

# Analyzing Data in Excel



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# Module Goals



What is analysis?

Why analyze data?

How to analyze data

Where to find more

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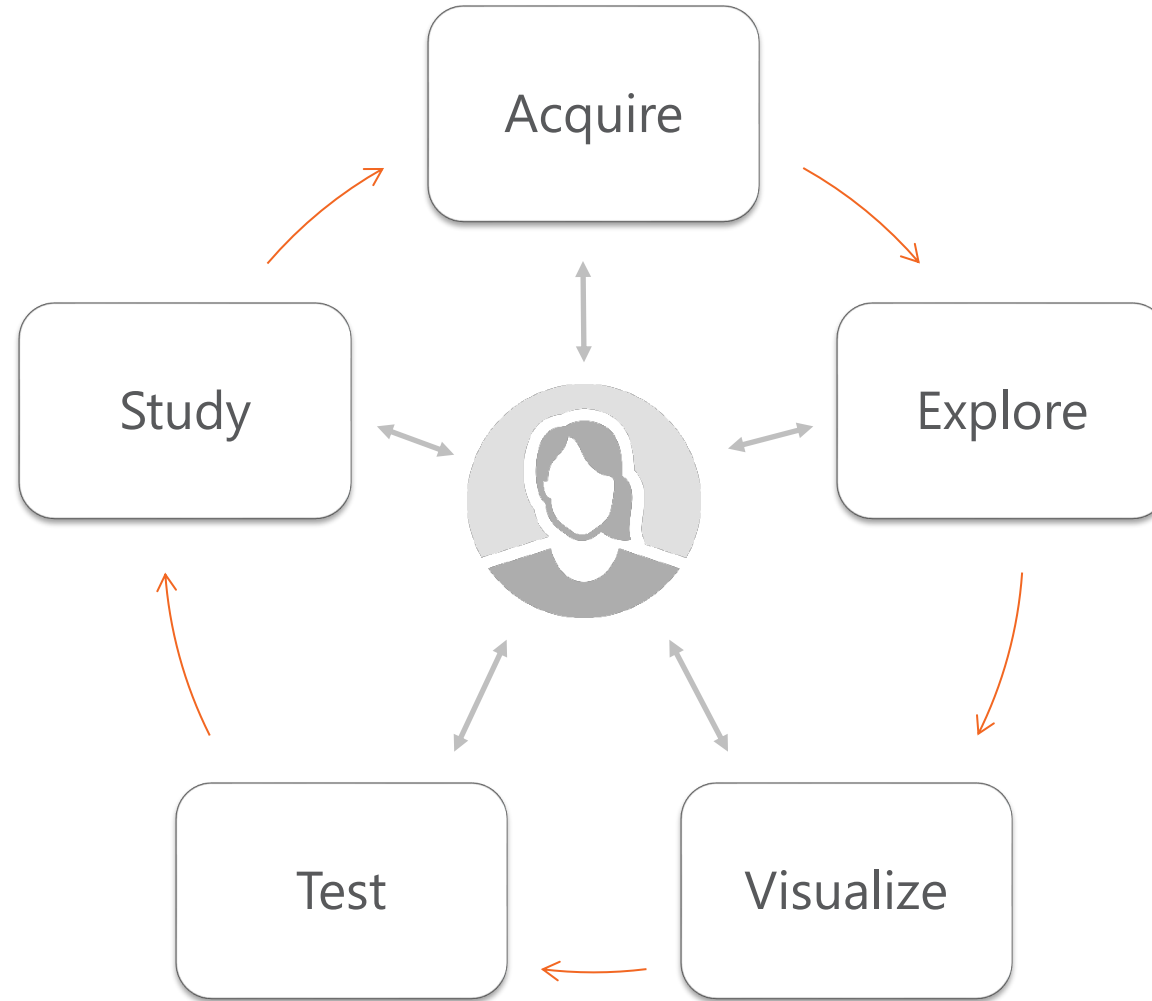
# What Is Analysis?

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Analysis is the process of iterating through questions using data to uncover insights.

# Analytics Cycle



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# Why Analyze Data?

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Excel provides incredible analytics capabilities without any coding necessary at an economical price.

# Analysis Tool Comparison

	Excel	SQL Server BI	Tableau	R	Micro Strategy
Ease of Use	<b>7</b>	4	8	2	2
Data Modeling	4	<b>7</b>	7	5	<b>9</b>
Charting	5	4	<b>9</b>	6	6
Statistical Modeling	4	5	6	<b>10</b>	5
Delivery Options	6	5	7	5	7
	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>



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# How It Works

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# Cogsley Services Inc.



Sales by industry/sector

Avg. days to complete by manager

Hourly wage to bill rate ratio

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# Demo: Pivot Tables

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# Demo: Pivot Charts

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# Demo: Going Interactive

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# Where to Find More

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# Additional Resources



<http://www.pluralsight.com/courses/excel-analytics-superhub>

<http://www.pluralsight.com/courses/pragmatic-self-service-bi-powerpivot-excel>