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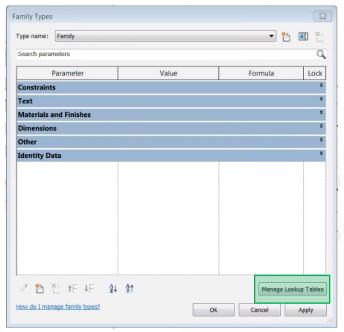
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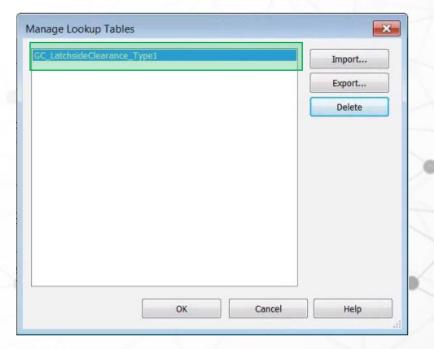
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What is a Lookup Table

Nested table in a family Looks up values based on a 'handle'







What is a Lookup Table

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1		CF##length##millimeters	D##length##millimeters	L##length##millimeters	WH##length##millimeters	WL##length##millimeters
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3	1.09	10900	900	1185	510	340
4	1.095	10950	950	1160	460	340
5	1.1	11000	1000	1140	410	340
5	2.085	20850	850	1240	240	660
7	2.09	20900	900	1210	190	660
8	2.095	20950	950	1175	140	660
9	2.1	21000	1000	1155	90	660
0	3.085	30850	850	1240	560	660
1	3.09	30900	900	1210	510	660
2	3.095	30950	950	1175	460	660
3	3.1	31000	1000	1155	410	660
4	4.085	40850	850	1450	0	510
5	4.09	40900	900	1450	0	510
6	4.095	40950	950	1450	0	510
7	4.1	41000	1000	1450	0	510
8	5.085	50850	850	1670	660	900



Looking up...

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...Values to obtain

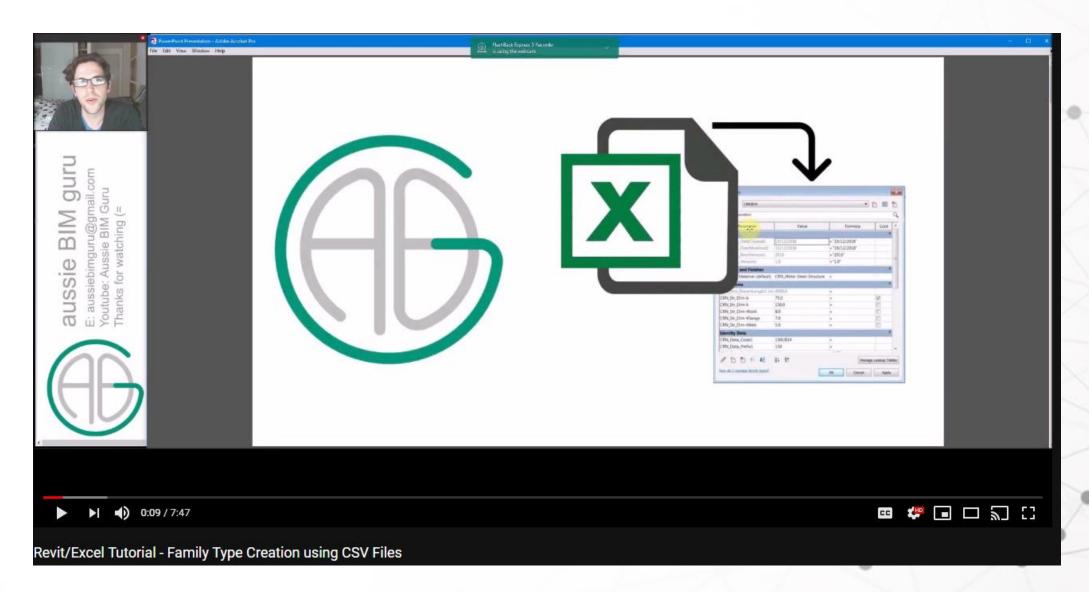
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A Lookup table is a **CSV** File

Comma Separated Value file







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Why do we use them?

Additional layer of types within types, that can also be driven by instance based conditions

Examples;

Pipe insulation thickness based on diameter Outer diameter thicknesses based on inner

Vision panel sizes

Latch-side clearance zone control



We're avoiding the use of long if-based formulae ideally

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Syntax in Family

size_lookup(LUT, "XXX", Y mm, LUPN)

Where....

LUT = Look up Table <u>Suggest as Parameter</u>

XXX = Name of field in Lookup Table

Y = Size if no match

LUPN = Value in column 1 Suggest as Parameter

LUPN must be of type Length



Example

A	А	В	C	D	E	F	G	Н
1		VP##length##millimeters	X##length##millimeters	Y##length##millimeters	XOff##length##millimeters	YOff##leng	th##millim	eters
2	1	1	300	900	150	900		
3	2	2	300	600	200	1050		
4	3	3	600	900	12345	900		
5	4	4	12345	12345	300	300		

Data		
Centric	12345.0	=12345 mm
LookupTableName	VPanelLUT	="VPaneILUT"
VPX (default)	300.0	=size_lookup <mark>(LookupTableName,</mark> "X", 0 mm VPType)
VPY (default)	900.0	=size_lookup(LookupTableName, "Y", 0 mm, VPType)
VPXoffset (default)	150.0	=size_lookup(LookupTableName, "XOff", 0 mm, VPType)
VPYoffset (default)	900.0	=size_lookup(LookupTableName, "YOff", 0 mm, VPType)
VPX override (default)	300.0	=if(VPX < 1 mm, 100 mm, if(VPX = Centric, Width - (VPXoffset * 2), VPX))
VPY override (default)	900.0	=if(VPY < 1 mm, 100 mm, if(VPY = Centric, Height - (VPYoffset * 2), VPY))
VPXoffset override (default)	150.0	=if(VPXoffset = Centric, (Width - VPX) / 2, VPXoffset)
VPYoffset override (default)	900.0	=if(VPYoffset = Centric, (Height - VPY) / 2, VPYoffset)
Void inset (default)	40.0	=if(VPX + VPY = 0 mm, 0 mm, Thickness)
VPon (default)	V	=not(VPX + VPY = 0 mm)
Other		
Frame Projection Ext.	25.0	=
Frame Projection Int.	25.0	
Frame Width	25.0	=
VPType (default)	1.0	=



Demonstration

Setting up a Lookup Table
The Table in action

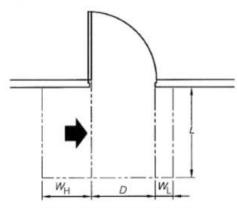


A very practical application

For Lookup tables...

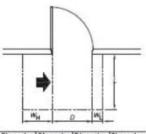


DDA Latch side clearance



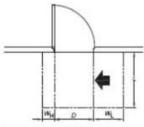
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900	1185	510	340
950	1160	460	340
1000	1140	410	340

(a) Hinge-side approach, door opens away from user



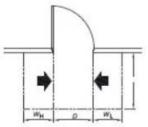
Dimension	Dimension	Dimension W _H	Dimension
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900	1185	510	340
950	1180	460	340
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fall Hinge-side approach. door opens away from user



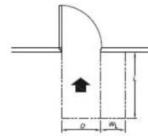
Dimension D	Dimension.	Olmenalon WH	Dimension W _L
850	1240	240	660
900	1210	190	660
950	1175	140	660
1000	1158	90	960

(b) Latch-side approach. door opens away from user



Dimension.	Dimension £	Dimension W _H	Dimension W _L
850	1240	560	660
900	1210	510	850
950	1175	460	660
1000	1155	410	660

(c) Either side approach, door opens away from user

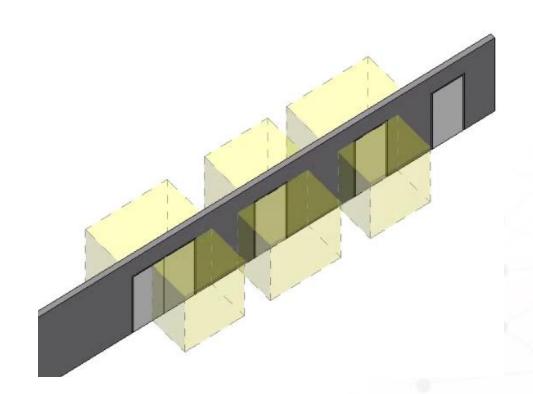


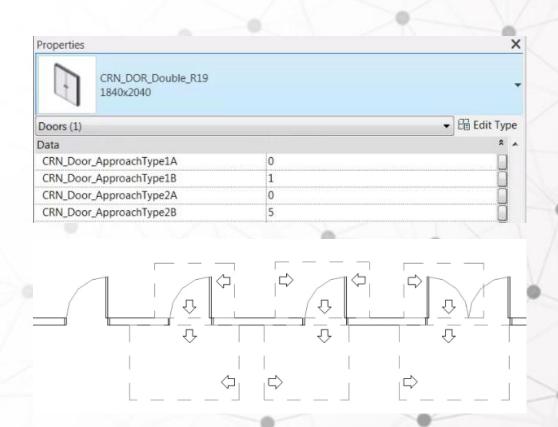
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850	1450	0	510
900	1450	0	510
950	1450	0	610
1000	1450	0	510

(d) Front approach, door opens ewey from user



Example in use







Now it's your turn!

Give it a try – so many applications...





