Excel for Data Analysis I

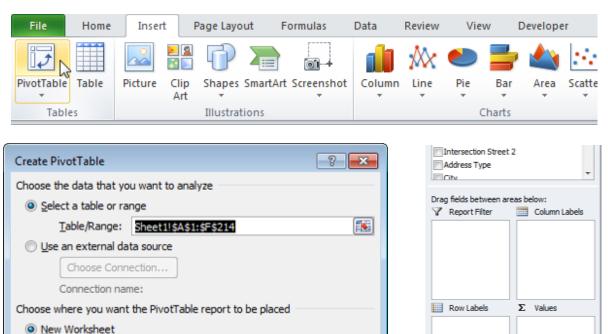
Follow along at: http://bit.ly/excel-analysis-i

Key Questions for the Morning

- Benefits of Excel?
- Drawbacks of Excel?
- Keyboard Shortcuts
 - **Ctrl + arrow key** Go to the end of the text in that direction
 - **Ctrl + c** Copy the selection to clipboard
 - **Ctrl + v** Paste clipboard contents to the cell(s)
- The Value of Data
- What is Analysis?

Key Data Tasks

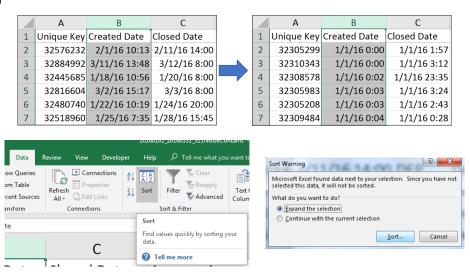
PivotTables



Sorting

Existing Worksheet

Location:



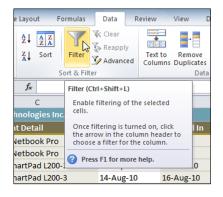
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Defer Layout Update

Update

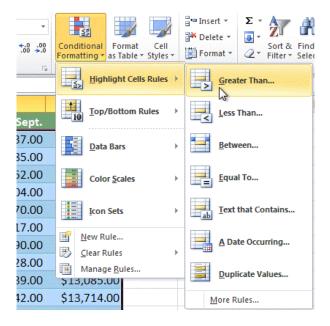
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Filtering





Conditional Formatting



Documentation

- Importance
- Guidelines

Basic Function Syntax

=FUNCTION_NAME(parameter1, parameter2,...)

For Example

=SUM(A5:A8)

 This tells Excel to sum all the values in cells A5, A6, A7, and A8

Useful Functions in Excel

- **=SUM():** Calculates the sum for a range of numbers
- **=COUNT():** Counts the number of cells containing numbers in a range
- **=COUNTA():** Counts the number of non-blank cells in a range
- **=HOUR():** Extracts the hour from a timestamp
- **=WEEKDAY():** Extracts the day of the week from a timestamp
- **=CHOOSE():** Uses an index number to return a result from an ordered list of values
- **=MID()**: Select a specified number of characters from a text string
- **=LEFT()**: Select a specified number of characters from the beginning of a text string
- **=RIGHT()**: Select a specified number of characters from the end of a text string
- **=FIND()**: Find the location of a given character in a text string
- **=CONCATENATE():** Combine characters together into a text string
- **=VLOOKUP()**: An operation to look up a value in another location based on an index value
- **=IF()**: A function for logical comparison between values to return a desired result given a particular condition

Resources

- 311 Noise Complaint data https://data.cityofnewyork.us/
- Microsoft Excel keyboard shortcuts http://bit.ly/excel-shortcut
- 7 essential Excel tricks every office worker needs to know http://bit.lv/excel-7-tasks
- 11 Places That Can Turn You Into A Microsoft Excel Power User http://bit.ly/become-excel-power-user
- Data Sensemaking- http://fellinlovewithdata.com/teaching/developing-a-data-sensemaking-course
- Data Visualization Tips and Pitfalls https://www.data-to-viz.com/caveats.html
- Datapolitan training classes http://training.datapolitan.com/

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Additional Notes

Implementation Guide

Concept/Technique	Why It's Important	How I Can Use It
The Value of Data		
What is Analysis?		
Aggregating Data		
Sorting Data		
Filtering Data		
Manipulating Data		
Visualizing Data		
Functions in Excel		
Documenting Steps		
Types of Charts		