3D Axes-Based Visualizations for Time Series Data

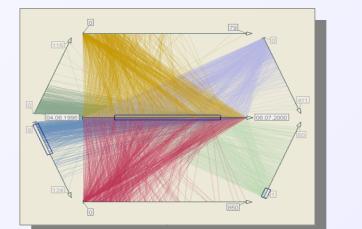
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Poster Overview

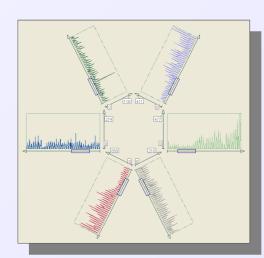
- Goal: Expressive visualization of multivariate time series data
- Various approaches for expressive representation of:
 - Time series (e.g. diagram techniques, spiral displays)
 - Multivariate data (e.g. axes-based visualization techniques like Parallel or Star Coordinates
- Challenges:
 - Effective visualization of multiple time-dependent parameters with different value ranges
 - Emphasis on parameter time
 - 3 dimensional representation



• Combination of advantages of common diagram techniques and axes-based techniques for multivariate time series data



2D Time Wheel Tominski, Abello, Schumann, 2003



2D Multi Comb Tominski, Abello, Schumann, 2004

Novel 3D Axes Arrangements for Visualizing Time Series Data

Basic Idea

- Centrally exposed time axis
- Radially arranged axes representing time-dependent variables (semi-transparent planes, so called "data wings", to support visual separability of different variables)

3D Time Wheel

 Line segments connect time steps and corresponding variable values

3D Multi Comb

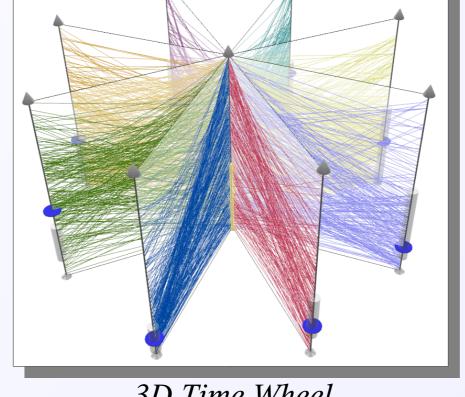
Time plots represent time dependent variables

3D Kiviat Tube

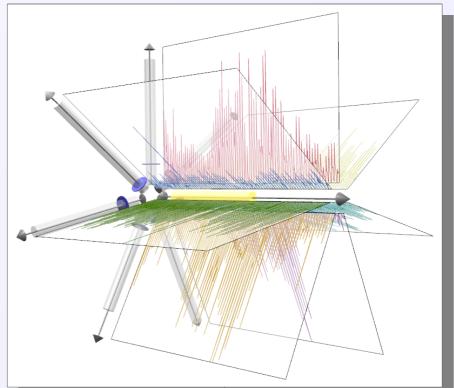
 Extruded Kiviat graph represents inter variable dependencies

Interaction

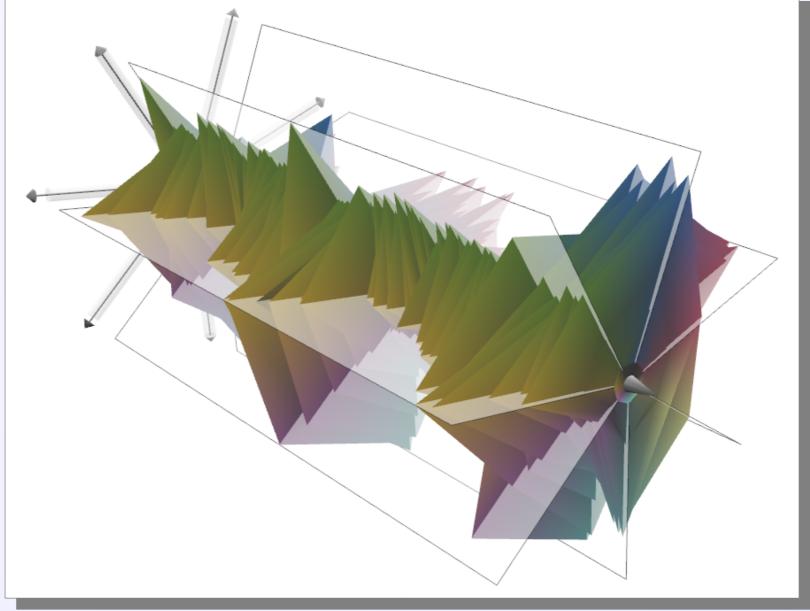
- Common 3D transformations
- Different interactive axis types
- Special interaction technique "Folder Style"



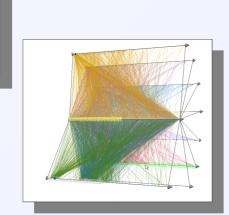
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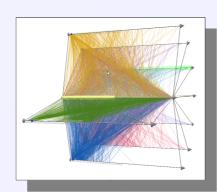


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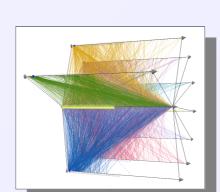


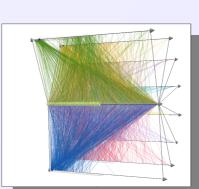
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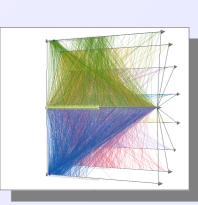




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