Data Cleaning, Analysis and AI in Excel

Hours: 24

Course Overview

This course is designed to equip participants with advanced Excel skills, focusing on data cleaning, dashboard creation, analytical tools, Al-driven automation, and macros for enhanced productivity. By the end of the course, attendees will be able to streamline data operations, create dynamic dashboards, utilize Excel add-ins, and automate tasks effectively using macros.

Pre-requisites

- Basic knowledge of Excel.
- Microsoft Office 365 (2022 version) installed on the system.

Module 1: Power Query for Data Cleaning

1. Introduction to Power Query

- o What is Power Query?
- o Benefits of using Power Query for data cleaning.
- o Accessing Power Query in Excel.

2. Connecting to Data Sources

- o Importing data from Excel, CSV, databases, and web sources.
- o Understanding query settings and data preview.

3. Data Cleaning Basics

- o Removing duplicates.
- Handling missing or null values.
- o Filtering rows and columns.

4. Advanced Data Transformation

- Splitting and merging columns.
- Applying conditional logic for cleaning.
- o Grouping and summarizing data.

5. Power Query Automation

- o Creating reusable queries.
- Updating data connections automatically.

6. Best Practices for Power Query Usage

o Tips for managing large datasets.

Module 2: Tables and PivotTables for Dashboards

1. Creating and Formatting Tables

- Defining structured tables.
- Using table styles and slicers.

2. Understanding PivotTables

- o What are PivotTables?
- Building your first PivotTable.

3. Customizing PivotTables

- o Sorting, filtering, and grouping data.
- o Adding calculated fields and items.

4. Creating Interactive Dashboards

- Integrating slicers with PivotTables.
- o Using PivotCharts for visual representation.

5. Advanced Dashboard Techniques

- o Linking multiple PivotTables.
- o Dynamic dashboards with named ranges and data validation.

6. Best Practices for Dashboards

- o Ensuring clarity and usability.
- Managing performance with large datasets.

Module 3: Excel Add-Ins for Analysis

1. Introduction to Excel Add-Ins

- o How to enable and install add-ins.
- o Overview of useful Excel add-ins.

2. Built-In Add-Ins

- o Analysis ToolPak
- o Solver: Optimization

3. Specialized Add-Ins

- Data modeling for large datasets.
- o Approximate matching for data cleaning.

4. Practical Use Cases

o When and why to use specific add-ins.

Module 4: Al Tools to Help with Quick Automation

1. Introduction to AI in Excel

- Overview of AI tools integrated with Excel.
- Benefits of Al for automation and efficiency.

2. Automation with AI

- o Automating data analysis and generating insights.
- o Al-generated summaries and reports.

3. AI-Powered Tools

- Text analysis tools.
- Data cleaning and merging solutions.

4. Automating Data Insights

- o Using AI to identify trends and patterns.
- o Predictive analytics with Al.

5. Ethics and Challenges of Al Tools

Ensuring data privacy and avoiding biases.

Module 5: Macros for Easy Access and Understanding Over Different Sheets

1. Introduction to Macros

- o What are Macros?
- Advantages of using Macros for automation.

2. Recording Your First Macro

o How to enable the Developer tab.

o Step-by-step guide to recording and running a Macro.

3. Editing and Customizing Macros

o Modifying recorded Macros for specific needs.

4. Working Across Multiple Sheets

- o Automating repetitive tasks in different sheets.
- o Writing Macros to consolidate data from multiple sheets.

5. **Best Practices for Macros**

Securing and sharing Macros with others.