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match column value with column name

If you have a column that contains a value that refers to another column's name that has other values.

Lets say that you have a column "Region ID" that contains a value between 1-30 and then you have 1-30 columns named 1 through 30 and in each of those coloumn you have another value which varies. So you need to find out what is the value in coloumns 1-30 based on the ID in the column Region ID.

= Record.Field(_,Text.From(["Region ID"])) This simply takes the value from current row in column Region ID and returns the value in the same row from a coloumn name that matches Region ID cell value.

Example			
Region ID	1	2	New Calculated column
2	20	33	33
1	34	223	34

Record.Field(_,Text.From(["Region ID"])) here the new calculated column would return the value "33" in the first row and "34" in the second row.



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Dynamic source

If you want your query to be able to change source, you can use a value from a CELL in your excel file.

Get & import from folder: Pick a CELL and type in the folderpath you want to fetch files from, create a named range for this CELL.

open powerquery and advanced editor to type in the following:

"YOURVARIABLENAME-1" = Excel.CurrentWorkbook(){[Name="YOURNAMED-RANGE"]}[Content][Column1] & "\", "YOU-RVARIABLENAME-2" = Folder.Contents-("YOURVARIABLENAME-1"), Source="YO-URVARIABLENAME-2"

This will result in a query that lists you the files in the folderpath you designated. Just copy and paste the path from explorer, the code above attaches a "\" on the path because this is missing from that copy paste.

Trick: List intervals

List the numbers between the value in column-1 and column-2

#"Added custom interval list" = Table.Add-Column(#"PREVIOUSSTEP", "NEWCOL-UMNNAME", each List.Numbers([COLU-MNAME-1], [COLUMNNAME-2]-[COLUM-NNAME-1]+1,1)),

TIP: Clean lookup tables for Doubles

Make sure that your lookuptables have unique values, otherwise they could affect your final table with double rows.

Example: I had a list of GoodsID that all belonged to GoodsGroups, many ID's could belong to one group. I needed the Group by the ID. I had not noticed that some ID's were in the lookuptable 3 times so each JOIN resulted in 3 matches and when i expanded the column i'd have 3 rows instead of just the 1 original with that extra column of GoodsGroup.

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