Power Query for Data Analysis

To Do:-

- Apply all the concepts learned till date in a mini in-class project
- The project should include loading of a csv file in MS Excel
- Cleaning of data
- Data Quality Checks
- Data Visualisation
- Data Entry Validation
- Creating informative features from existing data

Challenges of MS Excel

- Challenge No. 1: Built for Individuals, Not Collaboration
- Challenge No. 2: Unavoidable Errors
- Challenge No. 3: Lack of Data Protection (Data Security, Governance, Backups)
- Challenge No. 4: Not Optimum for Robust Applications

Need of advanced tool: PowerQuery

Power Query

What is Power Query? When should I use it?

- Power Query is a user-friendly and powerful Excel add-in that allows you to import, clean and consolidate data.
- Uses of Power Query:

Processing large amounts of data (where Excel is limited to one million rows)

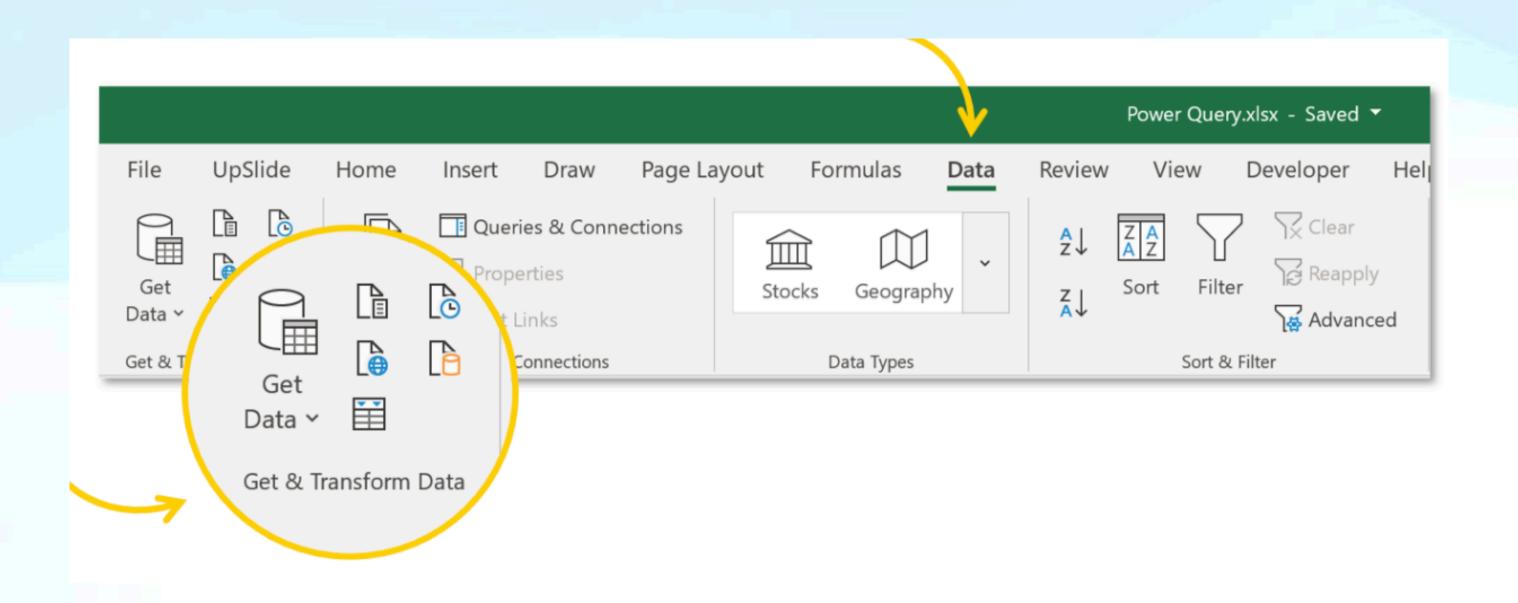
Importing data from different sources (e.g. Excel, CSV, SharePoint, SQL, and Salesforce)

Manipulating, cleaning and combining several tables, files or even folders!

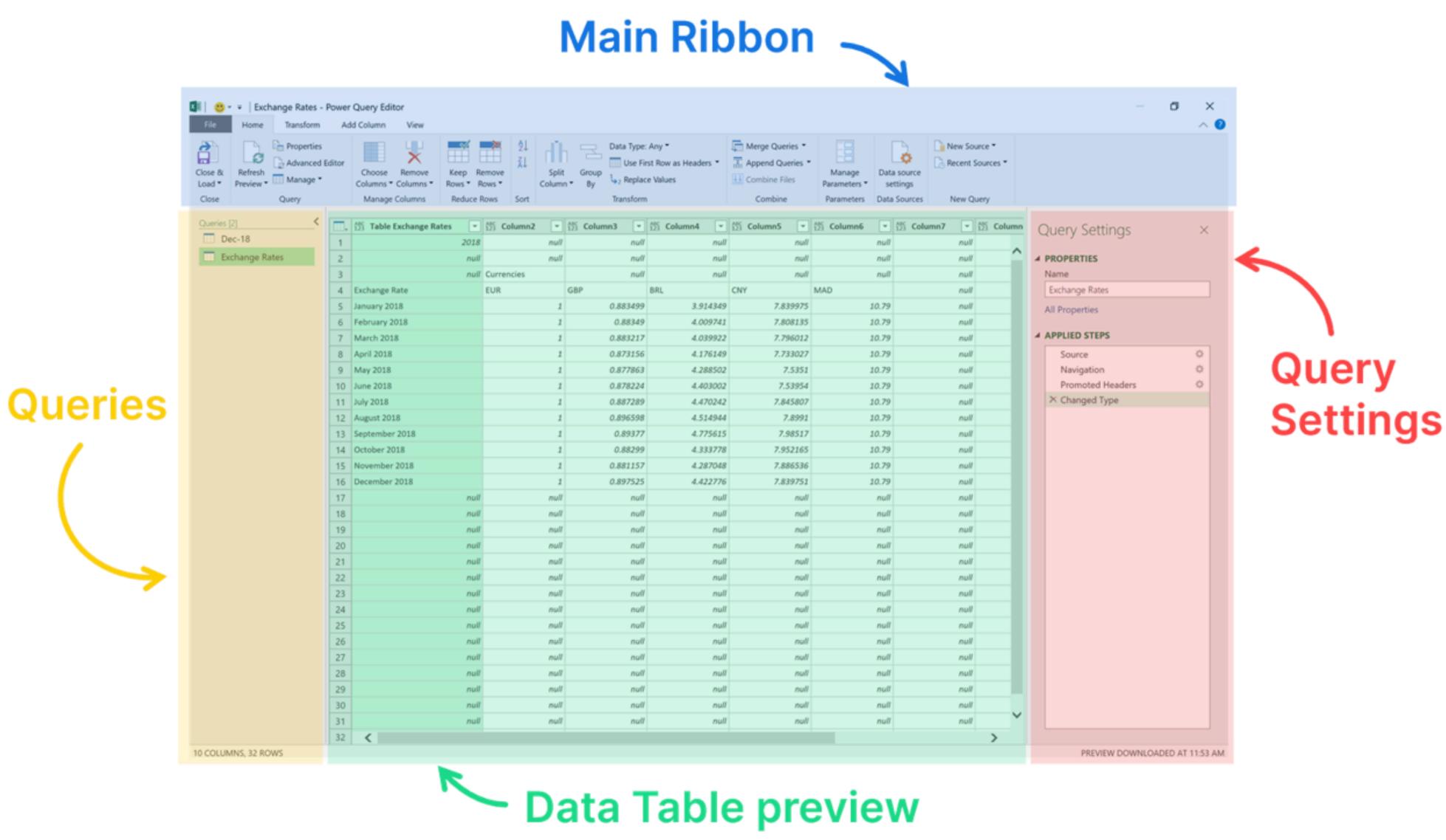
Power Query

- **Pre-requisite:** Excel 2016 and later versions. You can use 2010 or 2013 versions by installing external add-in.
- Get & Transform section in Data tab using 'New Query'
- Used for ETL (Extract, Transform and Load) in data analysis
- Multiple sources of data from web, database, files, etc
- After we get data, transform the data.
- Remove additional columns, duplicate data, blank data, etc to create tables used for further analysis is done using PowerQuery.
- After transformation, load the data.
- 'Refresh' is the most powerful feature of PowerQuery. This is important for recurring tasks.

Get started with Power Query Download / Setup Power Query



Working of Power Query



Working of Power Query

- Main ribbon: to create queries from scratch thanks to its buttons (if you are familiar with the M language, you can also access the Advanced Editor to tweak them manually).
- Queries: to keep track of all connections to data sources and streams.
- Data Table preview: to visualize your data result after a specific step.
- Query Settings (Applied Steps): to navigate through all the steps you made.
 Power Query automatically records all transformations made.

Query Editor

- Where the transformation is done.
- Opening blank Query for Query Editor
- Close & Load option to a file, connection, table, etc
- Options to split columns, remove columns, use first row as headers, etc
- Transform tab Changing data type, transpose, etc
- Add column tab adding new columns including custom columns
- View tab Viewing query settings, formula bar, etc
- Applied Steps is where tracking is done and acts as a recorder for all transformation steps.
- Changing source and keeping other steps intact is how refresh can be done for new data (for recurring tasks)

Import Data

- Importing data through web in the form of tables
- Transform/Edit data in Query Editor Applied steps
- Remove unwanted columns, first row as headers, and check data types for all columns
- Remove wrong steps in Applied Steps section
- Close and Load to get into Excel worksheet
- Refresh the report by connecting with the link
- Importing data through files CSV, Excel workbook
- Change source and refresh to update data
- Shows objects in Excel workbook including tables

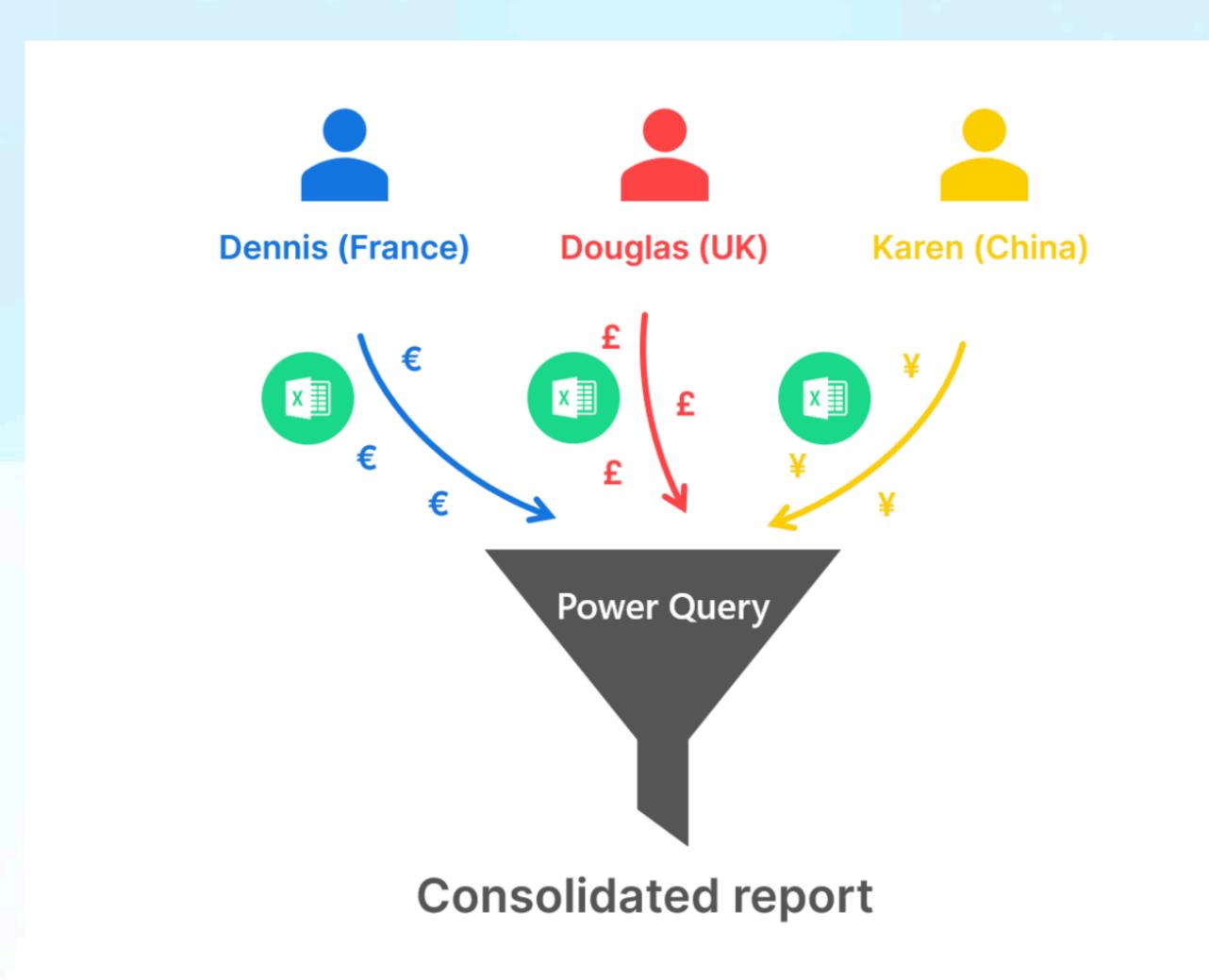
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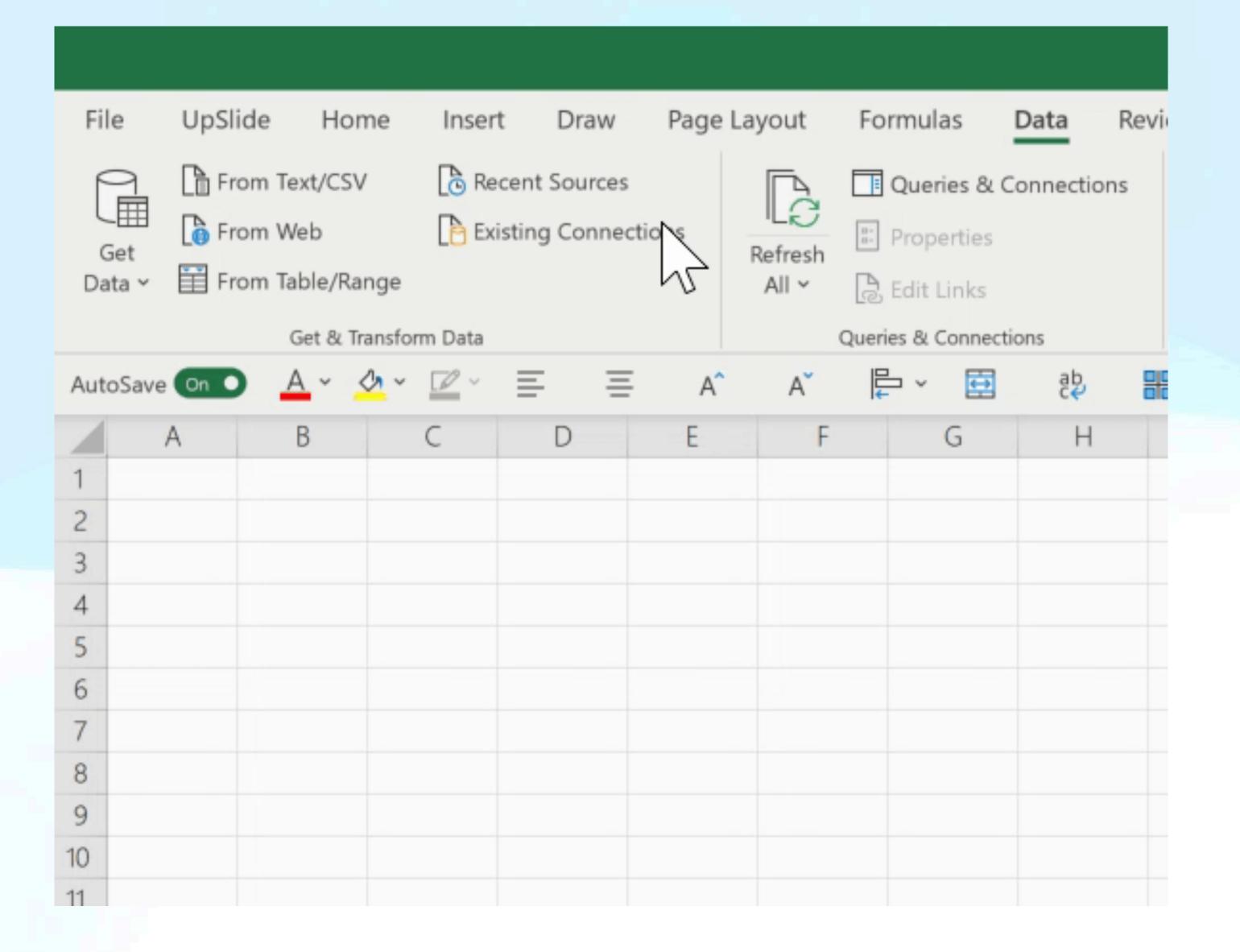
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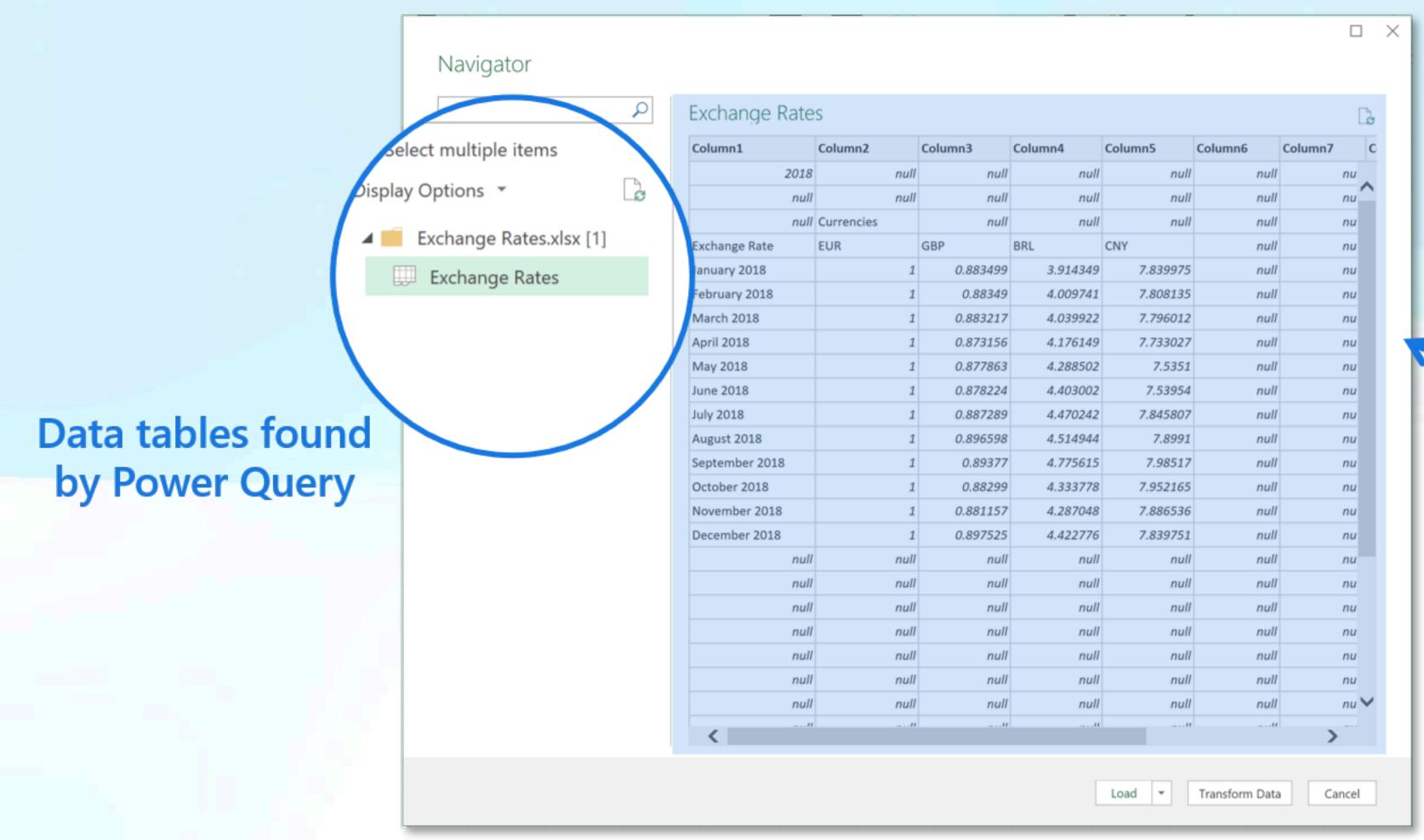
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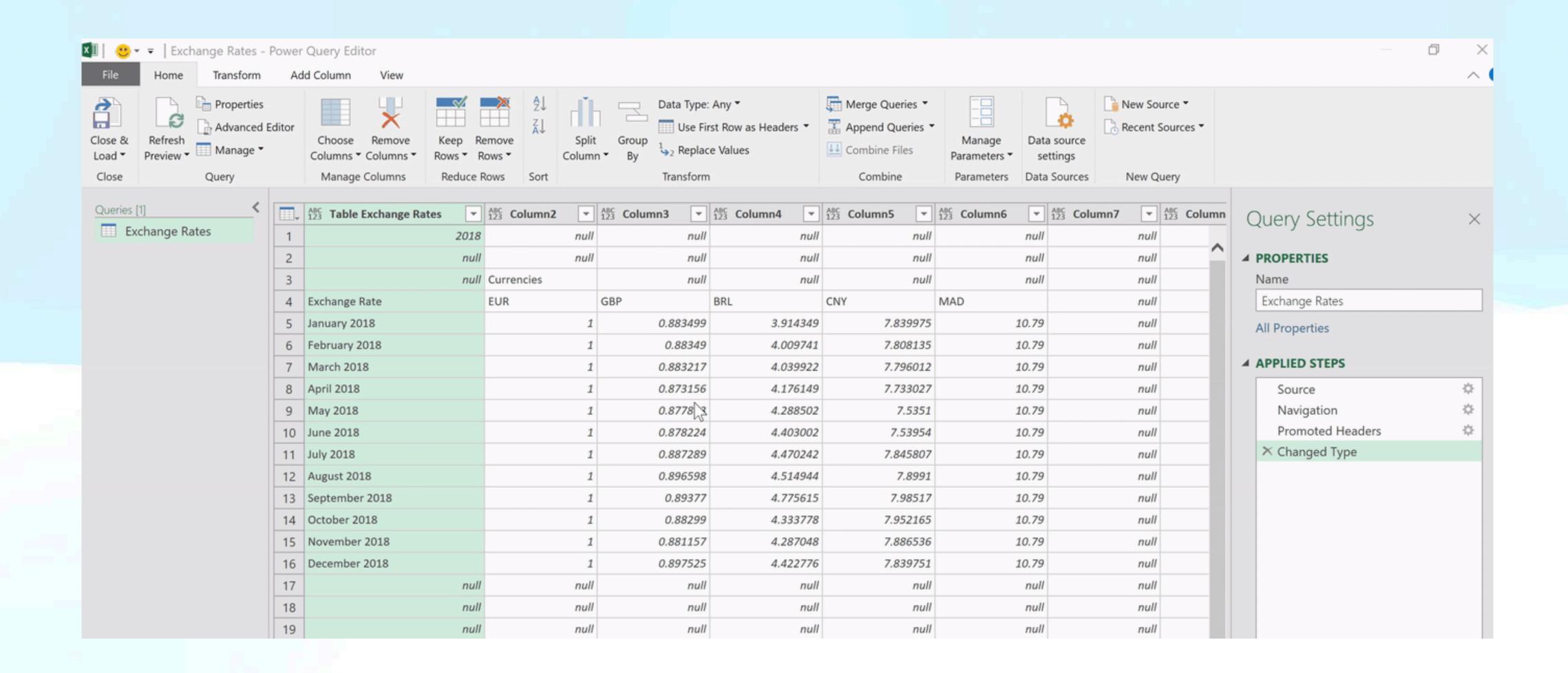
Demo: Use Case

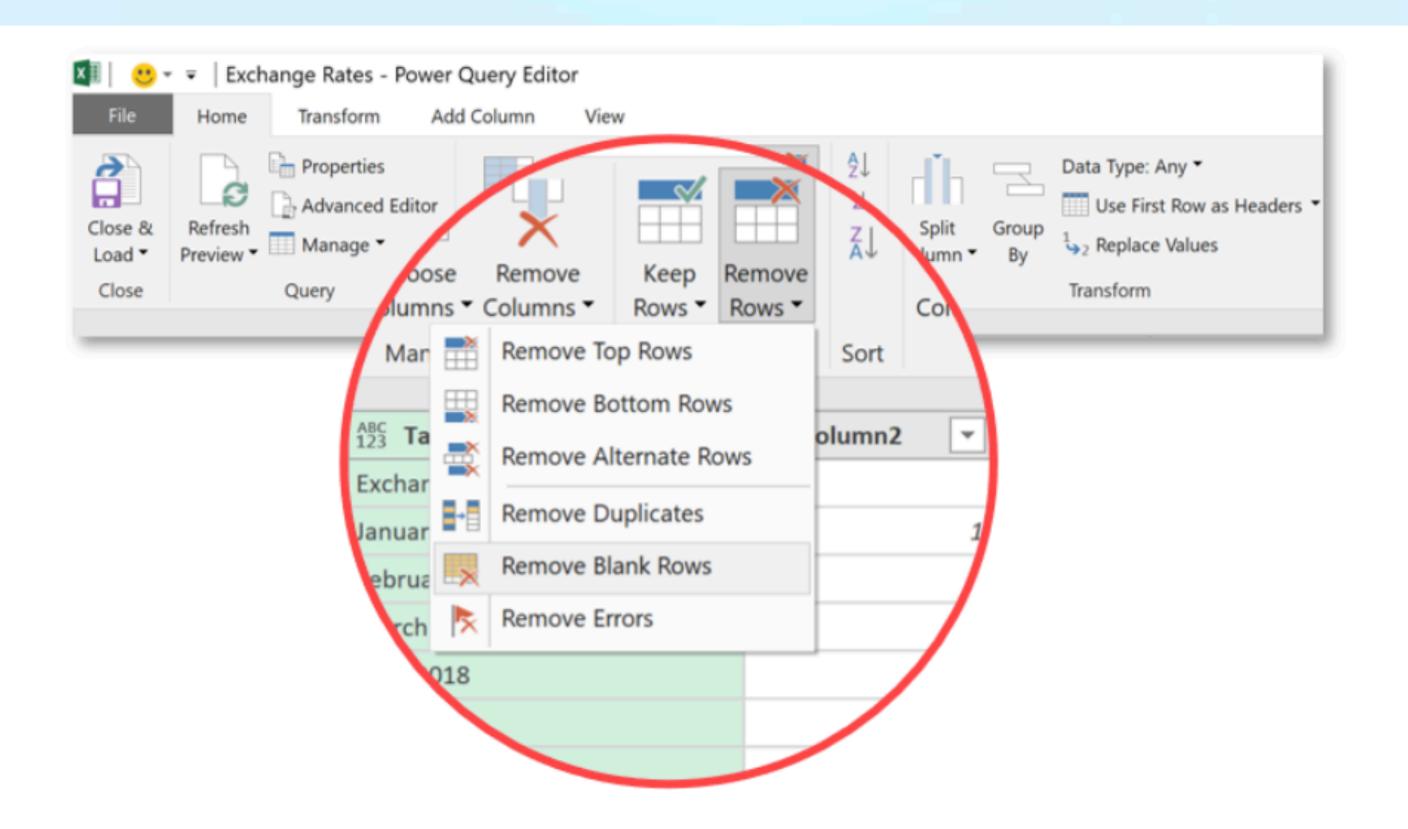


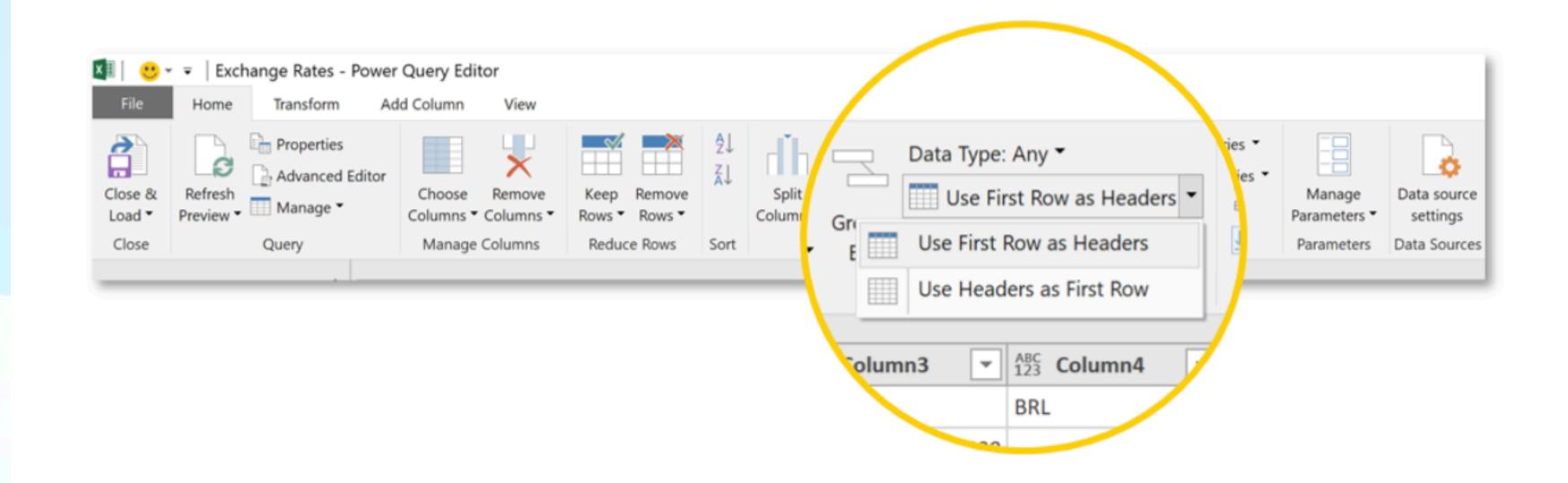


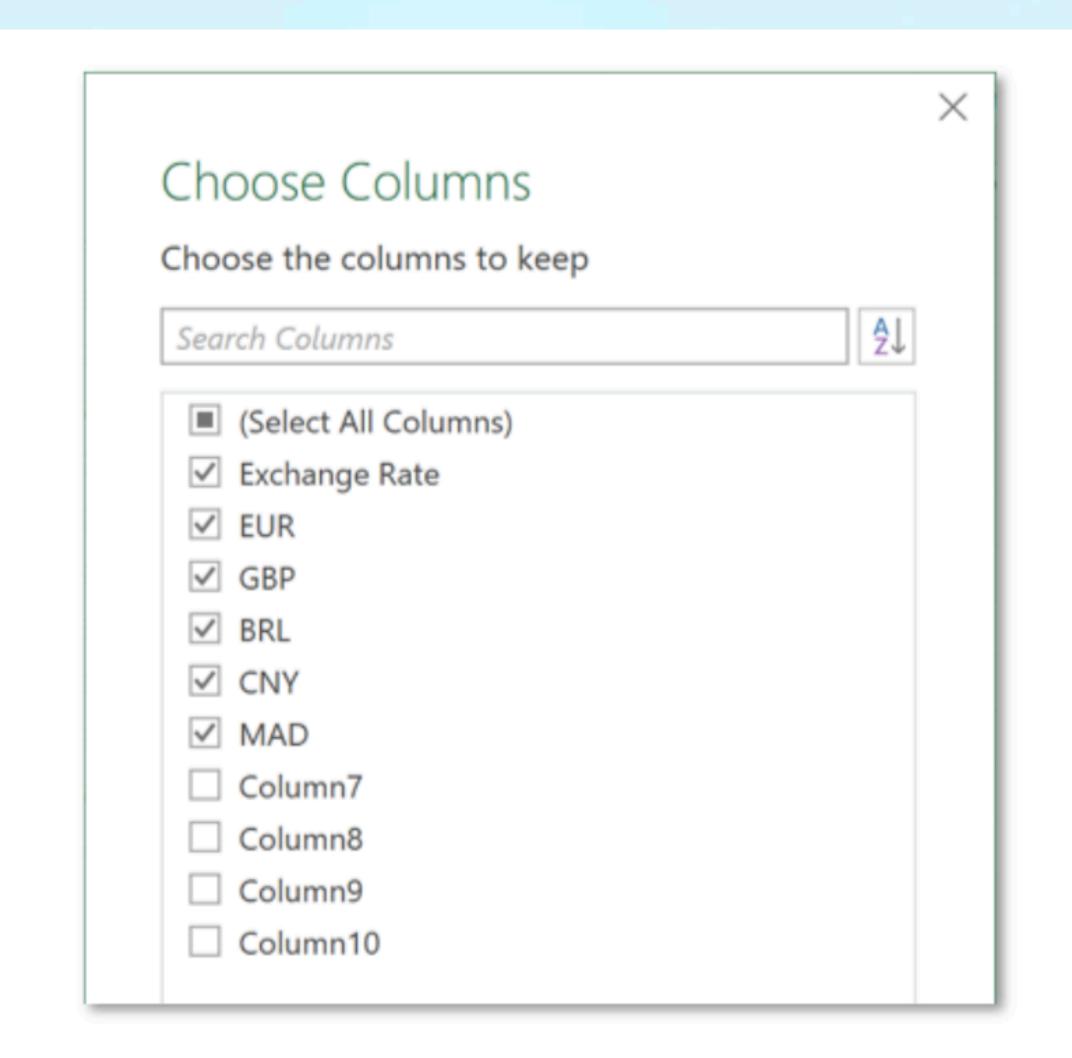


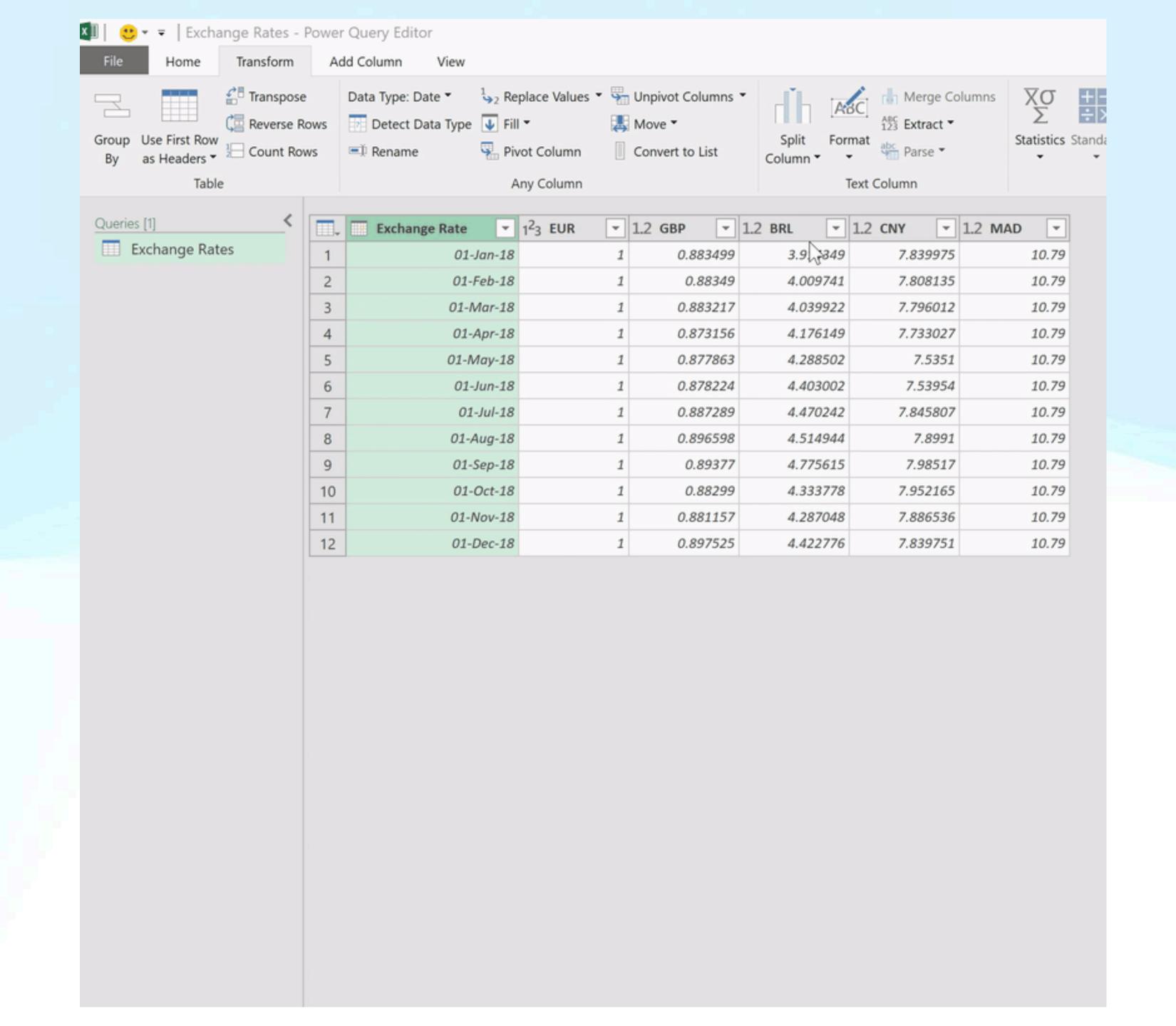
Data preview











Any Column

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2	01-Jan-18	GBP	0.883499
3	01-Jan-18	BRL	3.914349
4	01-Jan-18	CNY	7.839975
5	01-Jan-18	MAD	10.79
6	01-Feb-18	EUR	1
7	01-Feb-18	GBP	0.88349
8	01-Feb-18	BRL	4.009741
9	01-Feb-18	CNY	7.808135

