Survey Visualization

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Problem

- Survey composed of
  - Questionnaire
  - Collected data
- Want to explore relationships between responses to various questions
  - Correlation
  - Correlation matrix not efficient
Data set

- National Election Studies center’s pre- and post-election surveys
- National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Behavioral Risk Factor survey
- 1K - 100K respondents
- 100s of questions (dimensions)
Proposed solution (1)

- A way to visually present
  - questions
  - correlation relationships between them
- Would allow to answer questions that are very hard to do with the correlation matrix
Proposed Solution (2)

- Points representing questions positioned along a semi-circle
- Correlation axis along diameter
Tool

- Implementation so far relies on InfoVis Toolkit and Java 2D
- Found source that implements matrices and calculations for Spearman’s rank correlation coefficient
- Input data format
  - CSV, converted to InfoVis toolkit’s TQD format
  - simple parsers can be written to extend the tool to handle other formats, as well
Screenshots (1)
Screenshots (2)
Questions?
Challenges so far

- InfoVis toolkit
- Statistical calculations and matrix manipulations in Java
- Statistical measures of multi-dimensional correlation
Suggestions?