# Module 1- Data Cleaning v + x lookup INDEX & MATCH

XLOOKUP vs VLOOKUP

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- Data cleaning is an important step in the data analysis process because it ensures that the data is accurate and reliable.
- The TRIM() function eliminates extra spaces in the text, including those at the start and end.
- Conditional Formatting helps to identify and highlight duplicate data in a range of cells.
- The "Text to Columns" feature helps to split a single cell containing text into multiple cells based on a specified delimiter, such as a comma, semicolon, or space.

- VLOOKUP function is used to look up a value in a table by searching for a corresponding value in the leftmost column of another table.
- Syntax of the VLOOKUP() function is: VLOOKUP (lookup\_value, table\_array, col\_index\_num, [range\_lookup])
- Some limitations of VLookup:
  - It searches only the first column of a reference table for a matching value.
  - Adding a new column to the reference table can cause errors by shifting column indexes and changing the referenced columns.

- INDEX() and MATCH() are two powerful Excel functions that are often used together to search for and retrieve data from a table or range.
- The syntax of the INDEX() function is: INDEX(array, row\_num, [column\_num]).
- The syntax of the MATCH() function is: MATCH(lookup\_value, lookup\_array, [match\_type]).

- The syntax of the XLOOKUP() function is: XLOOKUP(lookup\_value, lookup\_array, return\_array, [if\_not\_found], [match\_mode]).
- Unlike VLOOKUP, which only searches in the leftmost column of a table, XLOOKUP is capable of searching in any column.