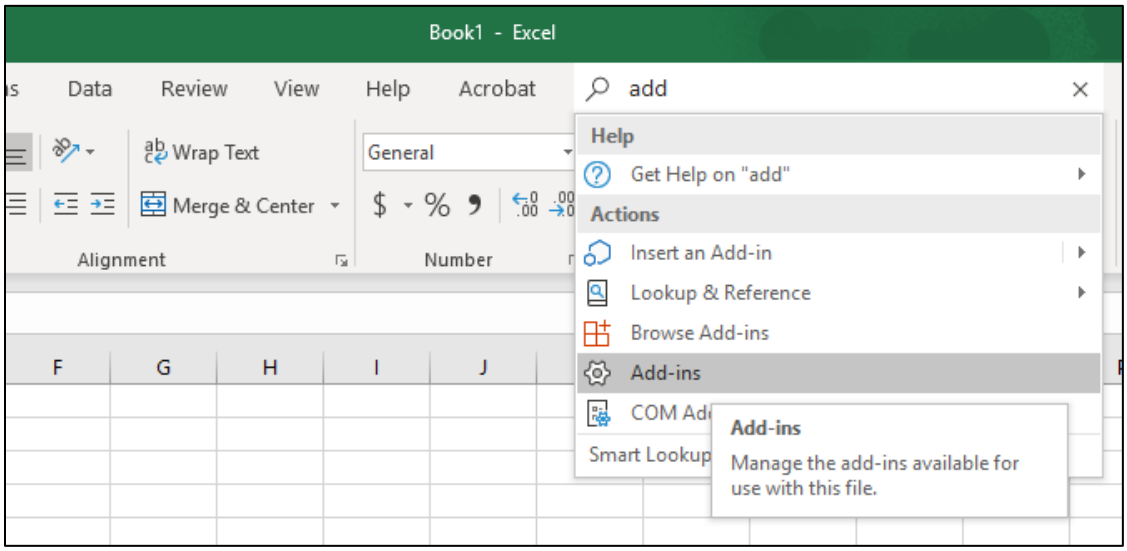
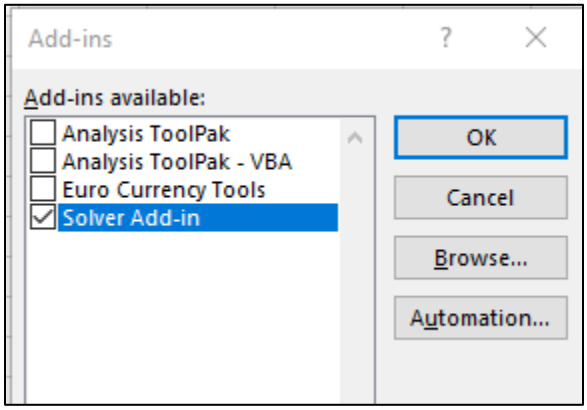
Windows

Adding the Solver

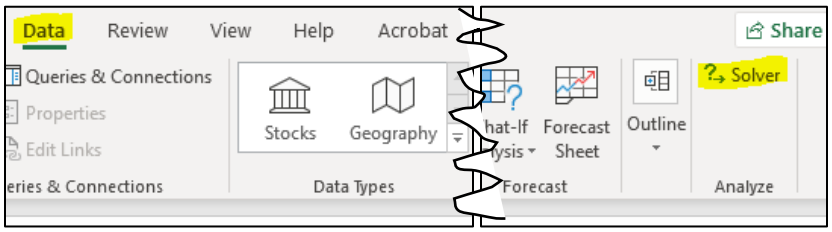
Open a blank Excel sheet and type “add” next to the search icon at the top. Click the one shown below.



In the new window click the Solver Add-in box then OK.



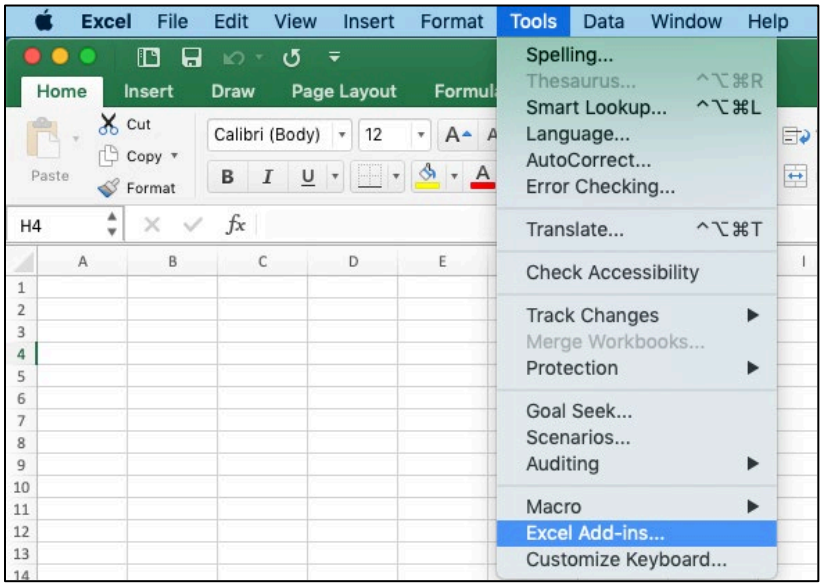
You should now have a Solver button under the Data tab.



Apple

Adding the Solver

Open a blank Excel sheet, go to Tools then click “Excel Add-ins”



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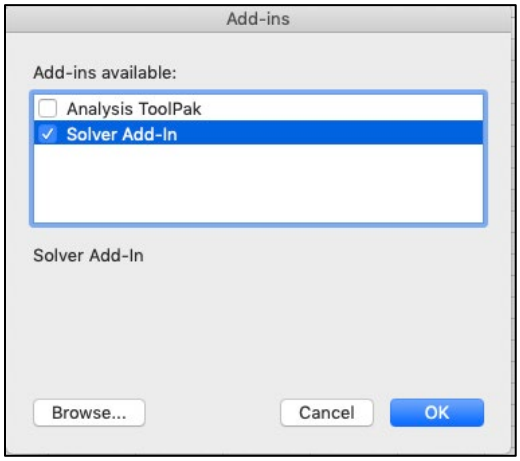

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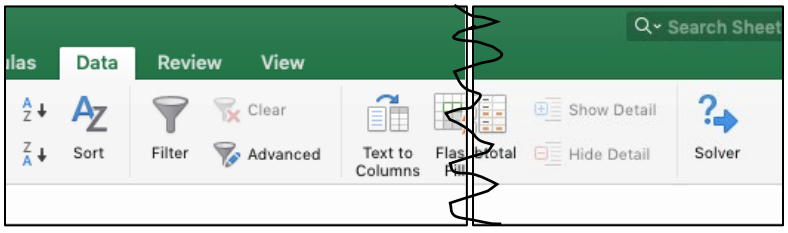

Using the Solver

This is the same for both Windows and Apple

Click the solver button under the data tab. Select the cell you are trying to optimize, how you want to optimize it and what cells to change. For the solver to work well, ***you need to make a good, educated guess*** on what those values might be first and type those into the appropriate cells. Once you have selected the cells click Solve and then OK in the next window to keep the solution.