When we view the description for a trend line model, there are several values listed. e.g. Model formula, Model degrees of freedom, Residual degrees of freedom (DF), R-Squared, Standard error, p-value (significance), Analysis of Variance etc.

Although there are many model terms, we will be concentrating on the 2 main terms

R-Squared p-value (significance)

R-Squared:

R-squared is the statistical measure of how well the data fits the linear model. R-squared value needs to be closer to 1 for a good fit It is the ratio of the variance of the model's error, or unexplained variance, to the total variance of the data.

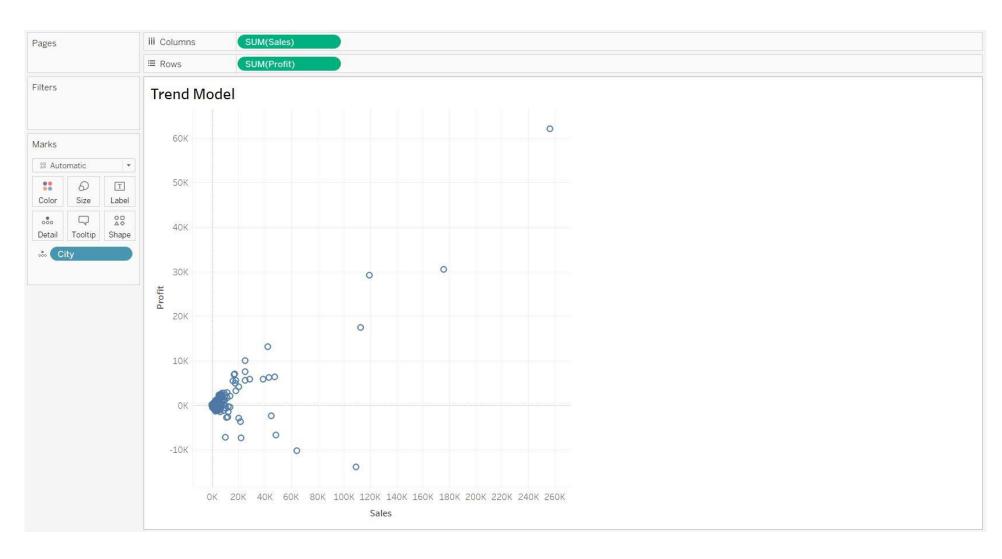
p-value:

p-value is the probability value that is associated with the trendline significance. The p-value reports the probability that the equation in the trend line was a result of random chance.

The smaller the p-value, the more significant the model is.

A p-value of 0.05 or less is often considered sufficient

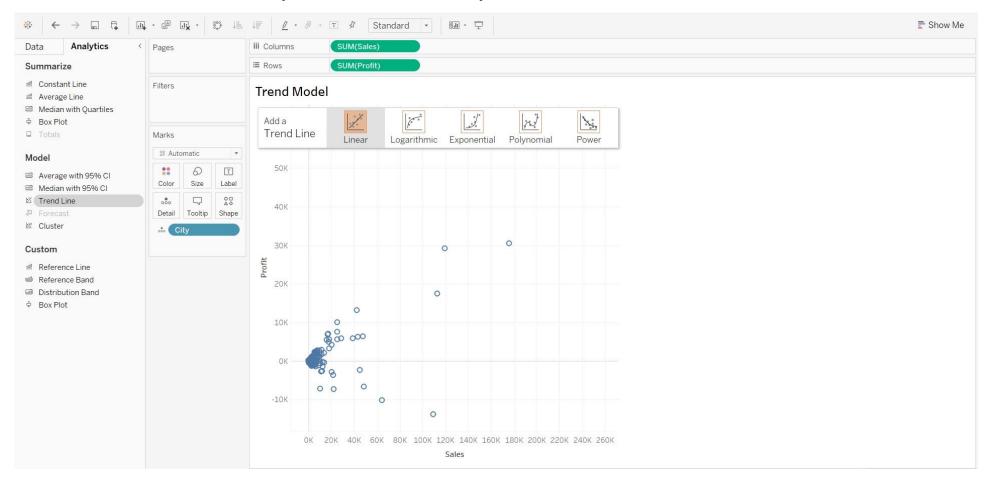
STEP 1: Assume that we have a Scatter Plot of **Sales** Vs **Profit** with **City** in **Detail** of **Marks** card



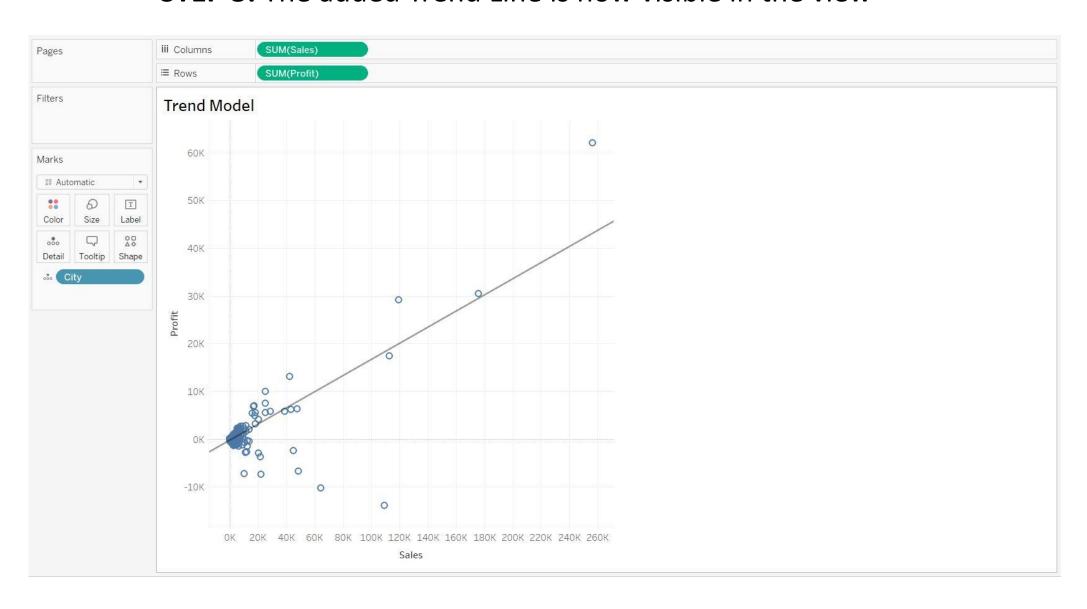
STEP 2: Drag Trend Line from the Analytics pane into the view.

There are many drop target area options: Linear, Logarithmic, Exponential, Polynomial, or Power model types

For this example, we will drop it in Linear

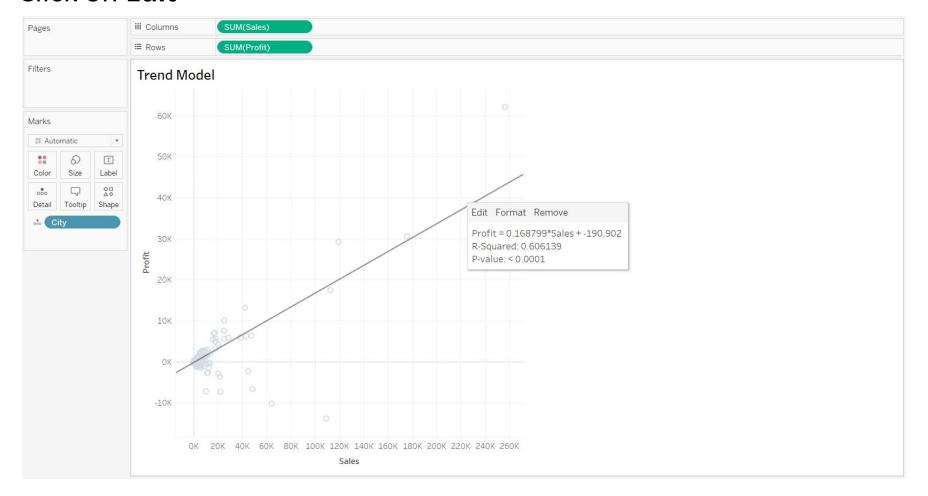


STEP 3: The added Trend Line is now visible in the view

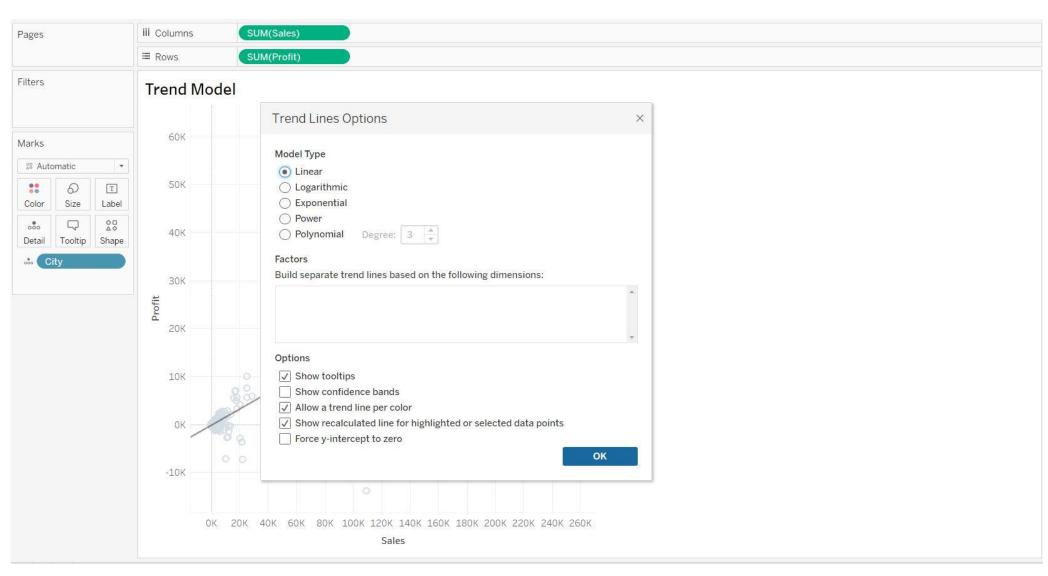


STEP 4: Click on the trend line to see its description.

The **Linear Trend Line** has a **R-Squared Value** of 0.606139 and **p-value** < 0.001 Let us try changing the type of Trend Line to see if we get a better R-Squared value Click on **Edit**



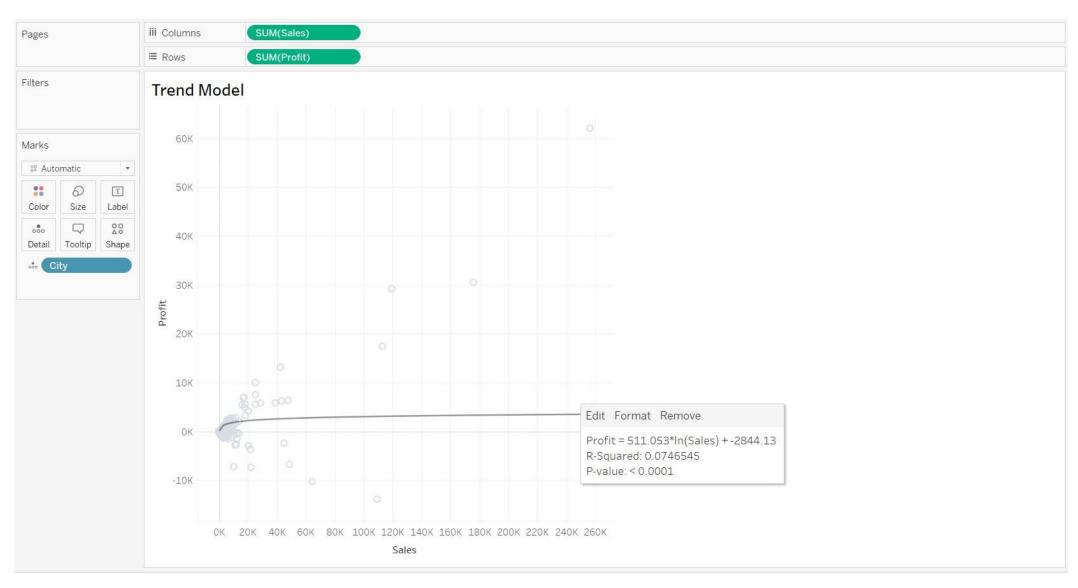
STEP 5: Trend Line Options dialog box opens Click **OK**



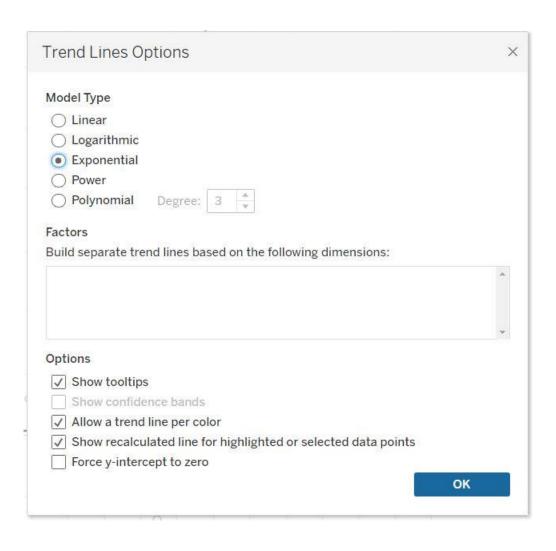
STEP 6: Change the Model Type to Logarithmic Click OK

Trend Lines Options	
Model Type	
Linear	
Logarithmic	
Exponential	
Power	
O Polynomial Degree: 3	
Factors	
Build separate trend lines based on the following dimensions:	
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Options	
✓ Show tooltips	
Show confidence bands	
✓ Allow a trend line per color	
Show recalculated line for highlighted or selected data points	
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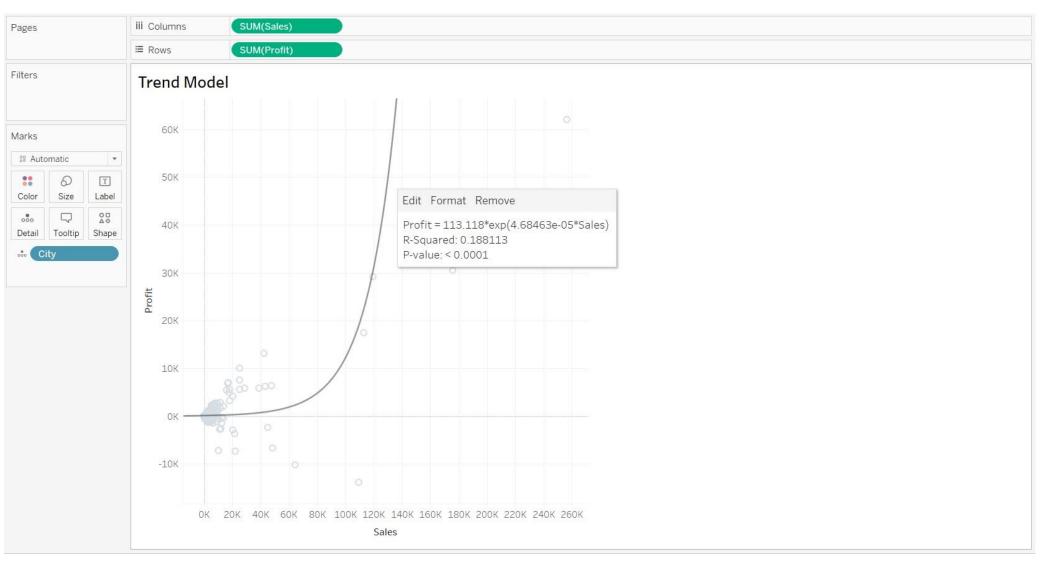
STEP 7: We observe that **R-Squared value** is lesser for **Logarithmic Trend Line**Click on the trend line and Click on **Edit**



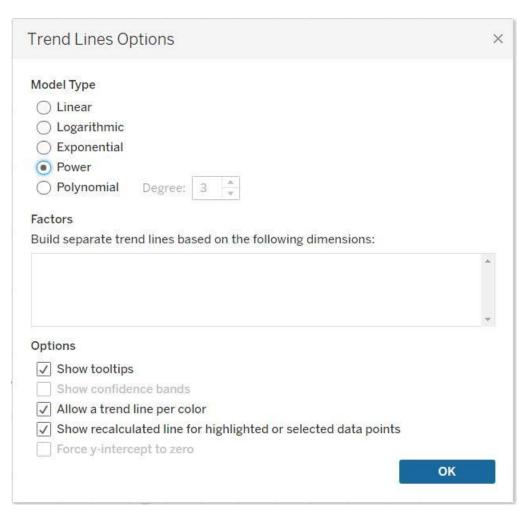
STEP 8: Change the Model Type to Exponential Click OK



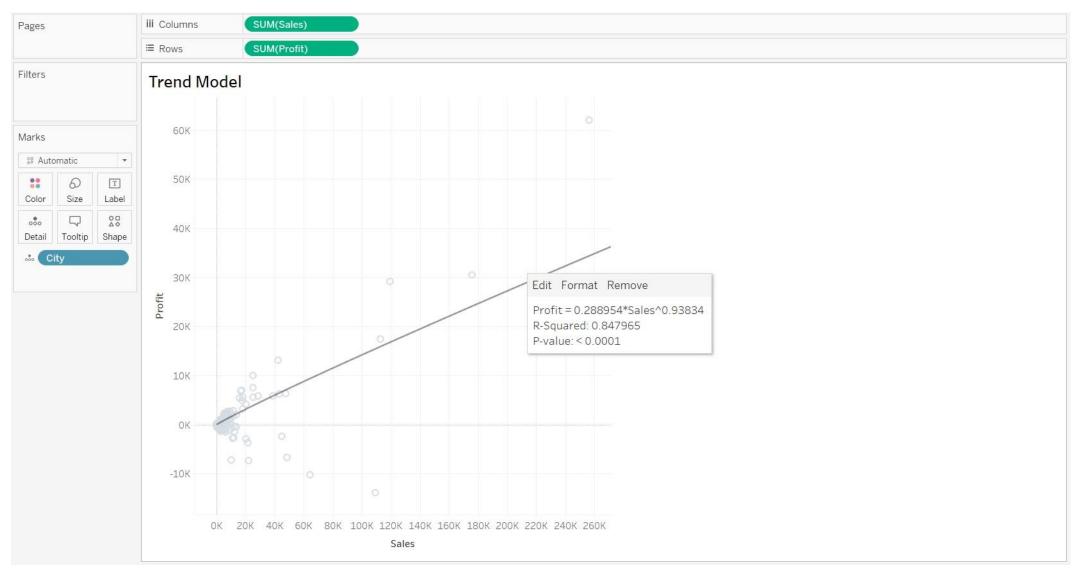
STEP 9: We observe that **R-Squared value** is also less for **Exponential Trend Line**Click on the trend line and Click on **Edit**



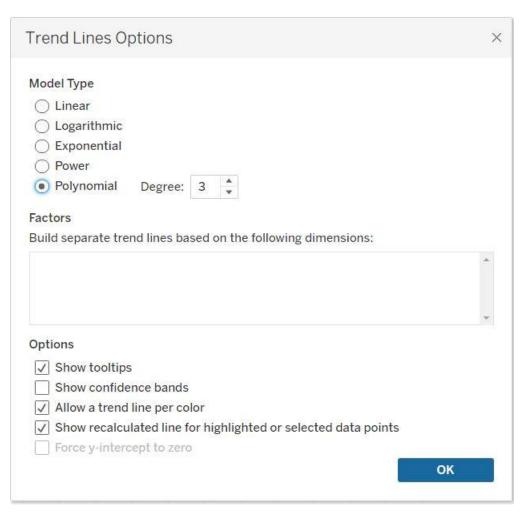
STEP 10: Change the Model Type to Power Click OK



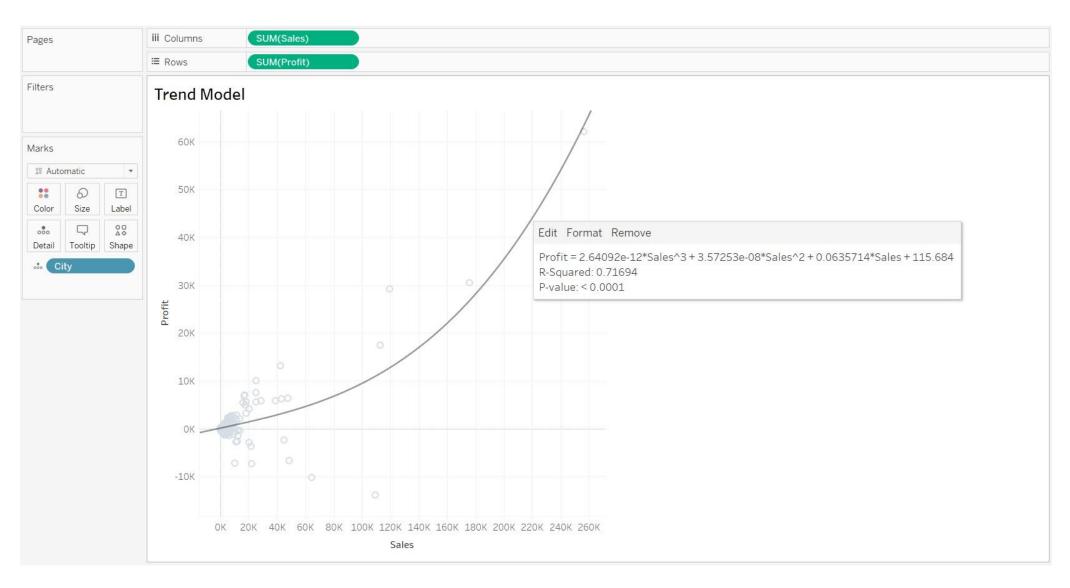
STEP 11: We observe that **R-Squared value** is the best for **Power Trend Line** Click on the trend line and Click on **Edit**



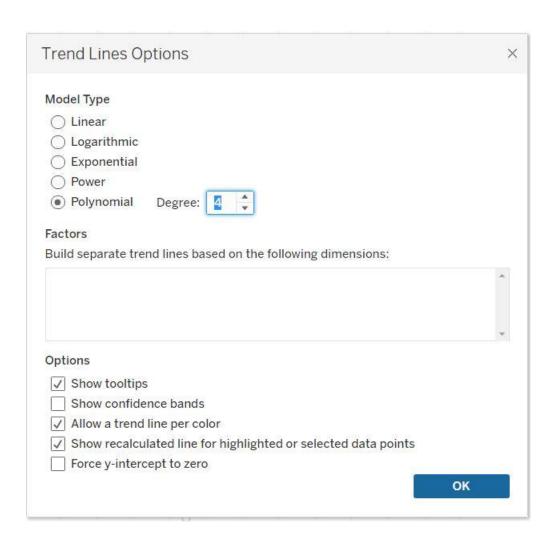
STEP 12: Change the Model Type to Polynomial and change Degree to 3 Click OK



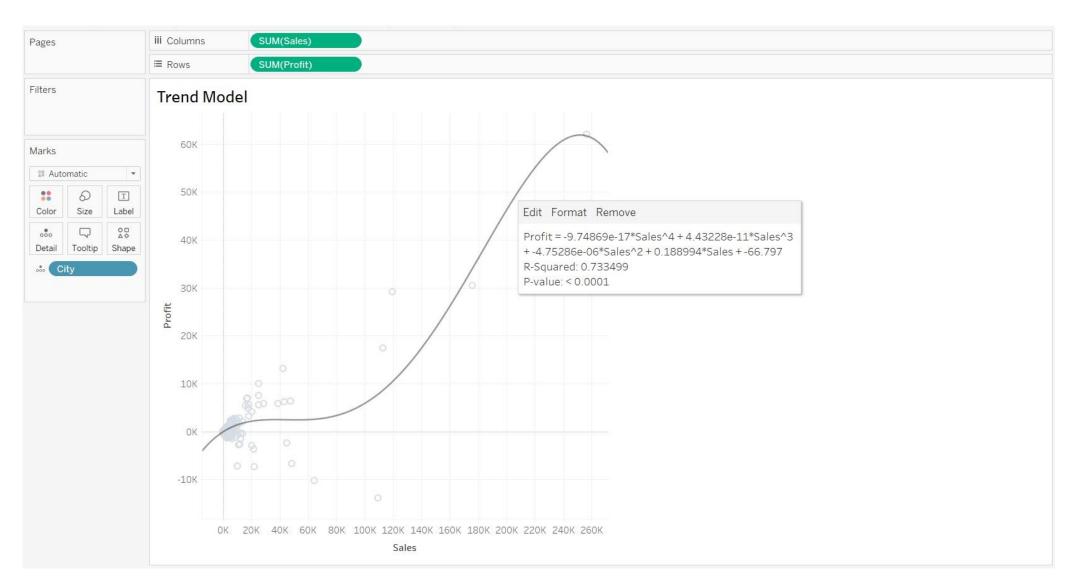
STEP 13: We observe that R-Squared value is the lesser than of **Power Trend Line** Click on the trend line and Click on **Edit**



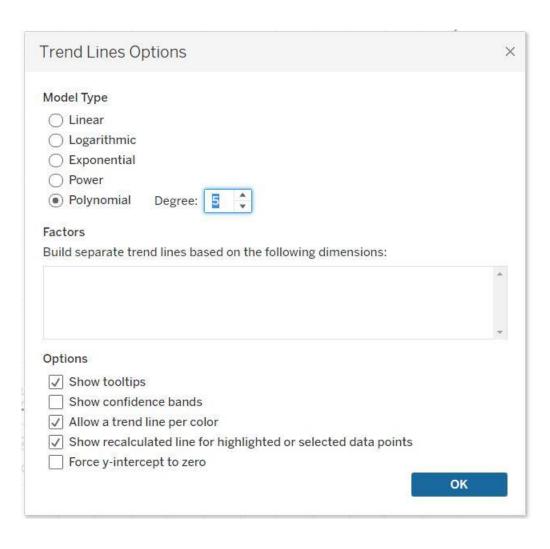
STEP 14: Change the Model Type to Polynomial and change Degree to 4 Click OK



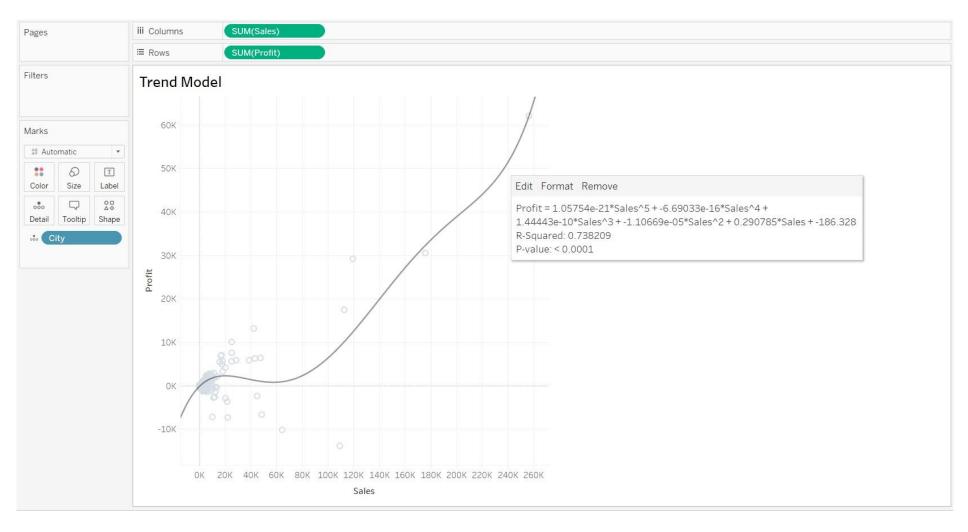
STEP 15: We observe that **R-Squared value** is the lesser than of **Power Trend Line**Click on the trend line and Click on **Edit**



STEP 16: Change the Model Type to Polynomial and change Degree to 5 Click OK



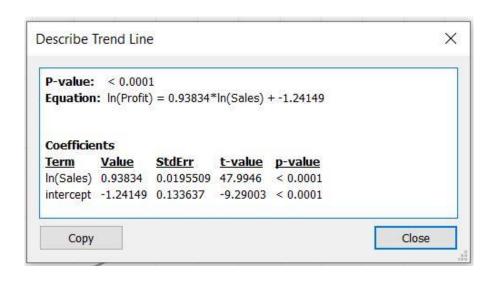
STEP 17: We observe that R-Squared value is the lesser than of Power Trend Line Click on the trend line and Click on Edit Click on Edit and let us go back to Power Trend Line



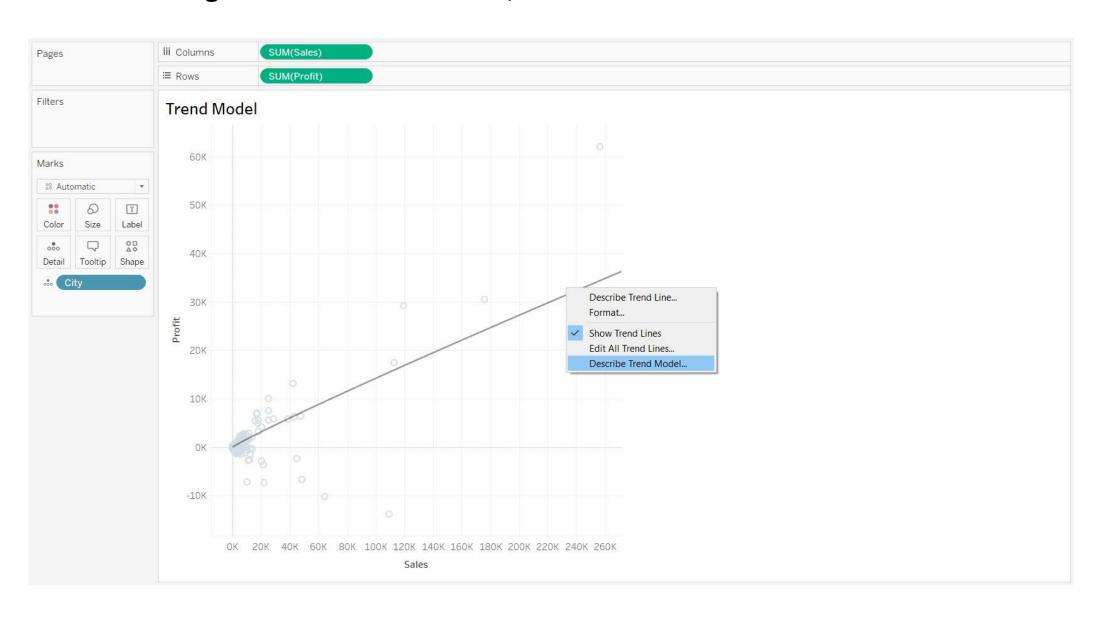
STEP 18: Right-click the Trend Line, Click Describe Trend Line



STEP 19: Given below is the brief description of **Trend Line** Click **Close**



STEP 20: Right-click the Trend Line, Click Describe Trend Model



STEP 21: Given below is the full description of the model being used in the current view Click **Close**

