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Sensing, Seeing, and Showing: Visualizing Data in OAC

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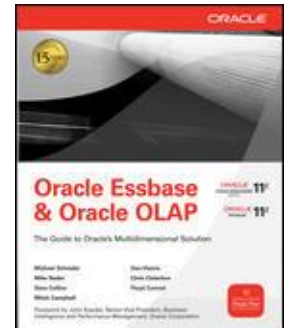
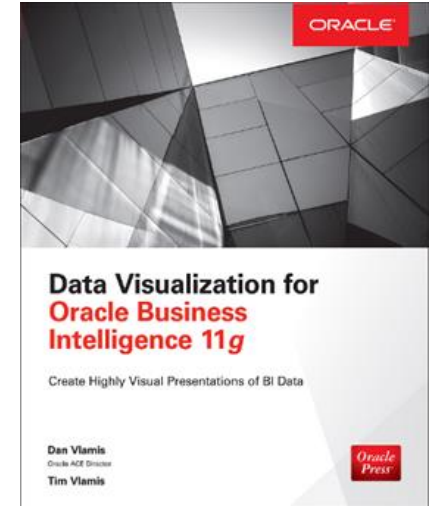
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VlamiS Software Solutions

- VlamiS Software founded in 1992 in Kansas City, Missouri
- Developed 200+ Oracle BI and analytics systems
- Specializes in Oracle-based:
 - Enterprise Business Intelligence & Analytics
 - Analytic Warehousing
 - Data Mining and Predictive Analytics
 - Data Visualization
- Multiple Oracle ACEs, consultants average 15+ years
- www.vlamiS.com (blog, papers, newsletters, services)
- Co-authors of book “Data Visualization for OBI”
- Co-author of book “Oracle Essbase & Oracle OLAP”
- Oracle University Reseller
- Oracle Gold Partner





Vice President & Analytics Strategist

- 30+ years in business modeling and valuation, forecasting, and scenario analyses
- Oracle ACE  ORACLE ACE
- Instructor for Oracle University's Predictive Analytics, Data Mining Techniques and Oracle R Enterprise Essentials Courses
- Professional Certified Marketer (PCM) from AMA
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- BA Economics Yale University



Presentation Agenda

- Explanation vs. Exploration vs. Extrapolation
- Dashboards and Analyses in the legacy OBIEE interface
- Data exploration in the Oracle Data Visualization interface
- Strategies for dimensional visualizations
- Using Sankey, parallel coordinates, and network visualizations
- Designing Narratives and visual guides
- Standards and conventions

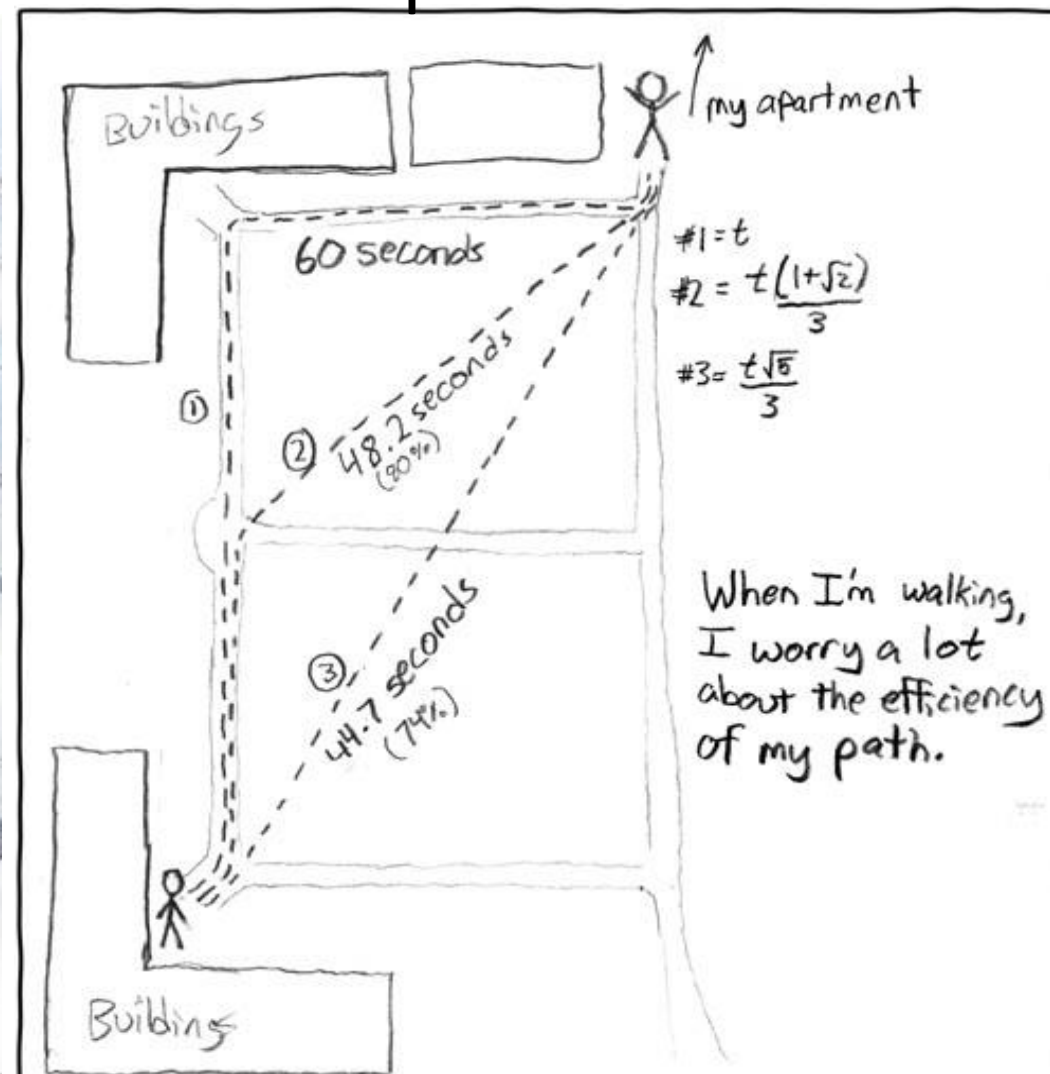


Three Main Functions of Analytics Systems

Exploration



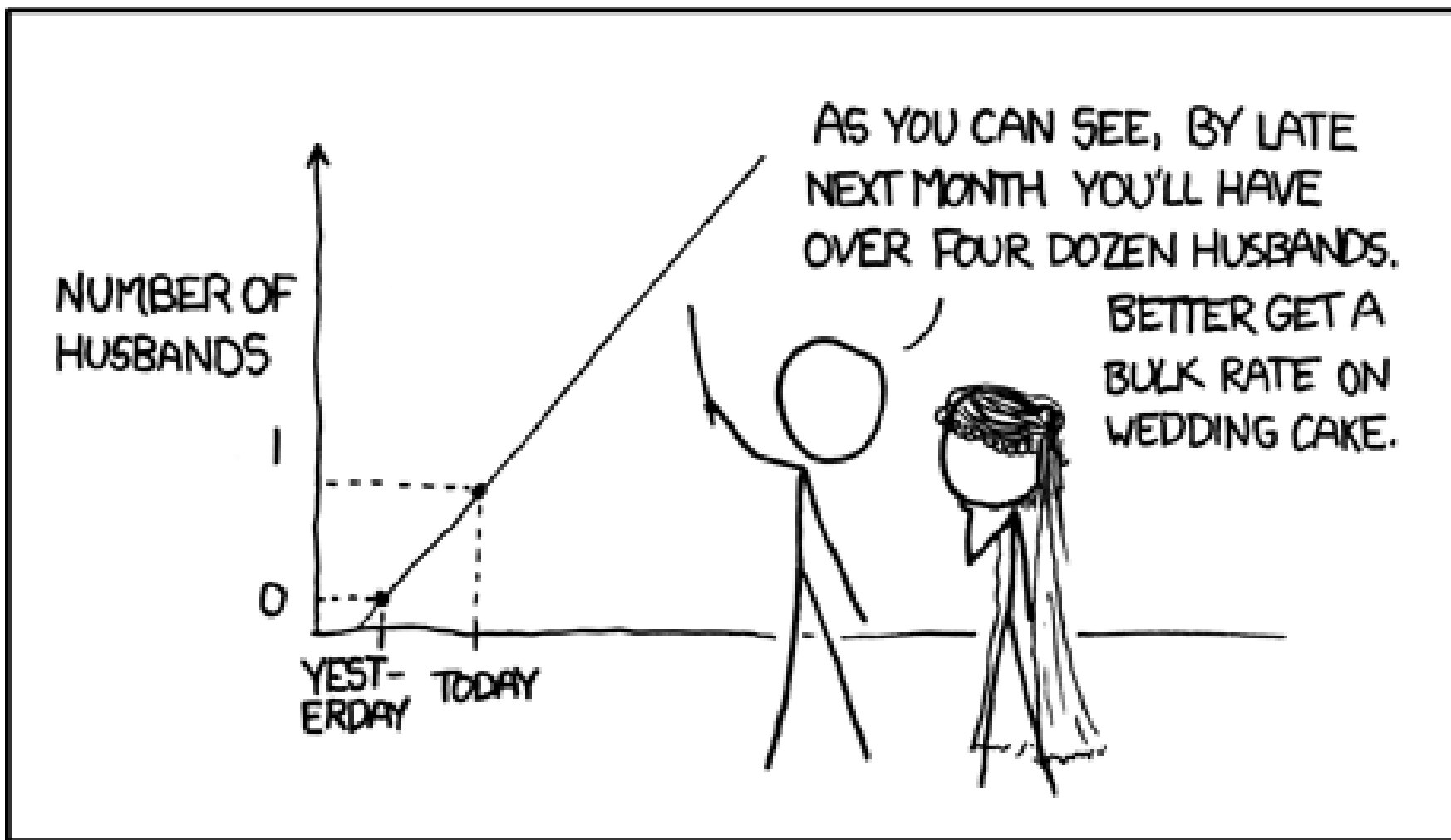
Explanation





Extrapolation

MY HOBBY: EXTRAPOLATING





Data Visualization Scenarios

Deliberative
Response

**Data
Discovery**

BI Dashboards

Immediate
Response

**Situational
Awareness**

**Alerts
Thresholds**

Individual

Organizational



Dashboard Definition

A Dashboard is a visual presentation of current summary information needed to manage and guide an organization or activity.



Dashboard Definition

*BI Dashboards should be designed to drive **organizational coherence** through a **shared understanding** of **organizational position**, **performance**, **flows**, and **influencers**.*



AMC Food and Beverage Analytics



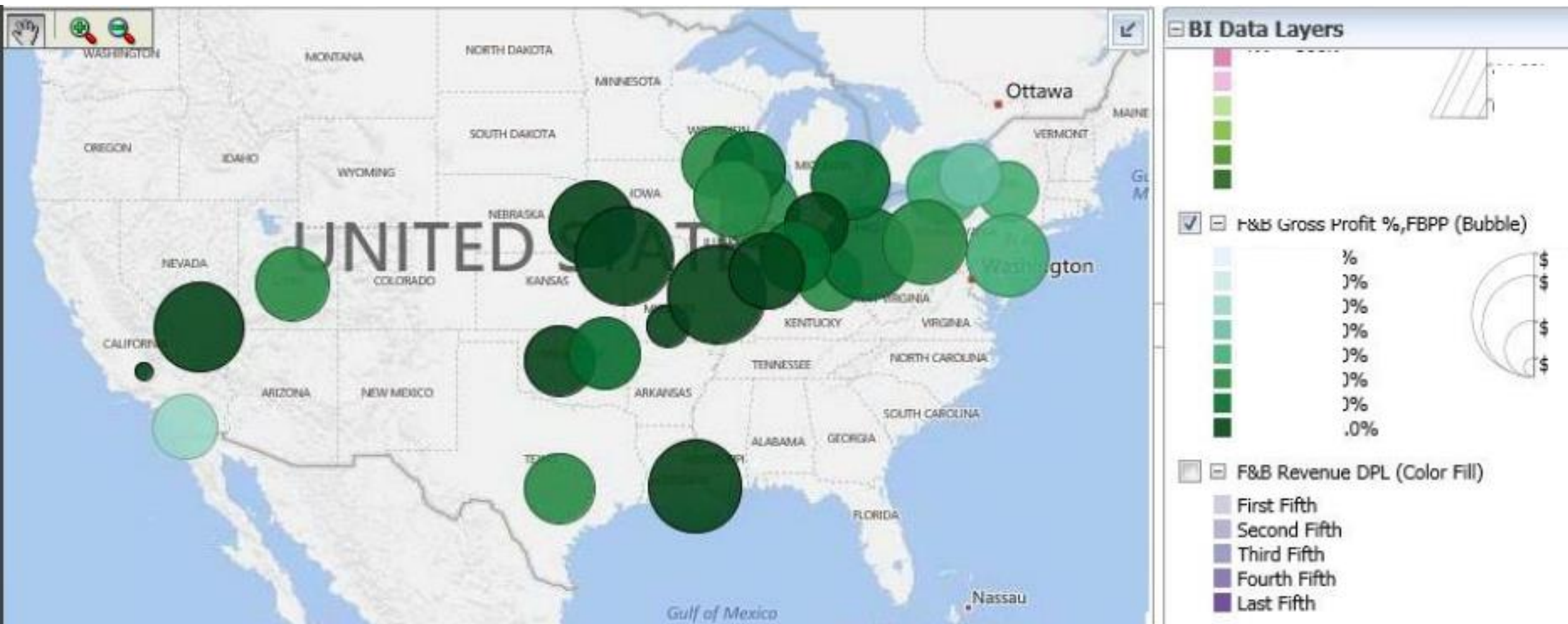


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DMA AMC Name	F&B Revenue DPL	FBPP	F&B Gross Profit %	F&B Cost Impact	F&B Revenue	F&B DPL %
Atlanta, GA						
Austin, TX						
Baltimore, MD						
Baton Rouge, LA						
Binghamton, NY						
Boston, MA						
Buffalo, NY						
Cedar Rapids, IA						
Champaign, IL						



Exec Dashboard Issues Never Talked About

- Too many prompts
- Too much raw data without comparisons
 - Lack of normalization
 - Lack of differencing
- Lack of exception analysis
- Data views out of scale with each other
- Data scale not matched to decision scale



Discovery - Explore vs Pioneer





True Discovery





Data Discovery Steps

- Read through data in Data Prep view
- Determine what defines a record
- Identify facts and dimensions
- Use “Explain” with fact(s) to reveal important dimensions
- Build major dimension summary view



Data Discovery Sequence

- “Skim” the entire data set to get a sense of its size and scope
- “Read” the data set a **second** time more carefully
 - Identify facts/measures
 - Transaction/event records included?
 - Identify major dimensions
- Make a list of potentially important or interesting business issues/implications
- Compare your original business issues with your new list
- Apply useful frameworks
- Transform data and add new data
- Apply useful frameworks

Differencing (aka variance)

- How does the raw data differ from a comparative?
 - Difference from the average?
 - Difference by time?
 - Difference from a baseline?
- Graph differences when change or context is important.

Tables of raw data are difficult to interpret in terms of insights.

Profit by Product Category, Ship Date (Month of Year)

Ship Date (Year): 2016

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit
Furniture	15,319.52	-6,521.75	-6,036.51	-3,840.61	815.26	786.44	-1,495.06	4,773.15	6,144.44	1,592.76	11,754.98	14,248.85
Office Supplies	1,304.85	4,328.80	18,881.06	15,416.42	6,415.03	10,620.04	10,439.39	13,747.45	7,426.44	8,987.29	39,365.44	20,105.56
Technology	20,072.05	9,937.51	21,529.90	10,436.88	15,091.24	15,696.36	17,631.00	33,250.75	20,419.80	11,012.20	34,628.01	40,749.94

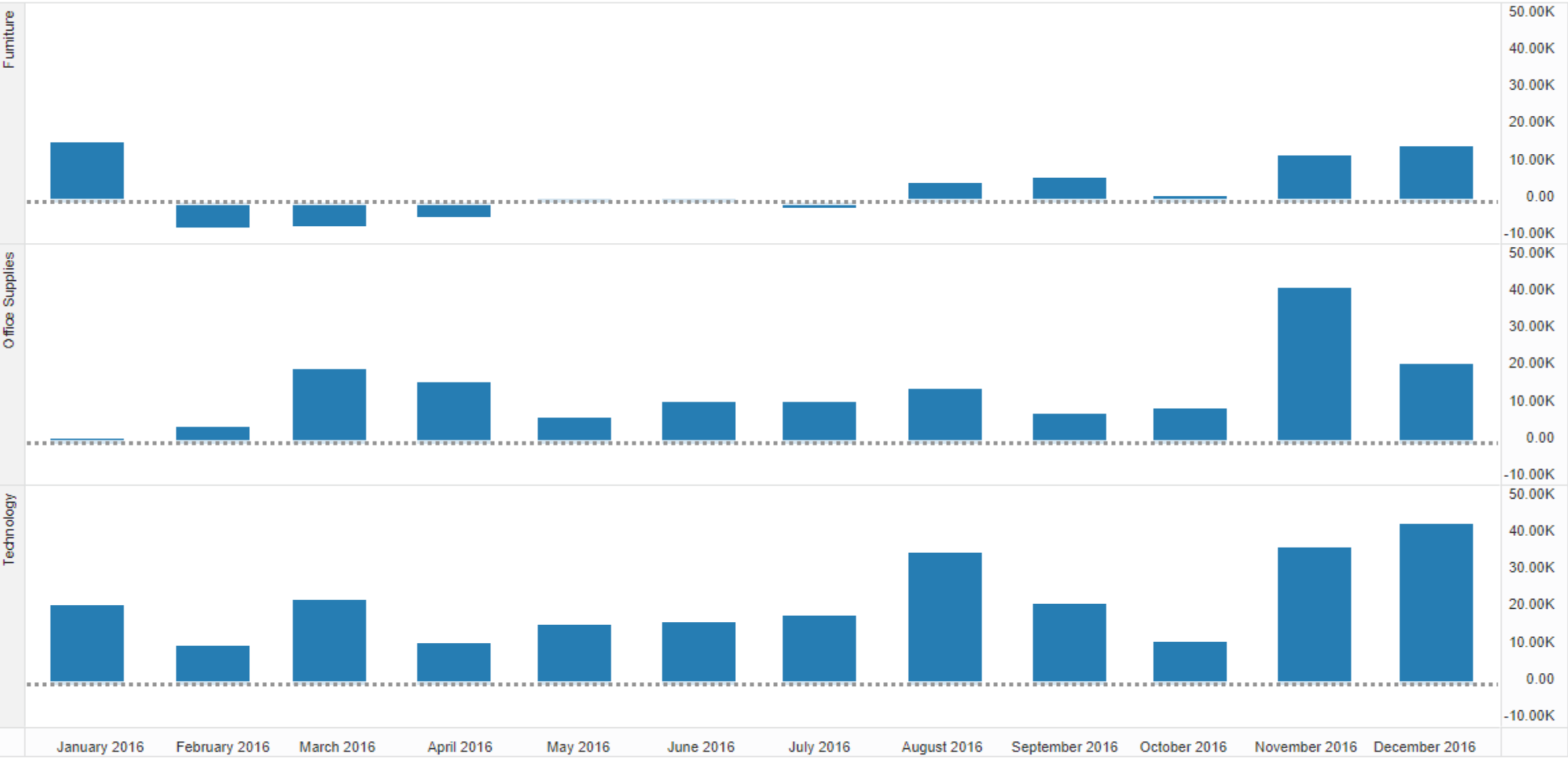


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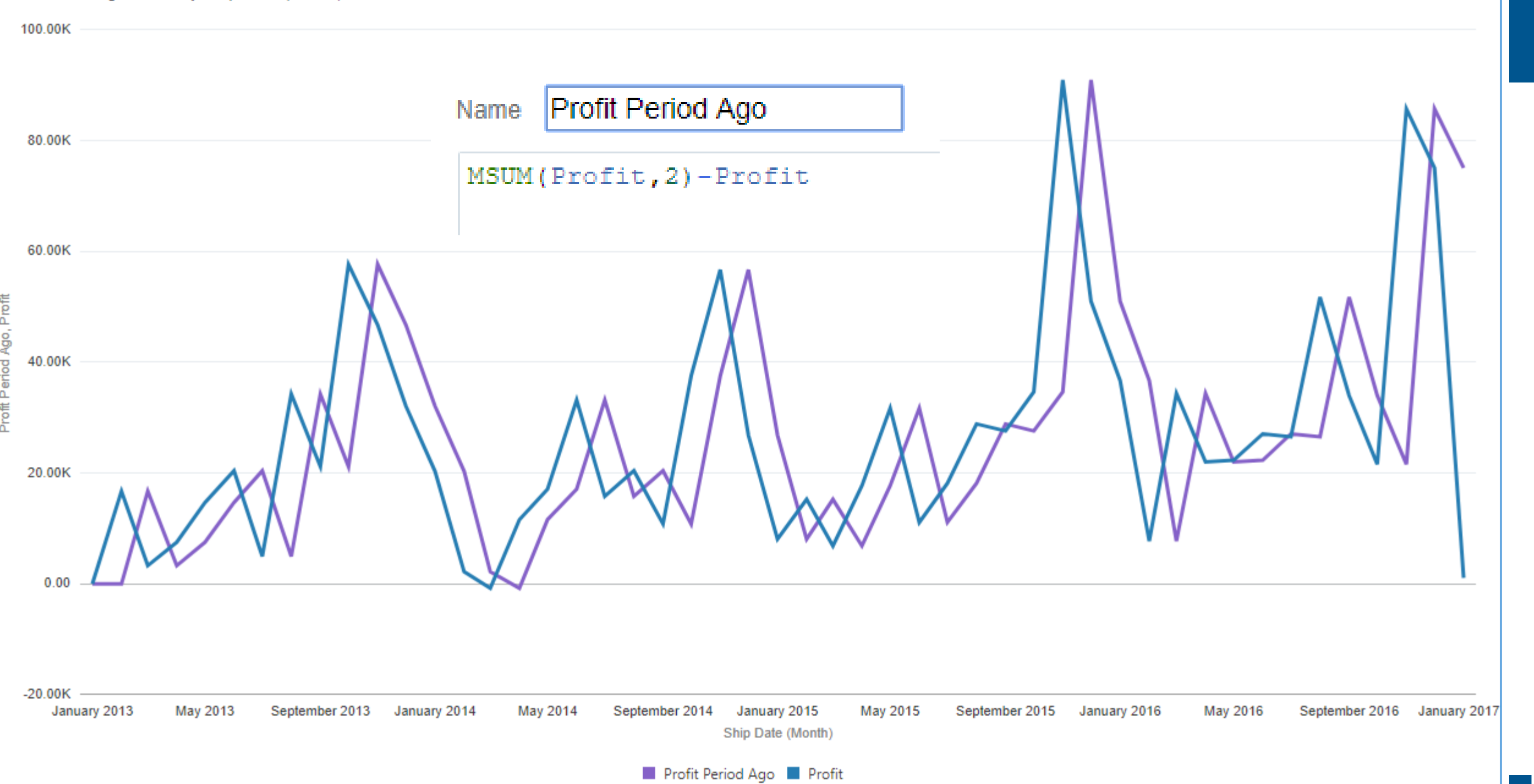
Profit by Ship Date (Month), Product Category



Ship Date (Month)

*** Constant

Profit Period Ago, Profit by Ship Date (Month)

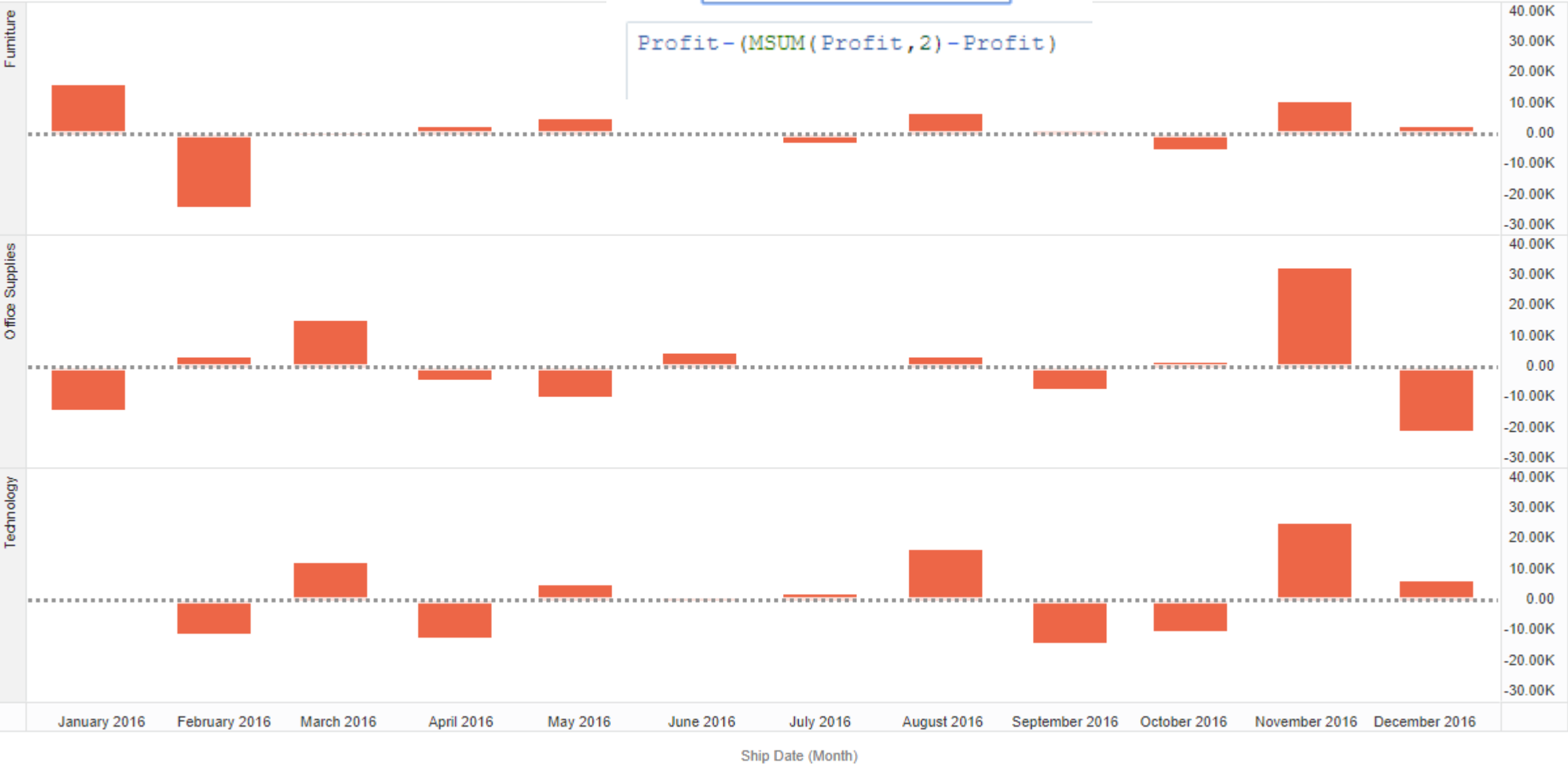


Profit Diff by Ship Date (Month), Product Category

Ship Date (Year): 2016

Name Profit Diff

$$\text{Profit} - (\text{MSUM}(\text{Profit}, 2) - \text{Profit})$$



Horizontal Bar

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Values (X-Axis)

Profit Diff

Category (Y-Axis)

Product Name

Color

Size (Width)

Tooltip

Detail

Filters

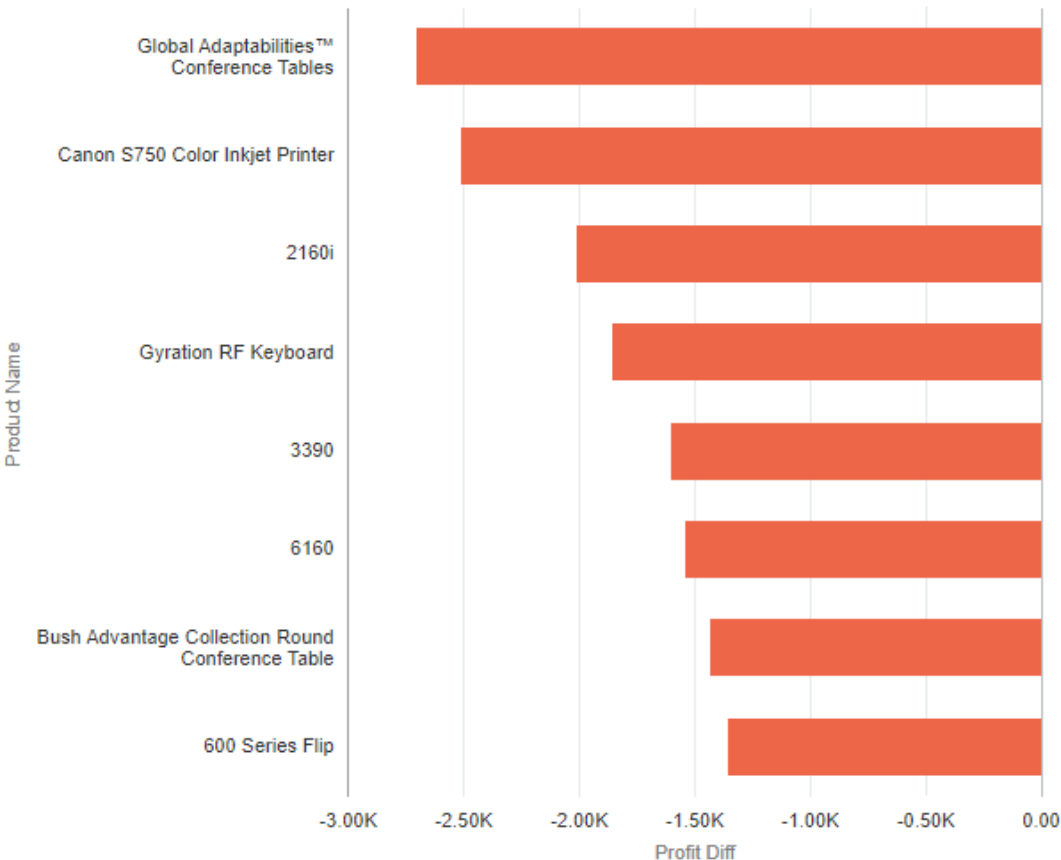
Profit Diff

Biggest Profit Movers By Month

Top 50 Products by Sales

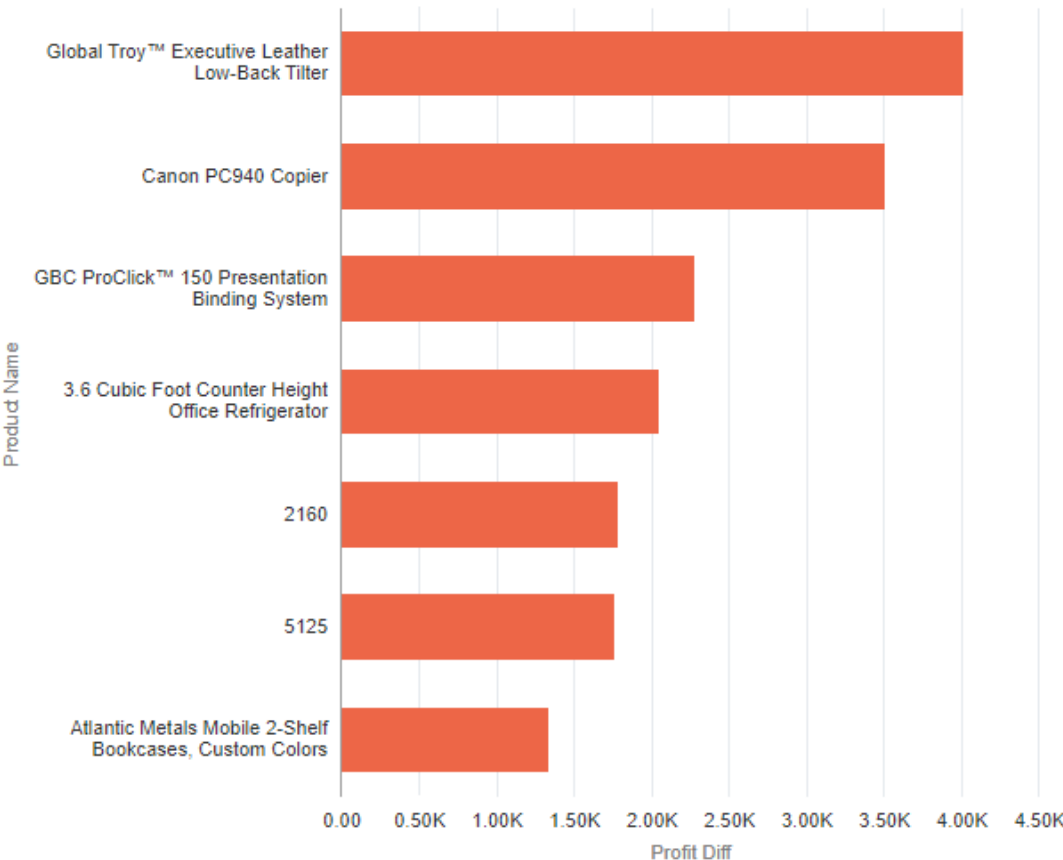
Profit Diff by Product Name

Bottom 10 Profit Diff



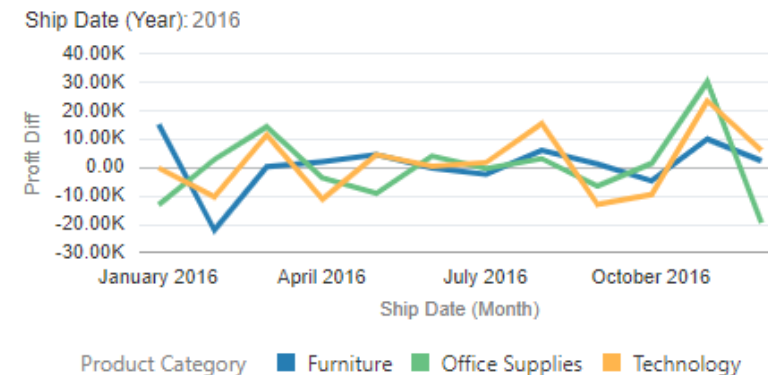
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Top 10 Profit Diff





Profit Diff by Ship Date (Month), Product Category



Profit by Profit, Ship Date (Month of Year), Product Category

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Profit -7K 41K



Dimensional Analysis

- Use brushing and selection with multiple graph layouts.
 - Build four or five graphs with related attributes or measures.
 - Too many graphs or several highly dense graphs exceed limitations
- Consider alternative graph types
 - Scatter plots
 - Trellis charts
 - Sankey graphs
 - Parallel coordinates



Dimensional Analysis

- Order of importance for Scatter Plots
 1. Y Axis typically has the “response variable”, i.e. highest interest
 2. X axis has the “independent variable”.
 3. Color (can be categorical or numeric)
 4. Size
 5. Trellis by category
 6. Shape
 7. Filters
- Use logarithmic scale for “long tail” distributions or break into two or more graphs.



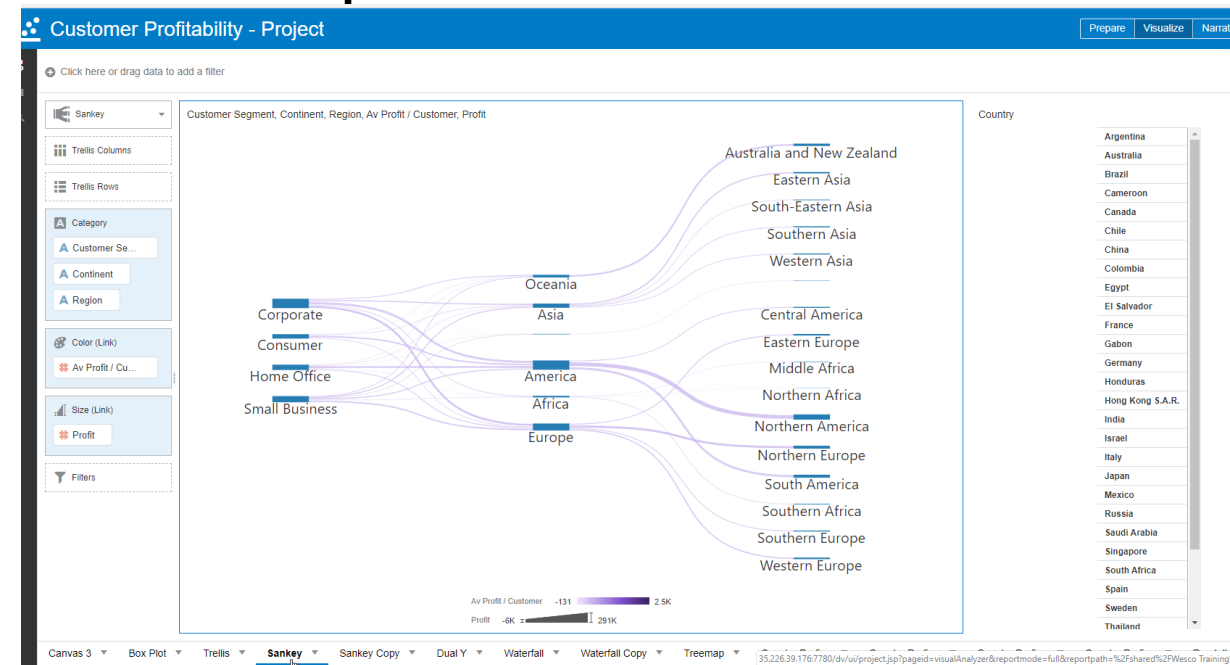
Trellis Charts

- Make sure that the major axis of interest is aligned with Trellis chart choice.
 - Vertical when X axis is important
 - Example: compare patterns over time
 - Compare length of horizontal bar graph
 - Horizontal when Y axis important
 - Compare lengths of vertical bar graphs
- Use horizontal for long, scrolling trellis charts with many members
- Use both to create a table of graphs



Sankey Graphs

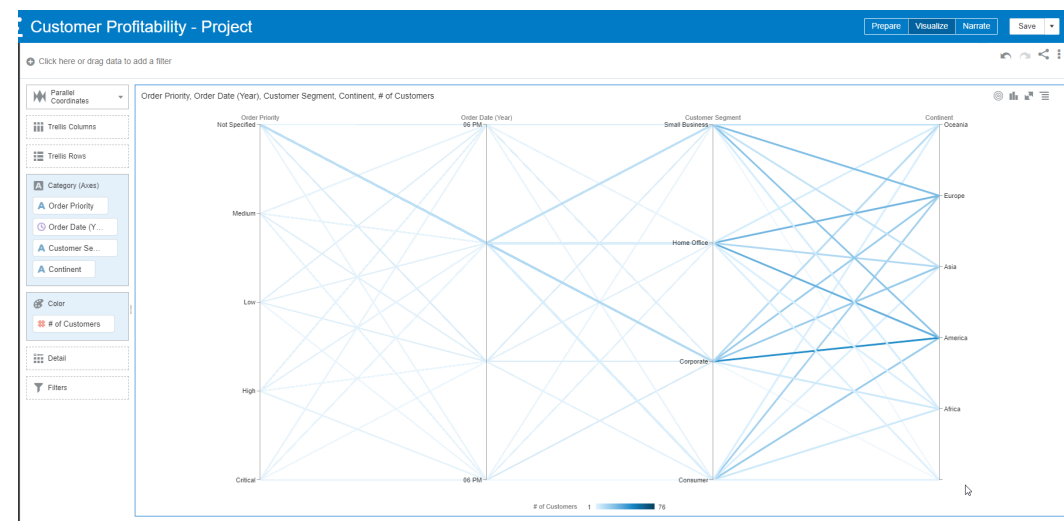
- Used in “flow” analyses and comparative analyses
- Used to show relative strengths of relationships between attributes
- Line weight and size are proportional to flow/relational measure
- Hover and click on lines to show relationships
- Sort order is very important





Parallel Coordinates Graphs

- Used to show otherwise disparate relationships
- “Custom join graph”
- Each line represents a record in the **active** data set
- Sort order is extremely important
- Highly interactive
- Not recommended for general users



Click here or drag data to add a filter

Scatter

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Values (Y-Axis)

Profit

Values (X-Axis)

Sales

Category (Points)

Customer N...

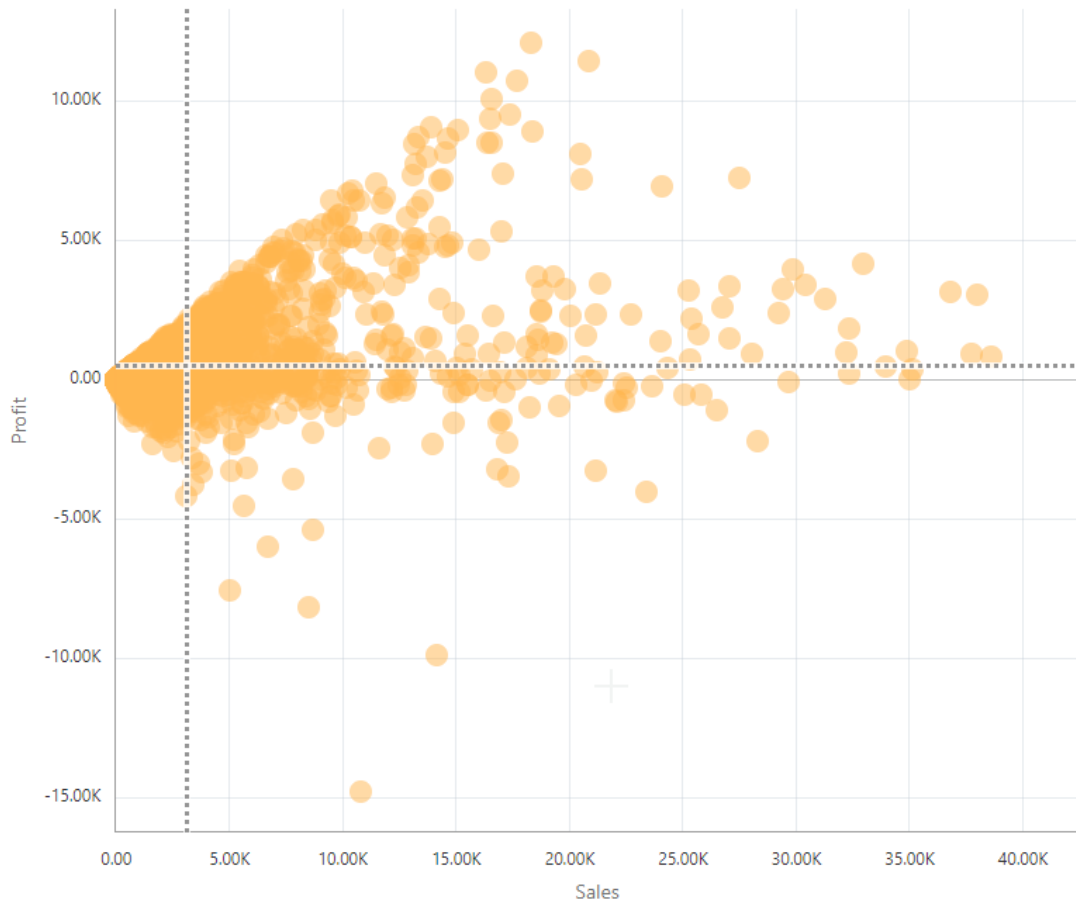
Color

Size

Shape

Filters

Sales, Profit by Customer Name

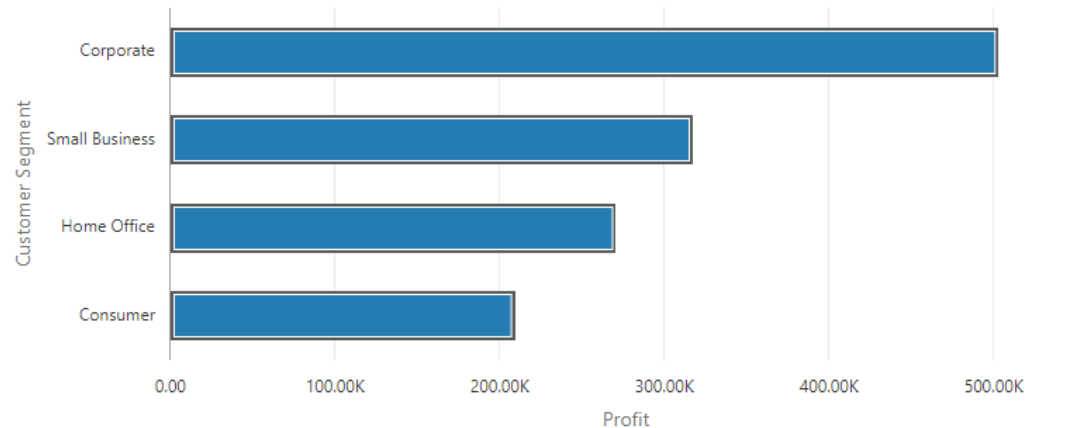


Average

Sales, Profit by Customer Profit Bin, Profit / Sales



Profit by Customer Segment





Customer Profit Analysis

- Highlight **Customer Segment** and **Profit** and drag to canvas.
 - Horizontal bar chart
 - Set “Use as Filter”
- Create new column “**Customer Profit Bin**” and “**Gross Profit**”
- Highlight **Sales**, **Profit**, **Customer Profit Bin** and **Gross Profit** and drag to canvas.
 - Bar graph Sales and Profit, color as “Gross Profit”
- Highlight **Profit**, **Sales**, and **Customer Name** and drag to canvas.
 - Scatter plot and add reference lines.



Customer Profitability - Project


Prepare Visualize Narrate Save


+ Click here or drag data to add a filter




Customer Pr... Trellis Sankey Sankey Copy Dual Y Box Plot Waterfall Waterfall Copy Treemap Country Prof... Country Prof... Country Prof... Country Prof... Canvas

+ Click here or drag data to add a filter

 Sankey

 Trellis Columns

 Trellis Rows

A

Category

A

Customer Se...

A

Continent

A

Region

Color (Link)


+

Av Profit / Cu...

Size (Link)

+

Profit

 Filters

Customer Segment, Continent, Region, Av Profit / Customer, Profit

Australia and New Zealand
Eastern Asia
South-Eastern Asia
Southern Asia
Western Asia
Central America
Eastern Europe
Middle Africa
Northern Africa
Northern America
Northern Europe
South America
Southern Africa
Southern Europe
Western Europe

Corporate
Consumer
Home Office
Small Business

Oceania
Asia
America
Africa
Europe

Av Profit / Customer -131 2.5K
Profit -6K 291K

Country

- Argentina
- Australia
- Brazil
- Cameroon
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- Colombia
- Egypt
- El Salvador
- France
- Gabon
- Germany
- Honduras
- Hong Kong S.A.R.
- India
- Israel
- Italy
- Japan
- Mexico
- Russia
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- South Africa
- Spain
- Sweden
- Thailand

Canvas 3

Box Plot

Trellis

Sankey

Sankey Copy

Dual Y

Waterfall

Waterfall Copy

Treemap

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Customer Profitability - Project

Country
United States

Sankey

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Category

Customer Se...

State

Color (Link)

Gross Profit %

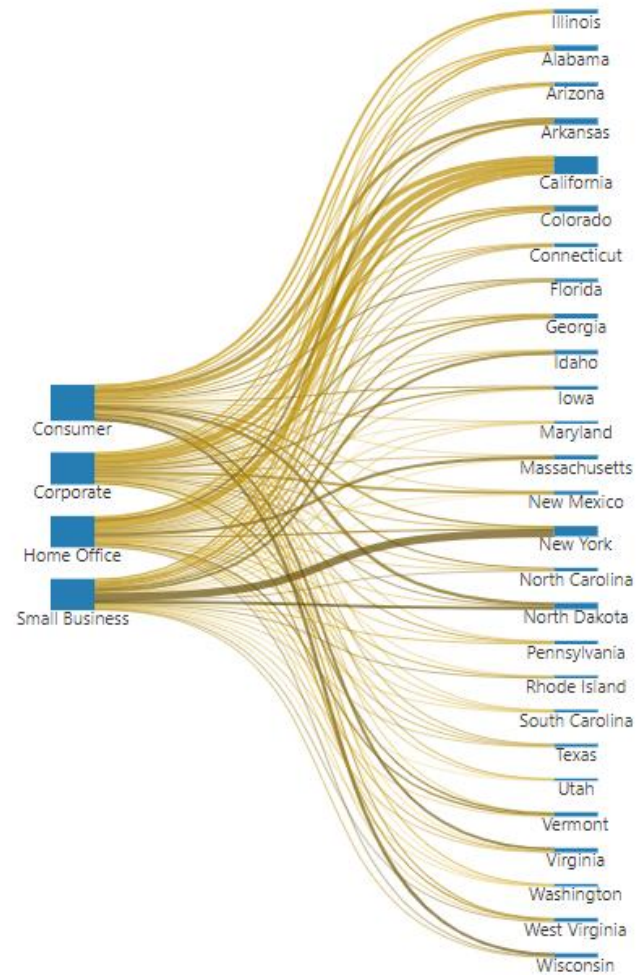
Size (Link)

Profit

Filters

Customer Segment, State, Gross Profit %, Profit

Country



Gross Profit % -0.90 0.63
Profit -2K 20K

Canvas 3

Box Plot

Trellis

Sankey

Sankey Copy

Dual Y

Waterfall

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Treemap

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Customer Profitability - Project

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Box Plot

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Values (Y-Axis)
Profit

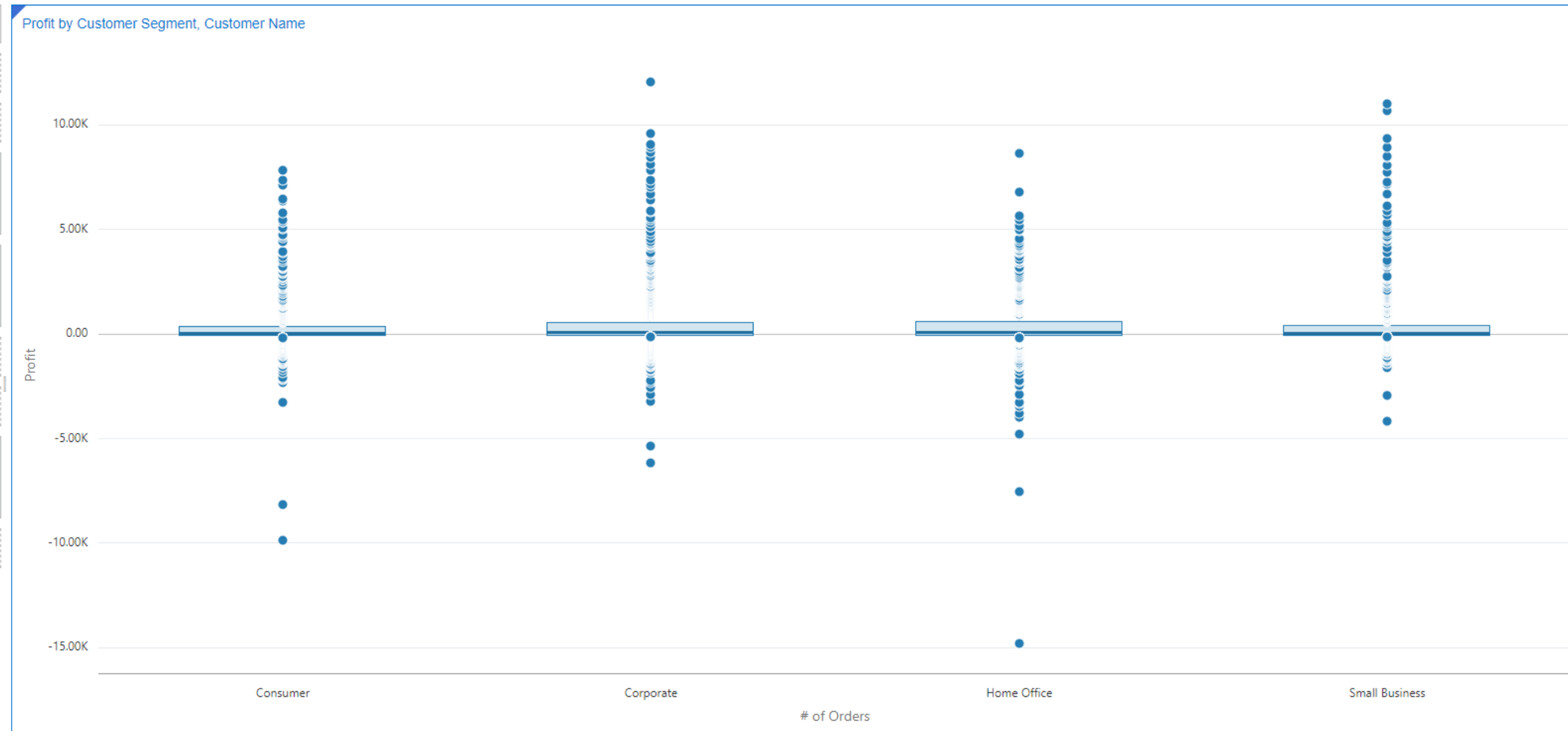
Category (X-Axis)
Customer Se...

Color

Size (Width)

Detail (Box)
Customer Na...

Filters





+ Click here or drag data to add a filter

Combo

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Values (Y-Axis)

Sales

Gross Prof...

Category (X-Axis)

Order Date (...)

Color

Size (Width)

Detail

Filters

Sales, Gross Profit % by Order Date (Quarter)





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Waterfall

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Values (Y-Axis)

Profit

Category (X-Axis)

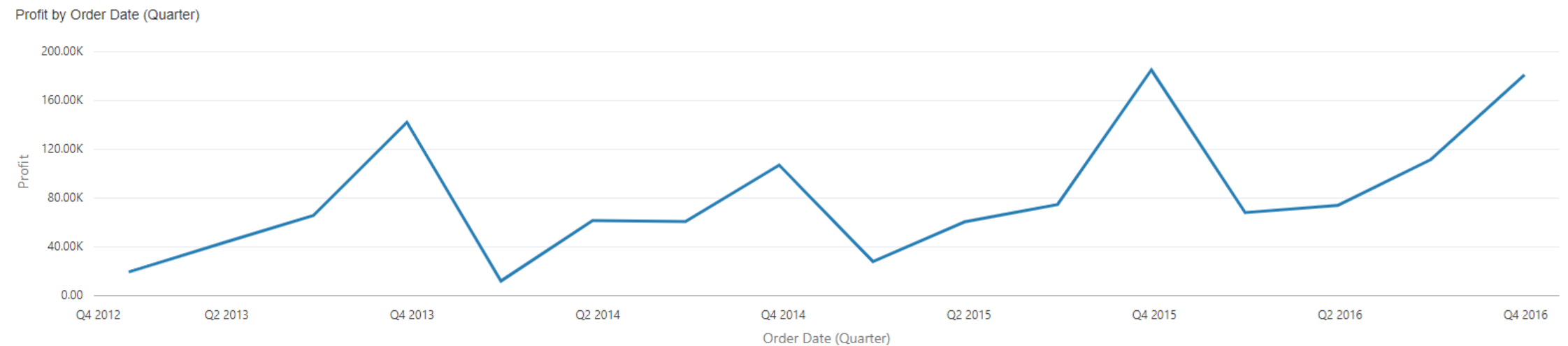
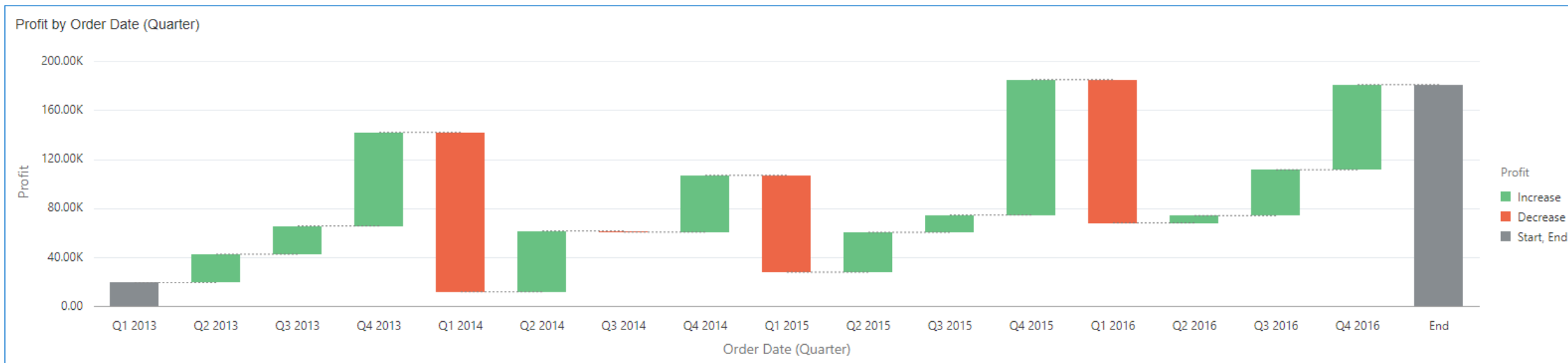
Order Date (...)

Color

Size (Width)

Detail

Filters





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Scatter

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Values (Y-Axis)
Profit / Sales

Values (X-Axis)
Profit

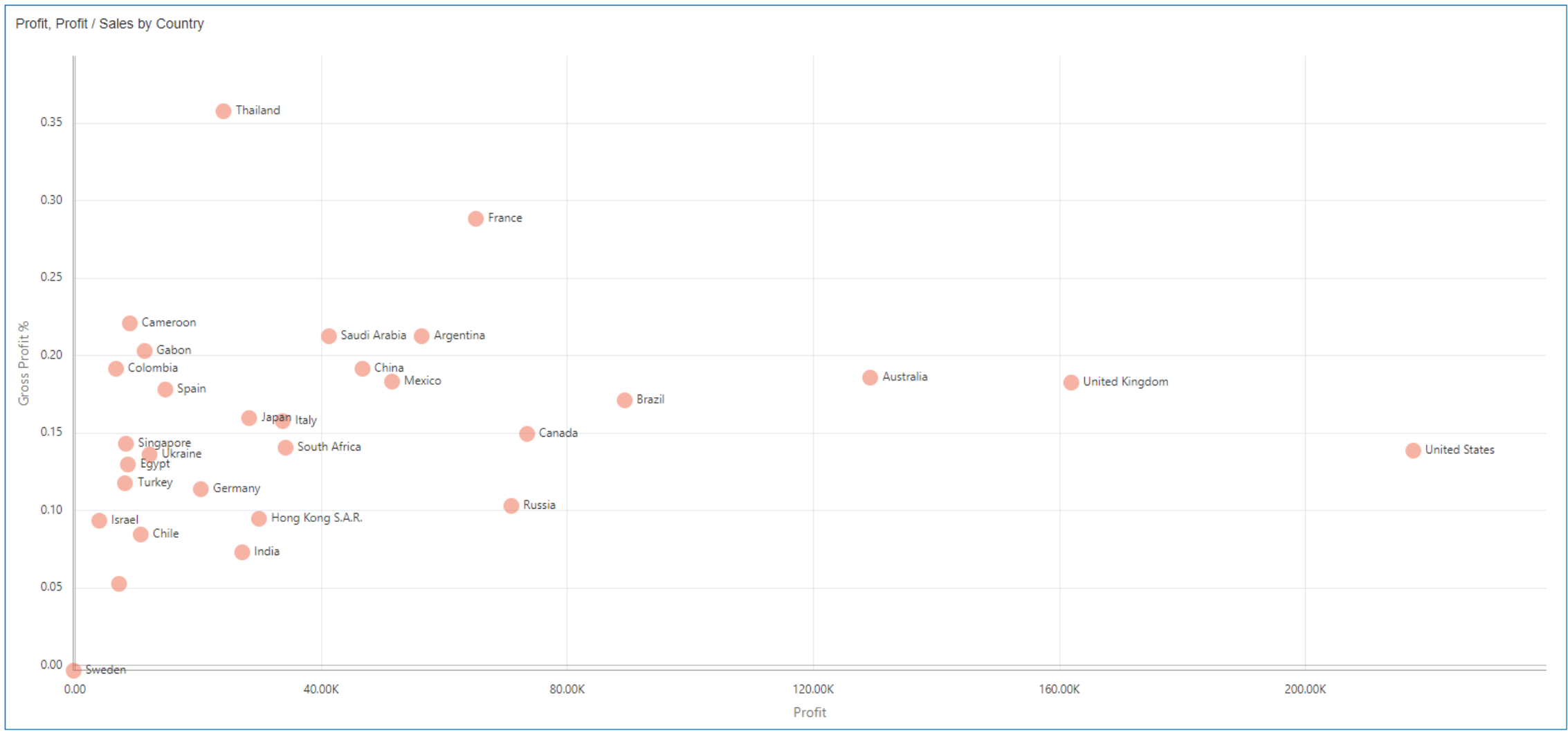
Category (Points)
Country

Color

Size

Shape

Filters



Order Date (Year) All
 Order Date (Quarter) All
 Order Date (Month) All
 Customer Segment All
 Continent All
 Region All
 Country All

Scatter

Country

Profit, Sales, Gross Profit %, Av Profit / Customer, # of Customers

Country

Argentina

Australia

Brazil

Cameroon

Canada

Chile

China

Colombia

Egypt

El Salvador

France

Gabon

Germany

Honduras

Hong Kong S.A.R.

India

Israel

Italy

Japan

Mexico

Russia

Saudi Arabia

Singapore

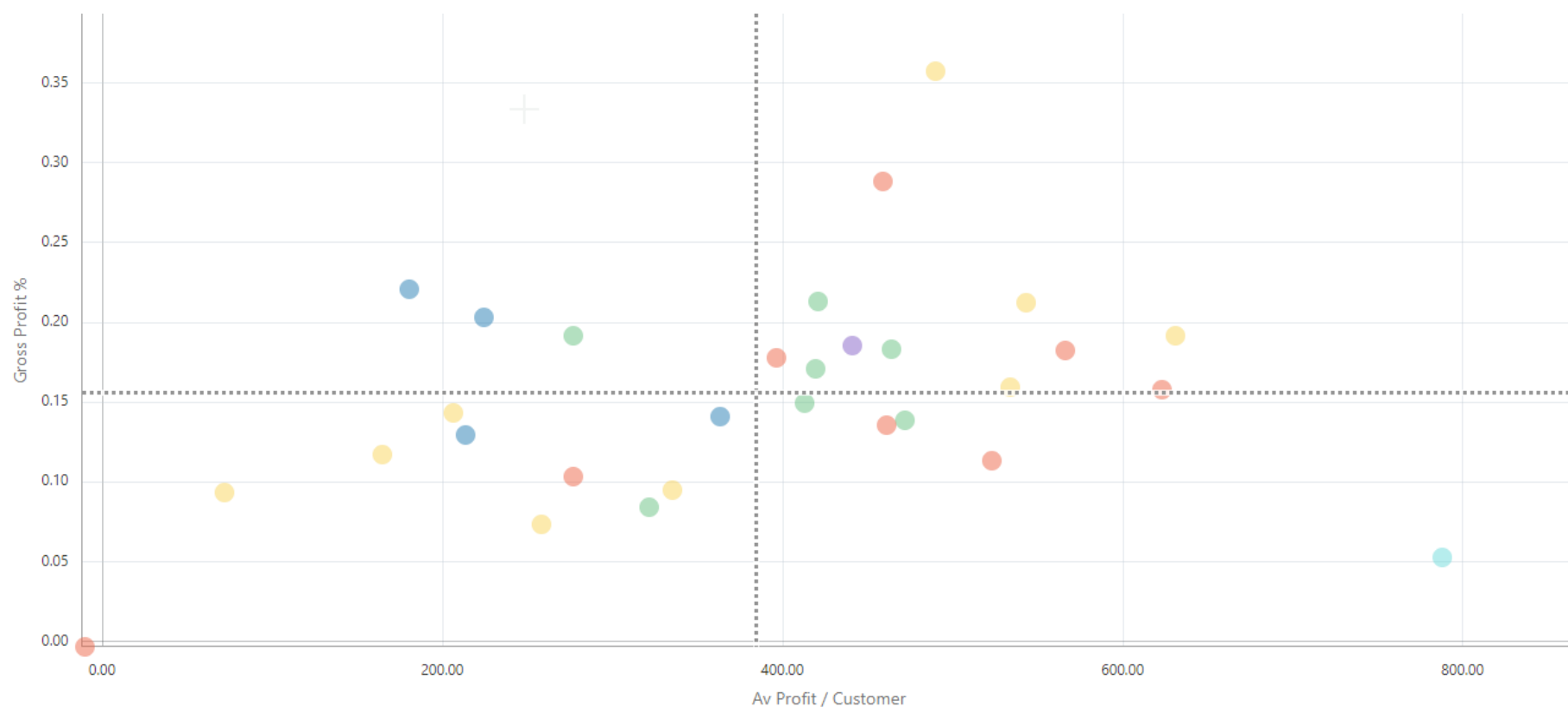
South Africa

Spain

Sweden

Profit	Sales	Gross Profit %	Av Profit / Customer	# of Customers
1,300,000.00	8,500,000.00	0.15	484.89	2,681

Av Profit / Customer, Gross Profit % by Country, Continent





Country
All



Table

Rows

Country

Color

Size

Shape

Filters

- Country
- Argentina
 - Australia
 - Brazil
 - Cameroon
 - Canada
 - Chile
 - China
 - Colombia
 - Egypt
 - El Salvador
 - France
 - Gabon
 - Germany
 - Honduras
 - Hong Kong S.A.R.
 - India
 - Israel
 - Italy
 - Japan
 - Mexico
 - Russia
 - Saudi Arabia
 - Singapore
 - South Africa
 - Spain



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Av Profit / Customer, Gross Profit % by Country, Continent



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Scatter

Trellis Columns
Order Date (Year)

Trellis Rows
Customer Segment

Values (Y-Axis)
Gross Profit %

Values (X-Axis)
Av Profit / Customer

Category (Points)
Country

Color
Continent

Size

Shape

Filters

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 - India
 - Israel
 - Italy
 - Japan
 - Mexico
 - Russia
 - Saudi Arabia
 - Singapore
 - South Africa
 - Spain
 - Sweden
 - Thailand
 - Turkey
 - Ukraine
 - United Kingdom
 - United States

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Av Profit / Customer, Gross Profit % by Country, Continent, Customer Segment, Order Date (Year)





Customer Profitability - Project

Prepare Visualize Narrate Save

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Parallel Coordinates

Trellis Columns

Trellis Rows

Category (Axes)

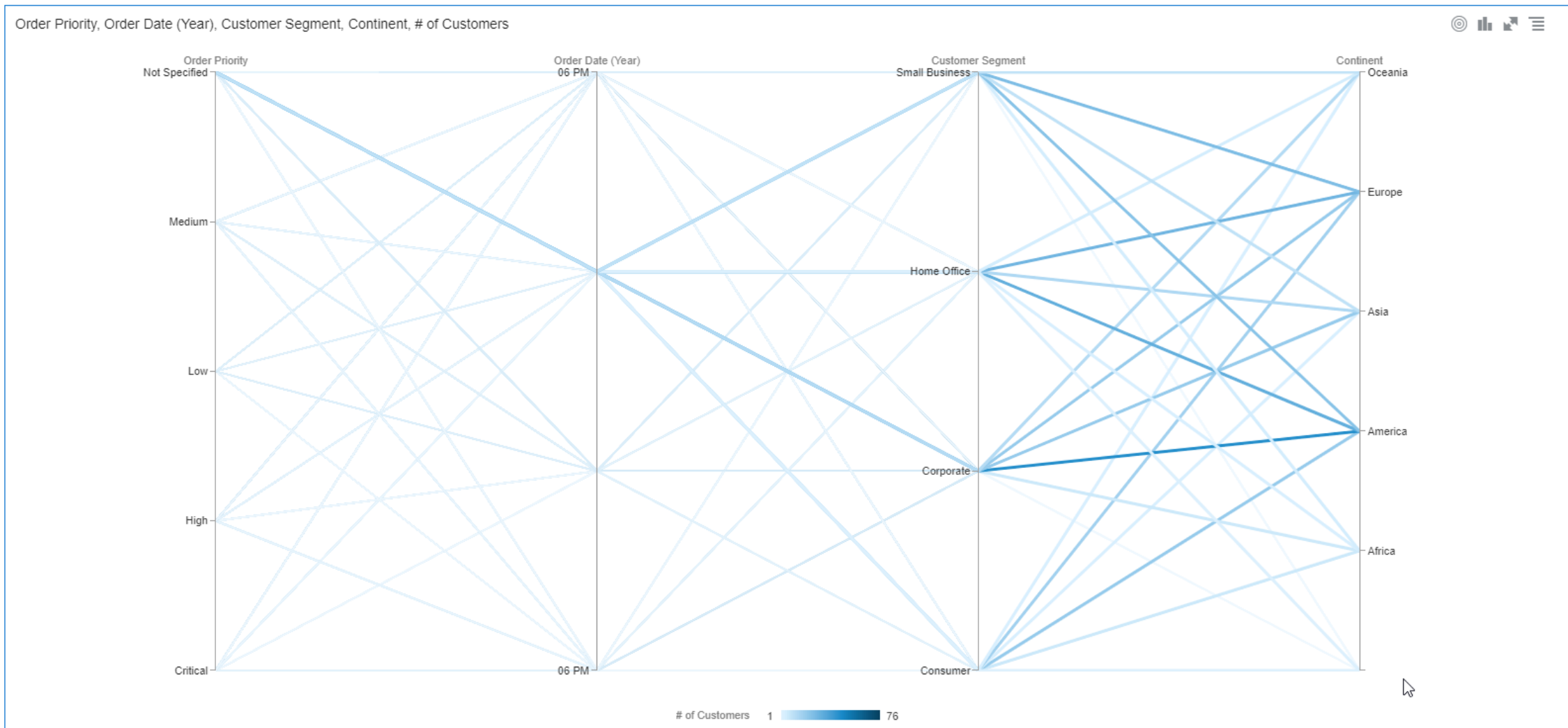
- Order Priority
- Order Date (Y...
- Customer Se...
- Continent

Color

- # of Customers

Detail

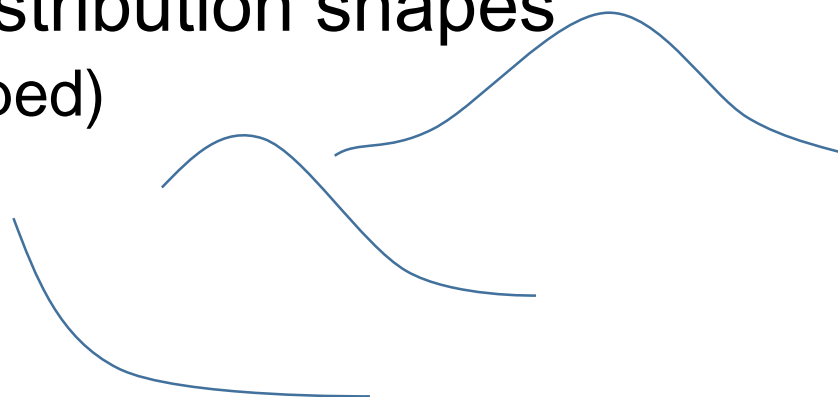
Filters





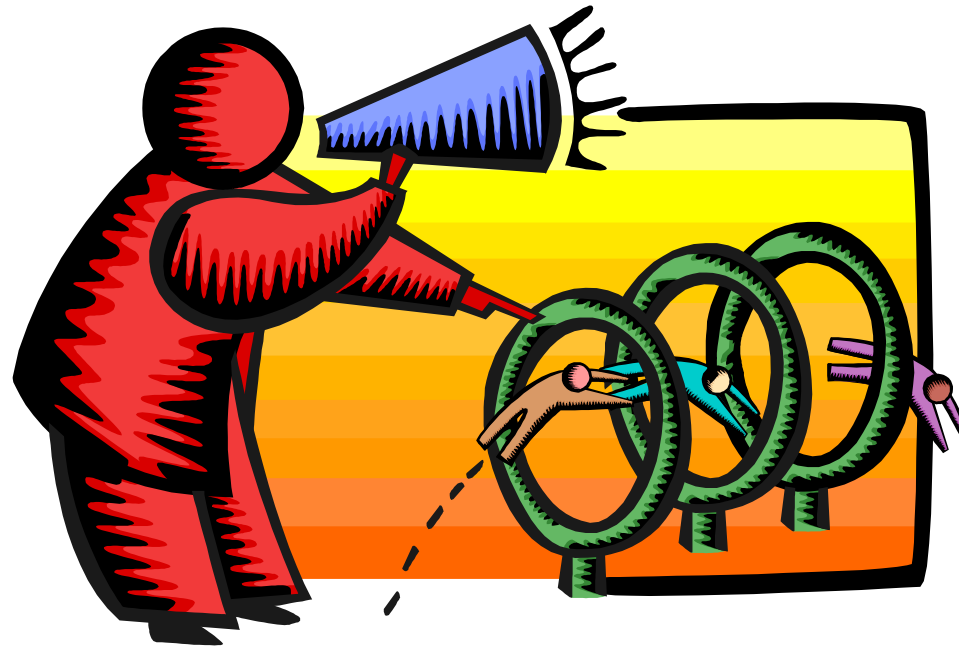
Understanding Measures for Exploration

- Aggregation method is important
- If use average, also add a bucketed measure
- Compute differences
- Understand data's natural distribution shapes
 - Normal distributions (bell shaped)
 - Log-normal distributions
 - Exponential distributions
- Average has strong meaning only for normal distributions
- Outlier identification & treatment are important for non-normal distributions





Demo





An Example Useful Framework

Position Analysis	Performance Analysis	Flow Analysis
static	period of time	period of time
descriptive	results	change in single asset/resource
relative/comparative	fixed vs. variable	sources and uses
balance sheet	P&L	cash flow
strength/weakness	bottom line/zero based	change over time
portrait	motion picture	narrative



Position Analysis



Attributes

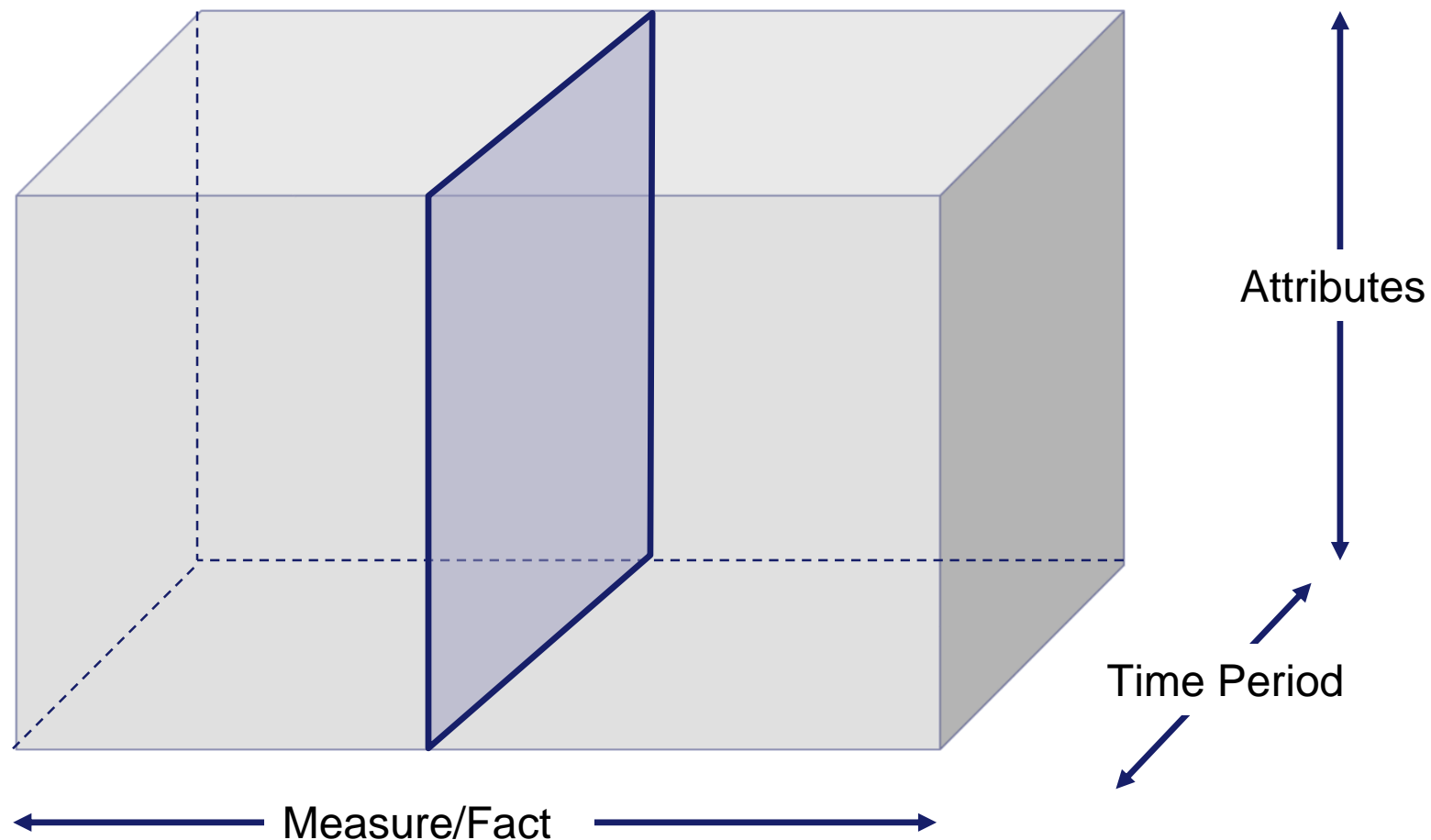
Time Period

Measure/Fact

Bar Chart
Scatter Plot
Treemap



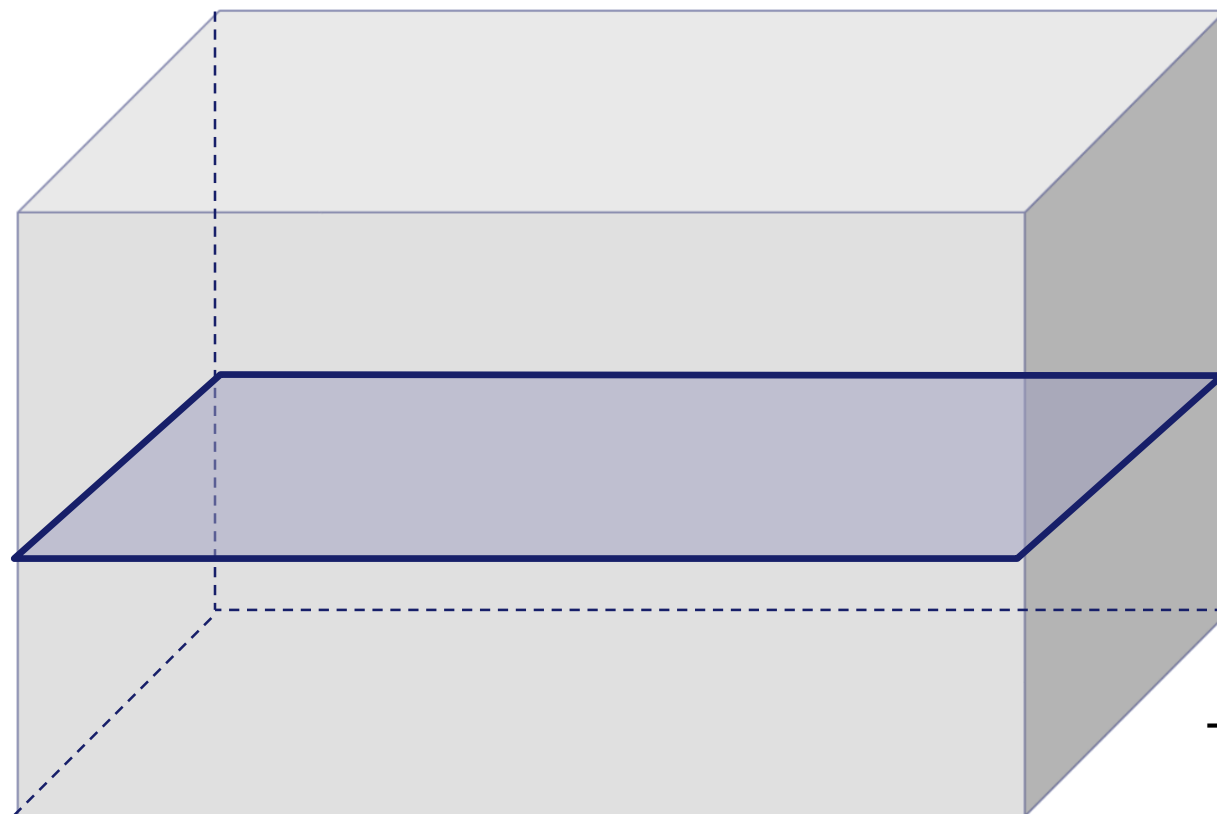
Performance Analysis



Bar Chart
Scatter Plot
Line Chart
Area Chart
Trellis



Flow Analysis



← Measure/Fact →

↑
Attributes
↓

↗
Time Period
↘

Line Chart
Area Chart
Trellis
Waterfall



Well Established Frameworks

- Key Performance Indicator (KPI) Development (business)
- Root cause analysis (science)
- Diagnostic analytics (science)
- Five W's (who, what, when, where, why)



Dimensional Columns

High number of factors
/
cardinality

Lowest Grain

**Trend/cycle
Correlation
Outlier**

Low number of factors
/
cardinality

Trellis

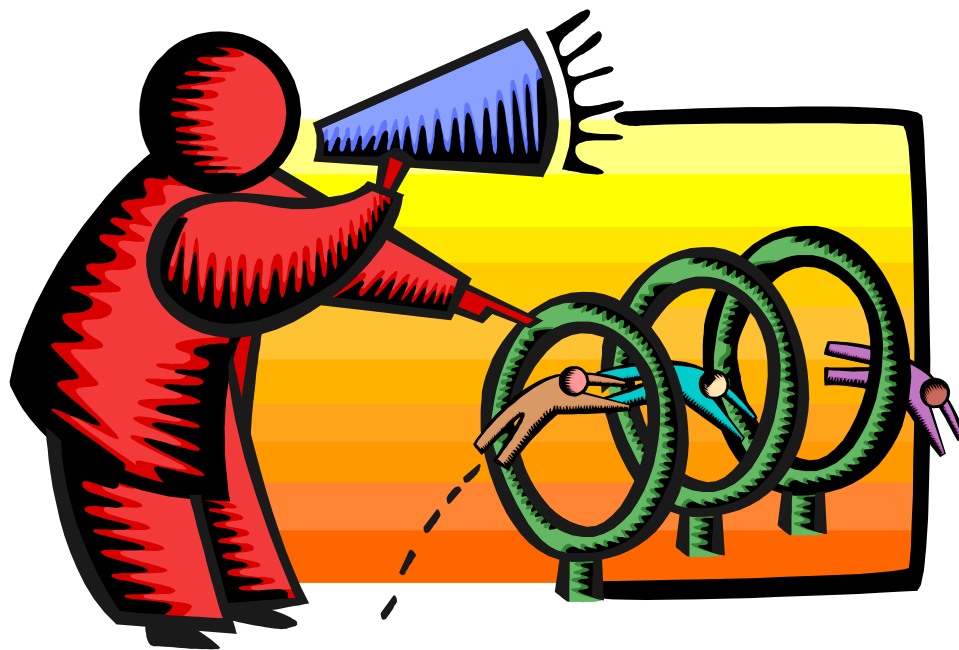
**Comparative
Correlation**

Flat

Shaped



Demo





Using Oracle Ask

- Names and organizational language
- Setting up Oracle Ask for success
- Beautiful questions



Keys to Data Discovery

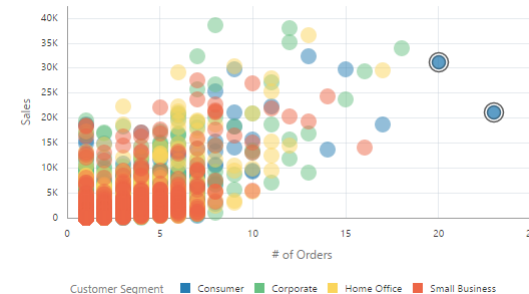
- Identify your main topic of interest with a performance tile
- Summary
- Evaluating a fact or a dimension?
 - Sales analysis
 - Customer or product analysis
- Fact analysis
 - Find lowest grain
 - Flat low distribution
 - Event or transaction
- Look for clustered distribution
 - Scatter with points as event in fact table
 - Set fact on X axis and response variable on Y axis



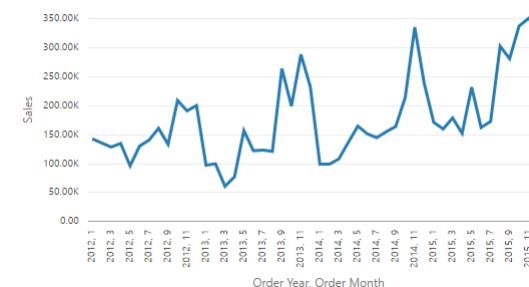
Major Types and Uses of Graphs

- Scatter plot – outlier detection
- Line graph – time based measures. Looking for trends and patterns
- Bar graph – comparison analysis

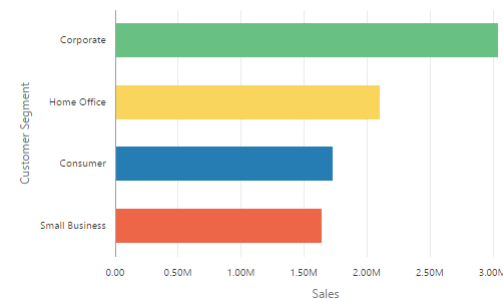
of Orders, Sales by Customer Name, Customer Segment



Sales by Order Year, Order Month



Sales by Customer Segment





Map Views and Location Analytics

- GeoJSON map layers
- Understanding and using built-in features of OAC
- NEW Spatial Studio



Data Narratives/Evidence Based Stories

- Using OAC Narrative tab
- Reader/viewer experience
- Add verbiage for clarity and emphasis
- Numbers are read like words
- Graphs and visualizations are interpreted like pictures



Starting with Data Discovery

- Begin either with a specific question or a framework
- Avoid “wandering around”
- Most of your visualizations will not produce new insights
- Move quickly through visualizations
- Be prepared to open a lot of browser tabs

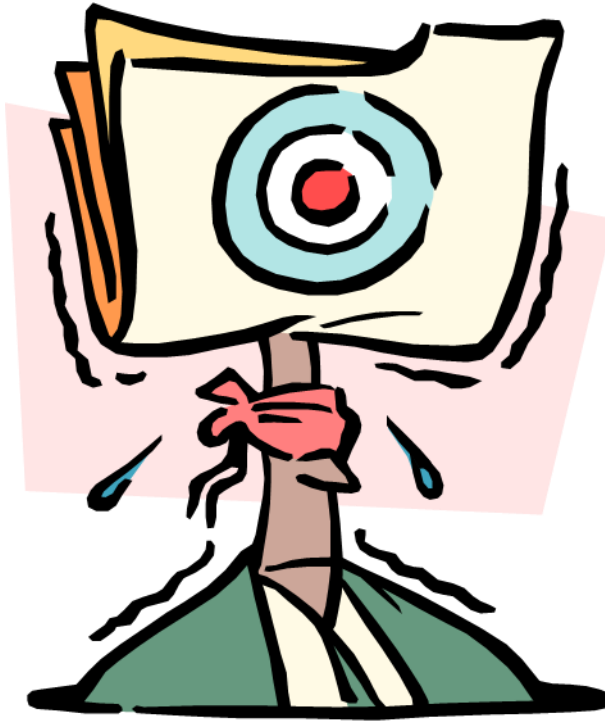


Finding is not Explaining

- Process of interaction has a huge impact on the contextual understanding of an insight
- When someone discovers something, they believe it more
- Human Cognition Biases



Questions?



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