

Modern Excel Analyst in a Day

Lab 01

Analytics in Excel – Using Power Query In Excel

Lab Prerequisites

The following prerequisites and setup must be complete for successful completion of the exercises:

- You must be connected to the internet.
- You must have Microsoft Office installed.
- Signup for Power BI: Go to <https://aka.ms/pbimaiadtraining>
- At minimum, a computer with 2-cores and 4GB RAM running one of the following versions of Windows: Windows 8 / Windows Server 2008 R2, or later.
- If you chose to use Internet Explorer it will require version 10 or greater, you can also use Edge or Chrome.
- Verify if you have 32-bit or 64-bit operating system to decide if you need to install the 32-bit or 64-bit applications. Note: 64-bit Excel & Power BI Desktop is best.
- Download the Attendee Content: Create a folder called MAIAD on the C:\ drive of your local machine. Copy all content from the folder called MAIAD\Attendee to the MAIAD folder you just created (C:\MAIAD).
- Download and install Power BI Desktop using any one of the options listed below:
 - If you have Windows 10, use Microsoft App Store to download and install Power BI Desktop application.
 - Download and install Microsoft Power BI Desktop from <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=45331>.
 - If you already have Power BI Desktop installed, ensure you have the latest version of Power BI downloaded.

Document Structure

Source Data or Starting Files for each Lab are located within each Lab folder.

- Lab 01 is completed using Power Query in the Excel application.
- Lab 02A & Lab 02B are completed using Power BI Desktop application.
- Lab 03A is completed using Power BI Desktop, Power BI service and Excel applications.
- Lab 03B is completed using Excel & Power BI service applications.

Each of the Labs come with step-by-step instructions to be followed and contain screen images throughout the instructions. The key actions for each of the steps are identified by underlined text. Pay attention to Notes, Tips, and other Important information indicated by red font. Lastly, each Lab contains a completed solution file that can be used as a reference.

Overview

The estimated time to complete this lab is 30 minutes.

In this lab, you will complete the following tasks:

1. Use Power Query to connect to a CSV source data file – Customers
2. Use Power Query transformations to Split Column by Delimiter – Customers
3. Use Power Query to connect to a XLSX source data file – Quotes
4. Use Power Query transformations to Unpivot – Quotes
5. Use Power Query transformations to Clean – Quotes

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Exercise 1: Use Power Query to connect to CSV – Customers.csv

In this exercise, you will use Excel to connect to a CSV source data file.

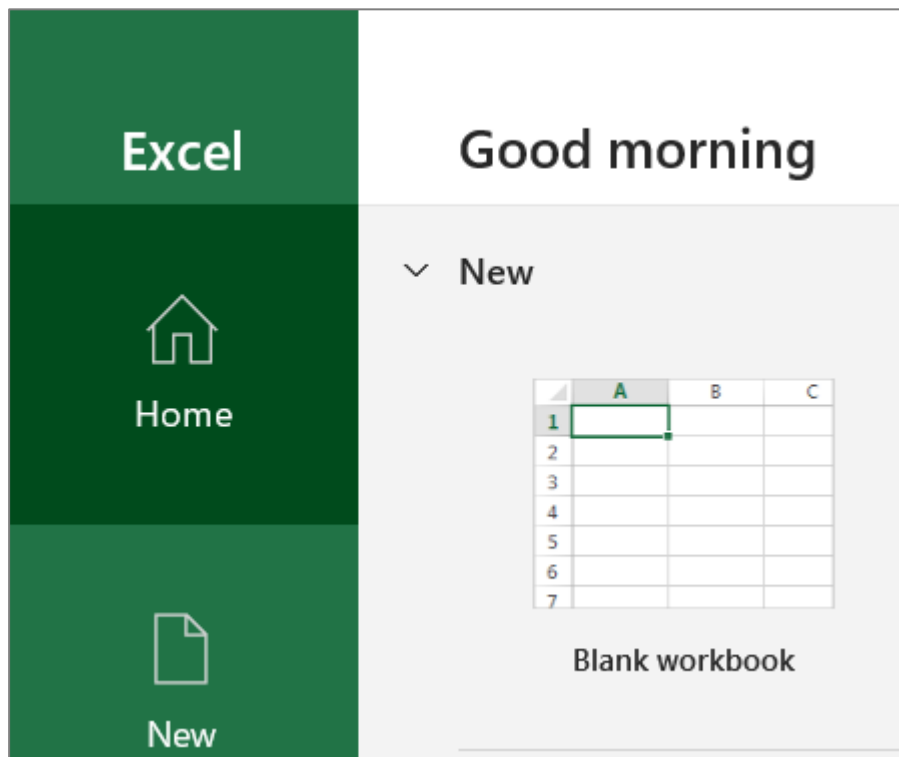
Task 1: Launch Excel

In this task, you will launch a new blank worksheet to get started.

1. Launch Excel.



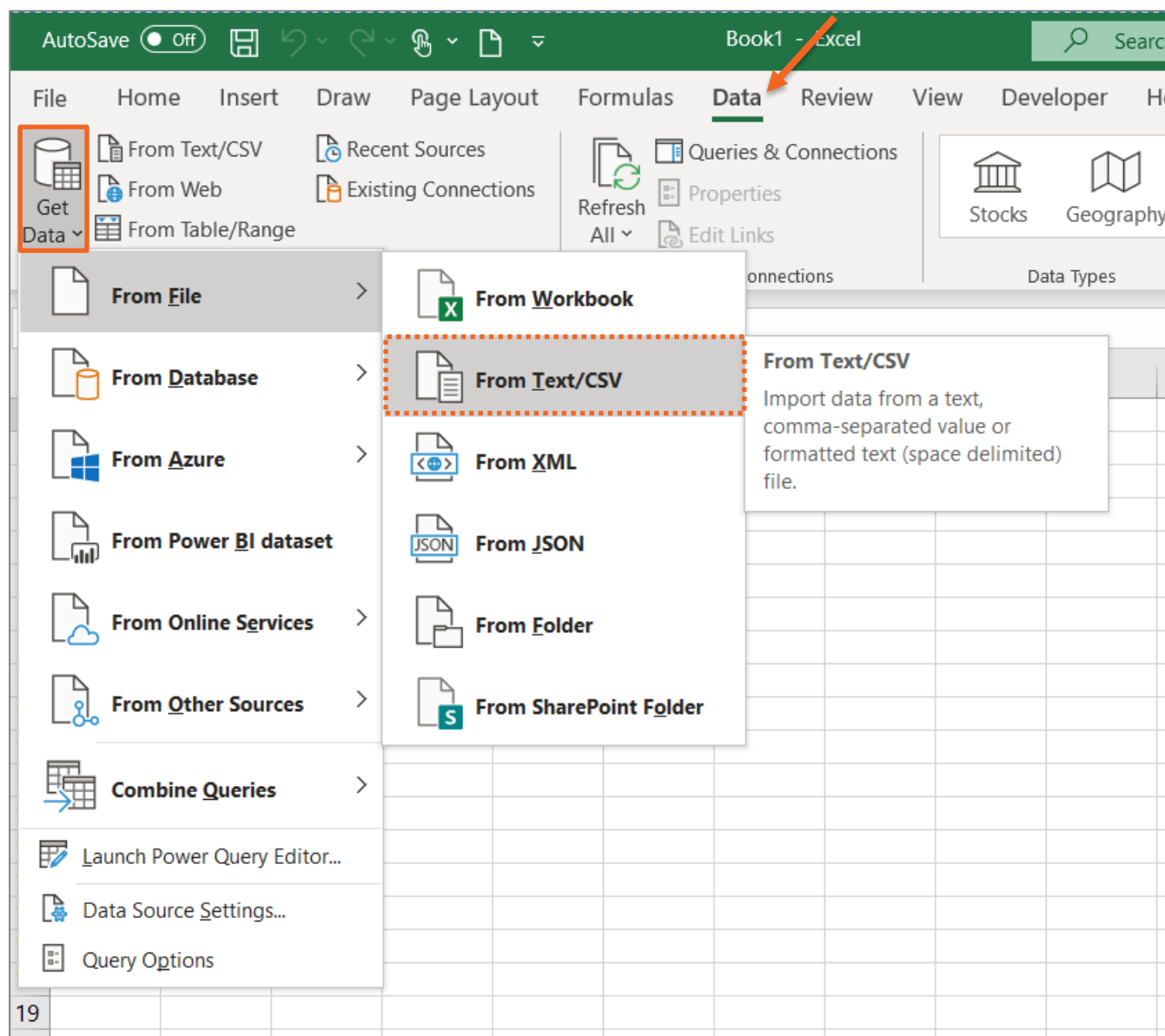
2. Create a new blank workbook.



Task 2: Use Power Query to connect to CSV

In this task, you will connect to the Customers CSV source data file.

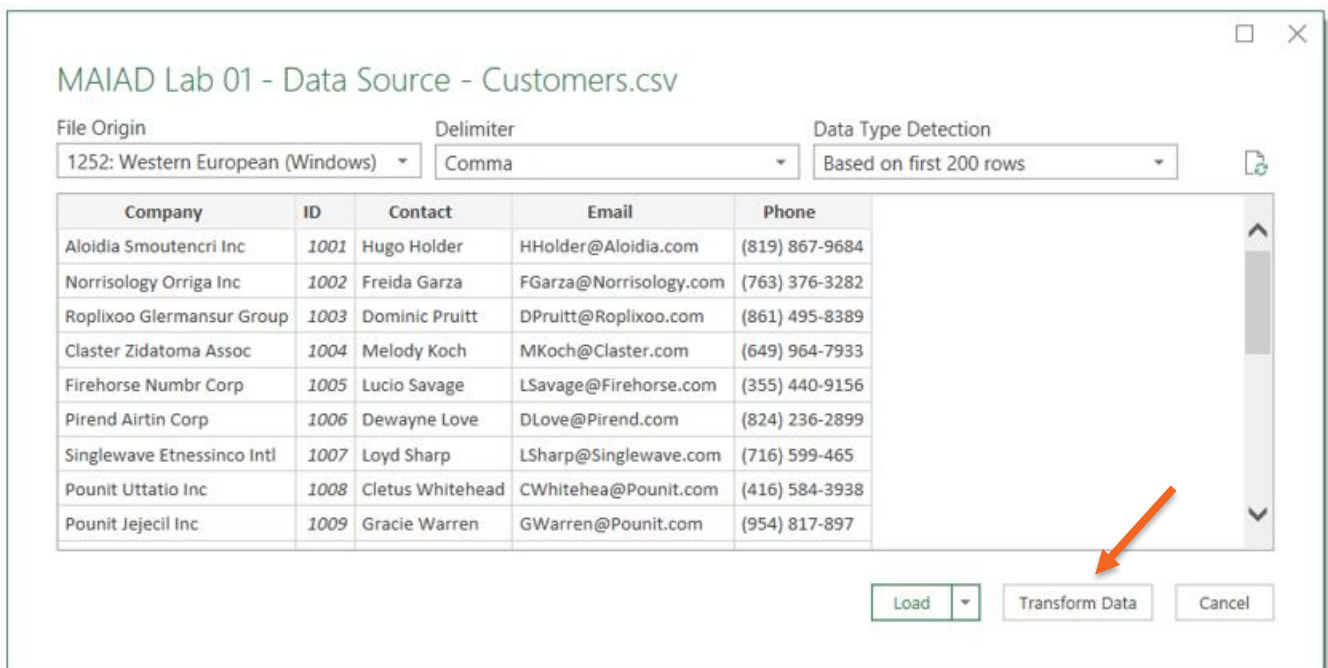
3. Select the Data tab on the Main Excel ribbon.
4. Choose Get Data > From File > FromText/CSV.



5. Navigate to the file <CourseFolder>\Attendee\Lab Materials\Lab 01\MAIAD Lab 01 - Data Source - Customers.csv.

6. In the Preview area, you will see a sample of the Customers data: column names and values.

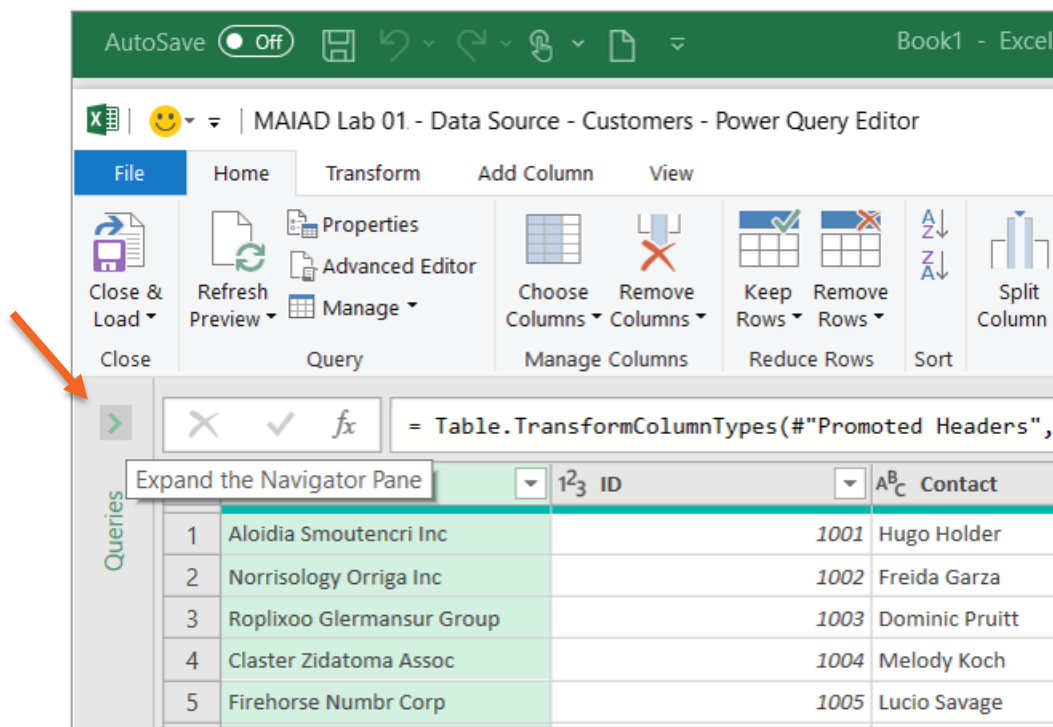
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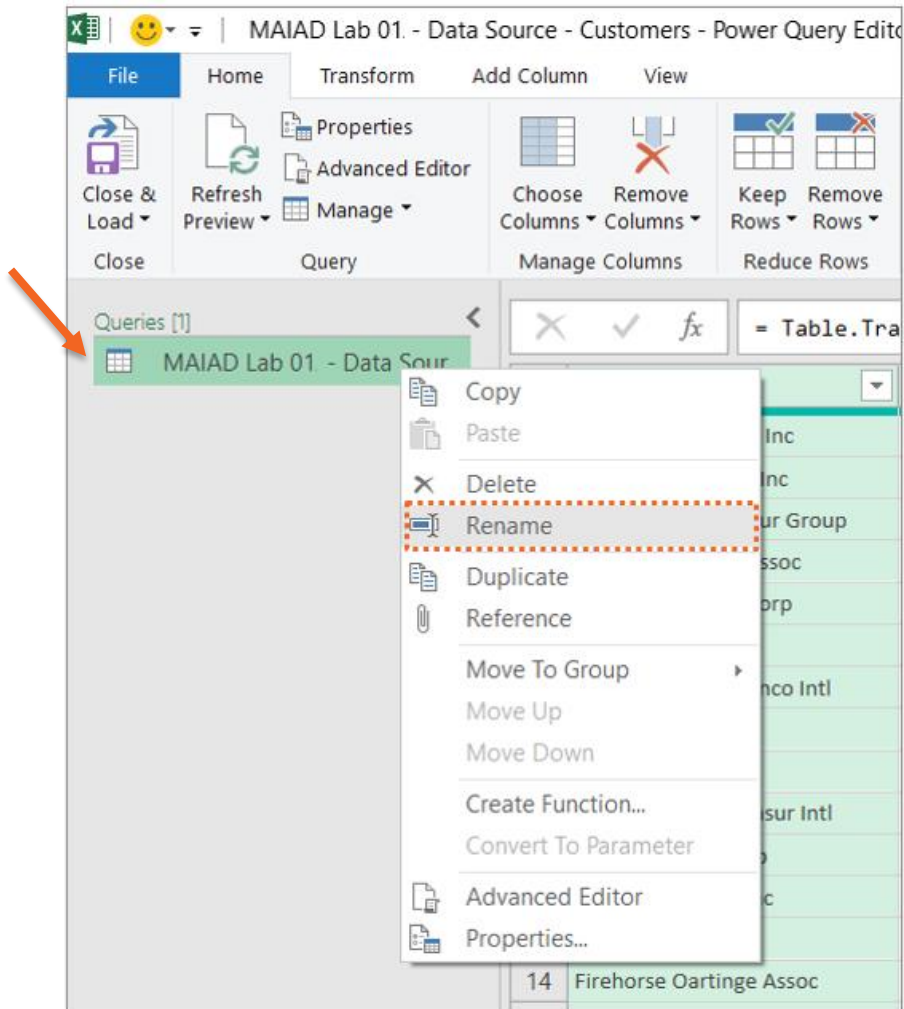
7. Select the Transform Data button. This will launch the Power Query Editor window.

Note: When working in Power Query, it is best to maximize the Power Query Editor window – so that you can see a full view of the Power Query window menus, panes, and options.

8. By default, the Queries Pane on the left-hand side of the Power Query Editor Window will be collapsed. Click on the arrow in the Queries pane to expand and open the Queries pane.



9. In the Queries Pane, right click on the default query name called "**MAIAD Lab 01 - Data Source - Customers**" to Rename the Query to "**Customers**".



Tip: Queries that will be loaded to use as part of a Data Model should be given a clear, descriptive, user-friendly, noun name that describes what the data represents. For example, Customers, Quotes, Invoices, Products, Geography etc.

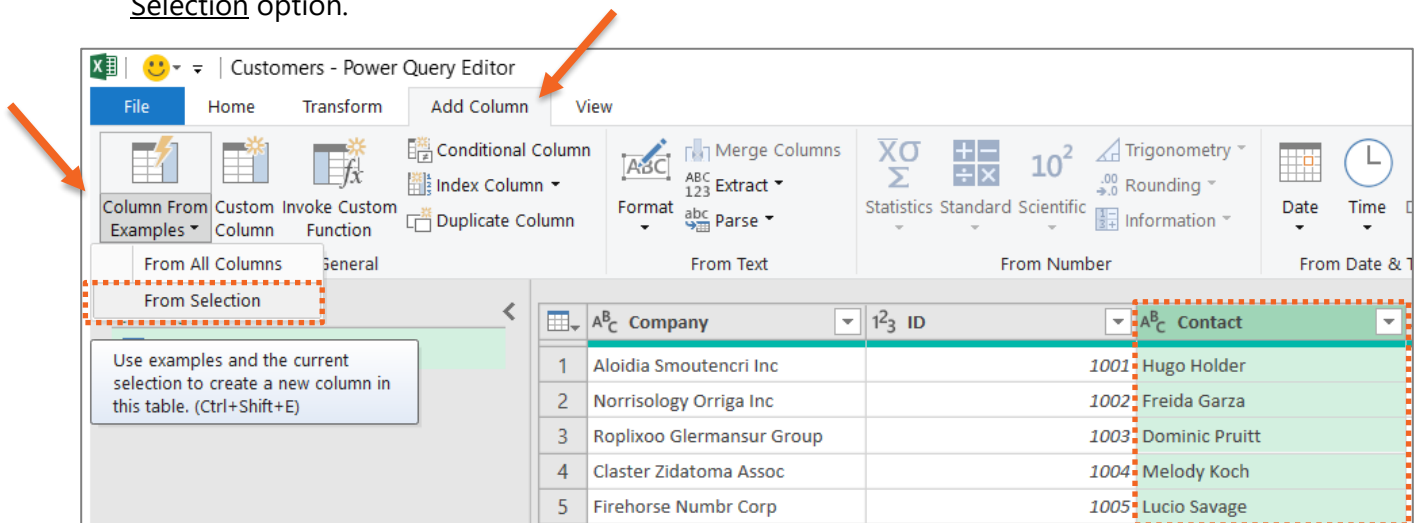
Exercise 2: Use Power Query transformations to Split Column by Delimiter – Customers

In this exercise, you will use Power Query to extract the First Name from the Contact column.

Task 1: Use Column from Example

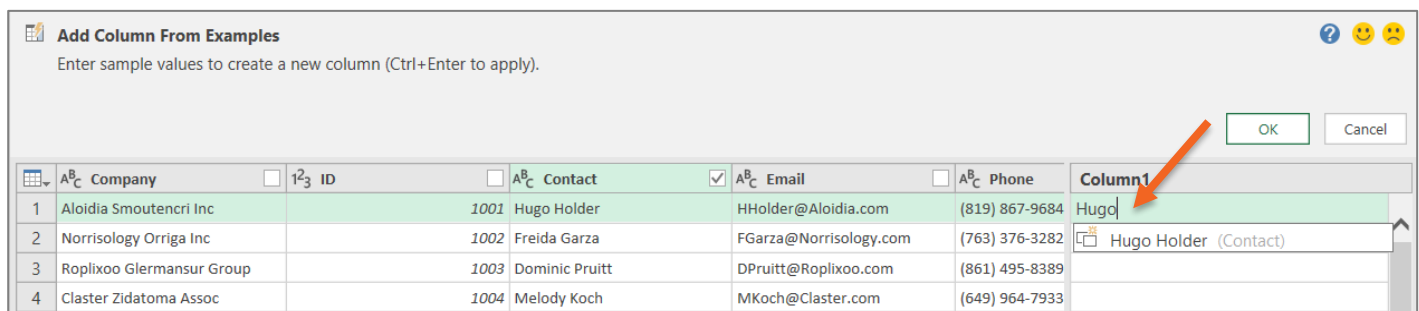
In this task, you will create a new column called [First Name] using the Add Column > Column from Example transformation to split the [Contact] by a delimiter.

10. From the Preview grid, select the [Contacts] column.
11. Then choose from the Add Column Tab, the Columns from Examples down arrow and the From Selection option.



Note: This opens a NEW user interface window called "Add Columns From Examples" – this window looks like the Power Query Preview grid, but it is separate window allowing you to type in the proposed value so that Power Query can identify the pattern and formula to apply achieving the end results.

12. In the "Add Column From Examples" window, in the column called [Column1], type the value "Hugo" and then enter.



NOTE: Once you hit enter, Power Query will then identify if a pattern exists in the data to populate the values for all rows!

13. Double click in the default header called "Text Before Delimiter" and rename the new column as "First Name". Select the OK button.

The screenshot shows the Power Query Editor with a table containing contact information. The 'Text Before Delimiter' column is highlighted, and a dialog box is open to rename it to 'First Name'. An orange dashed arrow points from the 'Text Before Delimiter' header to the 'First Name' input field in the dialog box.

AB_C Contact	AB_C Email	AB_C Phone	Text Before Delimiter
Hugo Holder	HHolder@Aloidia.com	(819) 867-9684	Hugo
Freida Garza	FGarza@Norrisology.com	(763) 376-3282	Freida
Dominic Pruitt	DPruitt@Roplixoo.com	(861) 495-8389	Dominic
Melody Koch	MKoch@Claster.com	(649) 964-7933	Melody
Lucio Savage	LSavage@Firehorse.com	(355) 440-9156	Lucio

NOTE: Now, in the Power Query Editor preview grid, you will notice the NEW column called [First Name] – created by parsing out the [First Name] from the [Contact] using the Column from Example transformation!

The screenshot shows the Power Query Editor preview grid with the new 'First Name' column added. An orange arrow points to the 'First Name' column header.

	AB_C Company	123 ID	AB_C Contact	AB_C Email	AB_C Phone	AB_C First Name
1	Aloidia Smoutencri Inc	1001	Hugo Holder	HHolder@Aloidia.com	(819) 867-9684	Hugo
2	Norrisology Orriga Inc	1002	Freida Garza	FGarza@Norrisology.com	(763) 376-3282	Freida
3	Roplixoo Glermansur Group	1003	Dominic Pruitt	DPruitt@Roplixoo.com	(861) 495-8389	Dominic
4	Claster Zidatoma Assoc	1004	Melody Koch	MKoch@Claster.com	(649) 964-7933	Melody
5	Firehorse Numbr Corp	1005	Lucio Savage	LSavage@Firehorse.com	(355) 440-9156	Lucio

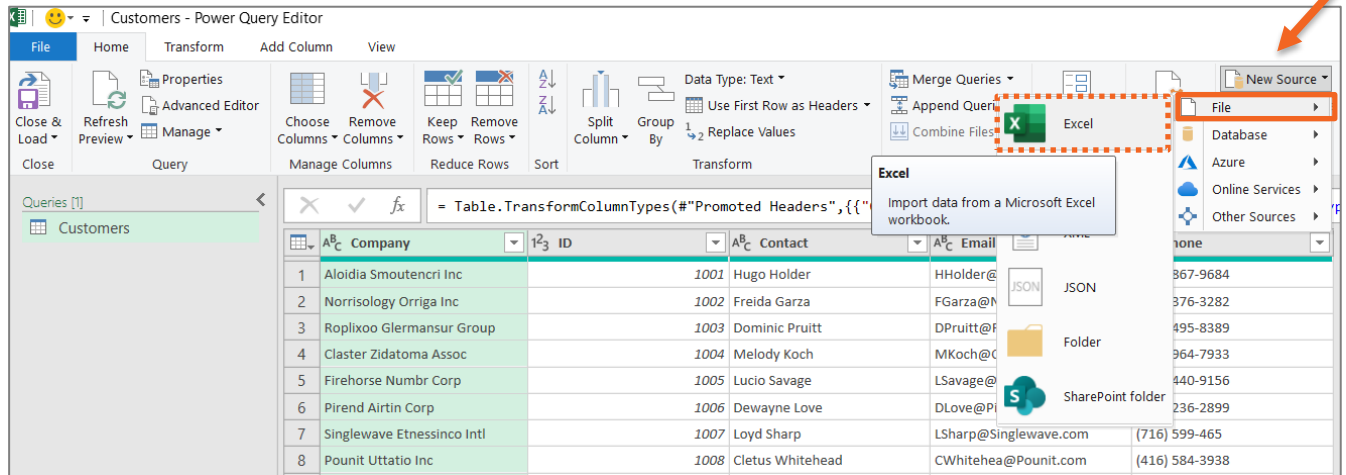
Exercise 3: Use Power Query to connect to XLSX – Quotes.xlsx

In this exercise, you will use Excel to connect to a XLSX source data file.

Task 1: Connect to XLSX source data from within the Power Query Editor window

In this task, you will start from within the Power Query Editor window.

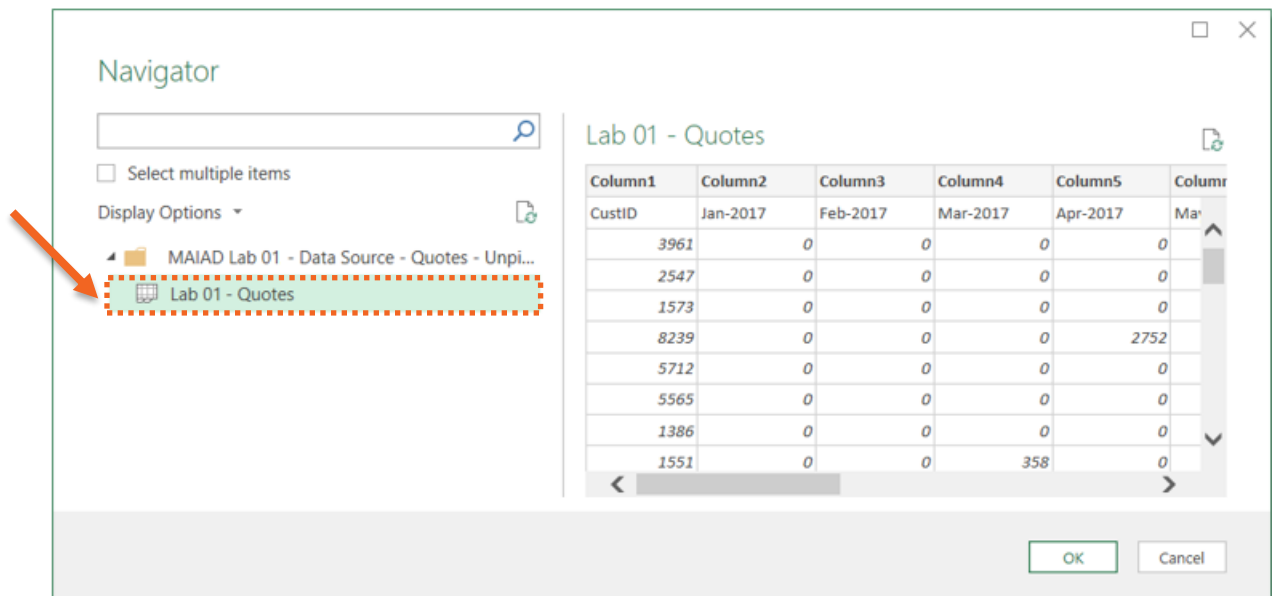
14. From the Power Query Home menu, select the New Source > Excel file option.



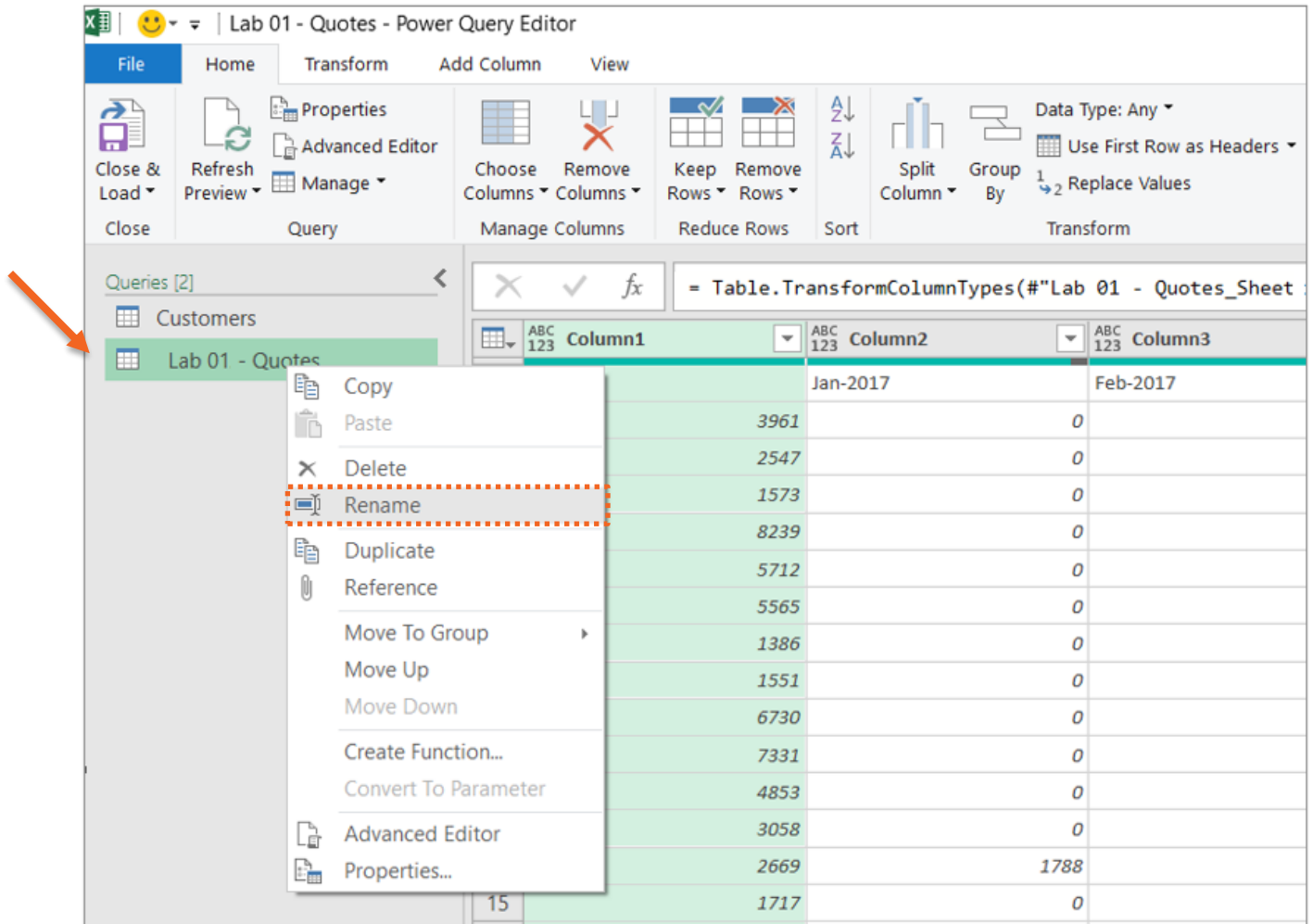
15. Navigate to the file <CourseFolder>\Attendee\Lab Materials\Lab 01\MAIAD Lab 01 - Data Source - Quotes.xlsx.

16. In the Navigator window, select the worksheet called "Lab 01 – Quotes".

Note: This is ONLY a preview of the data.



17. Select the OK button to load as a second query in the Power Query Editor window.
18. In the Queries Pane, right click on the default query name called "Lab 01 - Quotes" to Rename the Query to "Quotes".



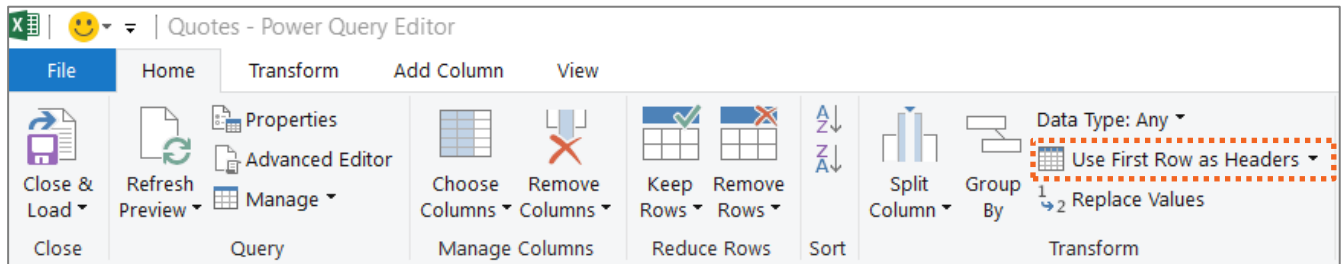
Exercise 4: Use Power Query to Unpivot - Quotes

In this exercise, you will use Power Query transformations to structure the Quotes data for Power Pivot.

Task 1: Use First Row as Headers transformation button

In this task, you will move the first row with the column header values to the table header.

19. On the Home menu, select the Use First Row as Headers button.

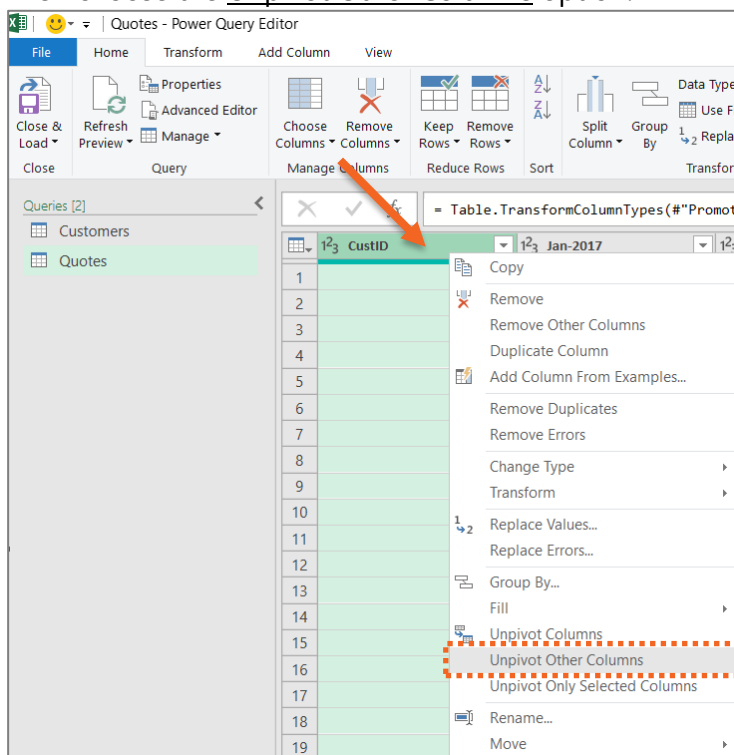


Task 2: Use the Unpivot transformation menu option

In this task, you will now unpivot the Quotes data.

20. In the Preview Pane, use a right click on the [CustID] column to display menu options.

21. Then choose the Unpivot Other Columns option.



22. Double-click on the column called [Attribute] to rename the column to [QuoteDate].

23. Double-click on the column called [Value] to rename the column to [QuoteAmt].

Before

	1 ² ₃ CustID	A ^B _C Attribute	1 ² ₃ Value
1	3961	Jan-2017	0
2	3961	Feb-2017	0
3	3961	Mar-2017	0
4	3961	Apr-2017	0
5	3961	May-2017	0

After

	1 ² ₃ CustID	A ^B _C QuoteDate	1 ² ₃ QuoteAmt
1	3961	Jan-2017	0
2	3961	Feb-2017	0
3	3961	Mar-2017	0
4	3961	Apr-2017	0
5	3961	May-2017	0

Exercise 5: Use Power Query to Clean - Quotes

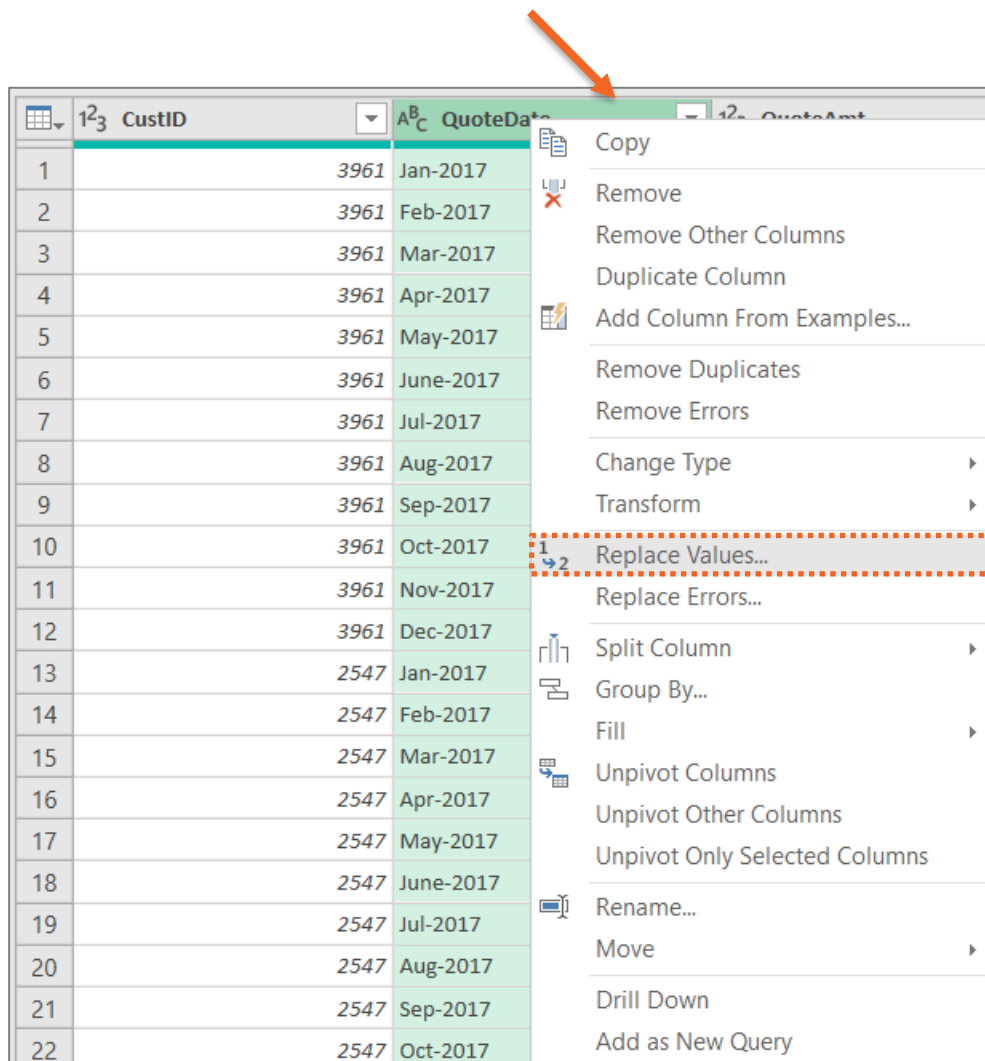
In this exercise, you will use Power Query transformations to Clean the Quotes data.

Task 1: Use the Replace transformation

In this task, you will use a replace technique to change the [QuoteDate] a full date that can be converted to a Date data type.

24. In the Preview window, use a right click on the [QuoteDate] column to display menu options.

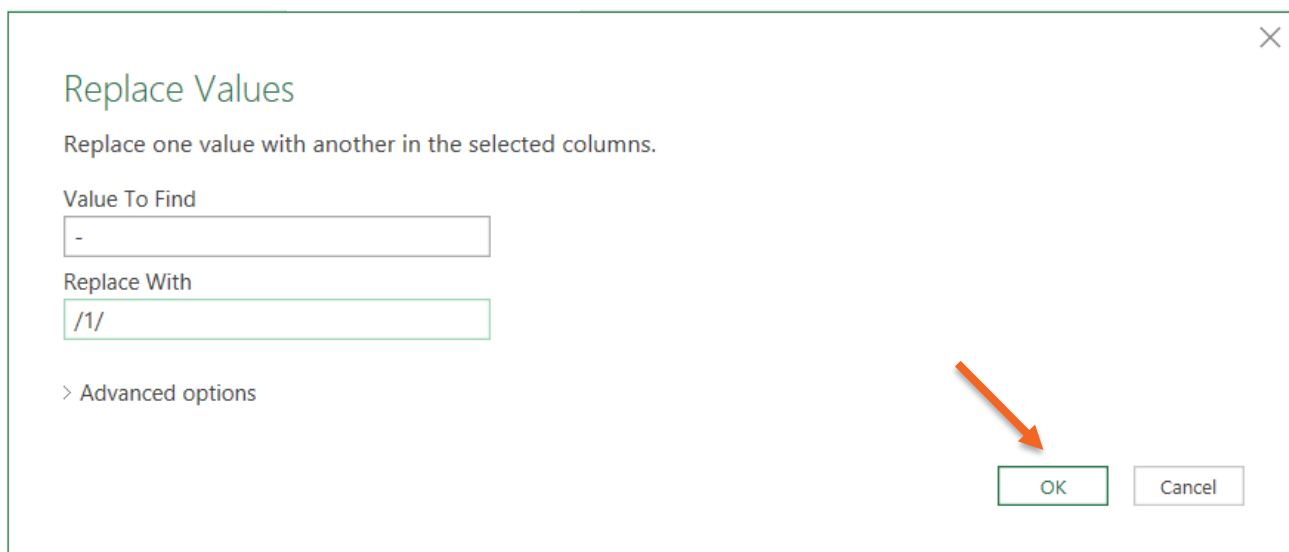
25. Next, choose the Replace Values... option.



26. In the Replace Values... UI window:

27. Enter a hyphen "-" in the Value To Find text box.

28. Enter “/1/” in the Replace With text box.



Replace Values

Replace one value with another in the selected columns.

Value To Find
-

Replace With
/1/

> Advanced options

OK Cancel

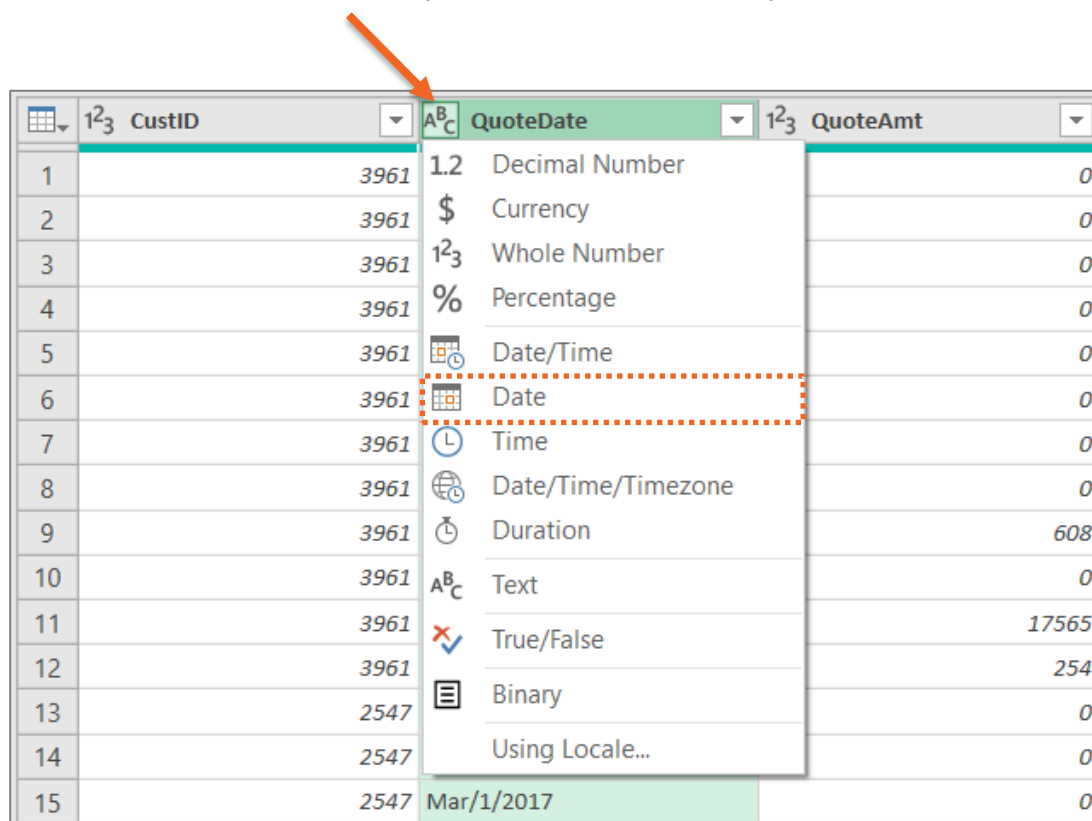
29. Select the OK button.

Task 2: Use the Data Type icon

In this task, you will use the Data Type icon to change the data type from Text to Date.

30. Click on the ABC icon that indicated the column is a Text data type.

31. Then choose the Date data type option from the data type menu options.

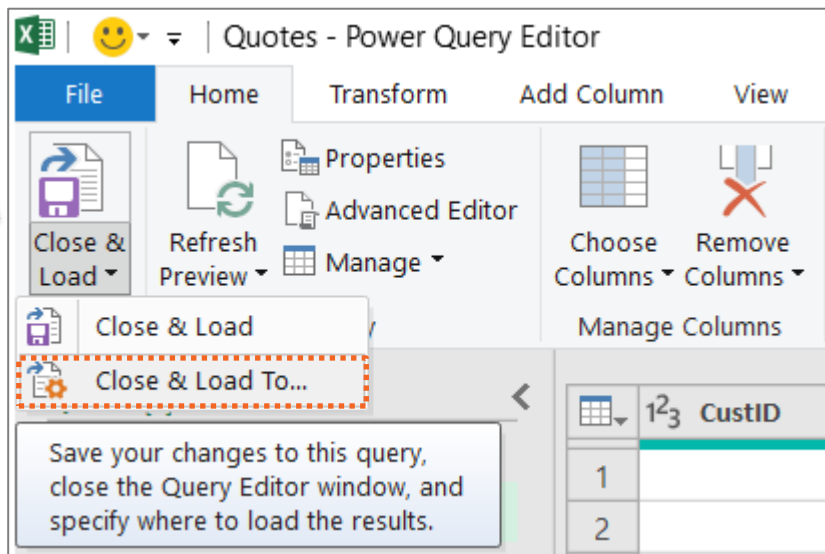


	1 ² ₃ CustID	ABC QuoteDate	1 ² ₃ QuoteAmt
1	3961	1.2 Decimal Number	0
2	3961	\$ Currency	0
3	3961	1 ² ₃ Whole Number	0
4	3961	% Percentage	0
5	3961	Date/Time	0
6	3961	Date	0
7	3961	Time	0
8	3961	Date/Time/Timezone	0
9	3961	Duration	608
10	3961	ABC Text	0
11	3961	True/False	17565
12	3961	Binary	254
13	2547	Using Locale...	0
14	2547		0
15	2547	Mar/1/2017	0

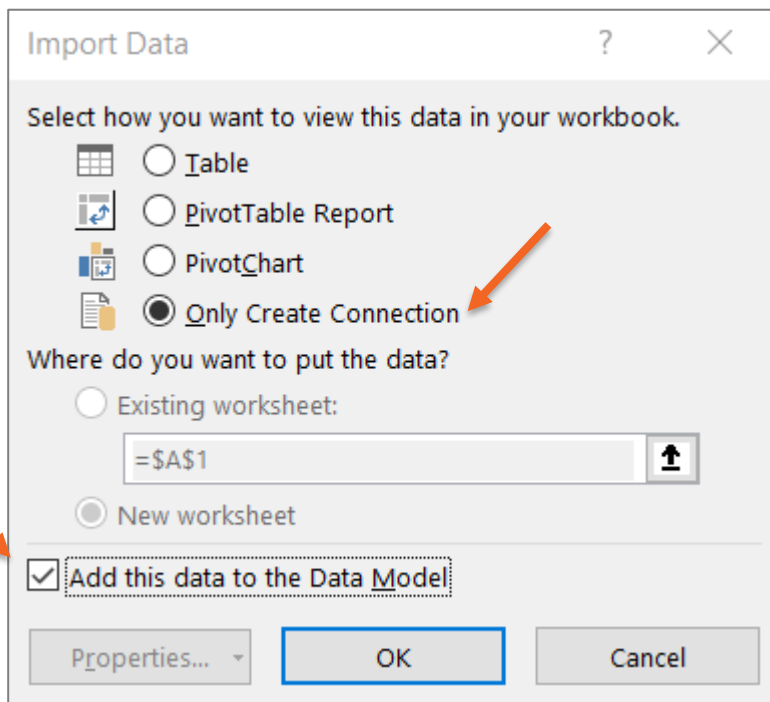
Task 3: Close & Load to the Data Model

In this task, you will load the Customers and Quotes tables to the Data Model.

32. From the Home menu select > Close & Load > Close & Load To...



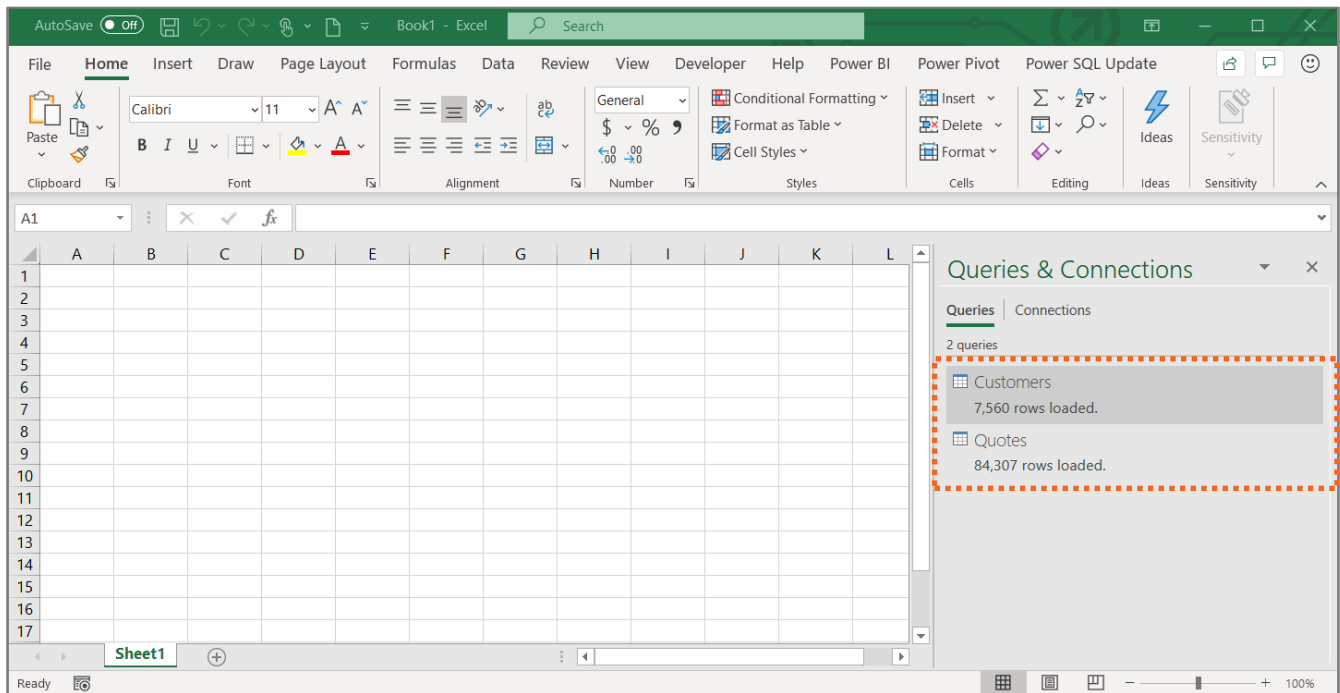
33. On the Import window, select the Only Create Connection radio button.



34. And check the box next to Add this data to the Data Model.

35. Select the OK button.

Note: The loaded Tables will be displayed in the Queries & Connections Pane window with total number of rows loaded.



Note: At the point, we have connected to the data sources using Power Query and we have selected the checkbox option to Add this data to the Data Model. However, we have not actually seen where this data has been loaded to. In the next Lab 02A, we will use Power BI Desktop to Import the Power Query connections, Customer table, and Quote table – to create the Data Model.

Task 4: Save the File

In this task, you will save the Excel file with the Customers and Quotes query connections.

36. From the Main Excel ribbon, select File > Save.
37. Navigate to the folder <CourseFolder>\Attendee\Lab Materials\Lab 01\ and then save the file as "MAIAD Lab 01 – My Solution.xlsx".

Summary

In this lab, you used Power Query in Excel to connect to CSV & XLSX source data files, created a new column using Column from Example, unpivoted & applied transformations in Power Query, loaded source data to a Data Model and Save the Excel file with the data connections.

MAIAD Lab 01 - Using Power Query In Excel

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Excel interface with the Power Query Editor open. The main window shows a data preview with columns: Company, ID, Contact, Email, Phone, and First Name. The 'Queries & Connections' pane on the right lists two queries: 'Customers' (7,560 rows loaded) and 'Quotes' (84,307 rows loaded). A green arrow points from the 'Customers' query in the pane to the 'Query Settings' pane, which shows the 'APPLIED STEPS' for the 'Customers' query, including 'Source', 'Promoted Headers', 'Changed Type', and 'Inserted Text Before Delimiter'.

Company	ID	Contact	Email	Phone	First Name
Alodia Smoudenci Inc	2002	Hugo Holder	HHolder@Alodia.com	(813) 867-9684	Hugo
Norrisology Ormiga Inc	2002	Freida Garza	FGarza@Norrisology.com	(763) 376-3282	Freida
Roplixoo Glermansur Group	2003	Dominic Pruitt	DPruitt@Roplixoo.com	(861) 495-8389	Dominic
Claster Zidatoma Assoc	2004	Melody Koch	MKoch@Claster.com	(849) 964-7933	Melody
Firehorse Numbir Corp	2005	Lucio Savage	LSavage@Firehorse.com	(355) 440-9156	Lucio
Prend Axtin Corp	2006	Dewayne Love	DLove@Prend.com	(834) 236-2899	Dewayne
Singlewave Etnessico Intl	2007	Lloyd Sharp	LSharp@Singlewave.com	(716) 599-465	Lloyd
Pount Uttatio Inc	2008	Cletus Whitehead	CWhitehead@Pount.com	(416) 584-3938	Cletus
Pount Jetejci Inc	2009	Gracie Warren	GWarren@Pount.com	(954) 817-897	Gracie
Moderock Glermansur Intl	2010	Roosevelt Cruz	RCruz@Moderock.com	(722) 786-7569	Roosevelt
Losenoid Ringi Corp	2012	Lyle Faulkner	LFaulkner@Losenoid.com	(921) 954-4652	Lyle
Woodlike Tawindia Inc	2013	Mau Fritz	MFritz@Woodlike.com	(808) 483-4462	Mau

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