

# Tableau Desktop I: Fundamentals



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# Class Agenda

#### Day 1

Introduction to Desktop
Desktop Workflow
Setting Up Connections and Data Sources
Simplifying and Sorting Your Data
Organizing Your Data
Slicing Your Data by Date
Using Multiple Measures in a View
Viewing Specific Values
Showing the Relationship Between Numerical
Values

#### Day 2

Mapping Data Geographically
Customizing Your Data
Analyzing Data with Quick Table
Calculations
Showing Breakdowns of the Whole
Highlighting Data with Reference Lines
Making Your Views Available



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#### How to Use the Class Materials

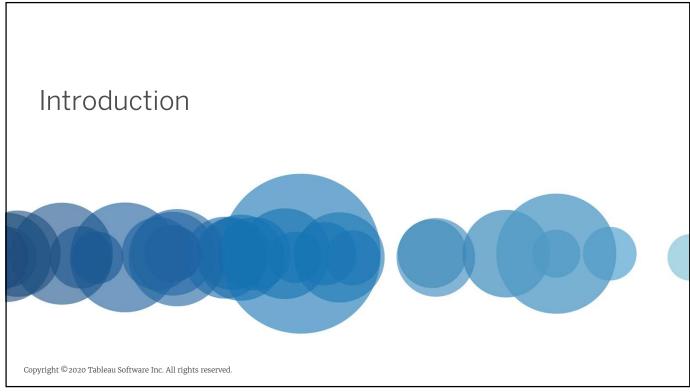
- Practices
  - High-level goals and image
  - Direction steps
  - Detailed solution steps in the back of the book
- Student Materials folder
  - Data folder, with data sources for reference
  - Workbooks folder, with starter and solution .twbx files (plus sample .twbx files)
  - Workbooks\_menu.htm page, for easy access to starter and solution .twbx files



# For Mac Users: Keyboard and Mouse Differences

Windows-based instruction	Difference on a Mac
CTRL + click	Press and hold the Command ₩ key while you click.
Right-click	When using a mouse with no right-click button, press and hold the control key while you click.
Right-click and drag	Press the Option ヾ (Alt) key, and hold it down while you click and drag.
Press CTRL	Press Command 光.
Press CTRL + Left Arrow	Press Command ૠ + Control + Left Arrow



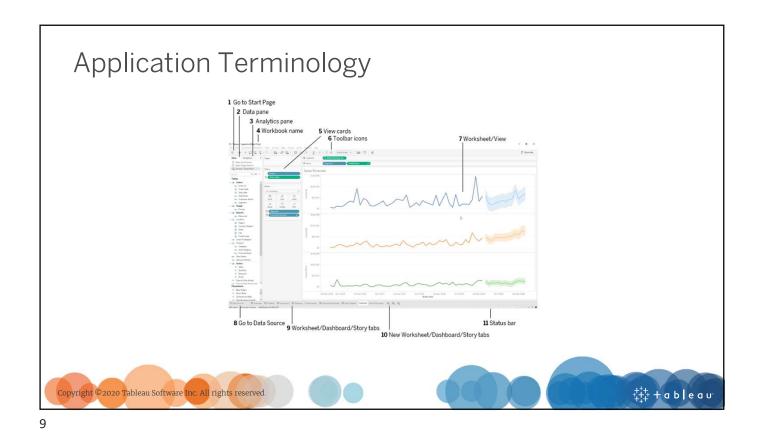


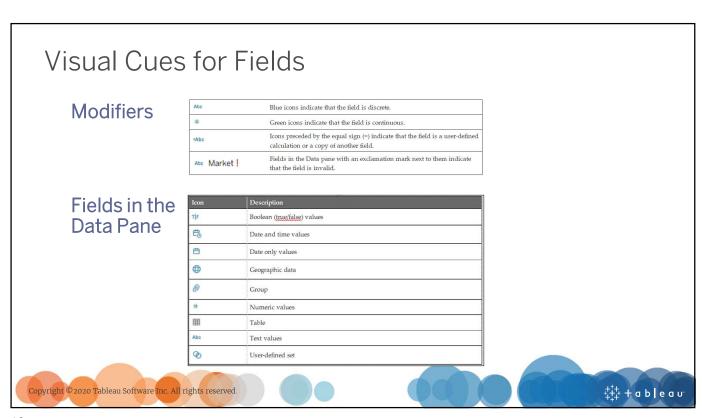
# Introduction to Tableau Desktop I: Fundamentals

- The Tableau Platform
- Application Terminology
- Visual Cues for Fields

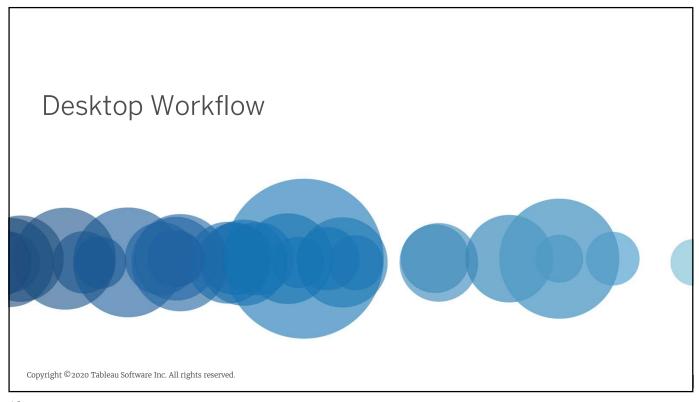


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 Create/Save/Publish
 Ask Data (NLP) Clean, shape, combine data
Save/Edit flows (.tfl, .tflx)
Publish flows Tableau extract files Prep Conductor Tableau Save/Publish extracts Mobile (.tde, .hyper) or .csv files Free app for **Tableau Online** devices running Hosted version of Tableau Server Tableau Desktop Web data iOS 10 or later, or Android 5 or later Create/Author
 Ad hoc analysis Sync with on-premises data using Tableau Bridge Save/Publish Cloud-based Web Edit using cloud or published Tableau Reader **Tableau Public**  Free desktop application
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#### Visual Cues for Fields Fields on Icon or Visual Cue Description Shelves Category A blue field on a shelf indicates a discrete field. SUM(Shipping Cost) A green field on a shelf indicates a continuous field. Market A (SORT) icon indicates a sorted field. The delta icon indicates that the field has a table calculation SUM(Sales) applied to it. ☐ Country The plus and minus controls appear when the field is part of a hierarchy in which you can drill up or down. Copyright © 2020 Tableau Software Inc. All rights reserved. ++++ ++++ + a b | e a u



# Desktop Workflow

- Understanding the Desktop Workflow
- Elements of a Visualization
- Getting Started in Tableau Desktop
- Practice: Exploring Tableau and the Data



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# Understanding the Desktop Workflow

Workflow step	Description
Connect	On the <b>Start</b> page, you can connect to nearly any database or text file available.
Analyze	Use dimension fields and measure fields to build the visualizations that allow you to see your data.
Share	Build a dashboard or a story you can share with others, or for your deeper data exploration.

As you become an advanced user, your workflow becomes less linear and more iterative.



#### Elements of a Visualization

Use **Show Me** to get a recommendation for a view.

-or-

Drag fields to **Columns**, **Rows** and the **Marks** card to build your own.

• For most of the views in this course, you will build your own.



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# Getting Started: Data Pane

Component	Description
Dimensions	Fields that contain qualitative, categorical data such as text and dates. Dimensions typically set the level of aggregation for numeric data, and create labels in a view.
Measures	Fields that contain numbers that can be aggregated. Measures typically create numerical axes in a view.
Parameters	Dynamic variables that can replace constant values, and which allow view consumers to control the view in some way.
Sets	Subsets of data that you define.



# Getting Started: Analytics Pane

Component	Description
Summarize	Includes options to add pre-defined components such as constant and average lines, medians with quartiles, box plots, and totals.
Model	Adds modeling information to your view, such as trend lines, forecasting, and average distribution bands.
Custom	Add custom lines, bands, and box plots.



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# Getting Started: View Components

Component	Description
Columns and Rows	Drag dimension and measure fields to these shelves to define how you want the data shown in the view.
Pages	Show data changes over time or across discrete dimensions.
Filter	Use filters to limit the data shown. Use on a dashboard to allow others to control how the data is displayed in the visualization.
Marks	Data as shown in the visualization. Bars, circles, pies, text, and lines are examples of marks.
Marks card	Use to change the appearance of "mark" types.
Worksheets	Tabs across the bottom of the view correspond to the worksheets contained within the workbook.



# Practice: Exploring Tableau and the Data

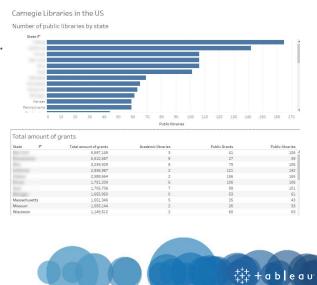
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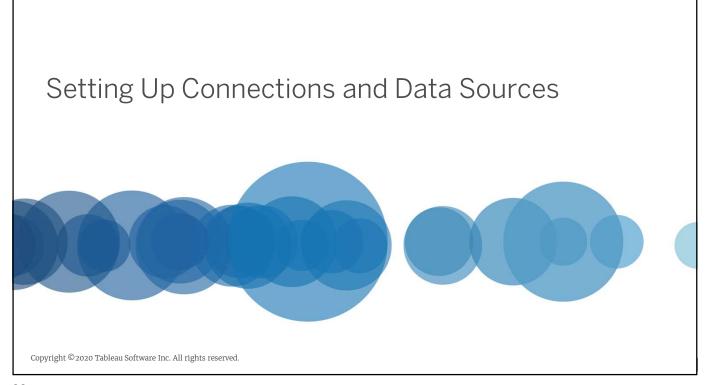
- Connect to the data.
- Analyze the data and build two views.
- Build a dashboard.

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#### Questions:

- Which state has the most Carnegie public libraries?
- Which state was granted the most money for libraries overall?





# Tableau File Types and Extensions

File Type and Extension	Description
Tableau Workbooks (.twb)	Contain one or more worksheets and dashboards and always refer to data outside of the workbook itself.
Tableau Packaged Workbooks (.twbx)	Contain a workbook along with any supporting local file data sources and background images. This format is the best way to package your work for sharing with others who don't have access to the data.
Tableau Bookmark (.tbm) files	Contain a single worksheet and are an easy way to quickly share work between workbooks.
Tableau Data Extract files (.hyper or legacy .tde)	Local copy of an entire data source or a subset that you can use to share data or work offline.
Tableau Data Connection (.tds) files	Shortcuts for data sources used often. Contain just the information you need to connect to the data sources such as data source type, location, and custom fields.

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# Setting up Connections and Data Sources

- Creating a Live Data Connection
- Saving and Editing a Data Source
- Sharing a Data Source
- Understanding Changes to Data
- Practice: Creating a Local Data Connection



# Creating a Live Data Connection Types of connections Connect to a file Connect to a server Connect to a saved data source Connect to a saved data source

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# Saving and Editing a Data Source

#### Tableau Data Source (.tds) file contains:

- Modifications you've made to a data source, such as changing default properties or renaming a field (but not the data itself),
- Parameters, calculated fields, groups, hierarchies, bins, or sets you've created.

#### Saving options:

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Locally for personal use:

• Changes to data source are not inherited.

Exported to Tableau Server for work group sharing:

• Subsequent workbooks can inherit data source changes.



# Modifying Data Attributes

#### Examples:

Organize dimensions and measures with folders.

Change a measure to a dimension, or a dimension to a measure.

#### Set the default properties for a measure:

- Comment
- Aggregation

Color

- Totals
- Number Format

#### Set the default properties for a dimension:

- Comment
- Shape

Color

Sort







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# Sharing a Data Source

If you have Tableau Server, you can share a data source connection (.tds) file with other users.

- Save locally for personal use.
- Create a local copy for editing from a shared file on Tableau Server.
- Publish to Tableau Server for work group sharing.

# Understanding Changes to Data

#### Impact of data connection type:

Live—changes reflected immediately

Extracts—changes require a refresh

#### Impact of type of data change:

Changes to data values will be reflected

Structural changes (such as removing columns or changing the data type or name) may break the visualization

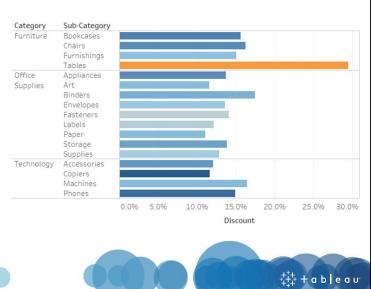


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# Practice: Creating a Local Data Connection

#### Global Superstore.xlsx

- Connect to data source, edit attributes
- Save changes locally
- Create a visualization









# Simplifying and Sorting Your Data

- Data Filtering
- Practice: Filtering
- Creating Date Filters
- Sorting
- Practice: Sorting



# Data Filtering

Narrows the data shown in a view to focus on relevant information

Filters shelf shows which filters are in use

Options vary by field type (dimension, measure, date)

Filter appearance and behavior



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### Filter on a Dimension

Filter Option	Description
General	Shows members of the dimensions you can select for inclusion or exclusion.
Wildcard	Sets up a wildcard inclusion or exclusion of members matching the value entered.
Condition	Filters values based on specific conditions. Can be determined by fields, range of values, or formula.
Тор	Filter by top (or bottom) "N" when N is determined by the value of specified fields or by formula (for example, Top 10 Cities by Profit).



#### Filter on a Measure

Filter Option	Description
Range of Values	Include all values within the specified range
At Least	Include all values above a specified value
At Most	Include all values below a specified value
Special	Set filter for null or non-null values



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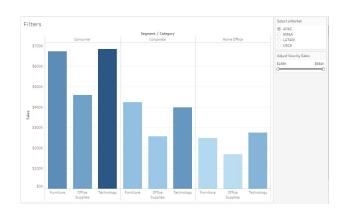
# Practice: Filtering

### Filtering\_Starter.twbx

- Add a filter for Market, displayed as a single value list titled "Select a Market" with the option to choose "All" disabled.
- Add a filter on SUM(Sales), formatted as a slider.

#### Question:

 Which Segment / Category had the greatest sales for the EMEA Market when the SUM(Sales) was between \$300K and \$800K?









# **Creating Date Filters**

#### Relative date filters

- Update data dynamically with time
- Example: 3 months before or after the current date

#### Range of dates

- Specify a definite span of time
- Define starting or ending dates

#### Specific date field values

• Examples: years, weekdays





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# **Computed Sorts**

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#### Organize data by applying rules

• Examples: alphabetical, ascending/descending order

Change dynamically as data changes

Can be set as a default for a dimension



#### Manual Sorts

Organize data in a fixed order

• Example: show a particular region first

Do not change dynamically (maintained even when data changes)

Can be set as a default for a dimension



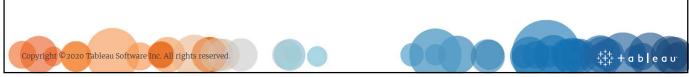
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# Practice: Sorting Sorting\_Starter.twbx \*\*\*Usew One: \*\*Use a computed sort in the view to order SubCategory by SUM(Sales) in descending order. \*\*Use a manual sort for Category in this order: Technology, Furniture, and Office Supplies. \*\*Opyright © 2020 Tableau Software fine. All rights reserved.\*\* \*\*Opyright © 2020 Tableau Software fine. All rights reserved.\*\* \*\*Technology of the supplies of the supplies



# Organizing Your Data

- Using Groups
- Creating and Using Hierarchies
- Practice: Creating Groups and Hierarchies



## **Using Groups**

A group is a set of dimension members combined into higher level categories

• Example: states grouped as a region or similar products grouped as a category

#### Methods to create groups:

- From the view by selecting dimension labels and using the group icon or menu
- From the data pane
- Visually by selecting marks





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# Creating and Using Hierarchies

Use hierarchies to organize data from general to specific

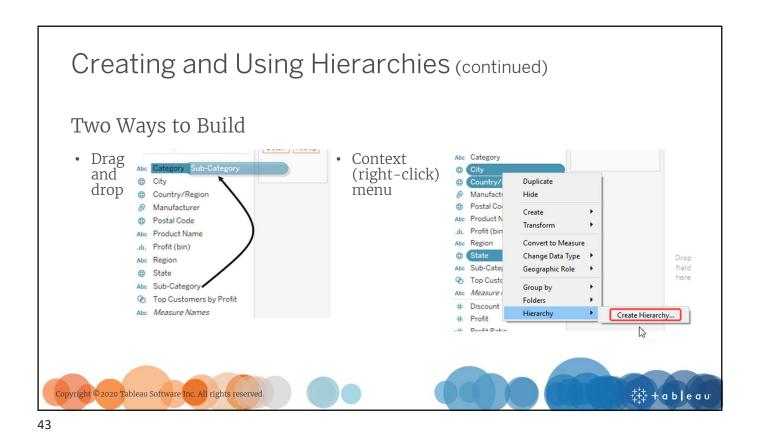
• Example: country > region > state > postal code

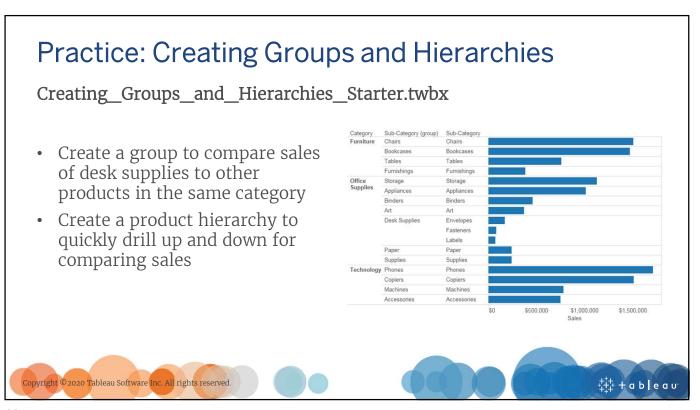
Use when data does not contain logical levels of aggregation.

Click the plus (+) sign and drill into the data with the path defined by the hierarchy.

Reorder fields in the hierarchy by dragging and dropping.



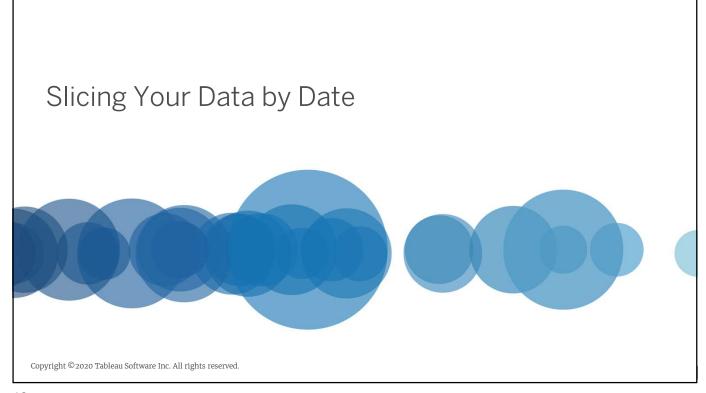




# **DEMO:** Creating Visual Groupings (time permitting / 8-10 min)

- Use color to create visual groups so that users can quickly see certain products in the view
- See steps below





# Slicing Your Data by Date

- Working with Dates in Tableau
- Using Discrete Date Parts and Continuous Date Values
- Practice: Date Parts and Date Values
- Creating Custom Dates
- Practice: Custom Dates



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## Working with Dates

Dates are automatically placed in the dimensions area of the data pane:

• Date/time fields are identified by the calendar icon.

Automatic hierarchy is created for dates:

- Begins at the highest level in the data, usually year. (a) Ship Date
- Right-click on the field to change the hierarchy.



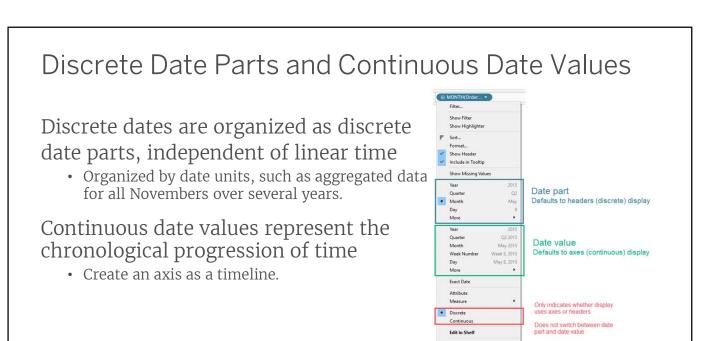
Date hierarchies and attributes in OLAP (or cubes) are defined when the cube is created:

• They cannot be modified in Tableau.

The standard Gregorian calendar is used by default:

• The ISO-8601 week-based calendar can be selected for any data source.





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Reorder date hierarchy:

• Place quarter before year

• Year on columns
• Quarter on rows

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#### Practice: Date Parts and Date Values

Global\_Superstore\_Recent\_Dates.xlsx

- Create a bar chart to show seasonal trends by discrete month of over date
- Create a line chart to show sales for each month in a continuous timeline



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# **Creating Custom Dates**

Custom dates are calculated date parts that you can save.

• Example: reuse the custom date part or value without having to override the default behavior for each use.

Can be used to "break" the automatic date hierarchy or to create elements to use in defining a new one.

• Example: new dimension for just the month of order data

Allow for each field to represent just itself.

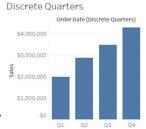
Can be continuous date values or discrete date parts.

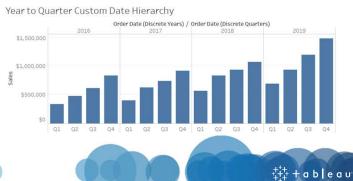


# **Practice: Custom Dates**

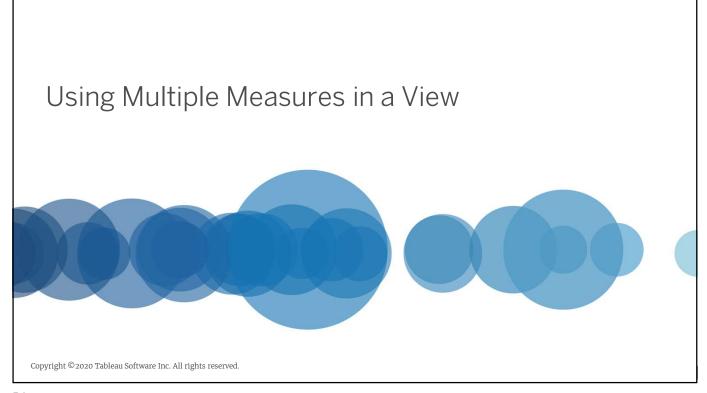
Custom\_Dates\_Starter.twbx

- Create a bar chart that shows sales by order date using a custom discrete date in quarters.
- Create a bar chart that shows a Year to Quarter custom date hierarchy.









# Using Multiple Measures in a View

- Using Measure Values and Measure Names in a View
- · Combined or Shared Axis Charts
- Practice: Combined Axis Chart
- Creating Dual Axis Charts
- Practice: Dual Axis Chart



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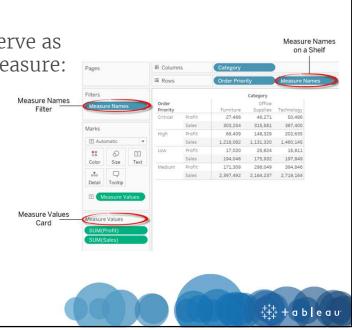
#### Measure Values and Measure Names

Tableau-generated fields that serve as containers for more than one measure:

- Measure Names—at the bottom of the dimensions list
- Measure Values—at the bottom of the measures list

Appear automatically when you create a combined (shared) axis or dual axis chart.

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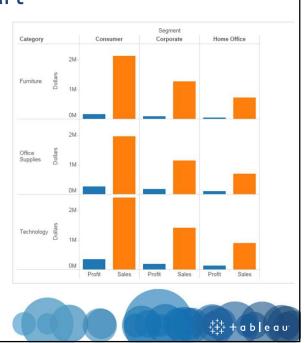


# Combined or Shared Axis Charts More than one measure on the same axis Use for comparing multiple measures in a single view. Highlight the relationship between the two measures. Drag the second measure to the existing axis. Show marks side-by-side or stacked.

### Practice: Combined Axis Chart

#### Global Superstore.xlsx

- Create a bar chart broken down by Segment and Category that shows Profit and Sales on the same axis.
- Use your chart to compare measures within dimensions.

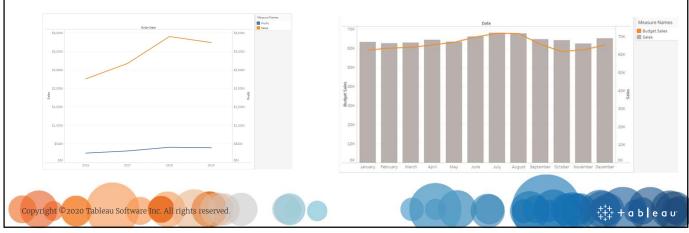


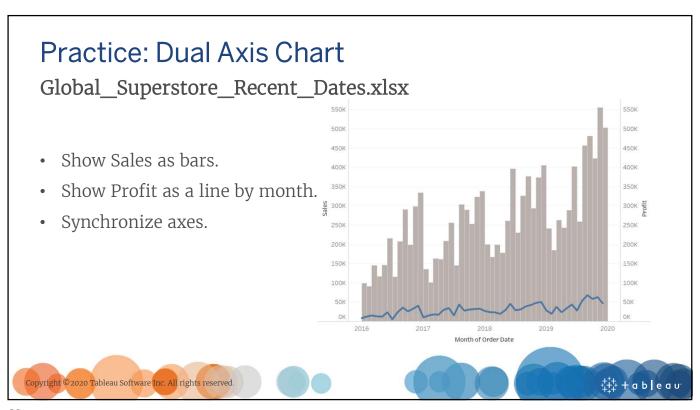


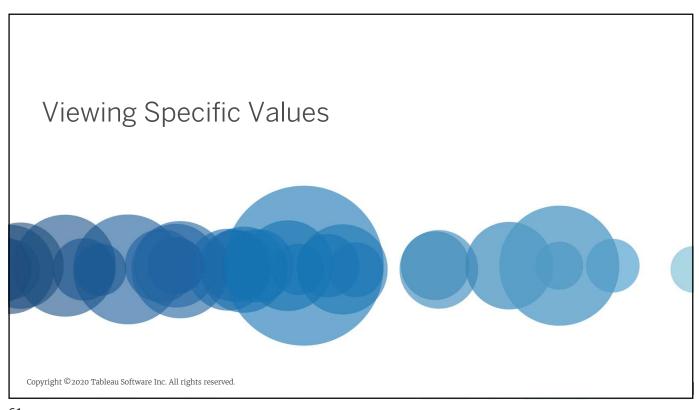
# **Creating Dual Axis Charts**

Useful for showing how two different measures compare

- Different measurement units (for example, dollars and number of days)
- Same unit of measure, but on two different scales
- Can be shown with different mark types







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# Viewing Specific Values

- Creating Crosstabs
- Grand Totals, Subtotals, and Changing Aggregation
- Practice: Totals and Aggregation
- Creating Highlight Tables
- Practice: Highlight Table



# **Creating Crosstabs**

Use when specific numeric values need to be represented in the view.

#### To create:

- · One dimension on columns
- One dimension on rows
- One measure to text on the Marks card

Region	Consumer	Corporate	Home Office
Africa	423,767	204,939	155,067
Canada	35,719	19,314	11,895
Caribbean	162,349	104,538	57,394
Central	1,479,981	850,364	491,957
Central Asia	369,055	235,540	148,231
East	350,908	200,409	127,464
EMEA	406,745	250,571	148,845
North	643,955	394,226	209,984
North Asia	407,395	265,747	175,168
Oceania	579,550	322,827	197,807
South	824,890	496,015	280,002
Southeast Asia	460,753	254,352	169,319
West	362,881	225,855	136,722

#### From an existing view:

• Right-click the tab for the worksheet you want to use, and choose **Duplicate as Crosstab**.



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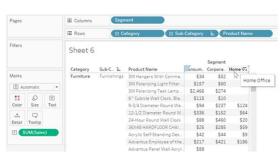
# Creating Crosstabs (cont'd)

#### Sort your table column:

**Nested** or **Field** sort columns containing a single value per pane, or columns having discrete measures.

#### To create:

- One dimension to Columns
- · Several dimensions to Rows
- · One measure to text on the Marks card
- On Rows, right-click a dimension and choose Sort.
  - In the dialog box, choose Field, Ascending, Field Name, Sales and Sum.







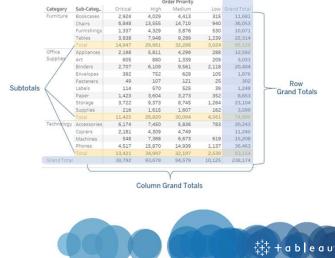


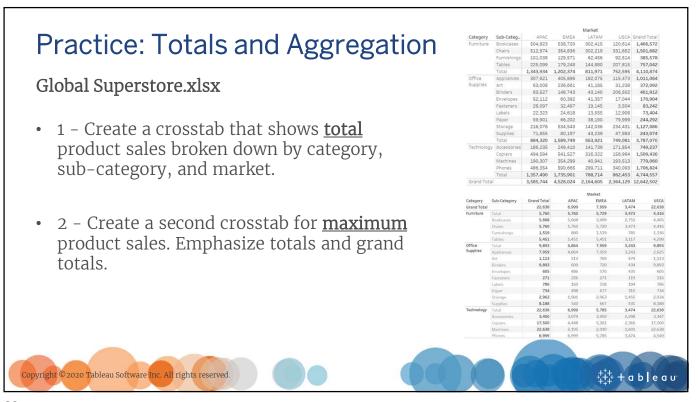
# Grand Totals, Subtotals, and Changing Aggregations

Add row and column grand totals and subtotals to help users interpret data.

- Change the display positions as needed.
- Use additional formatting for emphasis.
- Adjust the aggregation.

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# **Creating Highlight Tables**

A color-encoded crosstab that calls attention to very high or low data values:

- Show detailed values in text.
- Emphasize outliers in color.
- Include totals, color-encoded or not, as desired.

						Shi	p Mode /	Order Prior	rity				
			irst Class	3		Same Day		Se	cond Clas	ss	Standard Class		
Segment	Market	Critical	High	Medium	Critical	High	Medium	Critical	High	Medium	High	Low	Medium
Consumer	APAC	9,399	18,412	5,884	2,796	6,541	1,929	5,348	15,516	15,419	34,558	5,111	101,905
	EMEA	8,827	9,074	12,244	2,766	8,856	8,403	12,579	18,997	27,065	43,272	16,536	93,373
	LATAM	2,477	7,964	6,935	-371	936	2,022	2,765	10,262	13,729	14,025	5,818	54,070
	USCA	4,186	6,317	12,954	2,891	6,526	1,159	6,213	15,303	6,409	10,653	-5,017	76,203
Corporate	APAC	8,369	3,594	3,291	1,788	2,866	1,480	7,667	6,945	12,738	18,117	3,997	58,885
	EMEA	9,159	7,050	6,515	-487	2,372	4,874	3,526	6,961	22,633	17,255	12,276	64,448
	LATAM	2,625	6,534	3,566	1,554	3,006	-359	1,056	1,910	3,499	7,151	4,908	22,424
	USCA	2,477	6,805	5,589	157	-1,382	3,122	3,755	9,421	6,543	13,115	6,114	41,301
Home	APAC	2,414	1,077	6,471	932	3,098	-2,712	-122	4,602	9,438	14,202	2,056	41,989
Office	EMEA	1,248	3,180	-906	3,529	-702	1,660	3,050	7,178	9,998	8,136	3,782	
	LATAM	1,397	6,698	2,865	2,097	5	577	1,289	1,553	2,983	6,338	1,686	15,646
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# Practice: Highlight Table

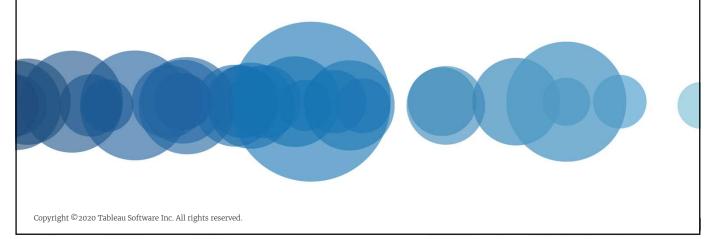
#### Global Superstore.xlsx

		Market / Region																		
			(AP)	AC.			EMEA					LATAM				USCA				
Category	Sub-Categ	Central Asia	North Asia	Oceania	Southeast Apia	Africa	Central	EMEA	North	South	Caribbean	Central	North	South	Canada	Central	East	South	West	Grand Total
Furniture (	Bookcases.	21,044	25,657	13,389	6,667	7,165	20,290	7,938	15,289	20,829	1,949	11,167	4,977	6,794	1,343	-1,998	-1,168	1,339	1,647	161,924
	Chairs	17,435	26,609	15,028	3,230	2,784	22,218	-610	4,754	-7,181	5,416	8,278	5,215	9,872	857	6,593	9,358	6,612	4,028	140,396
	<b>Furnishings</b>	5,367	5,496	3,862	1,452	2,302	11,023	1,441	-2,801	5,428	-1,205	2,436	-3,523	2,527	114	-3,906	5,881	3,443	7,641	46,967
	Tables	4,190	-5,471	-230	-18,618	4,011	-15,321	2,764	3,296	-8,974	63	-2,670	3,716	-13,415	300	-3,560	-11,025	-4,623	1,483	-64,083
Office	Appliances	6,269	12,859	12,444	10,557	3,670	18,184	3,024	7,785	20,369	5,597	4,336	12,189	4,226	2,234	-2,639	8,391	4,124	8,261	141,681
Supplies	Art	2,172	4,101	2,255	-1,190	3,977	19,464	1,452	4,016	7,314	954	1,722	3,675	590	913	1,195	1,900	1,059	2,374	57,954
	Binders	2,767	2.907	2,728	2,395	2,659	12,825	2,910	2,470	4,465	1,145	1,186	2,756	228	786	-1,044	11,268	3,901	16,097	72,450
	Envelopes	2,182	3,421	1,262	-1,641	1,518	4,732	811	1,704	2,205	994	1,647	3,286	346	171	1,778	1,812	1,465	1,909	29,601
	Fasteners.	1,025	1,480	774	-1,602	854	2,997	945	533	898	467	360	1,297	408	340	237	264	174	275	11,525
	Labels	896	1,300	1,158	-870	786	2,006	391	480	802	366	659	946	415	129	1,073	1,129	1,041	2,303	15,011
	Piper	3,006	3,032	2,693	-1,859	2,063	4,871	887	1,320	2,693	1,292	1,356	2,517	909	374	6,972	9,015	5,947	12,119	59,208
	Storage	6,138	8,482	7,706	2,418	11,915	24,845	3,453	6,484	-3,379	2,616	3,649	8,687	1,256	2,912	1,970	8,389	2,274	8,645	100,461
	Supplies	2,649	3,344	2,286	-4,034	1,038	6,484	997	933	2,208	1,378	1,311	3,326	1,556	297	-662	-1,155	2	626	22,583
Technology	Accessories	8,026	8,796	7,702	-8,642	6,478	18,861	3,583	5,000	9,581	3,346	6,423	11,123	6,116	1,295	7,252	11,196	7,005	16,485	129,626
	Copiers.	17,812	30,090	21,597	11,356	14,009	22,602	8,178	15,539	18,059	7,279	6,540	21,343	5,983	2,664	15,609	17,028	3,659	19,327	250,568
	Machines	7,494	10,308	3,958	4,783	5,948	11,930	2,742	9,559	-4,201	-2,604	441	3,680	839	608	-1,486	6,929	-1,439	-619	58,868
	Phones	23,108	23,277	21,477	13,452	17,695	27,523	2,991	15,421	-5,600	5,608	7,522	17,608	-560	2,680	12,323	12,315	10,767	9,111	216,717

- Show profit for category and sub-category by market and region.
- Include row grand totals in the color encoding.



# Showing the Relationship Between Numerical Values



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# Showing the Relationship Between Numerical Values

- Showing Correlations and Outliers with Scatter Plots
- Create a Scatter Plot
- Analyze Using the Highlighter
- Analyze Using Explain Data
- Practice: Marketing Expenses Scatter Plot



# Showing Correlations and Outliers with Scatter Plots

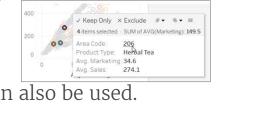
A graph of plotted points to compare two measures and to show patterns across data sets.

#### Scatter plots can:

- Answer questions about relationships between variables (correlations).
- Visualize data that deviates from the primary trend (outliers).

Highlighters and/or tooltip selections

| Avg. Marketing: 34.6
| Avg





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#### Create a Scatter Plot

Compare two measures on opposite (x and y) axes, or on rows and columns.

Use dimensions to see how the measures compare when sliced differently.

Disaggregate the measures to see all records in the data set.



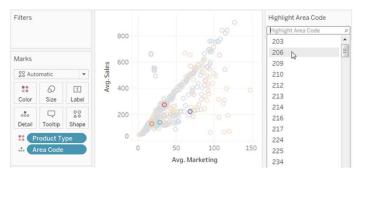
Click to disaggregate



### Analyze Using the Highlighter

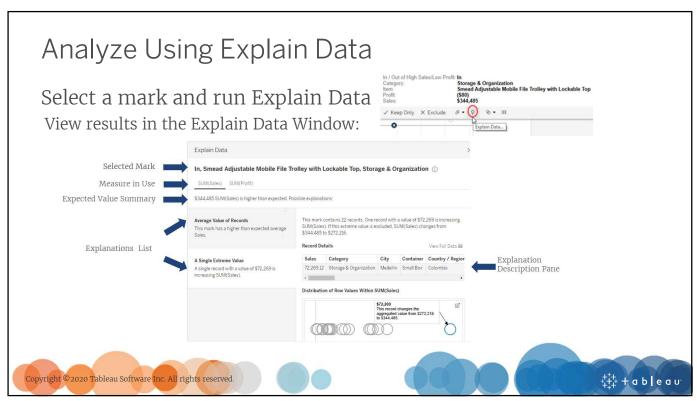
Use the highlighter to perform ad-hoc analysis of the data in scatter plots:

- Use a discrete field (dimension) that is included in the view and impacts the level of detail in the view.
- Right-click the field on the Marks card, and then click Show Highlighter.





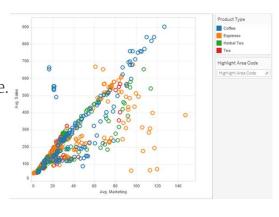
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### Practice: Marketing Expenses Scatter Plot

### CoffeeChain\_Query.xlsx

- Create a scatter plot to compare average sales with average marketing expenses, broken down by area code and product type.
- Add a highlighter to analyze the data, and use it to examine outliers.
- Use Explain Data to examine outliers.

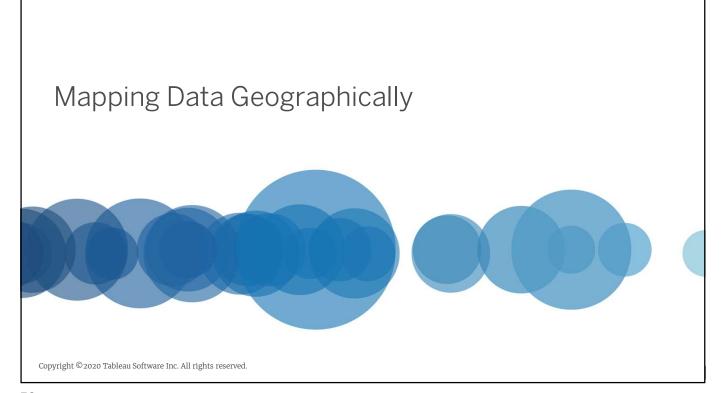








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### Mapping Data Geographically

- Mapping in Tableau
- Navigation and Selection in Maps
- Practice: Airport Geographic Mapping
- Creating Geographic Groups
- Practice: Creating Geographic Groups



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### Mapping in Tableau

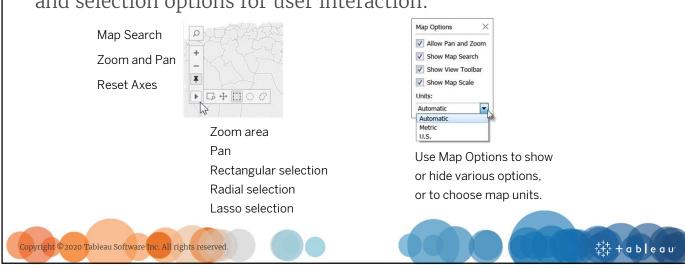
Create views using maps to show data distributions by geographic locations.

Latitude and longitude fields are automatically generated for many geographic information types.





Maps created in Tableau Desktop have several navigation, search, and selection options for user interaction:



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### Practice: Airport Geographic Mapping

### European Airports 2019.xlsx

- Use IATA codes to show European airports.
- Use size and color to compare number of passengers at each airport in 2019.
- Use a filter to determine which airports were the busiest.



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### Creating Geographic Groups

Create geographic groups using fields.

• Examples: postal codes, counties, states

Use to show custom sales territories or to explore data regionally.

Create by visually grouping locations or by using the data pane.

Groups of groups (nested groups) can also be created.

• Examples: hierarchical territories or divisions



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### Practice: Creating Geographic Groups

school data.xlsx

• Use geographic groups to show the total number of schools in custom sales territories.













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### **Customizing Your Data**

- Using Calculations in Desktop
- Creating and Editing Calculated Fields
- Calculations and Aggregations
- Practice: Calculations and Aggregations in Profit Ratio
- String Functions
- Date Calculations
- Practice: Using Date Calculations



### Using Calculated Fields in Desktop

Use when your underlying data does not contain all of the values you need for your analysis.

A calculation can include some of all of these components:

Component	Description	
Fields	Contains all data source fields and calculated fields.	
Functions	Functions you can use to create a formula, which are available from the drop-down menu, organized into categories.	
Operators	Operators must be typed manually. Use standard operators, such as addition (+), subtraction (-), multiplication (*), modulo (%) and division (/) as well as comparisons (==,=,>,<,>=,<=,!=,<>), and logical (AND, OR, NOT).	
Parameters	Placeholder variables that can be inserted into calculations to replace constant values.	
Comments	Insert custom comments for your calculations as a means of annotation for later review. To add a comment to a calculation, type two forward slash characters (//) into the formula pane.	

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### Calculation Types

Calculation	Description
Calculated Fields	Custom calculations created using the calculated field editor and computed in the underlying data source.
Table Calculations, including Quick Table Calculations	Calculations applied after data is returned (created locally in Tableau). Some predefined table calculations are available as quick table calculations, but you can also specify the components of the formula.
Row and Column Totals	Predefined calculations available on the <b>Analysis</b> menu, including subtotals and grand totals. These are a type of table calculation.

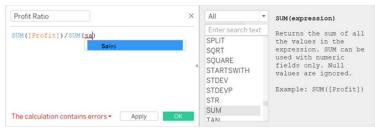




### Creating and Editing Calculated Fields

Type directly on columns, rows, or the **Marks** card (ad-hoc calculations).

Use the Calculated Field editor (right-click in the data pane and choose Create Calculated Field).





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### Formula Editor Conventions

Color or Symbol	Description	
Red squiggly line	Syntax error. Hover over the error to see directions to fix it.	
//Gray Text	Comments. These are ignored by the calculation but are useful for documenting the calculation logic.	
[Orange Text]	Field names.	
Blue Text ( )	Functions.	
[Purple Text]	Parameters.	
Bold Text	Calculation is computed locally within Tableau on the aggregated results.	
Plain Text (not bold)	Calculation is computed at the database level.	

- ENTER, RETURN, SPACE and UPPER/lowercase (except for field names) are ignored.
- Use " or ' for string fields



### Types of Calculated Fields – Examples

### Math operations across numbers

· Addition or subtraction

### Logic statements

• IF/ELSE or CASE

### Aggregating data

Average or maximum

### Manipulating strings

• Putting strings together or breaking them down

### Date formulas

 Pulling out a date part or the difference between two dates



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### Calculations and Aggregations

Aggregating in calculated fields can affect the formula's order of operations:

- Can therefore return different (and potentially incorrect) results.
- · Calculations occur in the data source.
- Tableau will aggregate the results of individual transactions.
- For example, when computing averages, you should apply an overall aggregate before computing ratios.

[Profit] / [Sales] is not the same as SUM([Profit]) / SUM([Sales])



## Practice: Calculations and Aggregations in Profit Ratio

### Global\_Superstore\_Recent\_Dates.xlsx

- Create a view showing the profit by year and department.
- Create an ad-hoc calculated field named "Profit Ratio" using the formula [Profit]/[Sales] with a format of Percentage.
- Does the Profit Ratio field seem to return the correct results?
- Edit the calculation to be SUM([Profit])/SUM([Sales]) and re-examine the results.
- Use "Profit Ratio" in a Logic Calculation (optional).



Category Office Supplies

Furniture

2017

2018

7.10%

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### String Functions

When using string fields, the plus sign (+) is the concatenation operator.

Spaces and additional text can be included, but should be in quotes (" ").

### Example:

"First Name" + " Last Name"

(Note the extra space before the word **Last**.)



### Type Conversions

In a formula, if a plus sign is used between a string and a numeric field, an error results:

- A plus concatenates strings, but a plus is also used to perform addition on numbers.
- The calculation engine isn't sure what to do.

Use a type conversion function to convert the number to a string:

"Customer Number " + STR([Customer Number]) + ", " + [Customer Name]

Note the use of extra spaces.

Resulting string output:

Customer Number 10, Bob Spencer



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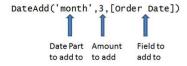
### Date Calculations - Examples

### DateDiff

• Calculate a difference between dates.

### DateAdd

Add some amount of time to an existing date field.



### Date part calculations

 Use year, month, day, hour, minute, or second.

### DateParse

- Change a string into a recognized date field.
- Sometimes unavailable depending on the type of data connection being used.

DATEPARSE("MMMM,dd,yy","September,4,12") = 9/4/2012



### **Practice: Using Date Calculations**

### Global\_Superstore\_Recent\_Dates.xlsx

- Use the DATEDIFF function to calculate the days to ship.
- Create a crosstab chart to compare the average days to ship and the average shipping cost for customer segment and order priority.

Order Priority	Segment	Avg. Days to Ship	Avg. Shipping Cost
Critical	Consumer	1.8	\$58.25
	Corporate	1.9	\$62.07
	Home Office	1.6	\$60.10
High	Consumer	3.0	\$33.34
	Corporate	3.1	\$32.52
	Home Office	3.1	\$32.05
Medium	Consumer	4.5	\$18.02
	Corporate	4.5	\$19.02
	Home Office	4.5	\$18.67
Low	Consumer	6.5	\$26.26
	Corporate	6.5	\$27.41
	Home Office	6.5	\$28.47



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### Split and Custom Split

Split regularly separated (delimited) strings in a column to create new columns.

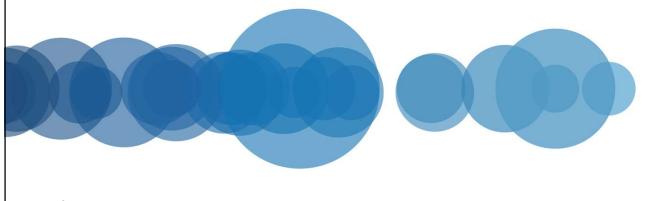
Custom Split offers more control to split a column into multiple columns and to specify the separator used.

Split dimensions are calculated fields and have the same characteristics and limitations:

- Are materialized in extracts,
- Can be used for blends, but not for joins,
- Not available for pivot/unpivot functionality.



### Analyzing Data with Quick Table Calculations



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### Analyzing Data with Quick Table Calculations

- Table Calculation Overview
- Using Quick Table Calculations
- Practice: Running Total of Sales
- Practice: Year over Year Change



### **Table Calculation Overview**

Computations applied to the values for a measure in the view

Computed locally, after query results return, allowing for a second pass aggregation.

Table calculations have scope and direction:

- Scope defines the area where the calculation is performed or defines each group for which the calculation is computed.
- **Direction** specifies how the calculation moves through the area.



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### Using Quick Table Calculations

Predefined computations for data in your view

Utilize default direction for operation, such as "Table (across)"

• A field used in a table calculation displays with an icon: SUM(Sales)



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### Examples:

- Running total
- Difference
- Percent difference
- Percent of total
- Rank

- Percentile
- Moving average
- YTD Total
- Compound growth rate
- Year over year growth
- YTD Growth



### Practice: Running Total of Sales

### Running\_Total\_of\_Sales\_Starter.twbx

- Crosstab shows yearly sales by category and quarter.
- Add a running total by quarter.
- Restart the total for each category.

		Order Date							
		2016		2017		2018		2019	
Category1	Quarter of Order Date	Sales	Running Sum of Sal	Sales	Running Sum of Sal.,	Sales	Running Sum of Sal	Sales	Running Sum of Sal
Furniture	Q1	109,885	109,885	135,479	135,479	206,246	206,246	217,208	217,208
	Q2	154,694	264,579	199,144	334,623	244,284	450,530	305,043	522,250
	Q3	196,399	460,978	222,301	556,924	311,870	762,399	384,429	906,679
	Q4	295,214	756,192	301,978	858,903	355,324	1,117,724	471,377	1,378,056
Office Supplies	Q1	90,199	90,199	125,283	125,283	178,544	178,544	209,414	209,414
	Q2	157,863	248,062	180,773	306,056	241,935	420,479	299,630	509,044
	Q3	200,995	449,057	222,450	528,506	274,183	694,663	366,765	875,809
	Q4	226,550	675,606	266,589	795,095	316,055	1,010,718	429,842	1,305,652
Technology	Q1	135,696	135,696	138,606	138,606	180,229	180,229	262,585	262,585
	Q2	166,313	302,009	245,676	384,282	348,621	528,850	328,314	590,899
	Q3	215,913	517,922	293,017	677,299	346,984	875,834	445,289	1,036,188
	0.4	200 720	027 662	3/6 1/13	1.022.442	401 471	1 277 205	E70 070	1 616 150



Quarterly Sales by Category

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### Practice: Year over Year Change

### Global\_Superstore\_Recent\_Dates.xlsx

- Show year over year growth of sales as a bar chart
- Use color to show % difference.
- Filter the view to show only the results for Art and USCA market.
- Show nulls at the default position.

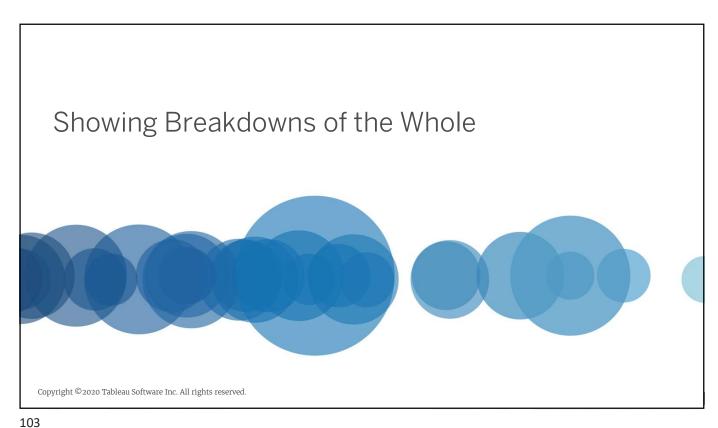












### Showing Breakdowns of the Whole

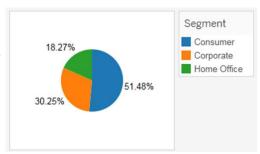
- Pie Charts and Parts of the Whole
- Practice: Percent of Total Sales
- Creating Tree Maps
- Practice: Tree Map



### Pie Charts and Parts of the Whole

### Helpful under the right circumstances:

- Be aware of the limitations of our perceptual system; our perceptual system does not compare areas or angles accurately.
- Limit the number of members and add labels to help your audience.



### Pie charts are useful for:

- Filtering or highlighting sections of a dashboard.
- Showing high-level breakdown of a measure with a small number of members.

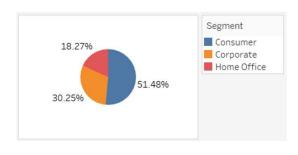


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### Practice: Percent of Total Sales

### Global Superstore.xlsx

 Create a pie chart to show how sales for each segment compare as a percentage of total sales.





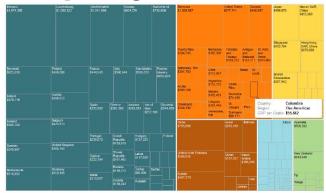




### **Creating Tree Maps**

Use to show part-to-whole relationships at a glance:

- Read from top left to bottom right.
- Use color to differentiate categories.
- Add labels to show number value.
- Good for data sets with long tails.
- Especially good for hierarchical, categorical data.
- Can use a highlighter to search and compare data.



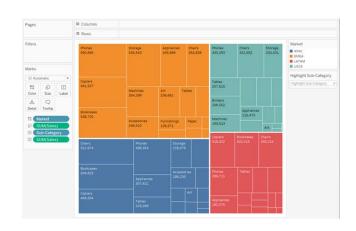


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### Practice: Tree Map

### Global Superstore.xlsx

- Create a tree map that uses color for each market and size to visualize sales.
- Add a highlighter to compare sales for specific sub-categories.





### **DEMO** (time permitting)

 Show that if you change a tree map's mark type to **Text** you get a word cloud; and if you change it to a **Circle**, you get Packed bubbles.





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### Highlighting Data with Reference Lines

- Using Reference Lines
- Reference Bands
- Practice: Reference Lines



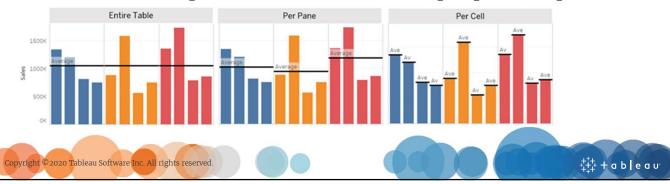
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### **Using Reference Lines**

Add reference lines to mark specific values or regions on an axis:

- Example: average sales for a quarter or year
- Based on constant or computed values.

Reference line scope can be the entire table, per pane, or per cell.



### Reference Line Options

Values you can use as a reference line:

- Average
- Constant
- Maximum/Minimum
- Median
- Sum
- Total

### Labels you can use:

- None
- Value
- Computation
- Custom

### Tooltips you can use:

- None
- Value
- Computation
- Custom

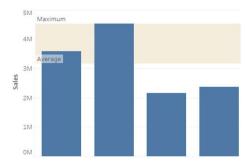


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### Reference Bands

Reference bands show data that falls within a certain window value:

- Shown as shaded areas behind the marks on the axis.
- Band between two constant or computed values.







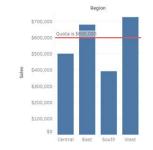


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### **Practice: Reference Lines**

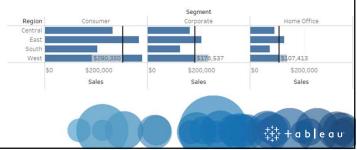
### Reference\_Line\_Starter.twbx

 Add a constant reference line to the bar chart for sales quota, so you can easily see where sales have been slow.



- Duplicate the first worksheet, and delete the quota reference line.
  - Change the view to show sales for each region by segment.
  - Add a new reference line to compare average sales for each segment.

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### Making Your Views Available

- Dashboards
- Practice: Building a Dashboard
- Dashboard Actions
- Practice: Creating an Interactive Dashboard
- Publish Your Dashboard Online



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# Show a collection of worksheets and supporting information in a single window. Use to compare and monitor a variety of data simultaneously. West Africa Oil Well Output 2004-2009 Asset Octuput Sheet or label to view default. Oil Output by Well oil Output by We

### Relation between Dashboards and Worksheets

Views in a dashboard are connected to the worksheets they represent:

- Changes to the worksheet update the dashboard.
- Changes to the dashboard affect the worksheet.

### From the dashboard, you can:

- · Go to a sheet.
- · Hide a sheet.



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### Tiled or Floating Objects

### Tiled objects:

- · Arranged in a grid.
- Can change how positioned or distributed within layout container.

### Floating objects

- Can be layered on top of other objects.
- Make the selection in the dashboard window before the sheet is selected.
- Floating objects can be reordered and resized.

Shift+drag to change an object from tiled to floating.



Objects

[] Horizontal

⊟ Vertical

☐ Blank

⊕ Web Page

Floating

### Formatting Components

Objects on a dashboard can be formatted in the following ways:

- Adding a border
- Adding a background color
- Setting the inner and outer padding









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### Dashboard Device Layouts

Create layouts specific to particular device types, and optionally different models:

- Desktop
- Tablet
- Phone

Hierarchical relationship—default dashboard is parent and device specific layouts are children:

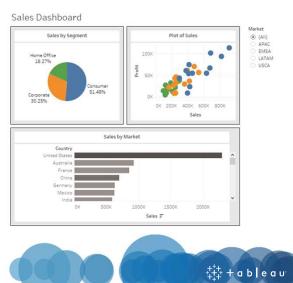
- Tailor composition and contents according to different browser window sizes.
- Allow users to experience a dashboard expressly designed for their screen display.
- Create and maintain only a single parent dashboard.



### Practice: Building a Dashboard

### Building\_a\_Dashboard\_Starter.twbx

- Make the worksheets in the starter workbook display together in a single dashboard.
- Use the market filter as a global filter.
- Use the pie chart worksheet as a filter by segment.







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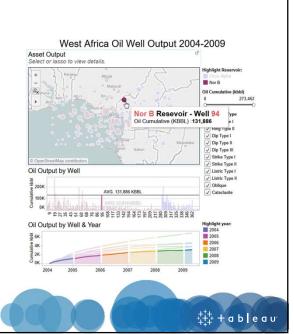
### Dashboard Actions: Highlight

Actions add context and interactivity to your data.

Use highlights to call attention to marks of interest.

Use color to highlight select marks and to dim all others.

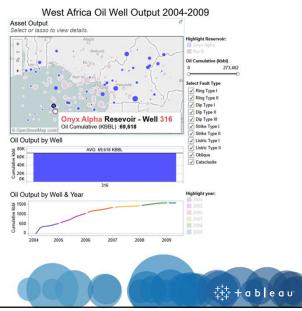
Allow user to select marks in the view or to click on the legend.





# Use to send information between worksheets: • Example: selecting a mark on one West Asset Output Select or lasso to view

 Example: selecting a mark on one worksheet filters data on related worksheets to show only data related to the selected item.



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### Dashboard Actions: URL

Include a hyperlink that points to a webpage, file, or other webbased resource outside of Tableau.

To make the link relevant to your data, add field values of a selection into the URL as parameters.









### Additional Dashboard Actions

Action	Used to
Go to Sheet	Navigate from one sheet or dashboard to another.
Change Set Values	Change the values in a set when a user interacts with marks in a view.
Change Parameter	Change the values in a parameter when a user interacts with marks in a view.



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### Options for Running Dashboard Actions

For this field	Action	Works well for
Hover	Rest the pointer over a mark in the view to run the action.	Highlighting and filtering actions within a dashboard
Select	Click on a mark in the view to run the action.	All types of actions
Menu	Click a mark in the view and then select an option on the tooltip context menu.	Filter and URL actions



### Publish Your Dashboard Online

Publish Your Work to Share with Others:

- Tableau Online
- Tableau Server
- Tableau Public

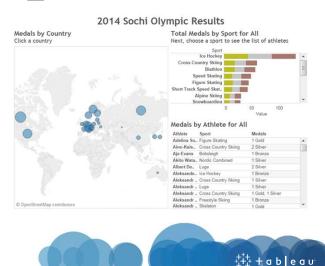


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### Practice: Creating an Interactive Dashboard

### Creating\_an\_Interactive\_Dashboard\_Starter.twbx

- Add worksheets to create a dashboard similar to the one shown in the book.
- Add dashboard filters to:
  - Filter all other worksheets when you select a mark on the map.
  - Filter the text table when you select a mark on the bar chart.
  - Show a web page with information about individual Olympic sports and athletes.









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### Resources

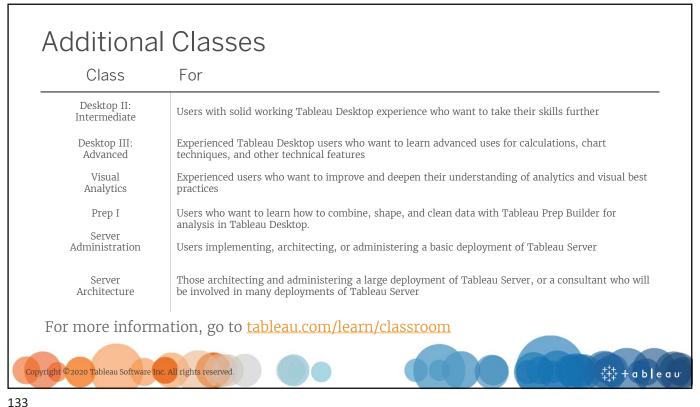
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Exam	Exam Focus
Tableau Desktop Specialist	Foundational functionality and product comprehension
Tableau Desktop Certified Associate	Comprehensive functionality and product expertise
Tableau Desktop Certified Professional	Advanced functionality and application of visual best practices



### Server Certifications

Exam	Exam Focus
Tableau Server Certified Associate	Administrative functionality and platform knowledge
Tableau Server Certified Professional	Architectural knowledge and platform integration expertise



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### Three months access to Tableau eLearning

Attending this course gives you three months access to Tableau eLearning to reinforce the skills you learned in the classroom.

- Create a login via Tableau.com (TableauID)
- Go to <a href="https://elearning.tableau.com/">https://elearning.tableau.com/</a>
- Enter the trial code (provided via email)
- Explore Learning Paths and earn Role Badges!

Questions? Contact globalservices@tableau.com



# Use eLearning to continue your journey to Tableau Desktop Specialist Certification!

You have just completed step 1! Desktop I provides the foundational knowledge necessary for Tableau Desktop Specialist Certification.

Use Tableau eLearning to reinforce the skills you learned in the classroom and add some of the other skills covered in the exam. Access the "Certification: What to Expect" course to learn more about the testing experience and review a checklist to guide your learning.

Find out more about the journey to Tableau Desktop Specialist Certification: <a href="https://www.tableau.com/learn/classroom/desktop-one">https://www.tableau.com/learn/classroom/desktop-one</a>



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## Use eLearning to continue your Learning Path and earn a digital badge!

Role-based Learning Paths are designed to boost your productivity and help along the journey to becoming a data-driven organization.

When ready, take the skills assessment to help determine whether you have the necessary skills for your Tableau role.

Users in every Tableau role in your organization can pass one of these low-stakes assessments and earn a Role Badge to build confidence in their skills.

Find out more about Learning Paths at <a href="https://www.tableau.com/learn/learning-paths">https://www.tableau.com/learn/learning-paths</a>



### Use eLearning to stay current on Tableau releases!

The New Feature Spotlight Webinar highlights new features and functions that make our Tableau life easier. Using eLearning, you can view past webinars and register for future sessions.

These live webinars cover the latest features, best practices around them and allow you to ask questions to an expert instructor.

Can't attend a New Feature Spotlight session live? Don't worry—the are recorded and then posted to the eLearning course list.





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### Wrap Up

Introduction to Tableau Desktop I:

Fundamentals

Desktop Workflow

Setting Up Connections and Data

Sources

Simplifying and Sorting Your Data

Organizing Your Data

Slicing Your Data by Date

Using Multiple Measures in a View

Viewing Specific Values

Showing the Relationship Between

Numerical Values

Mapping Data Geographically

Customizing Your Data

Analyzing Data with Quick Table

Calculations

Showing Breakdowns of the Whole

Highlighting Data with Reference Lines

Making Your Views Available





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