# **Project Based Learner Series**

Displaying Insights Interactively



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# **Analytical Journey, Simplified**

Access data

Explore data

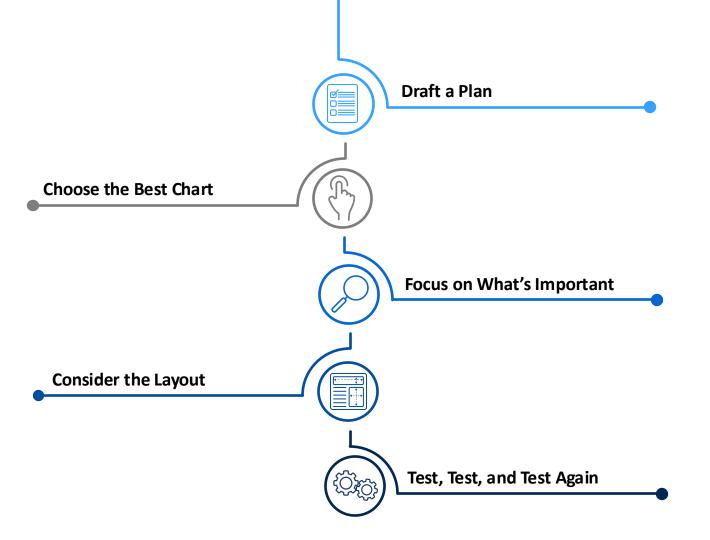
Prepare data

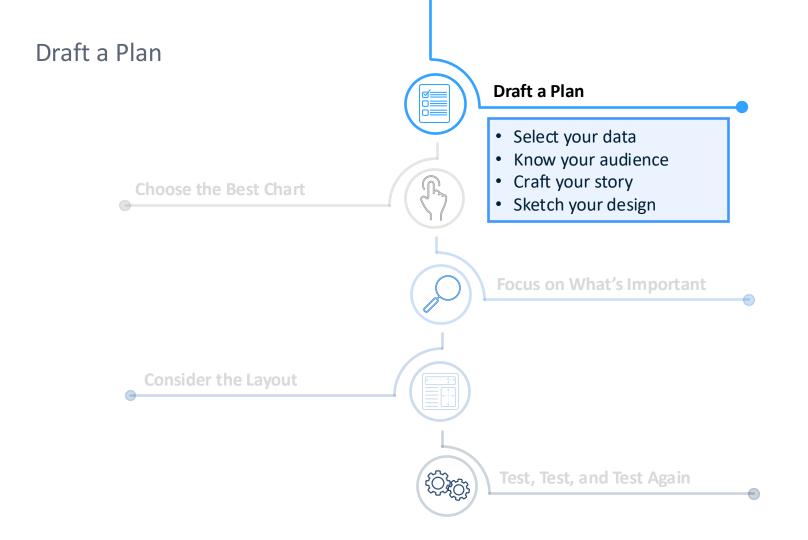
Analyze and report

results

Export results



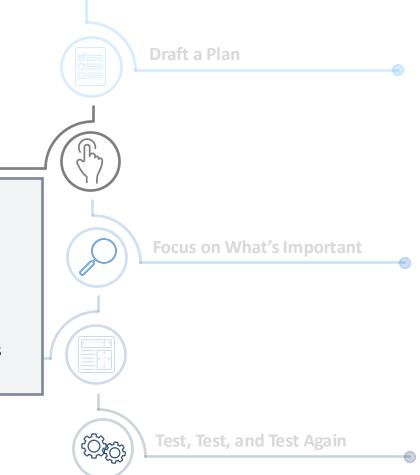






# Choose the Best Chart

- Highlighting one important fact
- Comparing two or more things
  - General
  - Over time
  - Against benchmark
- Showing survey or questionnaire results
- Describing how parts relate to the whole
- Showing relationship between data items
- Is a graph required?



#### **Chart Best Practices**

Use the simplest graph

Use visually appealing, easy to understand objects

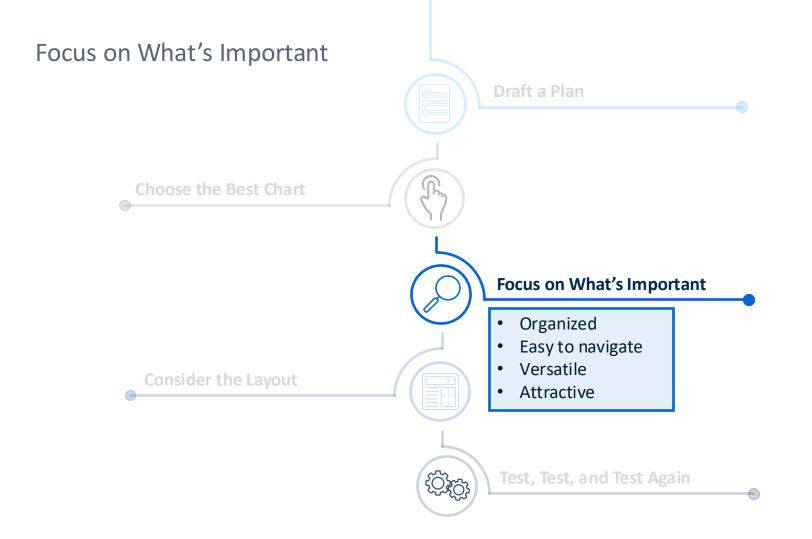
Use only the most important data

Keep graphs simple

Use a zero baseline

Use two-dimensional charts

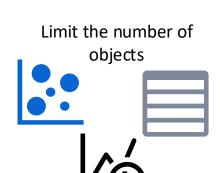
Choose colors wisely



#### Organized

Multiple pages





Focus on a single idea



Use hidden and pop-up pages to provide details



Stand on its own



Limit the number of pages



Easy to navigate



- Use clear, detailed titles.
- Add additional details and numbers when needed.



Add instructions

- Table of contents
- Introductory page
- Instructions for each page
- Descriptions of objects
- Information about actions and links

## **Designing Interactive Reports**



Give viewers more control



Multiple pages

Organize content



**Prompts** 



Make reports versatile



Links

Provide additional context

#### Controls

Filter or narrow the scope of data

Focus on a specific area of interest

Select appropriate control for your data



#### Auto control

- Chooses appropriate control
  - Type
  - Cardinality
- For hierarchy
  - Chooses control for each level
  - Automatic filters added



#### Consider type and cardinality of the data item





- Date and measure data items
- Select single value or range of values
- Dynamic minimum or maximum

- Category data items
- Select multiple values
- Search and select/clear all values
- Report and page prompt areas
  - Inside prompt container
  - Left or right of canvas



#### Consider type and cardinality of the data item





 Category with moderate number of distinct values



Button bar

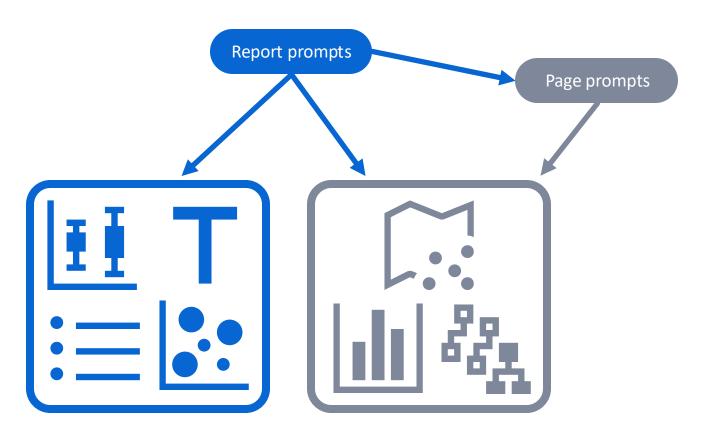
Category with few distinct values



Text input

- Category with many distinct values
- Updates list of available values

# Report and Page Prompts



#### **Automatic Actions**



#### **Automatic actions**

- Between all objects on page
- Make report more dynamic







Two-way filter



#### **Automatic Actions: Linked Selection**



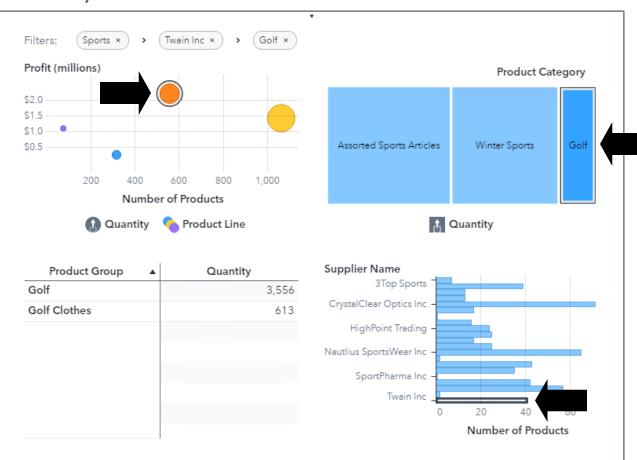
Highlights data



## Automatic Actions: One-Way Filters



- Applied in any order
- In order selected
- Hierarchical or cascading

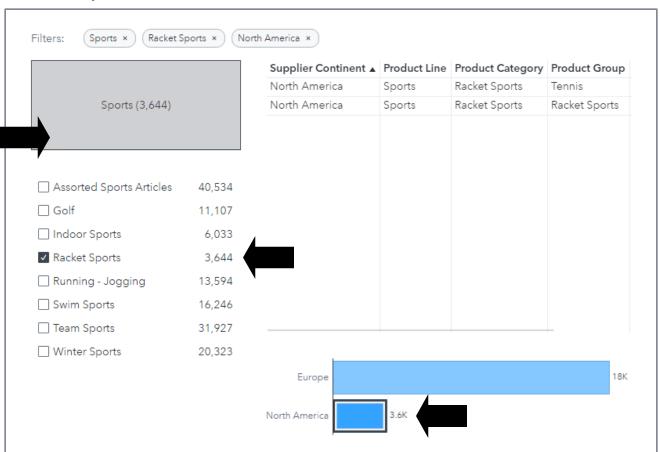


## Automatic Actions: Two-Way Filters



Two-way filter

- Applied to all objects
- Even previously selected objects



# **Display Rules**

#### Levels of Display Rules



Report-Level





Table-Level



Object-Level





Gauge-Level

#### Types of Display Rules



**Color-Mapped Values** 



Expression



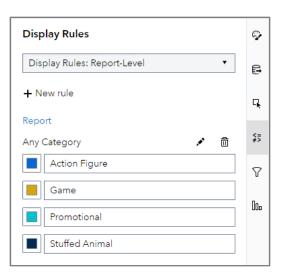
Gauge



Not every level supports all rule types.

## Report-Level Display Rules





i Analytic objects do not support display rules.

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## Table-Level Display Rules





Use Table-Level Display Rules to identify specific areas of interest.

Date by Year ▲		2010				2011			
Facility Region	Product Line A	Unit Yield (actual)	Unit Yield (target)	Unit Yield (difference)	Unit Yield (rate)	Unit Yield (actual)	Unit Yield (target)	Unit Yield (difference)	Unit Yield (rate)
South	Action Figure	9,840,844	12,160,769	2,319,925	82.10%	12,312,500	13,854,468	1,541,968	88.36%
	Game	3,197,748	3,510,175	312,427	92.11%	3,062,073	3,397,247	335,174	90.44%
	Stuffed Animal	3,586	4,638	1,052	78.54%	1,894	2,524	630	75.04%
Subtotal: South		13,042,178	15,675,582	2,633,404	85.18%	15,376,467	17,254,239	1,877,772	88.87%
West	Action Figure	1,854,353	2,177,550	323,197	85.16%	1,290,359	1,603,550	313,191	80.47%
	Game	3,667,996	3,843,384	175,388	93.55%	3,890,627	4,132,213	241,586	91.79%
	Promotional	2,192,764	2,741,700	548,936	79.98%	1,714,191	2,308,032	593,841	74.27%
	Stuffed Animal	1,531	1,786	255	85.72%	1,357	1,646	289	82.44%
Subtotal: West		7,716,644	8,764,420	1,047,776	87.34%	6,896,534	8,045,441	1,148,907	84.17%
Total		20,758,822	24,440,002	3,681,180	85.98%	22,273,001	25,299,680	3,026,679	87.30%



## Graph-Level Display Rules

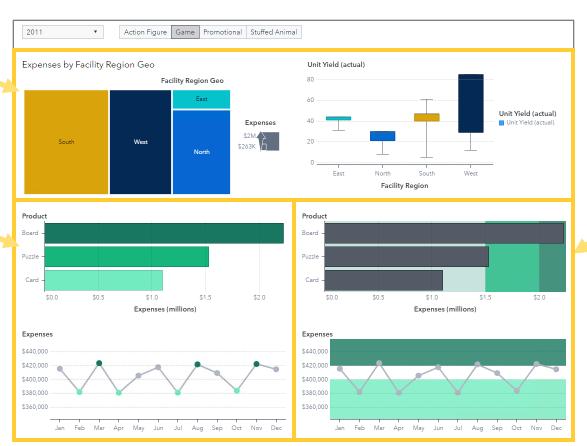


Color-Mapped Values

Treemap can not have Color Data Role assigned.

Expression Graph Style

Line charts must show markers.



Expression
Background Style

### Consider the Layout



**Draft a Plan** 

#### Tell a single data story

- Limit the number of data sources, pages, and objects
- Make more important objects larger
- Consider placement of objects
- Arrange objects with actions
- Use negative space
- Use default grid or containers

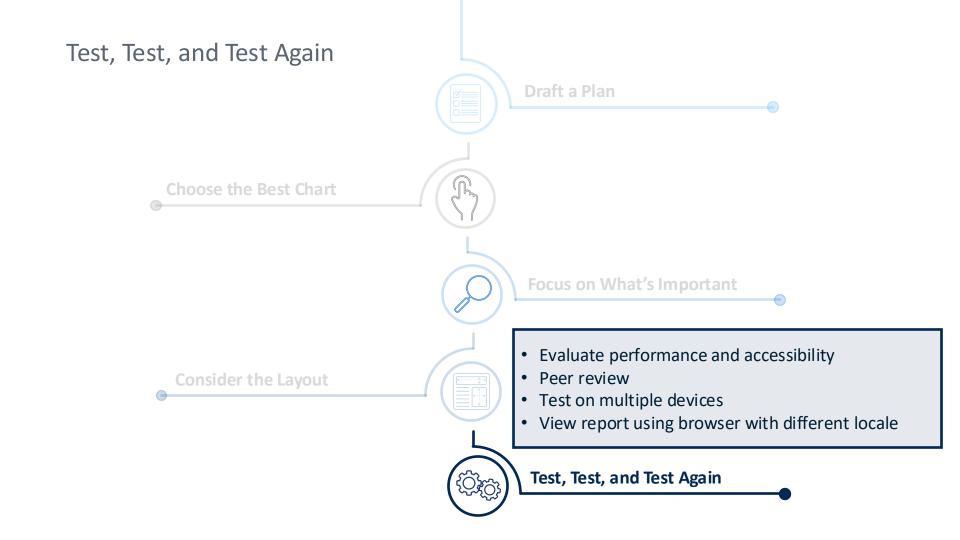


Focus on What's Important

**Consider the Layout** 



Test, Test, and Test Again



# Let's try it out!

Tennis Demo



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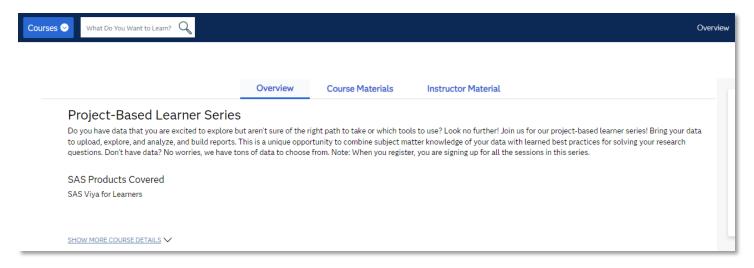
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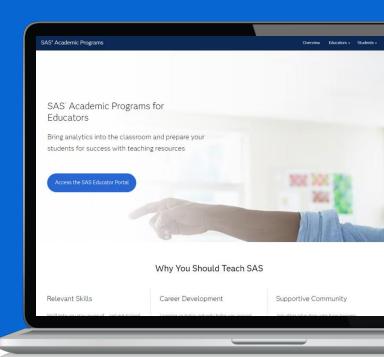
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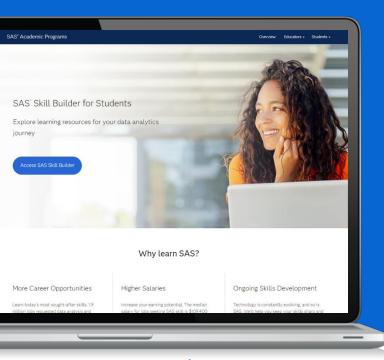






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