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Sommario/riassunto	Data available in today's information society is ever growing in size and complexity--i.e., unstructured, multidimensional, uncertain, etc.--making it impossible to survey and understand this data. Traditionally, most of these datasets are stored and depicted as huge tables, hindering efficient retrieval of salient information--similarities, outliers, structures, origin, etc. Interactive visualization provides an interface to this data that can help gleaning valuable information from it, thus supporting better data understanding by significantly reducing cognitive load on the analyst. Two fundamental concepts, visualization and interaction, form the basis of the underlying scientific methods. Combining these concepts connects two key research areas in computer science: visualization and human-computer interaction (HCI) and brings together practitioners from many disciplines. The result is highly multi-disciplinary work with significant impact and virtually

unlimited application areas. However, truly interactive visualizations are hard to design and implement, so researchers have to solve multiple problems. This Special Issue provides an overview over the current state-of-the-art of "Interactive Visualization." It shows recent work in the field, as well as trends for future development.
