

## Functional Requirements

1. Read Excel Files: The application shall allow users to load two Excel files containing data through a file dialog.
2. Validate Excel File Formats: The application shall validate that the selected files are in Excel format (.xls or .xlsx) before reading the content.
3. Combine Data: The application shall combine data from both Excel files based on Mother\_First\_Name, Mother\_Last\_Name, and Child\_Date\_of\_Birth.
4. Display Combined Data: The application shall display combined data, showing Mother IDs, Child Names, and Date of Birth in a list for the user.
5. Check Minimum Files Requirement: The application shall not allow data to be combined unless both Excel files are successfully loaded.
6. Normalize Name Fields: The application shall normalize the Mother\_First\_Name and Mother\_Last\_Name fields by removing spaces, converting them to lowercase, and stripping non-alphanumeric characters before performing the merge.
7. Error Handling: The application shall display error messages if an Excel file cannot be read or combined, providing feedback to the user through message boxes.
8. Child Profile Display: The application shall display detailed child profiles, including all relevant information, in a new window when a child's name is double-clicked in the list.
9. Save Combined Data: The application shall allow saving the combined data to a new Excel file (combined\_matched\_data.xlsx) after the merge process is complete.
10. Display Unmatched Entries: The application shall print unmatched entries (by Mother ID) in the console to allow further investigation into missing records.

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## Non-Functional Requirements

1. Usability: The application shall be simple to use with buttons that do the function as they are titles within 3 seconds.
2. Performance: The application shall complete the data reading and merging process within 5 seconds for typical Excel files containing up to 1,000 rows of data each.
3. Error Tolerance: The application shall handle common errors, such as missing files or incorrect data formats, without crashing and shall display appropriate error messages.
4. Portability: The application shall run on any operating system that supports Python and Tkinter (e.g., Windows, macOS, Linux), ensuring wide usability.
5. Maintainability: The application will separate logic using the command pattern to allow for visually cleaner code encapsulated in classes and methods.