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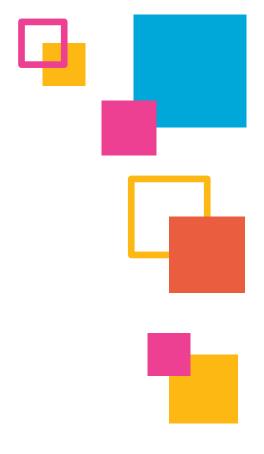






# Hands-on Lab: 5 Steps to Embedding Looker

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# Agenda

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Why embed data

How embedding works

Try it out

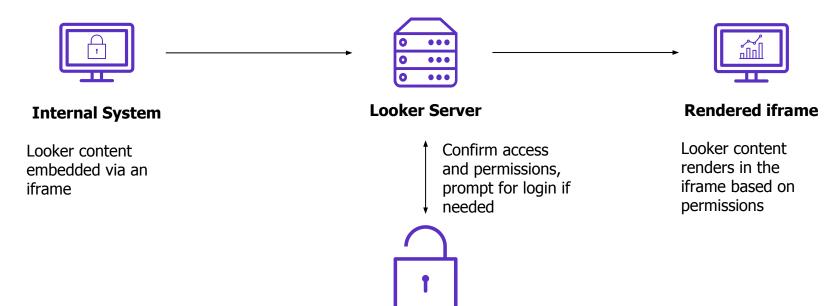
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Bonus: SSO embedding



# What is private embedding?

Bring Looker reports and dashboards into the tools people use the most





# Why embed data?





# Why embed data?

Connect disparate data and tools into a single workflow

- Reduces the number of different tools an employee needs to use (most use at least 8 different SaaS tools today)
- Consolidates workflows and puts data at the forefront which promotes data literacy
- Connects data with actions that should be taken based on the data



# How does it work?



# **Private embedding**

## Technical setup

1. Embed a Look, dashboard, or Explore by adding /embed/ to the URL:

https://mycompany.looker.com/dashboards/4

**Becomes** 

https://mycompany.looker.com/embed/dashboards/4

2. The embedded content can be added to any web page in an iframe:

<iframe
src="https://mycompany.looker.com/embed/dashboards/4"></iframe>



# **Private embedding**

## **URL Customization**

Add the parameter allow\_login\_screen=true to an embed URL to display a login screen to users who aren't logged in to Looker.

```
<iframe
src="https://mycompany.looker.com/embed/dashboards/4
?allow login screen=true">
</iframe>
```



Excluding this parameter will result in a 401 error for non-authenticated users.

You are not authenticated to view this page.

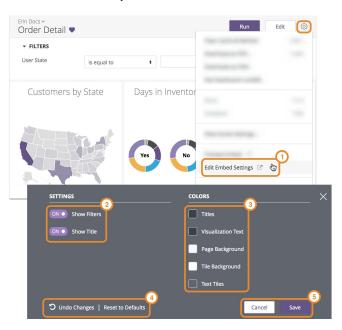
401



# **Private embedding**

## Customization

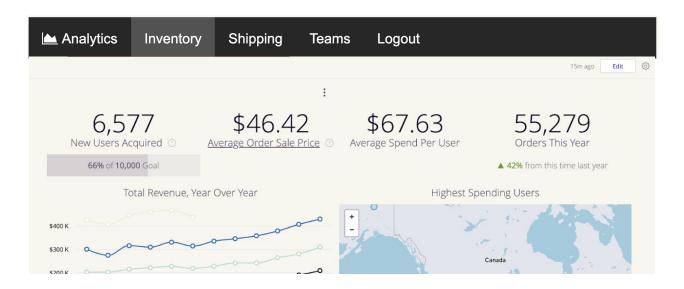
Embedded dashboards can be customized to better fit with the page in which they are embedded. Options can be found within the **Edit Embed Settings** menu.



- Click the dashboard's gear menu and select Edit Embed Settings.
- 1. Choose to show or hide the dashboard's title or filters.
- 1. Click on the color boxes to adjust the color of the dashboard elements.
- 1. Optionally, you can click **Undo Changes** to go back to the last saved embed settings for the dashboard.
- Click **Save** to save your changes or **Cancel** to close the window without saving changes.

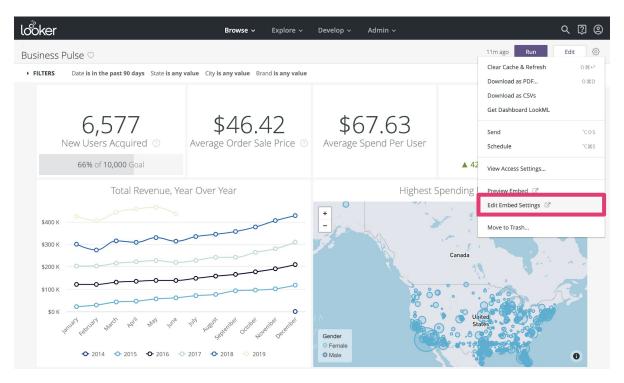


## Custom analytics page



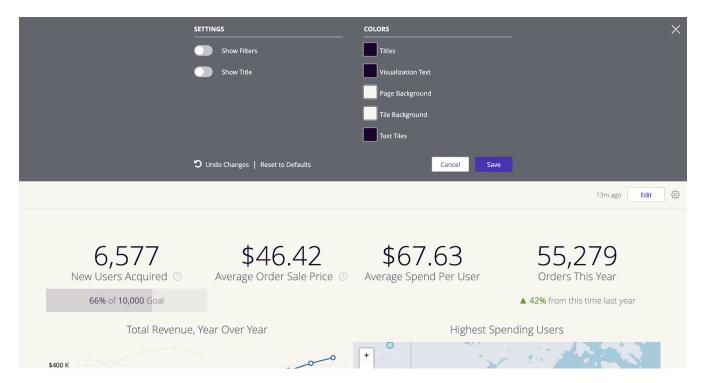


Edit embed settings



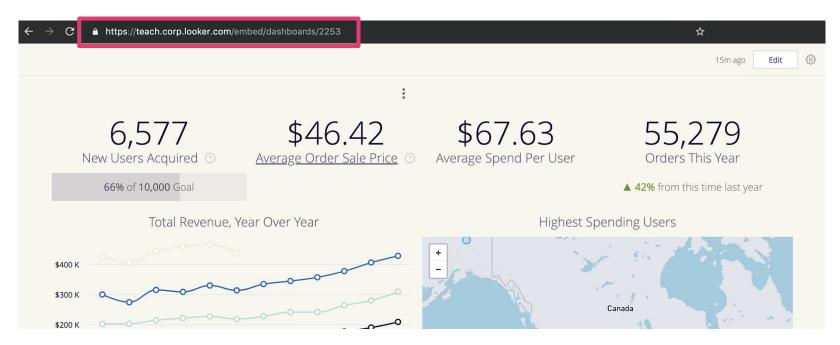


Edit embed settings





Copy embed URL



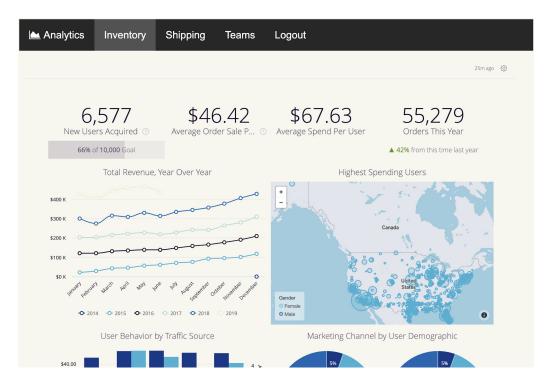


Place URL within HTML iframe tag

```
<iframe src='https://join2019.looker.com/embed/dashboards/18'>
</iframe>
```



See embedded page





# Try it out





# Private embedding exercise

## Embedding Looker inside a custom intranet webpage

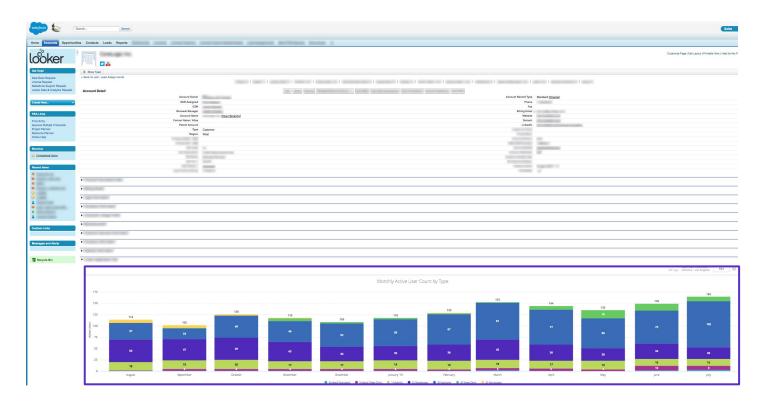
- 1. Navigate to the **eCommerce Dashboards** folder at join2019.looker.com.
- 2. Copy the dashboard **Business Pulse** into your personal folder.
- 3. Navigate to that copied dashboard.
- 4. Under the gear menu, select **Edit Embed Settings**.
- 5. Edit the dashboard settings, and play around with the visualization options.
- 6. Navigate to JSFiddle, and add the HTML code found here: <a href="https://github.com/llooker/join2019">https://github.com/llooker/join2019</a> labs/blob/master/analytics webpage.html
- 7. Navigate to the bottom of the file and replace the **Insert Dashboard URL Here** text with your embedded dashboard URL.
- 8. Run the HTML.



# Where can Looker be privately embedded?

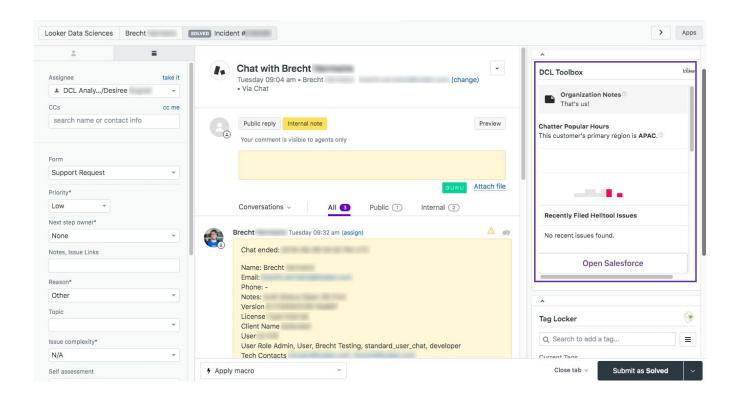


## **Salesforce**



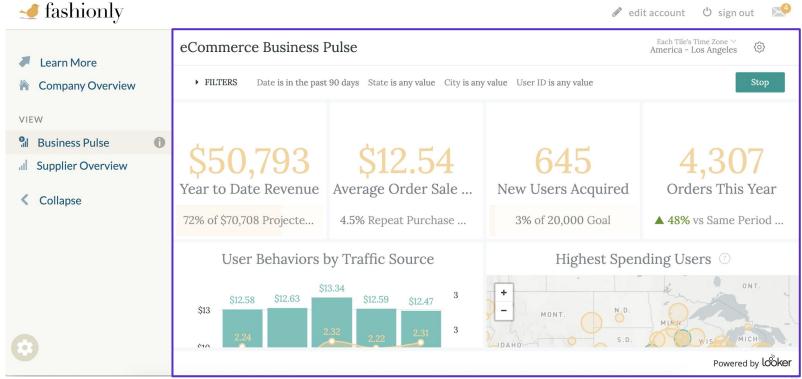


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# **Company website**



# Other methods of embedding?





SSO embedding allows you to integrate Looker content via iframes into other applications

User authentication to Looker is handled through the SSO URL

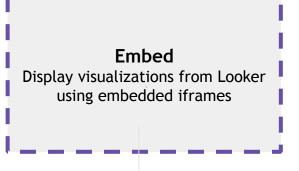
Embed user never has to log in to Looker

Richer in-frame experience

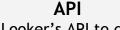


## **Powered by Looker**









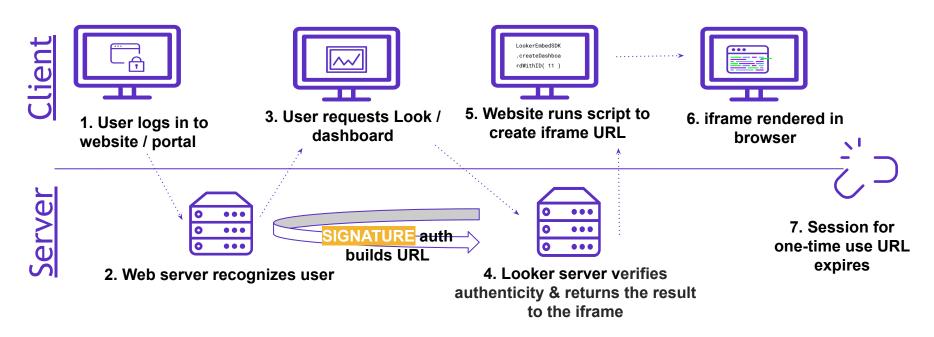
Using Looker's API to deliver a custom application with custom visualizations



<sup>\*</sup> Not mutually exclusive. Common to deploy a combination. E.g. Embed + API



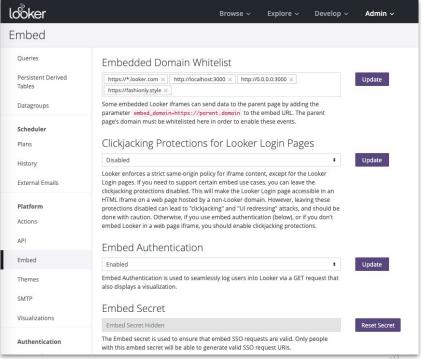
## Communication workflow





## Preparing your instance and content for embedding

- Enable embed authentication and generate the embed secret (Admin > Embed)
- Create content and saved content URL (e.g., /embed/dashboards/12, /embed/looks/4)
- Determine user access level
  - a) <u>Permissions</u>
  - b) Models
  - c) <u>User attributes</u>
  - d) Content accesss





Components of a SSO embed URL

https://HOST/login/embed/CONTENT\_PATH?PARAMETERS&signature=SIGNATURE

### An embeddable URL:

https://yourcompany.looker.com/login/embed/%2Fembed%2Fdashboards%2F78?nonce=%22pVbKkWWTR2hLkff%22&time=1540831983&session\_length=600&external\_user\_id=%2255%22&permissions=%5B%22access\_data%22%2C%22see\_looks%22%5D&models=%5B%22sme\_survey%22%5D&group\_ids=%5B%5D&external\_group\_id=%22%22&user\_attributes=%7B%7D&access\_filters=%7B%7D&first\_name=%22John%22&last\_name=%22Smith%22&force\_logout\_login=true&signature=XF%2FZsgRZTeZWBSdY1kyd3eEKgE4%3D



## Important parameters

## session length

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#### noun

 The amount of time a user can interact with an embedded Looker page before being forced to log in again

### nonce

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#### noun

1. A one-time-use code that ensures uniqueness of the URL

### signature

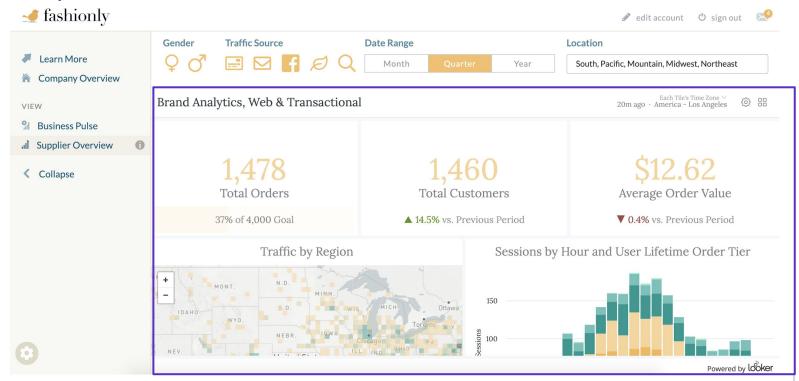
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### noun

- A piece of the embed URL that verifies the validity of the entire URL
  - a. To prevent a nefarious user from changing elements of the URL (filters, user attributes) to access data they shouldn't have access to, the URL is SIGNED



## Example



# **Summary**

- Embedding Looker analytics in iframes allows you to quickly integrate the use of data into the application, or applications your people use most.
- Quick setup and customization help you put data into the path of people when and where they need it most.
- Don't make people hunt for what they need, take the data to the people!



# Questions?







