Final Project

My final project idea is a series of Twitter visualizations to make the site easier to interact with. Below are a list of possible visualizations and inspirational pieces that could be involved in my project. The last few images are early drafts of work I have already completed in this area and wish to expand upon in the coming weeks. My ideas are named, in order, Calendar, Character view, Network view, People view (I've also been thinking a lot about how to best represent the different types of users. I have been doing some research and found an interesting article about the differences between Facebook and Twitter. The most important thing is that Twitter relationships are asymmetrical while Facebook relationships are symmetrical. So, if I can find a good way to represent the four different types of Twitter visualizations (1. User is following someone, 2. User is being followed by someone, 3. User and other user are following each other, 4. Neither user is following the other), I think that could be really cool.). Next comes the Spiral view, an update of the Summize view, a wordcloud, and the final two I’ve been working on implementing are Word Trends and Conversation Tree.

Motivations include the need for more dynamic ways to view your network and also your individual tweets within the Twitter site. Currently, not much is done with this but the public API allows for you to easily modify the view and begin to create your own visualizations.
@WhiteCrow12 only recently got into them, but enjoying what I’ve found!

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