

Manually entering a list of data (Tutorial C1)

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To manually enter a list of coordinates, I'll first insert the Lists & Spreadsheet application into a new page by clicking Insert

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and choosing Lists & Spreadsheet. Next, enter your list of coordinates. To do this, I'll click on the white space just to the right of

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the letter A at the top of column A. I'll type "x" "c" "o" "o" "r" "d" and then press Enter. This defines any values I enter into

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column A as a list linked directly to the variable called "xcoord," which includes the x- coordinate values. Now, I'll name column

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B "ycoord" using this same technique, first by clicking on the white space to the right of the letter B, and then typing "y" "c"

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"o" "o" "r" "d," followed by the Enter key. I have a series of coordinates to enter. I'll enter the x coordinates in column A,

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and the y coordinates in column B. Remember that you can pause this movie at any time while you enter the data. Let's start with

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the x-coordinates, pressing Enter after you type each number. I'll manually enter in 0.5, 1.5, 2, 6, 8, 15, 19, and 45 into column

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A. Next, I'll go up to cell B1 and enter "0". Notice that the y-coordinates increase by 10 every time. To save myself from typing,

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I'll express each coordinate as a function of the coordinate preceding it. To do this, in cell B2 I'll type "=" and then type "b1," followed

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by "+10". The full cell formula now reads "=b1+10". Now, I'll click the Data button on the Application Tool bar or right-click

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and select the Fill Down command. Now, I'll just use the down arrow key to highlight the cells through cell B8, and then press

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Enter. Notice that the values have been populated all the way through 70. You can also use a list name as a function in another

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list. For example, if I wanted to take all of the x-coordinate values in column A, and then square them and add six, then enter

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these values into column C, I can click the formula cell for column C, which is the cell just above C1, and then type "=" "(" "x" "c"

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"o" "o" "r" "d" ")" "Shift-6", "2", then the right arrow to move out of the exponent, and then "+6". Now, when I press the Enter key

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the application will evaluate this expression based on the list linked with the variable "xcoord", which is what we named column

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