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The designer

The cognitive scientist  
The communicator; The project manager;  
Summary; Chapter 3: Demonstrating Editorial Focus and Learning About Your Data; The importance of editorial focus; Preparing and familiarizing yourself with your data; Refining your editorial focus; Using visual analysis to find stories; An example of finding and telling stories; Summary; Chapter 4: Conceiving and Reasoning Visualization Design Options; Data visualization design is all about choices; Some helpful tips; The visualization anatomy - data representation; Choosing the correct visualization method

Considering the physical properties of our data  
Determining the degree of accuracy in interpretation; Creating an appropriate design metaphor; Choosing the final solution; The visualization anatomy - data presentation; The use of color; Creating interactivity; Annotation; Arrangement; Summary; Chapter 5: Taxonomy of Data Visualization Methods; Data visualization methods; Choosing the appropriate chart type; Comparing categories; Dot plot; Bar chart (or column chart); Floating bar (or Gantt chart); Pixelated bar chart; Histogram; Slopegraph (or bumps chart or table chart); Radial chart  
Glyph chart  
Sankey diagram; Area size chart; Small multiples (or trellis chart); Word cloud; Assessing hierarchies and part-to-whole relationships; Pie chart; Stacked bar chart (or stacked column chart); Square pie (or unit chart or waffle chart); Tree map; Circle packing diagram; Bubble hierarchy; Tree hierarchy; Showing changes over time; Line chart; Sparklines; Area chart; Horizon chart; Stacked area chart; Stream graph; Candlestick chart (or box and whiskers plot, OHLC chart); Barcode chart; Flow map; Plotting connections and relationships; Scatter plot; Bubble plot; Scatter plot matrix  
Heatmap (or matrix chart)

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## Sommario/riassunto

A comprehensive yet quick guide to the best approaches to designing data visualizations, with real examples and illustrative diagrams. Whatever the desired outcome ensure success by following this expert design process. This book is for anyone who has responsibility for, or is interested in trying to find innovative and effective ways to visually analyze and communicate data. There is no skill, no knowledge and no role-based pre-requisites or expectations of anyone reading this book.

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