HARDEST AND EASIEST QUESTIONS

The hardest questions were:

- Question #7 (k means clustering)
- Question #17 (data reduction)
- Question #4 (summary charts)

The easiest (most liked) questions were:

- Question #1b (misleading chart on unscaled line plot)
- Question #9 (misleading chart on 3D pie charts)
- Question #3 (pie charts vs. bar charts)

GRADING CRITERIA

Performance-based, not curved by distribution

- want students to possess a certain degree of VIS knowledge
- this knowledge has been measured by the exam questions

Based on 20 (sub)questions, all gave 10 points, so max = 200

- an A student would answer at least 15 (3/4) questions 80% correctly to reach 120 points or more
- a B student would answer at least 10 (1/2) questions 80% correctly to reach 80 points or more
- a C student would answer at least 5 (1/4) questions 80% correctly to reach 40 points or more
- an F student would not be able to answer at least 5 (1/4) questions 80% correctly and so would reach less than 40 points
- plus and minus refinements would apply linearly within each range
- the maximum number of points achieved was 157 (average 105)

POINT DISTRIBUTION

