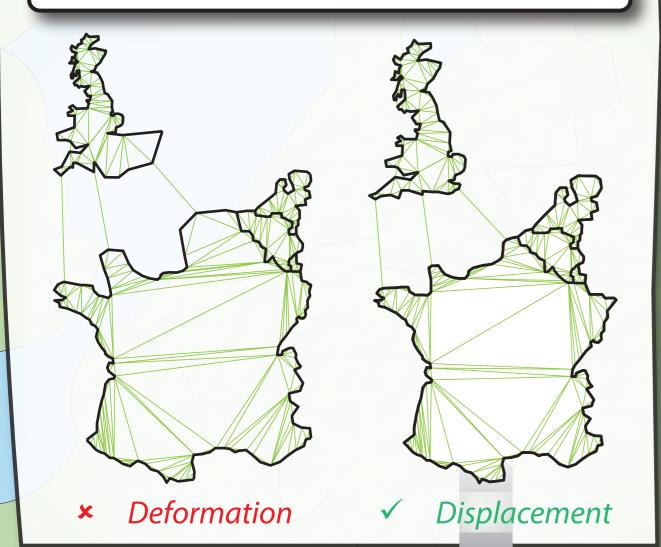
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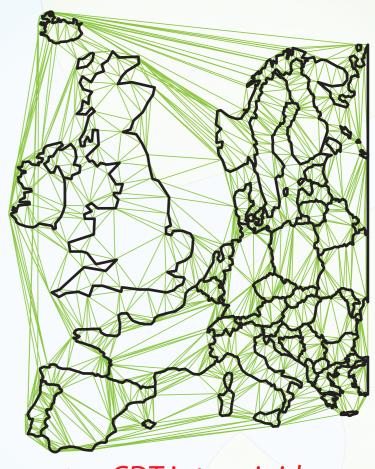
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Thematic information may require corridors to be enlarged. Scaling these areas causes undesired deformations in neighboring countries (*left*). Exluding these edges from affecting the distortion at their endpoints while adding a constraint on their scale prevents this (*right*).



Creating focus areas

Focus maps continuously combine an enlarged region with a small scale map. The method by Haunert and Sering (Proc. InfoVis 2011) requires a connected graph and does not take area into account. Using a constrained Delaunay triangulation as input solves both problems, but overly constrains the input, causing large deformations (right).



CDT is too rigid



The **bottleneck edge** is the edge between the pair of vertices with the highest stretch factor. By adding bottleneck edges up to a given threshold we can control the **rigidity**.

The **stretch factor** of two vertices is the ratio

between their graph- and Euclidean distance.

Country deformation

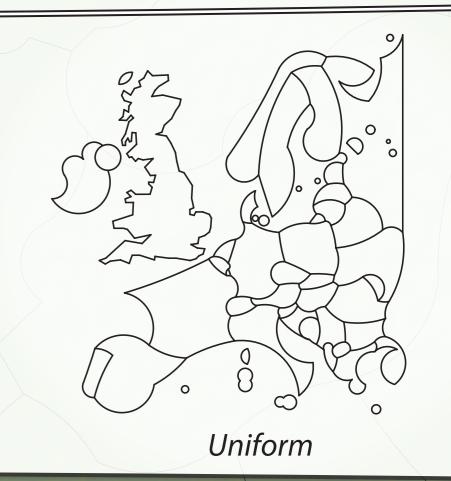
Adding insufficient bottleneck edges allows areas to be severely deformed (*above*). A different rigidity for sea- and land faces allows distortions to be **transfered to sea faces** giving improved results (*right*).



Schematizing context



We schematize the distorted focus map to emphasize the focus region. Depending on the use case we assign different weights to each vertex. By allowing a weighted error margin across the map, we can locally increase or decrease the schematization. Circular arcs help to create a strong visual cue on schematization.



Results



