Computer-administered interviews and wiki surveys

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| | Sampling | Interviews | Data environment |
|---------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1st era | Area probability | Face-to-face | Stand-alone |
| 2nd era | Random digital dial | Telephone | Stand-alone |
| 3rd era | probability Non-probability | Computer-administered | Linked |

$\mathsf{Human\text{-}administered} \to \mathsf{Computer\text{-}administered}$

- ► enables change
- requires change

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VS.



Henry

Betty

Click the cutest kitten picture!
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RESULTS





53% of people agree that Henry is cuter than Betty.







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51% of people

agree that Kizzibit is cuter than Young Japhy.





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Emelio Shikaka

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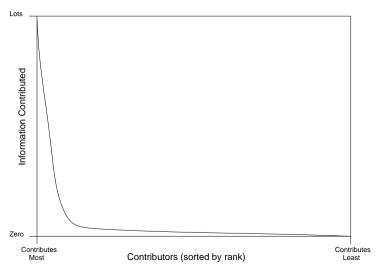
quantification or openness

quantification + openness = wiki surveys

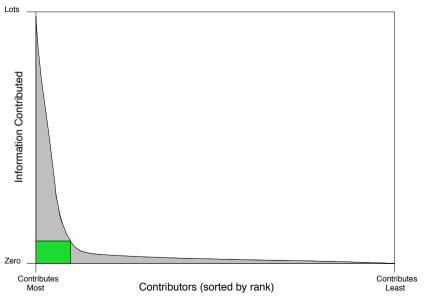
greedy

Good web-based systems use the fat-head and the long-tail





Surveys don't use the fat-head or the long-tail



greedy

- greedy
- collaborative

- greedy
- collaborative
- adaptive



create

a question









the best ideas

What is this?

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Seeded the wiki survey with 25 ideas:

- ▶ Require all big buildings to make certain energy efficiency upgrades
- ▶ Increase targeted tree plantings in neighborhoods with high asthma rates
- Establish a New York City Energy Planning Board



Focus on planting street trees before putting them in existing green space

Enforce low density zoning laws and do Not grant variances that are contrary to these protective laws.

I can't decide

10 votes on 269 ideas

Add your own idea



Plant more trees

Get Bus Lanes on Broadway

I can't decide

11 votes on 269 ideas

Add your own idea

You chose Enforce low density zoning laws and do Not grant variances that are contrary to these protective laws, over Focus on planting street trees before putting them in existing green space

Now you have cast 1 vote (average is 10)

View all the results



Provide funding to increase energy efficiency of buildings (PACE bonds/loans) creating green jobs, reducing emissions and utility bills.

Make sure that there are bike racks installed at or near all public schools and libraries.

I can't decide

12 votes on 269 ideas

Add your own idea

You chose Get Bus Lanes on Broadway over Plant more trees

Now you have cast 2 votes (average is 10)

View all the results



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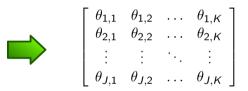
| Which do you think is a better idea for creating a greener, greater New York City? | Score | |
|--|--------|--|
| Keep NYC's drinking water clean by banning fracking in NYC's watershed. | 84 [?] | |
| Invest in multiple modes of transportation and provide both improved infrastructure and improved safety | 81 [?] | |
| Plug ships into electricity grid so they don't idle in port - reducing emissions equivalent to 12000 cars per ship. | 78 [?] | |
| Implement congestion pricing in lower Manhattan | 74 [?] | |
| Continue enhancing bike lane network, to finally connect separated bike lane systems to each other across all five boroughs. | 73 [?] | |
| Composting! Provide municipal support for composting!! | 73 [?] | |
| Support and protect community gardens and create mechanisms to create new gardens and open space | 72 [?] | |
| Provide long-term leases for organic farms in unused public spaces, a garden at every public school and public housing development | 72 [?] | |
| Provide better transit service outside of Manhattan | 72 [?] | |
| Create a network of protected bike paths throughout the entire city | 71 [?] | |

What are we trying to estimate?

Data

| Vote | Session | Prompt | |
|------|---------|--------|--------|
| 1 | 1 | item 4 | item 1 |
| 2 | 1 | item 3 | item 1 |
| 3 | 1 | item 4 | item 3 |
| 4 | 2 | item 3 | item 4 |
| 5 | 2 | item 4 | item 2 |
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Opinion matrix



 $\theta_{i,k}$: how much respondent j likes item k

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Recruited participants through Twitter, Facebook, blogs, etc.



Do you have ideas about how to make NYC greener? Help update #PlaNYC. http://bit.ly/9xeA88

Retweeted by allourideas and 15 others



















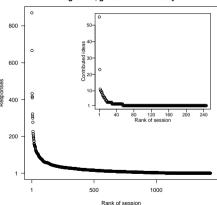


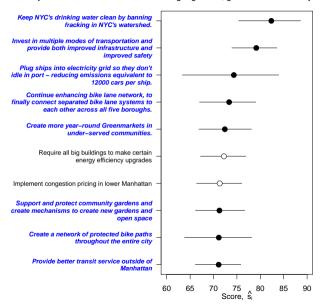






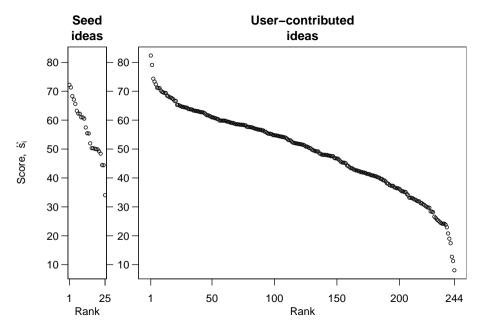
- ▶ 31,893 responses
- ▶ 464 ideas uploaded

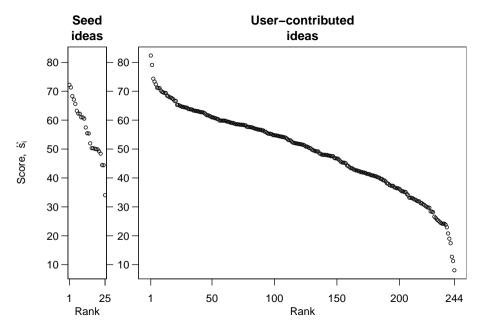


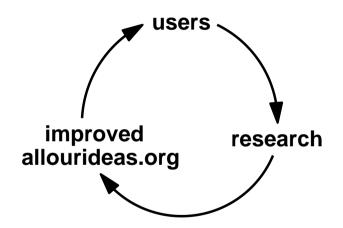


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- ▶ Novel information: "Plug ships into electricity grid so they don't idle in port reducing emissions equivalent to 12000 cars per ship."







Currently hosting:

10,000 wiki surveys with 500,000 ideas and 15 million votes













- ▶ Questions about building it?
- ▶ Questions about system-building as part of social research? (professional concerns?, kinds of things learned?)