

Microsoft Excel – Page Layout Tab and Formulas Tab

PART 1 – PAGE LAYOUT TAB

The **Page Layout Tab** is used to control how a worksheet appears when printed. It helps users create professional-looking reports and documents.

1. Themes Group

Themes provide a consistent appearance across the workbook.

Theme

A theme includes:

- Colors
- Fonts
- Effects

Benefits:

- Professional appearance
- Uniform formatting

Examples:

- Office Theme
- Facet Theme
- Integral Theme

Colors

Changes the color scheme of the workbook.

Examples:

- Blue
- Green
- Orange

Uses:

- School reports
- Business reports
- Project presentations

Fonts

Changes the workbook font style.

Examples:

- Calibri
- Arial
- Times New Roman

Effects

Changes visual effects applied to shapes and charts.

2. Page Setup Group

Margins

Margins are empty spaces around the edges of a page.

Types:

- Normal
- Narrow
- Wide
- Custom

Example:

A report may require wider margins for binding.

Orientation

Determines page direction.

Portrait

Vertical layout

Used for:

- Letters
- Reports

Landscape

Horizontal layout

Used for:

- Large tables
- Student mark sheets

Size

Select paper size.

Common Paper Sizes:

- A4
- Letter
- Legal

A4 is most commonly used in schools and offices.

Print Area

Prints only selected cells.

Example:

Print only student marks instead of the entire worksheet.

Steps:

1. Select cells
2. Click Print Area
3. Set Print Area

Breaks

Used to insert page breaks.

Example:

Print each class report on a separate page.

Background

Adds a worksheet background image.

Examples:

- School logo
- Company logo

Note:

Background images do not print.

Print Titles

Repeats row headings on every printed page.

Example:

| Roll No | Name | Marks |

These headings appear on every page automatically.

3. Scale to Fit Group

Used when worksheet data is too large.

Width

Fits all columns onto a page.

Height

Fits all rows onto a page.

Scale

Adjusts worksheet size.

Examples:

- 100%
- 80%
- 120%

4. Sheet Options Group

Gridlines

Gridlines separate cells.

Options:

- View
- Print

Benefits:

- Better readability

Headings

Displays row and column names.

Examples:

- A, B, C
- 1, 2, 3

Can be:

- Viewed
- Printed

5. Arrange Group

Used for pictures and shapes.

Bring Forward

Moves object in front.

Send Backward

Moves object behind.

Align

Aligns objects neatly.

Group

Combines multiple objects.

Rotate

Rotates objects.

Examples:

- Rotate Right
- Rotate Left

Practical Activity – Page Layout

Create a student marks report and:

1. Set page orientation to Landscape.
2. Apply a theme.
3. Set A4 paper size.
4. Add margins.
5. Set print area.
6. Print gridlines.
7. Repeat headings on every page.

PART 2 – FORMULAS TAB

The **Formulas Tab** is one of the most important tabs in Excel. It is used to perform calculations automatically.

Benefits:

- Saves time
- Reduces errors
- Handles large amounts of data

What is a Formula?

A formula is an equation that performs calculations.

Every formula begins with:

=

Examples:

=5+5

Result = 10

=20-5

Result = 15

=10*5

Result = 50

=20/4

Result = 5

Formula Bar

The Formula Bar displays formulas entered into cells.

Example:

=A1+B1

Function Library Group

Functions are pre-built formulas.

AutoSum

Automatically calculates totals.

Example:

Marks

80

90

70

Formula:

=SUM(A1:A3)

Result = 240

SUM Function

Adds all the numbers in a range cells

SUM(A1:A5)

Example:

=SUM(10, 20, 30)

Result = 60

Uses:

- Student marks
- Monthly expenses
- Sales reports

AVERAGE Function

Calculates average value.

Average = Sum of Observations / Number of Observations

Formula:

`=AVERAGE(A1:A5)`

Example:

Marks:

80, 90, 70

Average:

`=AVERAGE(80,90,70)`

Result = 80

Uses:

- Student performance analysis

MAX Function

Finds highest value.

Formula:

`=MAX(A1:A5)`

Example:

80, 90, 70

Result = 90

MIN Function

Finds smallest value.

Formula:

=MIN(A1:A5)

Result = 70

COUNT Function

Counts cells containing numbers.

Formula:

=COUNT(A1:A10)

Uses:

- Counting student marks
- Counting entries

Logical Functions

IF Function

Performs logical tests.

Formula:

=IF(A1>=35, "Pass", "Fail")

Example:

Marks = 80

Result = Pass

Marks = 20

Result = Fail

Calculation Group

Controls workbook calculations.

Calculate Now

Updates all formulas immediately.

Calculate Sheet

Updates current worksheet only.

Real-Life Applications of Formulas

Education

- Marks calculation
- Attendance percentage

Business

- Profit calculation
- Sales analysis

Banking

- Interest calculation

Finance

- Budget planning

Inventory

- Stock calculations

Introduction to the Data Tab

The **Data Tab** in Microsoft Excel is used to organize, manage, analyze, and process large amounts of data. It provides tools for sorting, filtering, validating, cleaning, and analyzing information.

Why is the Data Tab Important?

- Organizes data efficiently
- Finds information quickly
- Removes duplicate records
- Validates user input
- Analyzes large datasets
- Creates summaries and reports

Real-Life Uses

- Student records management
- Employee databases
- Sales reports
- Attendance tracking
- Inventory management
- Customer information systems

Groups in the Data Tab

1. Get & Transform Data Group

This group is used to import data from different sources.

Get Data

Allows users to import data from:

- Excel files
- Text files
- CSV files
- Databases
- Web pages

Example:

Import student information from another Excel workbook.

Refresh

Updates imported data automatically.

Example:

If new student records are added to the source file, clicking Refresh updates the worksheet.

2. Sort & Filter Group

One of the most frequently used groups.

Sort A to Z

Sorts data in ascending order.

Example:

Name
Ravi
Priya
Suresh

After sorting:

Name
Priya
Ravi
Suresh

Sort Z to A

Sorts data in descending order.

Example:

Marks
95
90
80

Custom Sort

Sort by multiple columns.

Example:

Sort students by:

1. Class
2. Marks
3. Name

Filter

Displays only selected records.

Example:

Student Table

Name	Marks
Ravi	90
Priya	75
Kiran	95

Filter to show only students with marks above 80.

Result:

Name	Marks
Ravi	90
Kiran	95

[Clear Filter](#)

Removes all filters and displays complete data.

3. Data Tools Group

[Text to Columns](#)

Splits data into separate columns.

Example:

Cell contains:

Ravi Kumar

After Text to Columns:

First Name	Last Name
Ravi	Kumar

Uses:

- Student names
- Addresses
- Phone lists

Flash Fill

Automatically recognizes patterns.

Example:

Full Name:

Ravi Kumar

Priya Sharma

Typing only first names:

Ravi

Priya

Excel fills the remaining data automatically.

Shortcut:

Ctrl + E

Remove Duplicates

Removes repeated records.

Example:

Roll No
101
102
101

After removing duplicates:

Roll No
101
102

Benefits:

- Cleaner data
- Accurate reports

Data Validation

Controls what users can enter into cells.

Examples:

- Only numbers
- Only dates
- Drop-down lists

Example: Student Grade List

Allowed values:

- A
- B
- C
- D

Users can only select from the list.

Benefits:

- Reduces errors
- Maintains consistency

Scenario Manager

Creates and compares different situations.

Example:

- Best Case
- Average Case
- Worst Case

Used in:

- Business planning
- Budget analysis

5. Outline Group

Used to organize large worksheets.

Group

Combines rows or columns together.

Example:

Group monthly sales data.

January

February

March

Users can collapse or expand data.

Ungroup

Removes grouping.

Keyboard Shortcuts Related to Data Tab

Functions	Shortcut
Filter	Ctrl +shift +L
Flash fill	Ctrl +E
Find	Ctrl +F
Replace	Ctrl +H
Refresh Data	Alt+F5

Advantages of Using the Data Tab

- Improves data accuracy
- Saves time
- Makes reports easier to understand
- Helps analyze large datasets
- Reduces duplicate entries

- Creates professional worksheets

Conclusion

The **Data Tab** is one of the most powerful tabs in Microsoft Excel. It helps users sort, filter, validate, clean, organize, and analyze data efficiently.

Features such as **Sort, Filter, Flash Fill, Remove Duplicates, Data Validation, Goal Seek, and Subtotal** make Excel a powerful tool for managing student records, business reports, attendance sheets, and many other types of data. Mastering the Data Tab allows students to work with data faster, more accurately, and more professionally

Conclusion

The **Page Layout Tab** helps users prepare worksheets for professional printing by managing themes, margins, page size, orientation, and print settings. The **Formulas Tab** enables automatic calculations using functions such as SUM, AVERAGE, MAX, MIN, COUNT, and IF. Together, these tabs help students create accurate, organized, and professional Excel worksheets for academic and real-world applications.