Tutorial: Basic Visualization Concepts Using Tableau

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Goals of this Tutorial

- give a short overview and first experience with Tableau
- you can create to your own visualizations using your own data
- you have an idea about some basic principles of creating visualizations

Why Tableau?

- great for exploratory data analysis
- drag-and-drop visualizations
- best practice already built into system
- free to use for students

Requirements



- Tableau Installed Student License: https://www.tableau.com/academic/students
- Download Dataset: <u>https://github.com/christoph/happiness-teaching-dataset</u>

Structure

- 1. Short theoretical introduction to the topic
- 2. Hands-on exercise in Tableau

How does it work?

- You should have Tableau and the video open at the same time
- Hands-on exercise in the video will be done at regular speed
- Pause at any time and follow the instructions from the video, rewatch if necessary

Chapter Overview

1. Data and Datasets

import dataset, first bar chart visualization, save workbook

2. Dimensions and Measures

aggregation functions, continuous and discrete values, line chart

3. Marks and Channels

perception of position/size/color, scatterplot

4. Geospatial Data

map visualization

5. Derived Attributes

extend dataset, calculated fields

6. Faceting/Multiple Views

side-by-side views, interaction, dashboard