



# Essential Design Principles for Tableau

*Multiple, Connected View*

Seeing different views is essential for accurately interpreting your data



## Seeing an Elephant



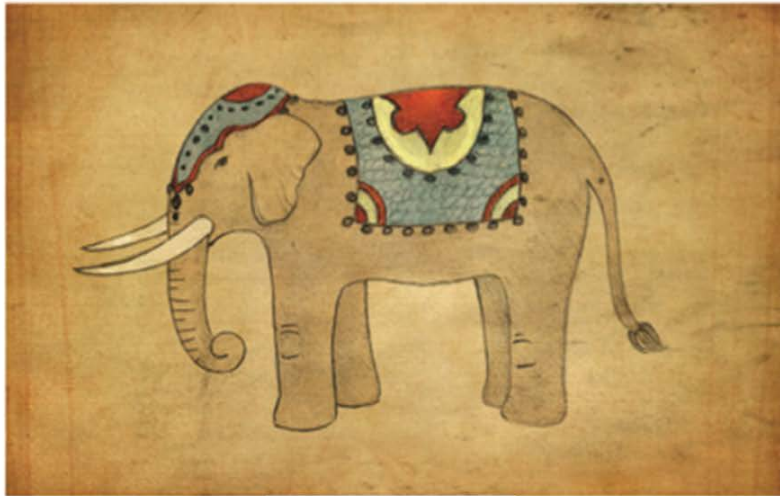
Bone?



Leather?



Rope?

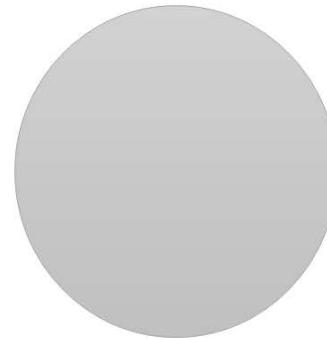


Big Picture

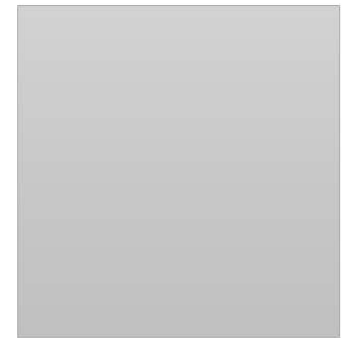
You want users to see  
all the elephant in their  
data – the whole image  
and the parts that make  
up the whole

This is a circle and a  
square...or is it?

A



B



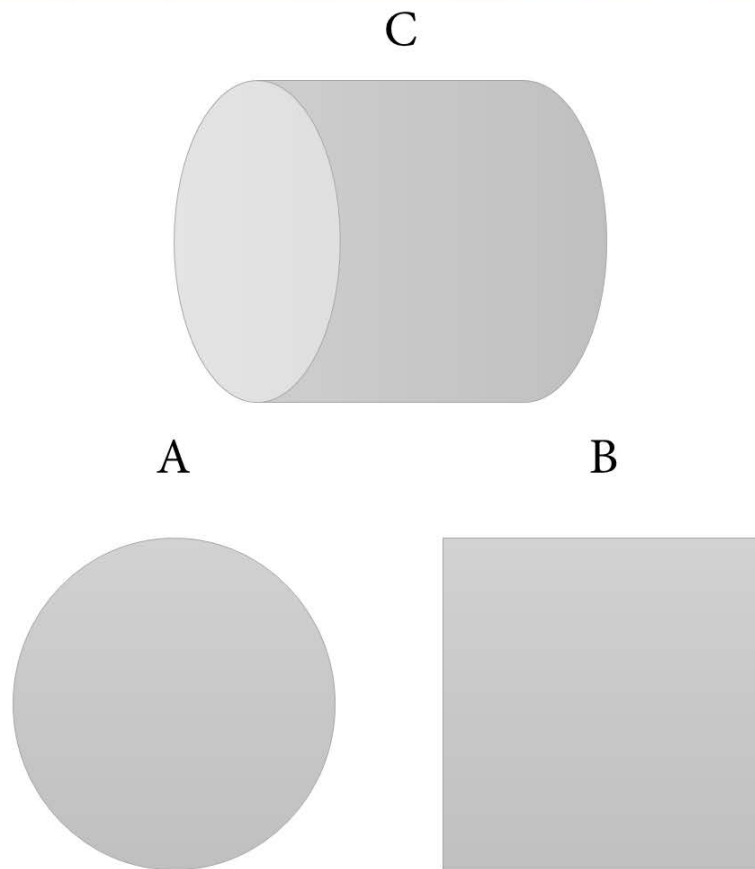
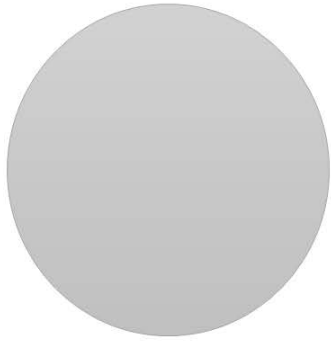


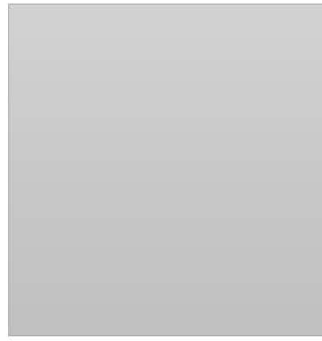
Image C is related  
to A and B

A and B are two  
different views of C

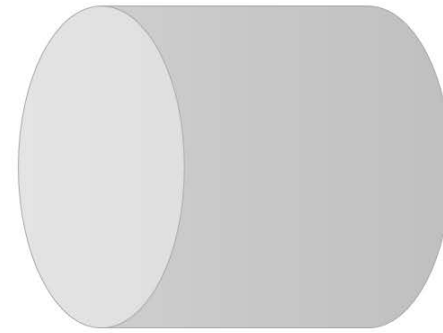
A



B



C



Seeing from multiple perspectives clarifies your understanding  
of what you are looking at



Coordinated views of data visualizations contain a mix of different but related visualizations: charts, scatter plots, maps, etc.





Pivot is viewing a data set in a table and then transforming columns and rows into a new configuration

Can involve additional statistical summarization





Highlights different  
aspects of data  
in a new view

Moving from one data  
point to another view of  
the data in another chart



Well-designed visualizations allow users to see data from different perspectives



Tools which enable  
multiple perspectives:

Coordinated  
highlighting

Filtering

Coordination will make  
the user's work apparent  
and easy to do

