

# Data Integrity (Cheap, Fast, and Easy)

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When verifying data integrity using two sources of data, it is possible to quickly reduce the amount of data to be manually checked by using Excel or some other spreadsheet.

1) First, place both sets of data in the same worksheet, with at least one blank column between them.

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with two data sources side-by-side. The first data source (Data Source 1) is in columns P through W, and the second data source (Data Source 2) is in columns AA through AD. There are blank columns X, Y, and Z between the two data sources. Annotations with arrows point to these areas: 'Data Source 1' points to columns P-W, 'Data Source 2' points to columns AA-AD, and 'Blank columns' points to columns X-Z.

	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD
1	CustomCo	Embargo	CustomEn	SubjectCo	SubjectNa	IsCustom	Delete	Display				csi	Source Level	Title	ISSN
2						N	N	Y				227225	Single	101 Ways to Captivat	01
3						N	N	Y				215611	Single	1999 HFM Resource (	01
4						N	N	Y				647	Single	A 21st century security	
5						N	N	Y				841	Single	24 Heures	01
6						N	N	Y				301808	Single	24 Hours (Toronto, C	05
7						N	N	Y				212028	Single	33 Metal F 0149-5380	01
8						N	N	Y				244496	Single	7 Cambio	01
9						N	N	Y				31	Single	The 9/11 Commissio	26
10						N	N	Y				83	Single	A la Carta	01
11						N	N	Y				299489	Single	The AAO Weblog	01
12				272	Medicine	N	N	Y				160586	Single	AAP Newsfeed	14
13						N	N	Y				6923	Single	ABA Banki 0194-5947	01
14				277	Medicine	N	N	Y				3322	Single	ABA Journ 0747-0088	01
15						N	N	Y				300754	Single	ABC News Now	24
16						N	N	Y				8277	Aggregato	ABC News Transcripts	
17						N	N	Y				300224	Single	ABC Premium News	01
18						N	N	Y				300226	Single	ABC Regional News (	01
19						N	N	Y				300228	Single	ABC Transcripts (Aus	01
20						N	N	Y				205190	Single	Aberdeen 1074-7117	02
21						N	N	Y				166709	Single	Aberdeen Evening E	12
22						N	N	Y				166710	Single	Aberdeen Press & Jo	12
23						N	N	Y				227735	Single	ABIX - Australasian B	26
24						N	N	Y				227755	Single	ABIX - Australasian B	01
25						N	N	Y				227766	Single	ABIX - Australasian B	01
26						N	N	Y				227767	Single	ABIX - Australasian B	01



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2) Tell the computer to find matches.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with a data table. The formula bar at the top displays the formula: `=IF(ISNUMBER(MATCH(J2,AD$2:AD$6957,0)), "matchISSN", "")`. A red callout box with the text "Formula for automatic matching" points to the formula bar. The spreadsheet has columns labeled C through AF. The data table has columns: Title, TitleSort, PrintISSN, OnlineISSN, MngStart, MngEnd, CstmStart, CstmEnd, X2, Y, Z, AC, AD, AE, AF. The data rows include various titles and ISSN numbers, with some rows containing the text "matchISSN".

	C	D	J	K	M	N	O	P	X2	Y	Z	AC	AD	AE	AF	
1	Title	TitleSort	PrintISSN	OnlineISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1656		1583	Title	ISSN	overage Beg	overage End	
2	(3i)	(3i)			2006									-Jan-1997	19	
3	01DSI	01DSI			2003	2007								-Jan-19	31-Dec-19 19	
4	01Informa	01Informa			2000									architecture for the		
5	01men.co	01men coi			2008									-Jan-2006	20	
6	01net	01net			2000									5-Apr-2006	20	
7	08: New M	08: New M			2008									-Jan-1997	19	
8	10x	10x			2007									-Apr-19	01-Aug-19 19	
9	1600 Penn	1600 Penn			2008									The 9/11 Commissio	26-Aug-20 26-Aug-20 20	
10	1995 Mani	1995 Mani			1995									A la Carta	01-Dec-19 01-Aug-19 19	
11	1998 Mani	1998 Mani			1998									The AAO Weblog	01-Jan-2006	20
12	1999 HFM	1999 HFM			1999	1999								AAP Newsfeed	14-Jul-1997	19
13	2 Political	2 Political			2007							matchISSN	ABA Banki	0194-5947	01-Jan-1980	19
14	20/20	20 20	1046-1566		1990							matchISSN	ABA Journ	0747-0088	01-Jan-1982	19
15	2000 Mani	2000 Mani			1998									ABC News Now	24-Apr-20 08-Jun-20	20
16	2001 Tax L	2001 Tax L			2001									ABC News Transcripts		
17	2002 Mani	2002 Mani			2004									ABC Premium News	01-Jul-2004	20
18	2002 Tax L	2002 Tax L			2001	2007								ABC Regional News (	01-Jul-2004	20
19	2003 Tax L	2003 Tax L			2003									ABC Transcripts (Aus	01-Jul-2004	20
20	2004 Tax L	2004 Tax L			2004	2004								Aberdeen 1074-7117	02-Feb-1996	19
21	2005 Mani	2005 Mani			2005	2005								Aberdeen Evening E	12-Jan-1998	19
22	2007 & 20	(2007 and 2			2004	2004								Aberdeen Press & Jo	12-Jan-1998	19
23	2007 Guid	2007 Guid			2008									ABIX - Australasian B	26-Sep-1997	19
24	2007 Tax L	2007 Tax L			2007	2007								ABIX - Australasian B	01-Dec-1997	19
25	2008 Mani	2008 Mani			2008	2008								ABIX - Australasian B	01-Oct-1997	19
26	2008 Tax L	2008 Tax L			2008	2008								ABIX - Australasian B	01-Jan-1998	19
27	2008Centr	2008Centr			2007									ABIX - Australasian B	01-Sep-1997	19
28	2010 Wint	2010 Wint			2008									ABIX - Australasian B	01-Nov-1997	19
29	20-Sometl	20-Sometl			2008									ABIX - Australasian B	29-Nov-1999	19



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3) Sort the matches to the top. (There will almost certainly be unmatched data at the bottom.)

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X2 =IF(ISNUMBER(MATCH(J2,AD\$2:AD\$6957,0)),"matchISSN","")

	C	D	J	K	M	N	O	P	X	Y	Z	AC	AD	AE	AF
1	Title	TitleSort	PrintISSN	OnlineISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1666		1583	Title	ISSN	Start	End
2	Publisher: Publisher:		0000-0019		2000				matchISSN		matchISSN	Publisher: 0000-0019	03-Jul-2000		20
3	Accountar	Accountar	0001-4672		1998				matchISSN		matchISSN	Accountar 0001-4672	05-Nov-1998		19
4	Advertisir	Advertisir	0001-8899		1986				matchISSN		matchISSN	Advertisir 0001-8899	06-Jan-1986		19
5	Advertisir	Advertisir	0001-8899		1994	1995			matchISSN		matchISSN	Akron Law 0002-371X	01-Jan-1994		19
6	Akron law	Akron law	0002-371X		1994				matchISSN		matchISSN	Alabama l 0002-4279	01-Jan-1993		19
7	Alabama l	Alabama l	0002-4279		1993				matchISSN		matchISSN	Albany La 0002-4678	01-Jan-1994		19
8	Albany La	Albany La	0002-4678		1994				matchISSN		matchISSN	Alberta La 0002-4821	01-Jan-1997		19
9	Alberta La	Alberta La	0002-4821						matchISSN		matchISSN	The Annal 0002-7162	01-Jan-1996		19
10	Annals of	Annals of	0002-7162	1552-3349	1996				matchISSN		matchISSN	The Amer 0002-7766	01-Jan-1997		19
11	American	American	0002-7766	1744-1714	1997				matchISSN		matchISSN	American 0002-919X	01-Jan-1996		19
12	The Amer	American	0002-919X		1996				matchISSN		matchISSN	American 0002-9300	01-Jan-1980		19
13	The Amer	American	0002-9300		1980				matchISSN		matchISSN	American 0002-953X	01-Jan-1981	01-Mar-19	19
14	The Amer	American	0002-953X	1535-7228	1985	1987			matchISSN		matchISSN	American 0003-1453	01-Jan-1982		19
15	The Amer	American	0003-1453		1982				matchISSN		matchISSN	Amuseme 0003-2344	24-Feb-20	01-May-20	20
16	Amuseme	Amuseme	0003-2344		2003	2006			matchISSN		matchISSN	Antitrust I 0003-6056	01-Apr-1981		19
17	Antitrust I	Antitrust I	0003-6056		1981				matchISSN		matchISSN	Architect 0003-858X	01-Jan-1992		19
18	Architect	Architect	0003-858X		1992				matchISSN		matchISSN	The Argus 0004-1181	05-Feb-1998		19
19	The Argus	Argus	0004-1181		2006				matchISSN		matchISSN	Arizona La 0004-153X	01-Jan-1993		19
20	Arizona la	Arizona la	0004-153X		1993				matchISSN		matchISSN	Arkansas l 0004-1831	01-Jan-1993		19
21	Arkansas l	Arkansas l	0004-1831		1993				matchISSN		matchISSN	Australian 0004-9042	01-Nov-20	01-Nov-20	20
22	Australian	Australian	0004-9042		2000	2002			matchISSN		matchISSN	Australian 0004-976X	01-Nov-2000		20
23	Australian	Australian	0004-976X		2000				matchISSN		matchISSN	Automoti 0005-1551	01-Jan-1988		19
24	Automoti	Automoti	0005-1551		1988				matchISSN		matchISSN	Aviation v 0005-2175	06-Jan-1975		19
25	Automoti	Automoti	0005-1551		1997	2000			matchISSN		matchISSN	BackStage 0005-3635	21-Feb-2003		20
26	Aviation v	Aviation v	0005-2175		1975				matchISSN		matchISSN	Bakery Pr 0005-4127	15-Feb-19	15-Jun-19	19
27	Back Stage	Back Stage	0005-3635		2003				matchISSN		matchISSN	Baltimore 0005-450X	09-Dec-2003		20
28	Bakery Pr	Bakery Pr	0005-4127		1998	1998			matchISSN		matchISSN	The Banke 0005-5395	01-Jan-1989		19
29	Baltimore	Baltimore	0005-450X		2003				matchISSN		matchISSN	Baylor Lav 0005-7274	01-Jan-1993		19

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4) Find out which matches are excessive/unmatched duplicates. If the result is positive then that data in that set is an excessive duplicate. If the result is negative then that data is duplicated in the other set, but not this one.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet titled "Lightning.xls". The formula bar displays the formula: `=IF(X2="",0,COUNTIF(J:J,J2)-COUNTIF(AF:AF,J2))`. The spreadsheet has columns labeled D through AG. Column D is "TitleSort", J is "PrintISSN", K is "OnlineISSN", M is "MngStart", N is "MngEnd", O is "CstmStart", and P is "CstmEnd". Columns X through AG contain data from a comparison. Column X has values like "1666", "matchISSN", etc. Column Y has values like "-1", "0", "0", etc. Column Z has values like "0", "0", "0", etc. Column AA has values like "-9", "0", "0", etc. Column AB has values like "1583", "matchISSN", "matchISSN", etc. Column AE is "Title", AF is "ISSN", and AG is "Start". A red box with the text "Formula for finding duplicates" is overlaid on the spreadsheet, with an arrow pointing to the formula bar.

	D	J	K	M	N	O	P	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AE	AF	AG
1	TitleSort	PrintISSN	OnlineISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1666	-1		-9	1583	Title	ISSN	Start
2	Publisher: 0000-0019			2000				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Publisher: 0000-0019	03-Jul-2000	
3	Accountar 0001-4672			1998				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Accountar 0001-4672	05-Nov-1998	
4	Advertisir 0001-8899			1986				matchISSN					Advertisir 0001-8899	06-Jan-1986	
5	Advertisir 0001-8899			1994	1995			matchISSN					kron Law 0002-371X	01-Jan-1994	
6	Akron law 0002-371X			1994				matchISSN					Alabama l 0002-4279	01-Jan-1993	
7	Alabama l 0002-4279			1993				matchISSN					Albany La 0002-4678	01-Jan-1994	
8	Albany La 0002-4678			1994				matchISSN					Alberty La 0002-4821	01-Jan-1997	
9	Alberta La 0002-4821							matchISSN					he Annal 0002-7162	01-Jan-1996	
10	Annals of 0002-7162	1552-3349		1996				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	The Amer 0002-7766	01-Jan-1997	
11	American 0002-7766	1744-1714		1997				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	American 0002-919X	01-Jan-1996	
12	American 0002-919X			1996				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	American 0002-9300	01-Jan-1980	
13	American 0002-9300			1980				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	American 0002-953X	01-Jan-1910	
14	American 0002-953X	1535-7228		1985	1987			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	American 0003-1453	01-Jan-1982	
15	American 0003-1453			1982				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Amuseme 0003-2344	24-Feb-20 01	
16	Amuseme 0003-2344			2003	2006			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Antitrust l 0003-6056	01-Apr-1981	
17	Antitrust l 0003-6056			1981				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Architect 0003-858X	01-Jan-1992	
18	Architect 0003-858X			1992				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	The Argus 0004-1181	05-Feb-1998	
19	Argus 0004-1181			2006				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Arizona La 0004-153X	01-Jan-1993	
20	Arizona la 0004-153X			1993				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Arkansas l 0004-1831	01-Jan-1993	
21	Arkansas l 0004-1831			1993				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Australian 0004-9042	01-Nov-20 01	
22	Australian 0004-9042			2000	2002			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Australian 0004-976X	01-Nov-2000	
23	Australian 0004-976X			2000				matchISSN	0		-1	matchISSN	Automoti 0005-1551	01-Jan-1988	
24	Automoti 0005-1551			1988				matchISSN	1		0	matchISSN	Aviation v 0005-2175	06-Jan-1975	
25	Automoti 0005-1551			1997	2000			matchISSN	1		0	matchISSN	BackStage 0005-3635	21-Feb-2003	
26	Aviation v 0005-2175			1975				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Bakery Pr 0005-4127	15-Feb-19 15	
27	Back Stage 0005-3635			2003				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Baltimore 0005-450X	09-Dec-2003	
28	Bakery Pr 0005-4127			1998	1998			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	The Banke 0005-5395	01-Jan-1989	
29	Baltimore 0005-450X			2003				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Baylor Lav 0005-7274	01-Jan-1993	



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- Sort the data so that the ones with the most duplicates in the other set are at the bottom.
- Duplicate the data in this set until there are no more negative numbers.

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AA6957 =IF(AB6957="",0,COUNTIF(AF:AF,AF6957)-COUNTIF(J:J,AF6957))

	C	D	J	K	M	N	O	P	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AE	AF
1	Title	TitleSort	PrintISSN	OnlineISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1666	-1		-9	1583	Title	ISSN
6937	Southern	Southern			2007					0		-1	matchISSN	Le Temps	1423-3967
6938	Southern	Southern										-1	matchISSN	Supply Ch	1521-9747
6939	Southwes	Southw										-1	matchISSN	Energy Ne	1531-3891
6940	Sovereign	Sovereign			2007					0		-1	matchISSN	Crain's Ne	8756-789X
6941	SOX First	(SOX First			2006							-2	matchISSN	33 Metal F	0149-5380
6942	Spa Beaut	Spa Beaut			2008							-2	matchISSN	Housewar	0264-8563
6943	Space Dail	Space Dail			2004					0		-2	matchISSN	Design W	0950-3676
6944	Space Shu	Space Shu								0		-2	matchISSN	National L	1042-6841
6945	Spalding C	Spalding C								0		-2	matchISSN	LatinFinar	1048-535X
6946	Spalding C	Spalding C			2008					0		-2	matchISSN	Treasury &	1067-0432
6947	Spanish N	Spanish N			1998					0		-2	matchISSN	New Medi	1364-7776
6948	Spare Roo	Spare Roo			2008							-3	matchISSN	Discount &	0012-3587
6949	Sparta nev	Sparta nev			2003							-3	matchISSN	Variety	0042-2738
6950	Spartan D:	Spartan D:			2000							-3	matchISSN	Electronic	0164-6362
6951	Speaking I	Speaking I			2007					0		-3	matchISSN	Computer	0893-8377
6952	Speaking I	Speaking I			2008					0		-3	matchISSN	VARBusin	0894-5802
6953	Special Ca	Special Ca			1996	1996				0		-4	matchISSN	Business I	0007-6864
6954	Special Ev	Special Ev			2001					0		-6	matchISSN	Chain Stor	0193-1199
6955	Special Pr	Special Pr			2002					0		-6	matchISSN	Multichan	0276-8593
6956	Special Re	Special Re			1997							-7	matchISSN	Chemical	0009-272X
6957	SpecialEv	SpecialEv			1999							-9	matchISSN	The Holly	0018-3660
6958	Specials	Specials			1990	1998									
6959	Spending	Spending			2008					0					
6960	SpidelBlo	SpidelBlo			2006					0					
6961	Spiegel O	Spiegel O			2001					0					
6962	Spin (The	Spin (The			2008					0					
6963	Spin Conti	Spin Conti			2006					0					
6964	Spin Cycle	Spin Cycle			2008					0					

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7) Sort the data by the chosen match element (in this case ISSN)

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AA2 =IF(AB2="",0,COUNTIF(AF:AF,AF2)-COUNTIF(J:J,AF2))

	C	D	J	K	M	N	O	P	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AE	AF
1	Title	TitleSort	PrintISSN	OnlineISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1683	0		0	1683	Title	ISSN
2	Publisher: Publisher:		0000-0019		2000				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Publisher: 0000-0019	03
3	Accountar	Accountar	0001-4672		1998				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Accountar 0001-4672	05
4	Advertisir	Advertisir	0001-8899		1986				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Advertisir 0001-8899	06
5	Advertisir	Advertisir	0001-8899		1994	1995			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Advertisir 0001-8899	06
6	Akron law	Akron law	0002-371X		1994				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Akron Law 0002-371X	01
7	Alabama l	Alabama l	0002-4279		1993				ma					bama l 0002-4279	01
8	Albany La	Albany La	0002-4678		1994				ma					any La 0002-4678	01
9	Alberta La	Alberta La	0002-4821						ma					erta La 0002-4821	01
10	Annals of	Annals of	0002-7162	1552-3349	1996				ma					Annal 0002-7162	01
11	American	American	0002-7766	1744-1714	1997				ma					Amer 0002-7766	01
12	The Amer	American	0002-919X		1996				ma					erican 0002-919X	01
13	The Amer	American	0002-9300		1980				ma					erican 0002-9300	01
14	The Amer	American	0002-953X	1535-7228	1985	1987			mat					erican 0002-953X	01
15	The Amer	American	0003-1453		1982				mat					erican 0003-1453	01
16	Amuseme	Amuseme	0003-2344		2003	2006			mat					useme 0003-2344	24
17	Antitrust l	Antitrust l	0003-6056		1981				mat					itrust l 0003-6056	01
18	Architect	Architect	0003-858X		1992				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Architect 0003-858X	01
19	The Argus	Argus	0004-1181		2006				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	The Argus 0004-1181	05
20	Arizona la	Arizona la	0004-153X		1993				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Arizona La 0004-153X	01
21	Arkansas l	Arkansas l	0004-1831		1993				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Arkansas l 0004-1831	01
22	Australian	Australian	0004-9042		2000	2002			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Australian 0004-9042	01
23	Australian	Australian	0004-976X		2000				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Australian 0004-976X	01
24	Automoti	Automoti	0005-1551		1988				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Automoti 0005-1551	01
25	Automoti	Automoti	0005-1551		1997	2000			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Automoti 0005-1551	01
26	Aviation v	Aviation v	0005-2175		1975				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Aviation V 0005-2175	06
27	Back Stage	Back Stage	0005-3635		2003				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	BackStage 0005-3635	21
28	Bakery Pr	Bakery Pr	0005-4127		1998	1998			matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Bakery Pr 0005-4127	15
29	Baltimore	Baltimore	0005-450X		2003				matchISSN	0		0	matchISSN	Baltimore 0005-450X	09

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8) Extract and consolidate the data to be checked, to make the formats match.

The screenshot shows Microsoft Excel with a spreadsheet containing data. The formula bar at the top displays the formula: `=IF($X2="", "", IF(P2="", IF(N2="", 9999, N2), P2))`. A callout box with red text points to the 'end' cell in row 2, column Z, containing the value '9999'. The spreadsheet has columns J through AI and rows 1 through 29. The data includes ISSN numbers, management start/end dates, custom start/end dates, and titles.

	J	M	N	O	P	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AI
1	PrintISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1683	start	end		269		start	end	1683	Title
2	0000-0019	2000				matchISSN	2000	9999				2000	9999	matchISSN	Publishers We
3	0001-4672	1998				matchISSN	1998	9999				1998	9999	matchISSN	Accountancy A
4	0001-8899	1986				matchISSN	1986	9999				1986	9999	matchISSN	Advertising A
5	0001-8899	1994	1995			matchISSN	1994	1995	check both			1986	9999	matchISSN	Advertising A
6	0002-371X	1994				matchISSN	1994	9999					9999	matchISSN	Akron Law Re
7	0002-4279	1993				matchISSN	1993	9999					9999	matchISSN	Alabama Law
8	0002-4678	1994				matchISSN	1994	9999					9999	matchISSN	Albany Law Re
9	0002-4821					matchISSN		9999					9999	matchISSN	Alberta Law R
10	0002-7162	1996				matchISSN	1996	9999					9999	matchISSN	The Annals of
11	0002-7766	1997				matchISSN	1997	9999					9999	matchISSN	The American
12	0002-919X	1996				matchISSN	1996	9999					9999	matchISSN	American Jou
13	0002-9300	1980				matchISSN	1980	9999					9999	matchISSN	American Jou
14	0002-953X	1985	1987			matchISSN	1985	1987				1985	1987	matchISSN	American Jou
15	0003-1453	1982				matchISSN	1982	9999				1982	9999	matchISSN	American Uni
16	0003-2344	2003	2006			matchISSN	2003	2006				2003	2006	matchISSN	Amusement E
17	0003-6056	1981				matchISSN	1981	9999				1981	9999	matchISSN	Antitrust Law
18	0003-858X	1992				matchISSN	1992	9999				1992	9999	matchISSN	Architectural
19	0004-1181	2006				matchISSN	2006	9999	check start			1998	9999	matchISSN	The Argus
20	0004-153X	1993				matchISSN	1993	9999				1993	9999	matchISSN	Arizona Law R
21	0004-1831	1993				matchISSN	1993	9999				1993	9999	matchISSN	Arkansas Law
22	0004-9042	2000	2002			matchISSN	2000	2002				2000	2002	matchISSN	Australian Ele
23	0004-976X	2000				matchISSN	2000	9999				2000	9999	matchISSN	Australian Mi
24	0005-1551	1988				matchISSN	1988	9999				1988	9999	matchISSN	Automotive N
25	0005-1551	1997	2000			matchISSN	1997	2000	check both			1988	9999	matchISSN	Automotive N
26	0005-2175	1975				matchISSN	1975	9999				1975	9999	matchISSN	Aviation Wee
27	0005-3635	2003				matchISSN	2003	9999				2003	9999	matchISSN	BackStage
28	0005-4127	1998	1998			matchISSN	1998	1998	check start			1996	1998	matchISSN	Bakery Produ
29	0005-450X	2003				matchISSN	2003	9999				2003	9999	matchISSN	Baltimore Jew



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## 9) Check for data that doesn't match

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet titled "Lightning.xls". The spreadsheet compares two sets of data across columns J through AI. The formula in cell AB2 is: `=IF(AND(Y2=AD2,Z2,AE2),"",IF(Y2=AD2,"check end",IF(Z2=AE2,"check start","check both")))`. The spreadsheet contains 29 rows of data. A red box highlights the value "269" in cell AB2, with an arrow pointing to it from a text box that says "Formula for automatic checking". Another red box highlights the text "Note that only 269 of the 1683 matches will need any further checking." in the spreadsheet. The spreadsheet columns are: J (PrintISSN), M (MngStart), N (MngEnd), O (CstmStart), P (CstmEnd), X (1683), Y (start), Z (end), AA (269), AB (check both), AC (check start), AD (start), AE (end), AF (1683), AI (Title). The data rows contain ISSN numbers, start and end years, and titles of publications.

	J	M	N	O	P	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AI
1	PrintISSN	MngStart	MngEnd	CstmStart	CstmEnd	1683	start	end		269		start	end	1683	Title
2	0000-0019	2000				matchISSN	2000	9999				2000	9999	matchISSN	Publishers We
3	0001-4672	1998				matchISSN	1998	9999				1998	9999	matchISSN	ccountancy A
4	0001-8899	1986				matchISSN	1986	9999				1986	9999	matchISSN	dvertising A
5	0001-8899	1994	1995			matchISSN	1994	1995		check both		1994	1995	matchISSN	dvertising A
6	0002-371X	1994				matchISSN	1994	9999				1994	9999	matchISSN	kron Law Re
7	0002-4279	1993				matchISSN	1993	9999				1993	9999	matchISSN	Alabama Law
8	0002-4678	1994				matchISSN	1994	9999				1994	9999	matchISSN	lban Law Re
9	0002-4821					matchISSN	1997	9999		check start		1997	9999	matchISSN	Alberta Law R
10	0002-7162	1996				matchISSN	1996	9999				1996	9999	matchISSN	The Annals of
11	0002-7766	1997				matchISSN	1997	9999				1997	9999	matchISSN	The American
12	0002-919X	1996				matchISSN	1996	9999				1996	9999	matchISSN	American Jou
13	0002-9300	1980				matchISSN	1980	9999				1980	9999	matchISSN	American Jou
14	0002-953X	1985	1987			matchISSN	1985	1987				1985	1987	matchISSN	American Jou
15	0003-1453	1982				matchISSN	1982	9999				1982	9999	matchISSN	American Uni
16	0003-2344	2003	2006			matchISSN	2003	2006				2003	2006	matchISSN	Amusement E
17	0003-6056	1981				matchISSN	1981	9999				1981	9999	matchISSN	Antitrust Law
18	0003-858X	1992				matchISSN	1992	9999				1992	9999	matchISSN	Architectural
19	0004-1181	2006				matchISSN	2006	9999		check start		1998	9999	matchISSN	The Argus
20	0004-153X	1993				matchISSN	1993	9999				1993	9999	matchISSN	Arizona Law R
21	0004-1831	1993				matchISSN	1993	9999				1993	9999	matchISSN	Arkansas Law
22	0004-9042	2000	2002			matchISSN	2000	2002				2000	2002	matchISSN	Australian Ele
23	0004-976X	2000				matchISSN	2000	9999				2000	9999	matchISSN	Australian Mi
24	0005-1551	1988				matchISSN	1988	9999				1988	9999	matchISSN	Automotive N
25	0005-1551	1997	2000			matchISSN	1997	2000		check both		1988	9999	matchISSN	Automotive N
26	0005-2175	1975				matchISSN	1975	9999				1975	9999	matchISSN	Aviation Wee
27	0005-3635	2003				matchISSN	2003	9999				2003	9999	matchISSN	BackStage
28	0005-4127	1998	1998			matchISSN	1998	1998		check start		1996	1998	matchISSN	Bakery Produ
29	0005-450X	2003				matchISSN	2003	9999				2003	9999	matchISSN	Baltimore Jew



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10) Check for "duplicate" items that are subsets of other items, and adjust dates accordingly.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with the following data:

	C	J	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AG	AK	AL	AM	AN
1	Title	PrintISSN	start	end				269		start	end	Title	ISSN	Start	End
2	Publishers Weekly	0000-0019	2000	9999	2000	9999				2000	9999	Publishers Weekly	0000-0019	03-Jul-2000	
3	Accountancy age	0001-4672	1998	9999	1998	9999								05-Nov-1998	
4	Advertising age	0001-8899	1986	9999	1986	9999								06-Jan-1986	
5	Advertising Age 100	0001-8899	1994	1995	1986	9999		check both						06-Jan-1986	
6	Akron law review	0002-371X	1994	9999	1994	9999								01-Jan-1994	
7	Alabama law review	0002-4279	1993	9999	1993	9999								01-Jan-1993	
8	Albany Law Review	0002-4678	1994	9999	1994	9999				1994	9999	Albany Law Review	0002-4678	01-Jan-1994	
9	Alberta Law Review	0002-4821		9999										01-Jan-1997	
10	Annals of the Amer	0002-7162	1996	9999	1996	9999								01-Jan-1996	
11	American business	0002-7766	1997	9999	1997	9999								01-Jan-1997	
12	The American Journ	0002-919X	1996	9999	1996	9999								01-Jan-1996	
13	The American Journ	0002-9300	1980	9999	1980	9999								01-Jan-1980	
14	The American journ	0002-953X	1985	1987	1985	1987				1985	1987	American Journal o	0002-953X	01-Jan-1985	01-May-1987
15	The American Univ	0003-1453	1982	9999	1982	9999				1982	9999	American Universit	0003-1453	01-Jan-1982	
16	Amusement busine	0003-2344	2003	2006	2003	2006				2003	2006	Amusement Busine	0003-2344	24-Feb-2003	01-May-2006
17	Antitrust Law Journ	0003-6056	1981	9999	1981	9999				1981	9999	Antitrust Law Journ	0003-6056	01-Apr-1981	
18	Architectural Recor	0003-858X	1992	9999	1992	9999				1992	9999	Architectural Recor	0003-858X	01-Jan-1992	
19	The Argus	0004-1181	2006	9999	2006	9999		check start		1998	9999	The Argus	0004-1181	05-Feb-1998	
20	Arizona law review	0004-153X	1993	9999	1993	9999				1993	9999	Arizona Law Review	0004-153X	01-Jan-1993	
21	Arkansas Law Revie	0004-1831	1993	9999	1993	9999				1993	9999	Arkansas Law Revie	0004-1831	01-Jan-1993	
22	Australian Electroni	0004-9042	2000	2002	2000	2002				2000	2002	Australian Electroni	0004-9042	01-Nov-2000	01-Nov-2002
23	Australian Mining	0004-976X	2000	9999	2000	9999				2000	9999	Australian Mining	0004-976X	01-Nov-2000	
24	Automotive news	0005-1551	1988	9999	1988	9999				1988	9999	Automotive News	0005-1551	01-Jan-1988	
25	Automotive News M	0005-1551	1997	2000	1988	9999		check both		1988	9999	Automotive News	0005-1551	01-Jan-1988	
26	Aviation week & sp	0005-2175	1975	9999	1975	9999				1975	9999	Aviation Week & Sp	0005-2175	06-Jan-1975	
27	Back Stage	0005-3635	2003	9999	2003	9999				2003	9999	BackStage	0005-3635	21-Feb-2003	
28	Bakery Production	0005-4127	1998	1998	1998	1998		check start		1996	1998	Bakery Production	0005-4127	15-Feb-1998	15-Jun-1998
29	Baltimore Jewish Ti	0005-450X	2003	9999	2003	9999				2003	9999	Baltimore Jewish Ti	0005-450X	09-Dec-2003	

The formula bar shows: `=IF($J5<>$J4,Y5,IF(AND(Y5>Y4,Y6<=Z4),Y4,Y5))`

Annotations:

- A red box highlights the formula bar with the text: "Formula for finding subsets".
- A red box highlights the cells for 'Advertising Age 100' (row 5) with the text: "Example: 1994-1995 is a subset of 1986-present.".



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11) Overwrite the extracted data with the adjusted data.

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AD54 =IF(AF54="", "", YEAR(AK54))

	C	J	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AI	AJ	AK	AL	AZ	BA
1	Title	PrintISSN	start	end		237	start	end		Title	ISSN	Start	End	gin yyyyymm	d yyyy
32	Beef	0005-7738	1998	9999				1998	9999	BEEF	0005-7738	01-Jan-1998		19980101	
33	Behind the Headlin	0005-7983	2008	9999		check start		1987	9999	Behind The Headlin	0005-7983	01-Feb-1987		19870201	
34	Billbo											n-1991		19910105	
35	Black											n-1992		19920101	
36	Bosto											n-2002		20020101	
37	Bosto											ov-1982		19821101	
38	Bref R											n-2001		20010103	
39	British											p-19 01-Oct-20		19970901	200010
40	Brooklyn Law REVIE	0007-2562	1982	9999				1982	9999	Brooklyn Law REVIE	0007-2562	01-Jan-1982		19820101	
41	Building design and	0007-3407	2000	9999				2000	9999	Building Design & C	0007-3407	01-Nov-2000		20001101	
42	Business Insurance	0007-6864	1988	9999				1988	9999	Business Insurance	0007-6864	02-Jan-1988		19880102	
43	Business Insurance	0007-6864	1988	9999				1988	9999	Business Insurance	0007-6864	02-Jan-1988		19880102	
44	Business Insurance	0007-6864	1988	9999				1988	9999	Business Insurance	0007-6864	02-Jan-1988		19880102	
45	Business Insurance	0007-6864	1988	9999				1988	9999	Business Insurance	0007-6864	02-Jan-1988		19880102	
46	Business Insurance	0007-6864	1988	9999				1988	9999	Business Insurance	0007-6864	02-Jan-1988		19880102	
47	The Business Lawye	0007-6899	1981	9999				1981	9999	The Business Lawye	0007-6899	01-Nov-1981		19811101	
48	Business week	0007-7135	1975	9999				1975	9999	Business Week	0007-7135	13-Jan-1975		19750113	
49	California Journal	0008-1205	1989	9999				1989	9999	California Journal	0008-1205	01-Oct-1989		19891001	
50	California Law Revie	0008-1221	1982	9999				1982	9999	California Law Revie	0008-1221	01-Jul-1982		19820701	
51	California Western	0008-1639	1993	9999				1993	9999	California Western	0008-1639	01-Jan-1993		19930101	
52	Campaign	0008-2309	1986	9999				1986	9999	Campaign	0008-2309	02-May-1986		19860502	
53	Broadcaster	0008-3038	1995	2001		check both		1987	9999	Broadcaster	0008-3038	01-Jan-1987		19870101	
54	Broadcaster BPG Ne	0008-3038	1995	2001		check both		1987	9999	Broadcaster	0008-3038	01-Jan-1987		19870101	
55	Canadian Business	0008-3100	1993	9999				1993	9999	Canadian Business	0008-3100	01-Jan-1993		19930101	
56	Canadian Home Eco	0008-3763	2002	2003		check both		1994	9999	Canadian Home Eco	0008-3763	01-Mar-1994		19940301	
57	Canadian Mining Jo	0008-4492		9999		check start		1987	9999	Canadian Mining Jo	0008-4492	01-Jan-1987		19870101	
58	Case Western Rese	0008-7254	1993	9999				1993	9999	Case Western Rese	0008-7254	01-Jan-1993		19930101	
59	Case Western Rese	0008-7262	1982	9999				1982	9999	Case Western Rese	0008-7262	01-Jan-1982		19820101	

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