

Storytelling with Data

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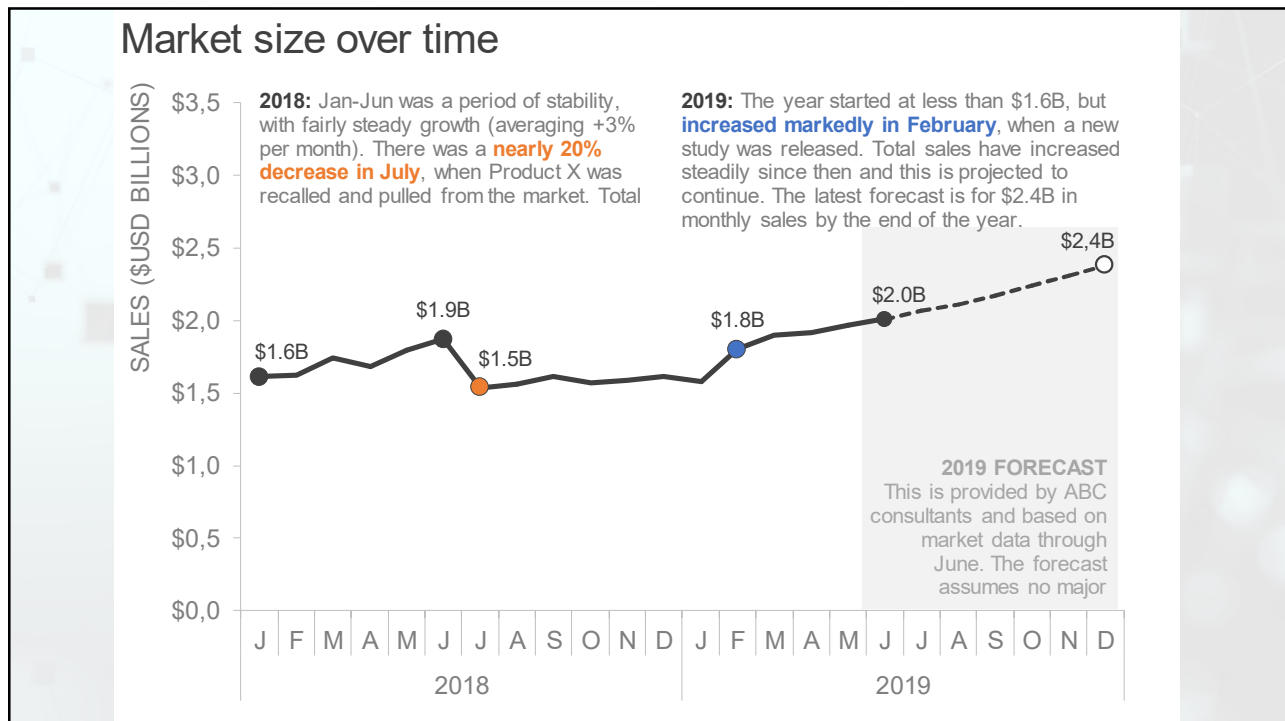
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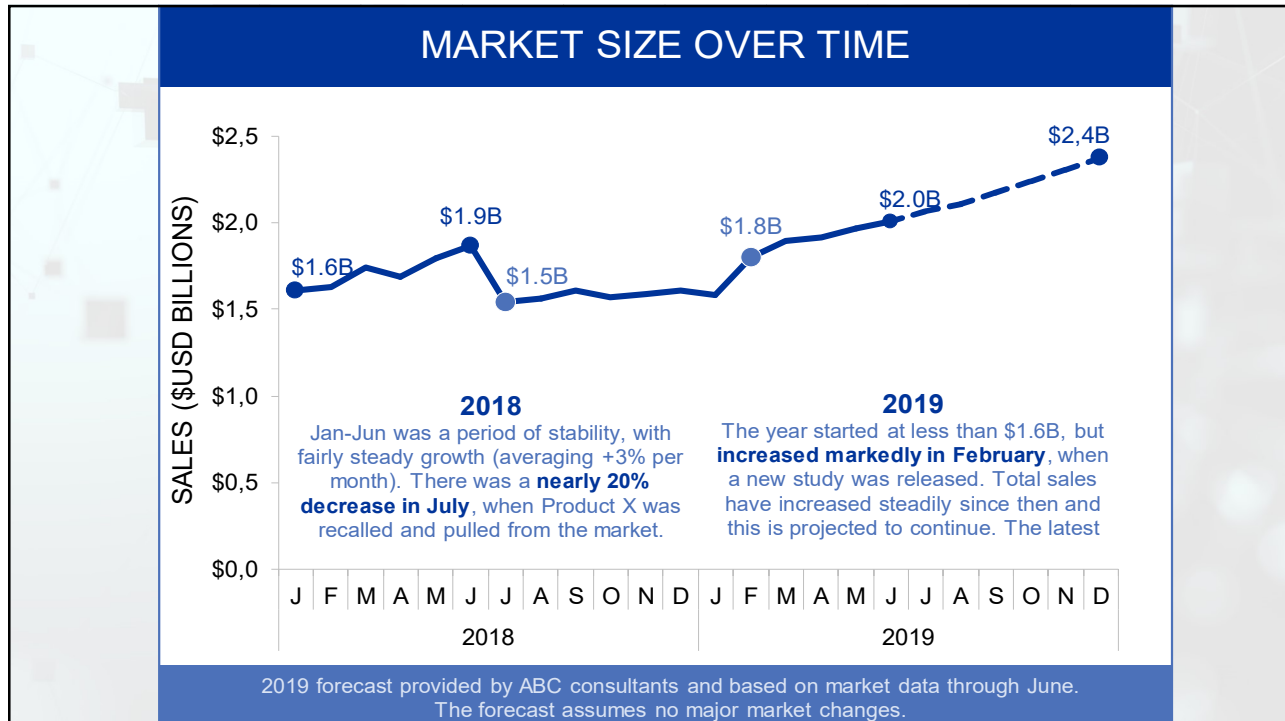
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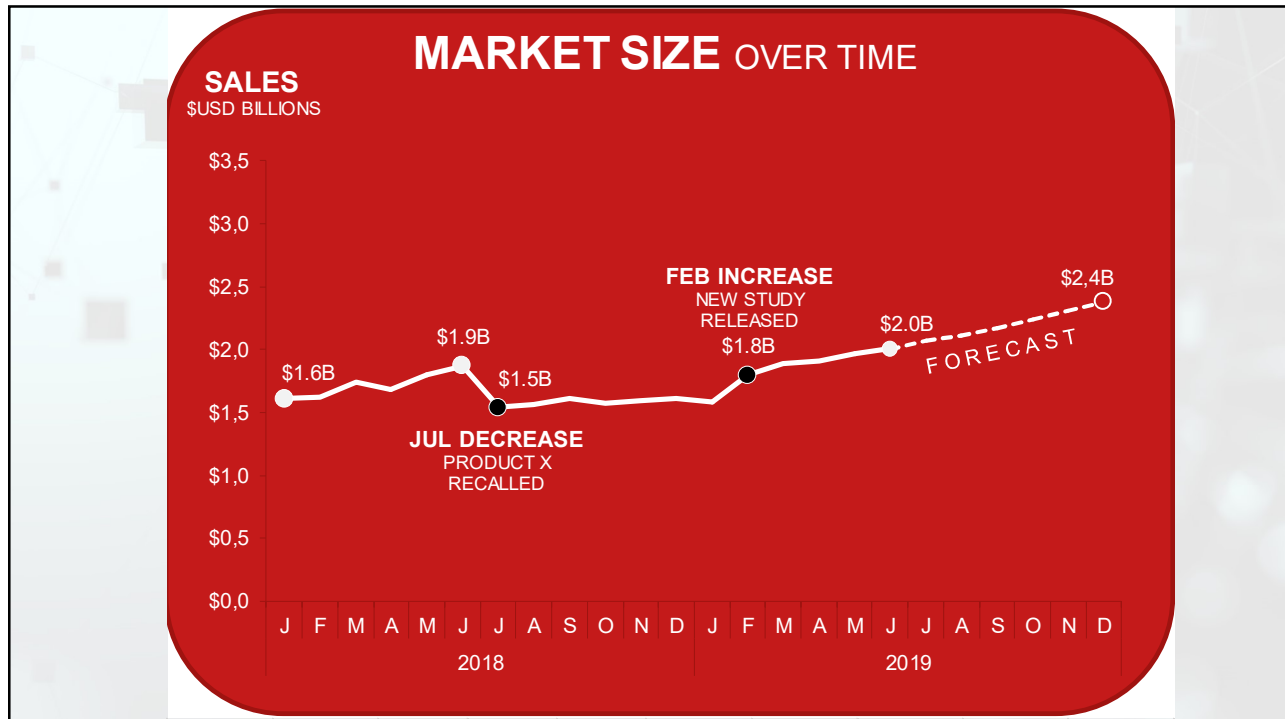
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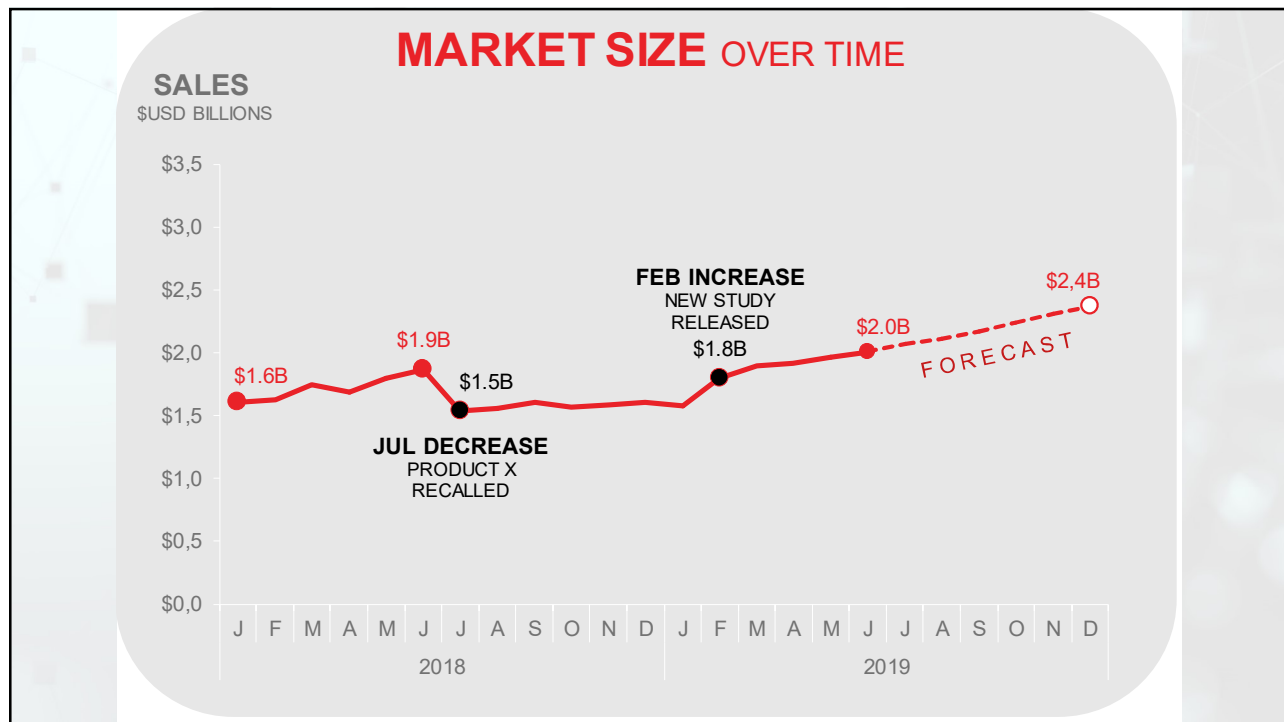
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Storytelling with Data

Five steps on Storytelling with Data (Cole Nussbaumer, 2015):

1. Understand the context
2. Choose an effective visual
3. Eliminate clutter
4. Focus attention
5. Tell a story

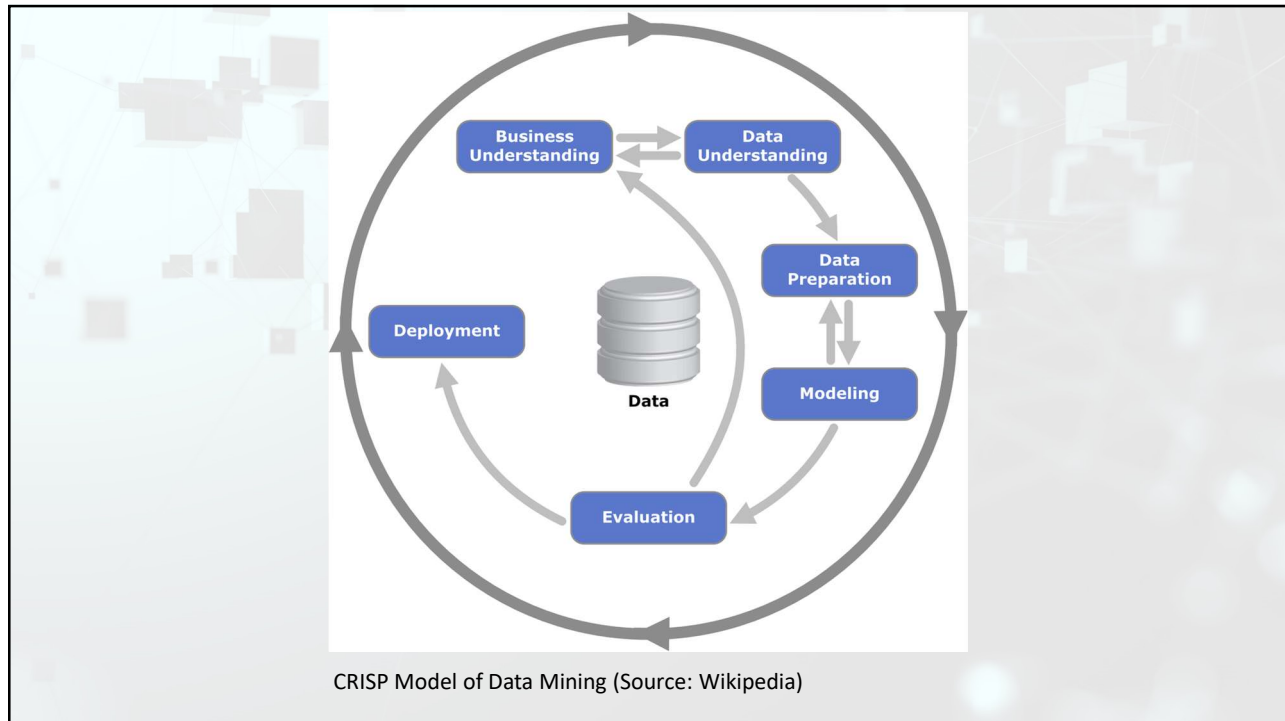
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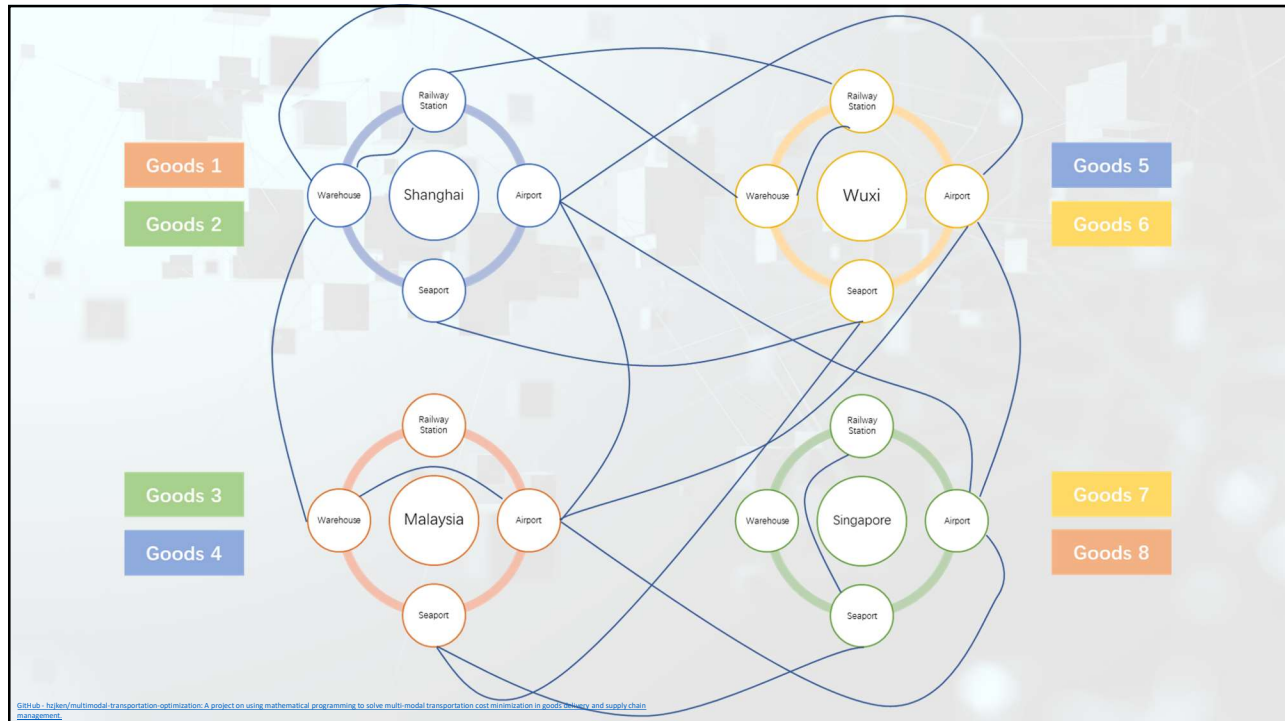


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Step 1. Understanding Context & Audience

Route Number	Source	Destination	Container Size	Carrier	Travel Mode	Fixed Freight Cost	Port/Airport/Rail Handling Cost	Bunker/Fuel Cost	Documentation Cost	Equipment Cost	Extra cost	Warehouse Cost	Transit Duty (%)	Overall Costs (Transportation + Warehouse + Goods & Tariff)	Custom Clearance time (hours)	Port/Airport/Rail Handling time (hours)	Extra Time	Transit time (hours)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1	Singapore Port	Shanghai Port	67	COSCO	Sea	300	300	400	180	20	0	0.002	1200	24	48	0	120	1	0	1		
2	Shanghai Port	Singapore Port	67	COSCO	Sea	150	300	400	180	20	0	0.001	1050	24	48	0	120	1	0	1		
3	Singapore Port	Malaysia Port	34	COSCO	Sea	50	280	200	150	20	0	0	700	24	48	0	24	0	1	0		
4	Malaysia Port	Singapore Port	34	COSCO	Sea	50	280	200	150	20	0	0.001	700	24	48	0	24	0	1	0		
5	Shanghai Port	Malaysia Port	67	COSCO	Sea	300	180	400	130	20	0	0	1030	24	48	0	96	0	0	1		
6	Malaysia Port	Shanghai Port	67	COSCO	Sea	150	180	400	130	20	0	0.002	880	24	48	0	96	0	0	1		
7	Shanghai Port	Wuxi Port	34	COSCO	Sea	100	150	80	100	20	0	0	450	24	48	0	5	1	0	1		
8	Wuxi Port	Shanghai Port	34	COSCO	Sea	100	150	80	100	20	0	0	450	24	48	0	5	1	0	1		
9	Singapore Airport	Shanghai Airport	7	DHL	Air	900	600	600	180	25	0	0.002	2305	24	8	0	5	1	1	1		
10	Shanghai Airport	Singapore Airport	7	DHL	Air	450	600	600	180	25	0	0.001	1855	24	8	0	5	1	1	1		
11	Singapore Airport	Malaysia Airport	7	DHL	Air	150	560	400	150	25	0	0	1285	24	8	0	2	1	1	1		
12	Malaysia Airport	Singapore Airport	7	DHL	Air	150	560	400	150	25	0	0.001	1285	24	8	0	2	1	1	1		
13	Shanghai Airport	Malaysia Airport	7	DHL	Air	900	360	600	130	25	0	0	2015	24	8	0	4.5	1	1	1		
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17	Malaysia Airport	Wuxi Airport	7	DHL	Air	1800	700	800	190	25	0	0.002	3515	24	8	0	6.5	1	1	1		
18	Wuxi Airport	Malaysia Airport	7	DHL	Air	1800	700	800	190	25	0	0	3515	24	8	0	6.5	1	1	1		
19	Shanghai Railway Station	Wuxi Railway Station	34	Railway A	Rail	80	100	100	50	15	0	0	345	24	24	0	36	1	1	1		
20	Wuxi Railway Station	Shanghai Railway Station	34	Railway A	Rail	80	100	100	50	15	0	0	345	24	24	0	36	1	1	1		
21	Singapore Railway Station	Malaysia Railway Station	34	Evergreen	Rail	100	500	200	150	30	0	0	980	24	48	0	96	1	1	1		
22	Malaysia Railway Station	Singapore Railway Station	34	Evergreen	Rail	100	500	200	150	30	0	0.001	980	24	48	0	96	1	1	1		
23	Singapore Warehouse	Singapore Port	34	KTM	Truck	100	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	4	0	0	2	1	1	1	
24	Singapore Port	Singapore Warehouse	34	KTM	Truck	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	4	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	
25	Singapore Warehouse	Singapore Airport	34	KTM	Truck	100	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	4	0	0	2	1	1	1	
26	Singapore Airport	Singapore Warehouse	34	KTM	Truck	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	4	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	
27	Singapore Warehouse	Singapore Railway Station	34	KTM	Truck	100	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	100	4	0	0	2	1	1	1	
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30	Malaysia Warehouse	Malaysia Port	34	KTM	Truck	80	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	80	4	0	0	3	1	1	1	
31	Malaysia Port	Malaysia Warehouse	34	KTM	Truck	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	4	0	0	3	1	1	1	

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Step 2. Choose an effective visual

The graphic consists of two main parts. The top part shows a complex network of nodes and lines, representing a data visualization or a network structure. The bottom part features a stylized illustration of a human head in profile, with gears and a bar chart inside, symbolizing cognitive processes, data analysis, and decision-making.

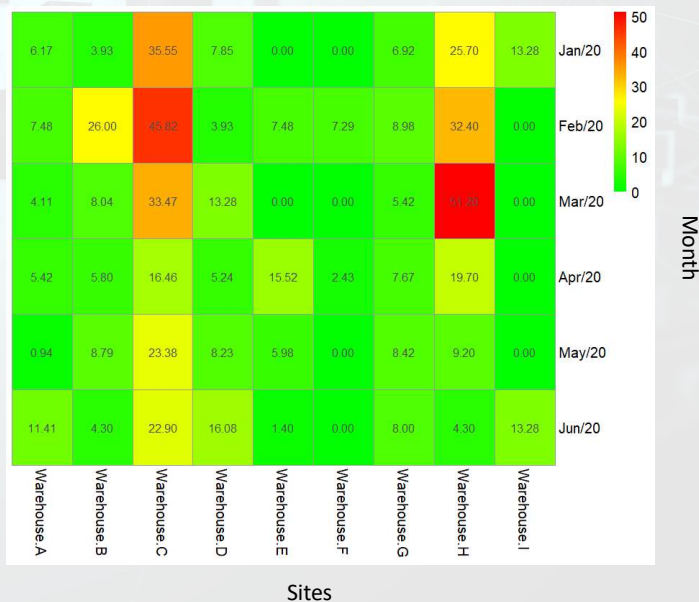
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Product returns (%) in a warehouse example

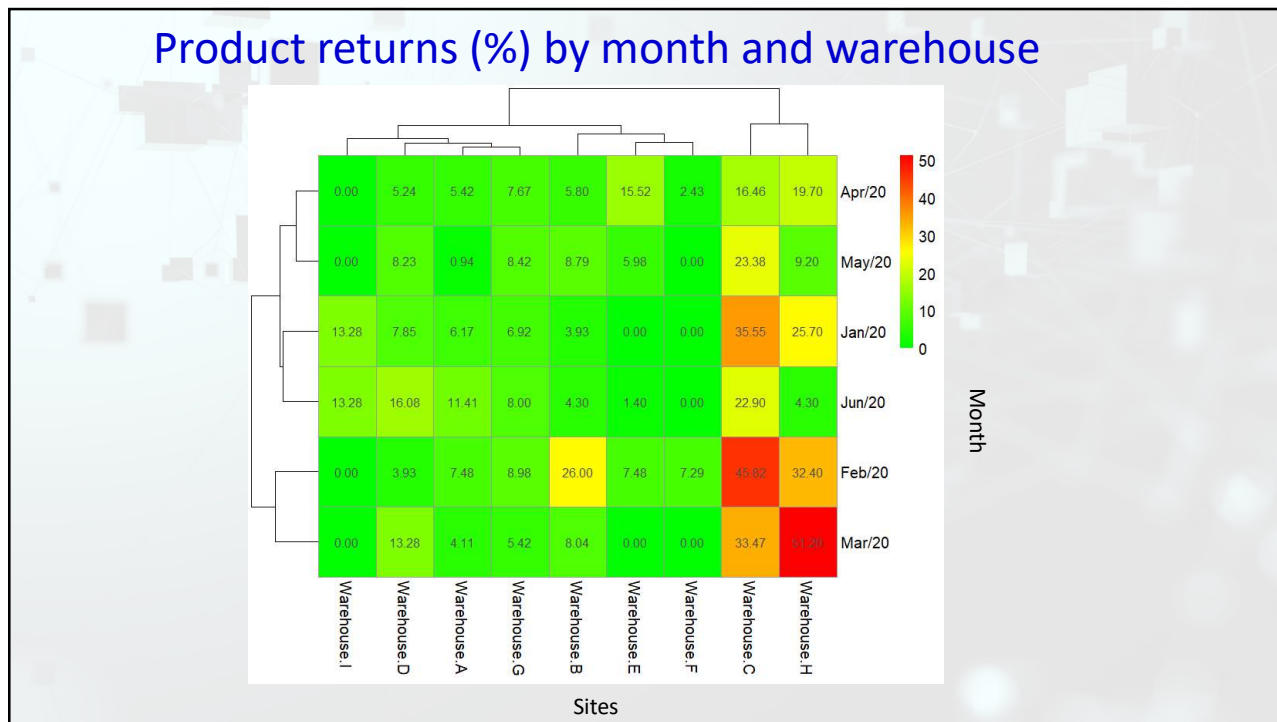
Product returns (in %) by Month and Warehouse									
Month	Warehouse A	Warehouse B	Warehouse C	Warehouse D	Warehouse E	Warehouse F	Warehouse G	Warehouse H	Warehouse I
Jan/20	6.17	3.93	35.55	7.85	0.00	0.00	6.92	25.70	13.28
Feb/20	7.48	26.00	45.82	3.93	7.48	7.29	8.98	32.40	0.00
Mar/20	4.11	8.04	33.47	13.28	0.00	0.00	5.42	51.20	0.00
Apr/20	5.42	5.80	16.46	5.24	15.52	2.43	7.67	19.70	0.00
May/20	0.94	8.79	23.38	8.23	5.98	0.00	8.42	9.20	0.00
Jun/20	11.41	4.30	22.90	16.08	1.40	0.00	8.00	4.30	13.28
Total	5.80	9.40	36.40	8.98	5.00	1.50	7.48	23.90	4.49

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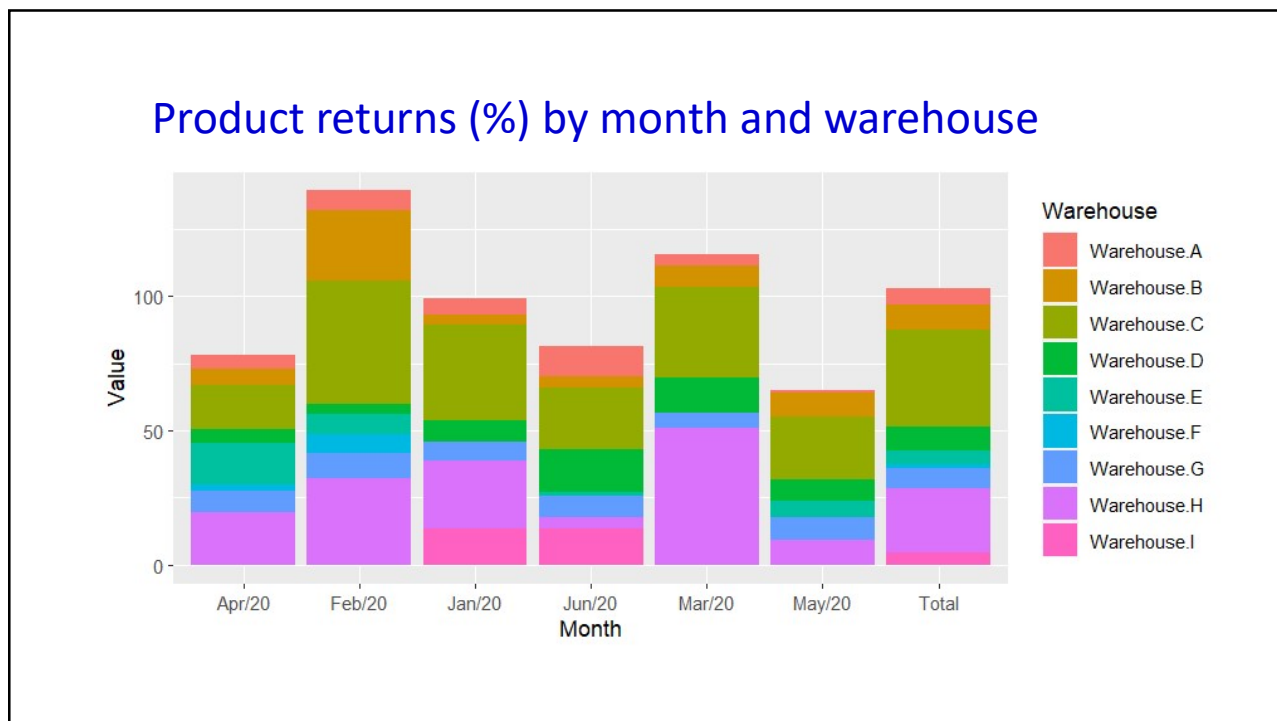
Product returns (%) by month and warehouse



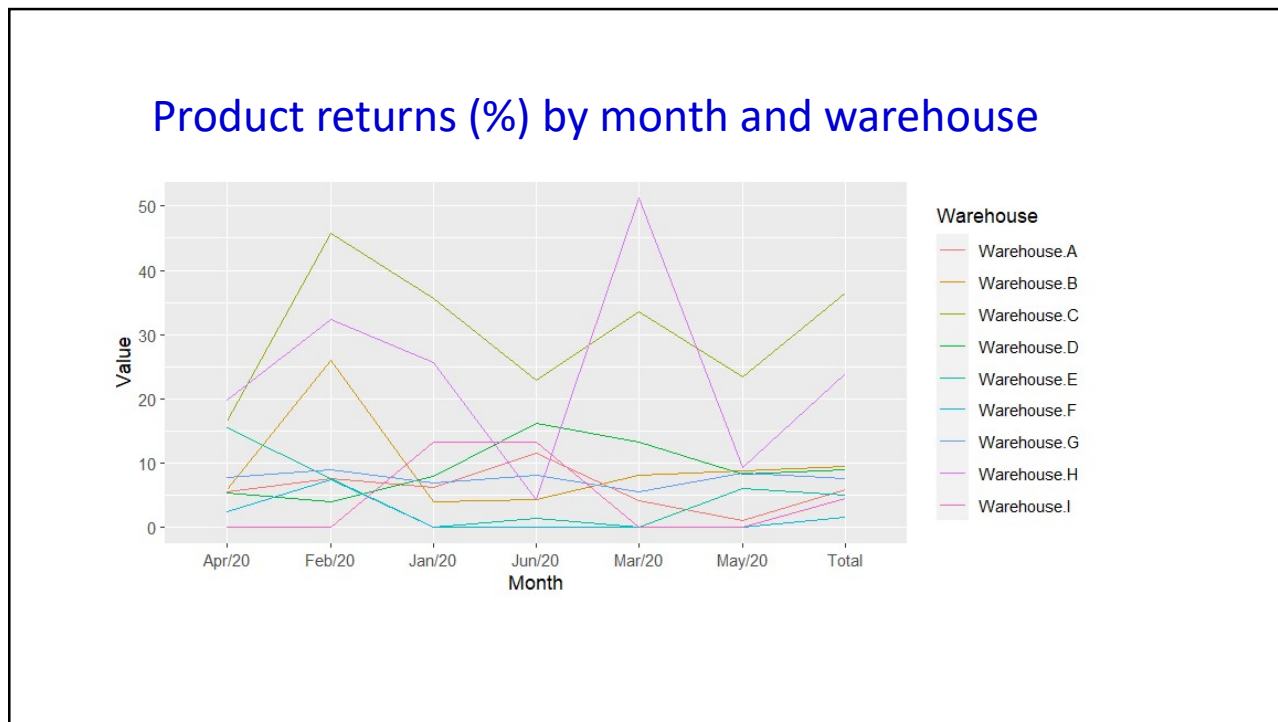
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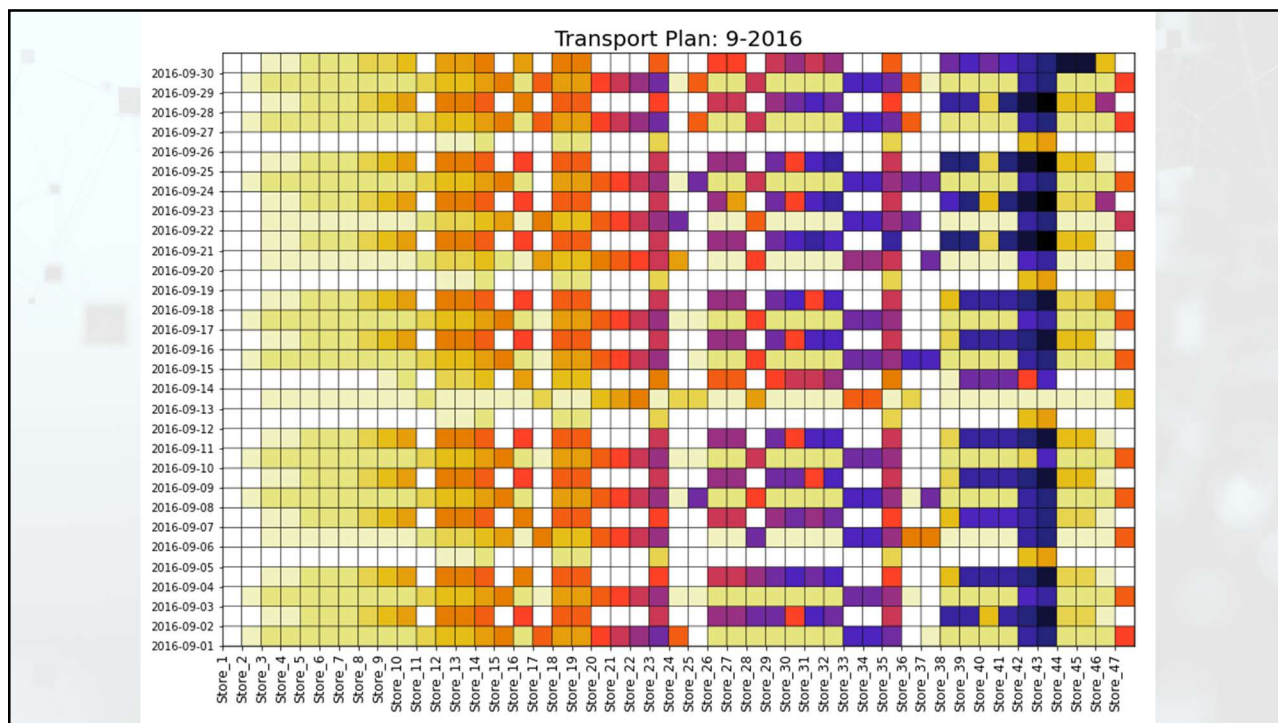
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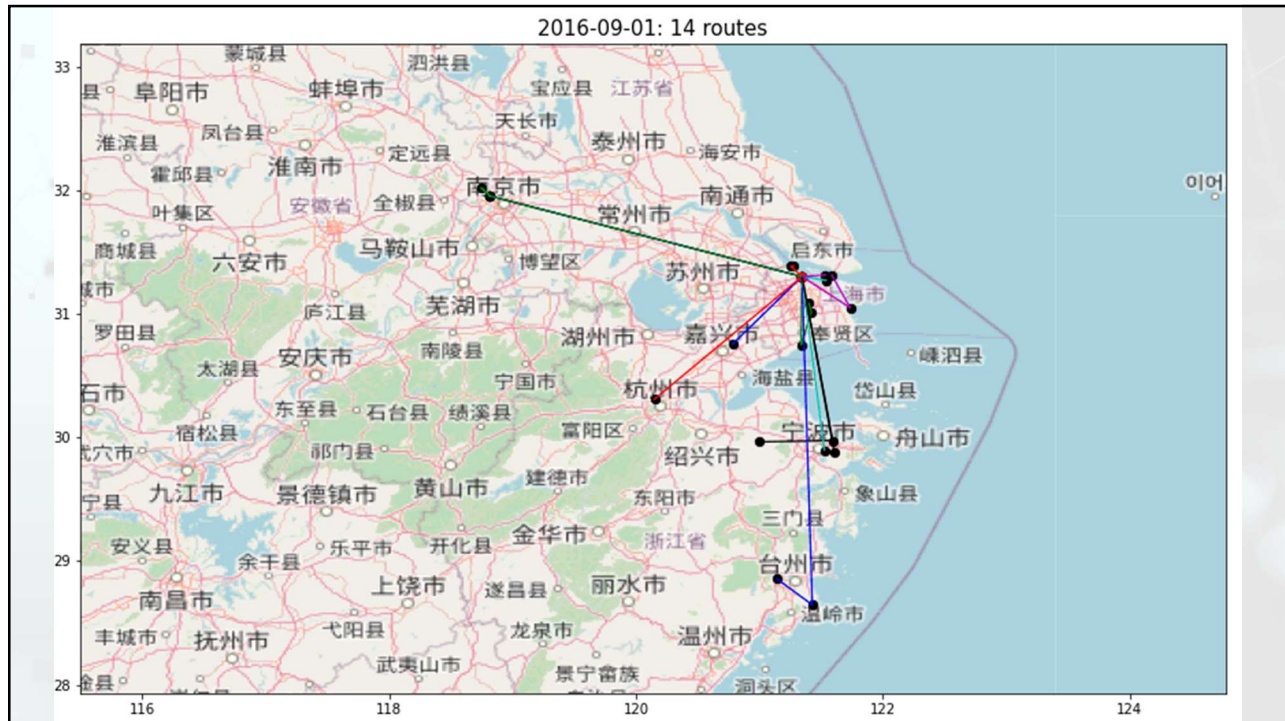
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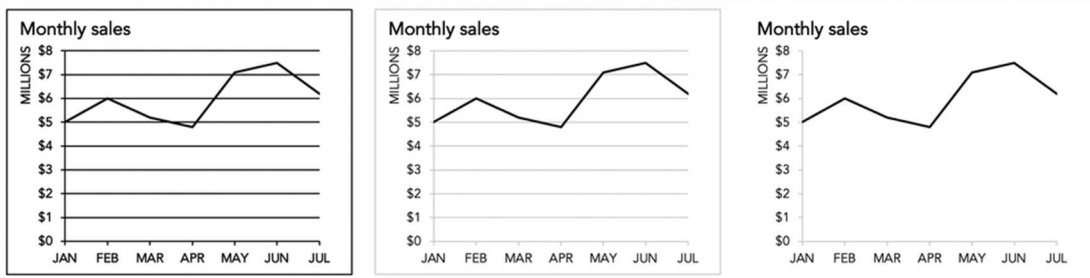
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**Steps 3 & 4.
Eliminate clutter
and Focus
attention**

The complex block contains two main visual elements. On the left, there is a text box with the heading "Steps 3 & 4. Eliminate clutter and Focus attention" in bold blue font. On the right, there is a collage of two images. The top image is a network diagram consisting of numerous black squares of varying sizes connected by thin lines, set against a dark background with some light bokeh. The bottom image is a collection of many colorful, patterned plates and bowls, arranged in a dense, overlapping manner, illustrating a state of clutter.

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Tip 1: Declutter your graphs to remove distractions

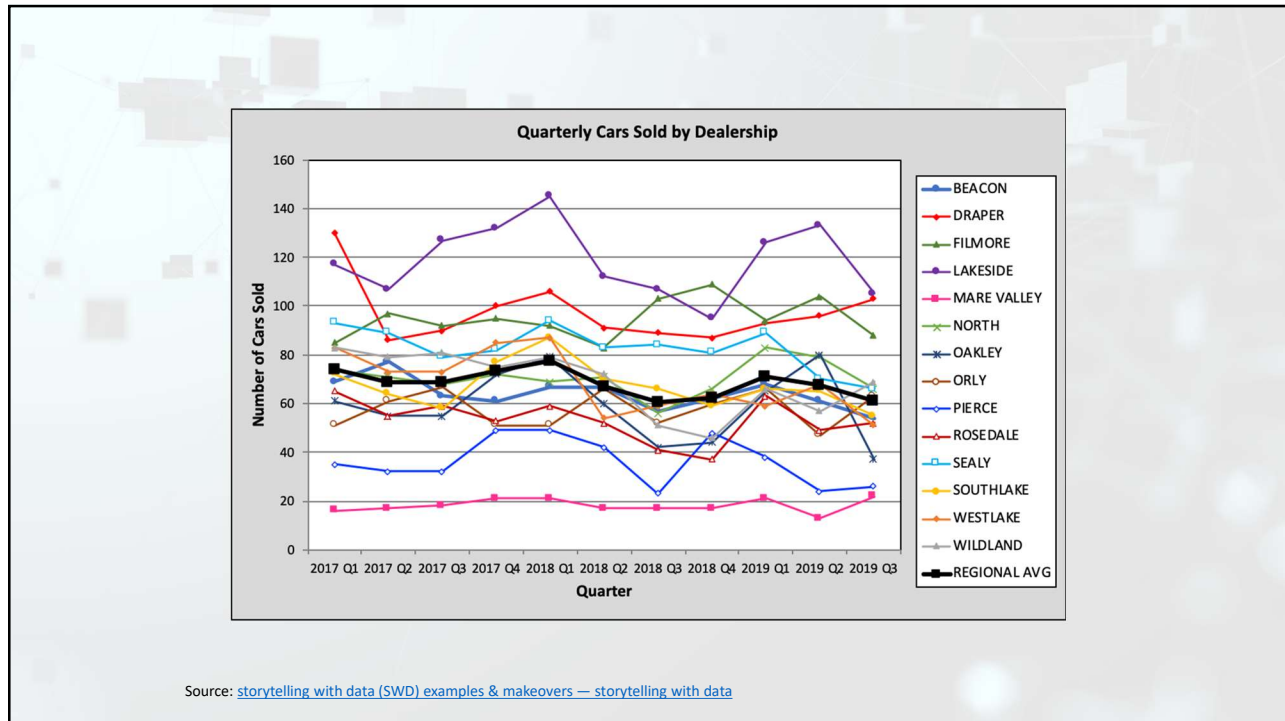


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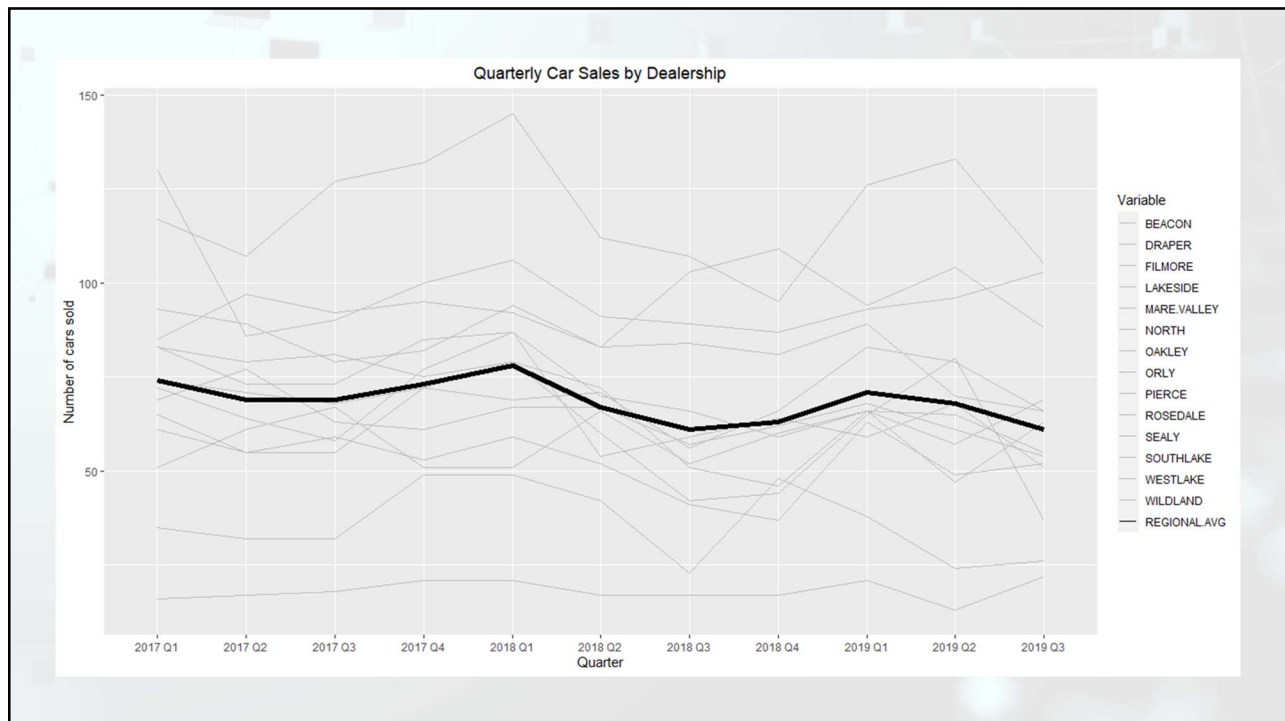
Tip 2: Focus attention so others know where to look



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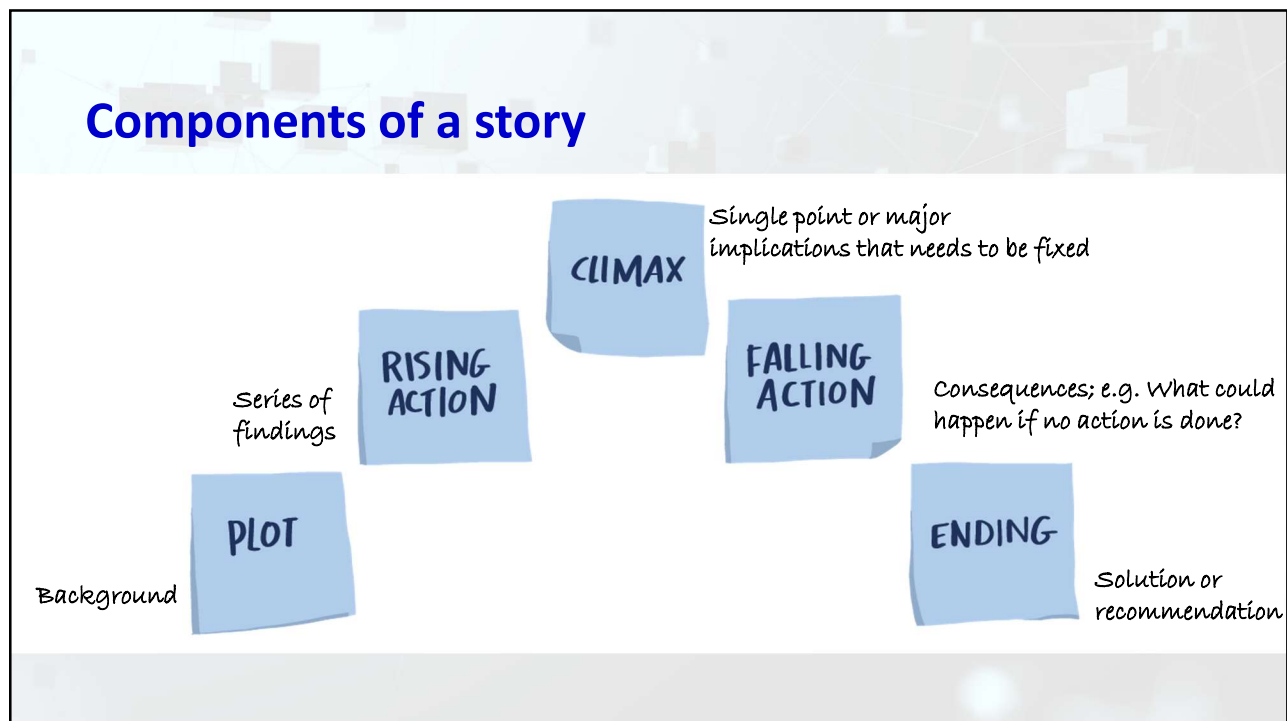
Step 5. Tell a Story



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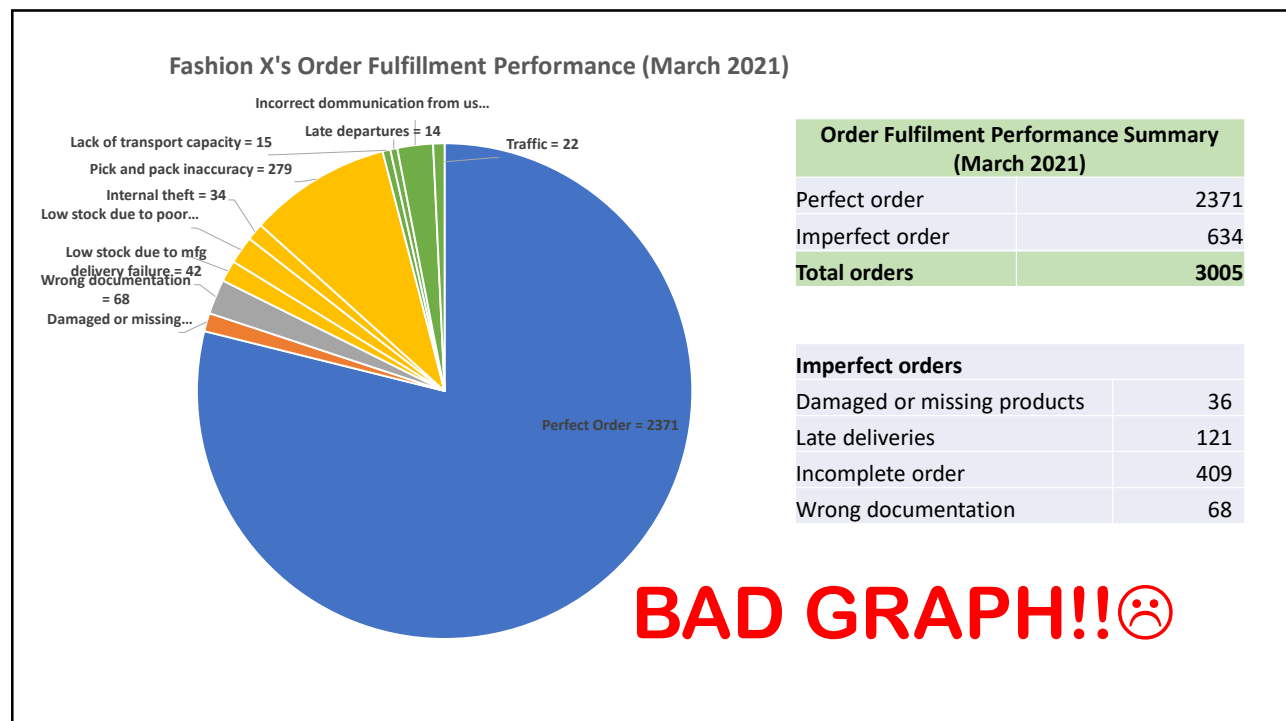
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Let's practice!

Fashion X is losing money because of increasing customer complaints related to order fulfilment of their ordered goods. Your boss ask you to do a research on the order fulfilment performance of the company, the root cause of the problem, and how can the situation be improved.

You were given 3005 data points and the visualization in the next page. Since you took a Storytelling with Data workshop, you want to apply what you have learned. Study the slide in the next page for 2-3 minutes, then tell a story based on the task given to you.

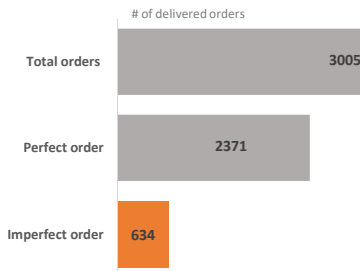
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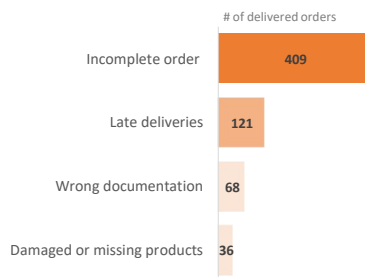
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Pick and pack inaccuracies and incorrect communication from us are the top reasons of imperfect orders.

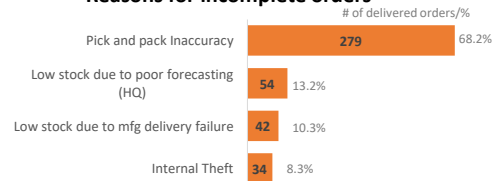
Order fulfilment performance summary
(March 2015)



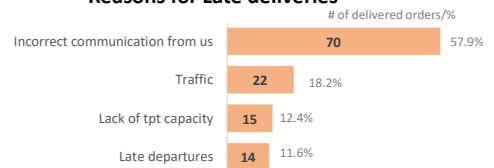
Reasons for imperfect orders



Reasons for incomplete orders









Reasons for Late deliveries



GOOD GRAPH!!! 😊

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Different visualization tools

Visualization tools	Who uses it?	Advantages	Disadvantages
R  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academics Engineer Scientists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open source (FREE) Statistical tool Best for visualizations 	Limited as a general use programming language
Python  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wide industries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open source (FREE) Many strong libraries for AI and machine learning Integrate engineering environment 	Less good documentation for visualization (it's broader)
Power BI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academics Companies Students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free (Power BI desktop) Can re-use R and Python code Easy to use (Excel pivot tables) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For free version Unable to handle very huge data (free version) Power BI Pro - you need to pay
Tableau 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academics Companies Students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mobile friendly Free for a year if you have academic account 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poor versioning SQL knowledge Manual effort

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Summary

- ✓ Storytelling with data is both art and technique for delivering convincing stories.
- ✓ CRISP model of data mining can be followed in alignment with the storytelling with data.
- ✓ Different visualization tools (R, Python, Power BI, Tableau, etc.) can be used by different organizations (SMEs, large companies) depending on the organizational resources, data availability, demands, etc.

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Want to learn more?

For students, companies, lecturers/researchers:

- ✓ DAC Network – HAN Lectoraat Logistics and Alliances
- ✓ HAN Minor Data Driven Decision Making
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