

Module 7 Lab:

Creating Visualizations

[10pt] Designing a good table. Visualizing data with Tableau.

Imagine you are a data scientist working with the data for the Men's Gymnastics World Championships and the Summer Olympics. Perform the *task a* to help the Championships committee analyze the Men's Gymnastics data and *task b* to help the Olympics Committee better understand the overall Medals by Country.

a. **[5 points] Good table design.** Create a table to display the details of Men's Gymnastics World Championships provided in *worldchamps_mens_gymnastics.csv*¹. You can use any tool (e.g., Excel, HTML) to create the table.

- The table should contain data from the following columns: *Name, Overall Rank, Nationality, Apparatus, Total Score*
- **Save the table as table.png.**

You may reorder the columns while creating the table. Review the design recommendations on slide 43 and onwards of the [slides](#). You are not required to use only the techniques described.

b. **[5 points] Tableau:** Visualize the Summer Olympics data as a *stacked bar chart*. Your chart should display the Count of Medals for Olympic using the dataset *summer_olympics.csv*² (in Q1 folder). (Optional reading: the effectiveness of stacked bar charts is often debated --- sometimes, [they can be confusing to understand and may make data series comparison challenging.](#))

Our main goal here is for you to try out Tableau, a popular information visualization tool. Thus, we keep this part more open-ended, so you can practice making design decisions. **We will accept most designs from you all.** We show one possible design in the figure below, based on the tutorial from [Tableau](#), and you are not limited to the techniques

¹ Source: <https://www.kaggle.com/cjdaffern/gymnastic-champs-mens-all-round>

² Source: <https://www.kaggle.com/the-guardian/olympic-games>

presented there.

Please follow the instructions below:

- Your design should visualize the Count of Medals during the years 1992-2012 (inclusive) for the countries: France, Germany, United Kingdom, United States, and China.
- Your design should design a stacked bar chart to show the count for each type of medal (Bronze, Silver, Gold) for the following Sports: Aquatics, Athletics, Football, Gymnastics, Rowing.
- For each country, there should be two stacked bars (one for each gender). Make sure the bars are grouped by country.
- Your design should have clear label axes and chart title. Include a legend for your chart.
- **Save the chart as barchart.png.**

Tableau offer student licenses (requested by instructors) for *Tableau Desktop*, available for Mac and Window. Go to [tableau activation](#) and select “Tableau Desktop”. After the installation, you will be asked to add an activation key.

If you do not have access to a Mac or Windows machine, please use the 14-day trial version of *Tableau Online*:

1. Visit <https://www.tableau.com/trial/tableau-online>
2. Enter your information (name, email, GT details, etc)
3. You will then receive an email to access your Tableau Online site
4. Go to your Site and create a workbook



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Total Medals for Top Countries (1992-2012)



Example for scatter plots, on a single HTML page.

Q1 Deliverables:

The directory structure should be as follows:

Q1/

table.png

barchart.png

worldchamps_mens_gymnastics.csv

summer_olympics.csv

- **table.png** - An image/screenshot of the table in Q1.a (png format **only**).
- **barchart.png** - An image of the chart in Q1.b (png format **only**), Tableau workbooks will not be graded!). The image should be clear and of high-quality.
- **worldchamps_mens_gymnastics.csv** and **summer_olympics.csv** - the datasets