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Learning Objectives Today

CSV format

- purpose
- syntax
- comparison to spreadsheet

Reading CSV files

- without header
- with header
- type casting

Chapter 16 of Sweigart, to (and including)
"Reading Data from Reader Objects in a for Loop"

https://automatetheboringstuff.com/2e/chapter16/

Today's Outline

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Coding examples

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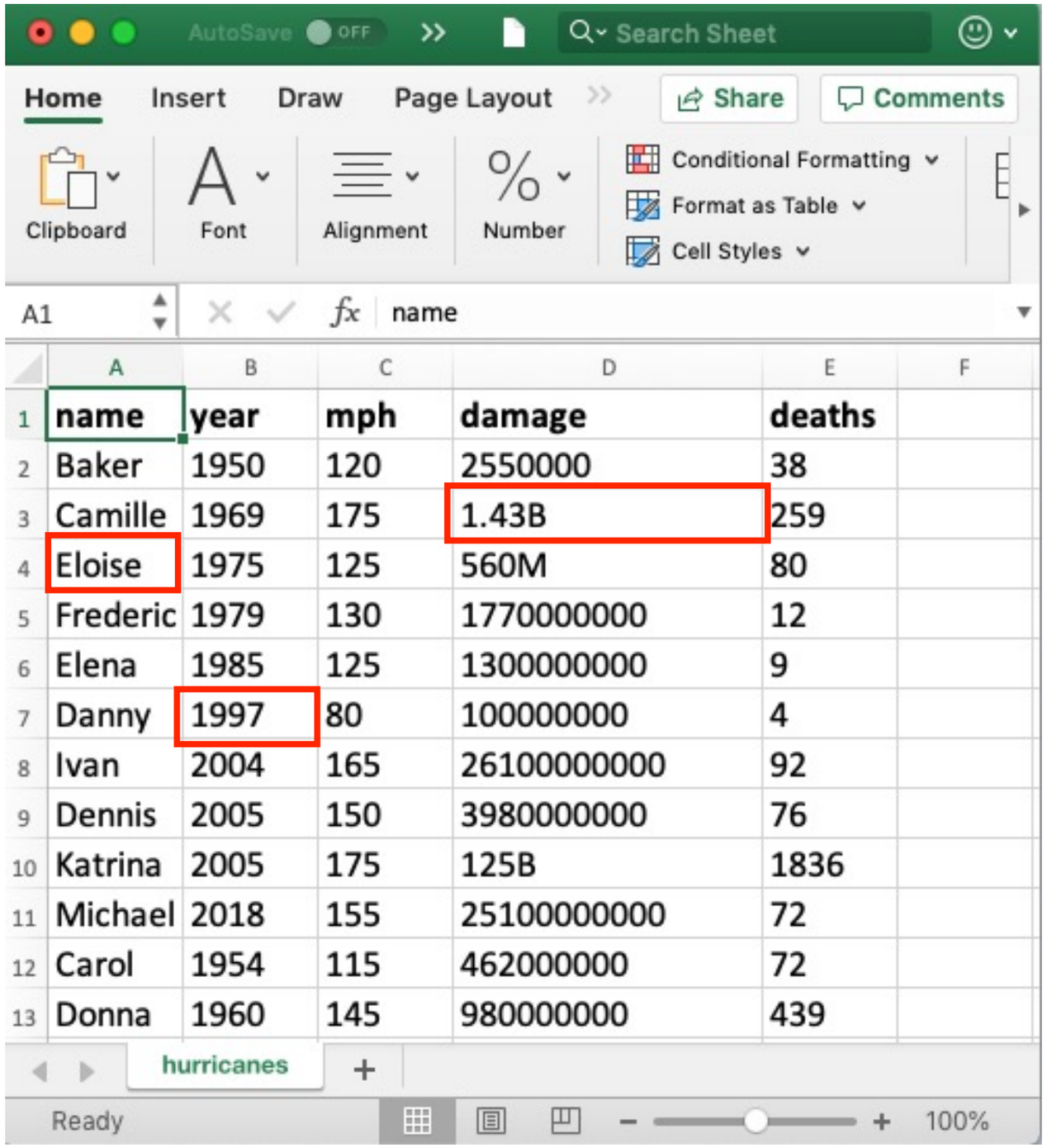
cells



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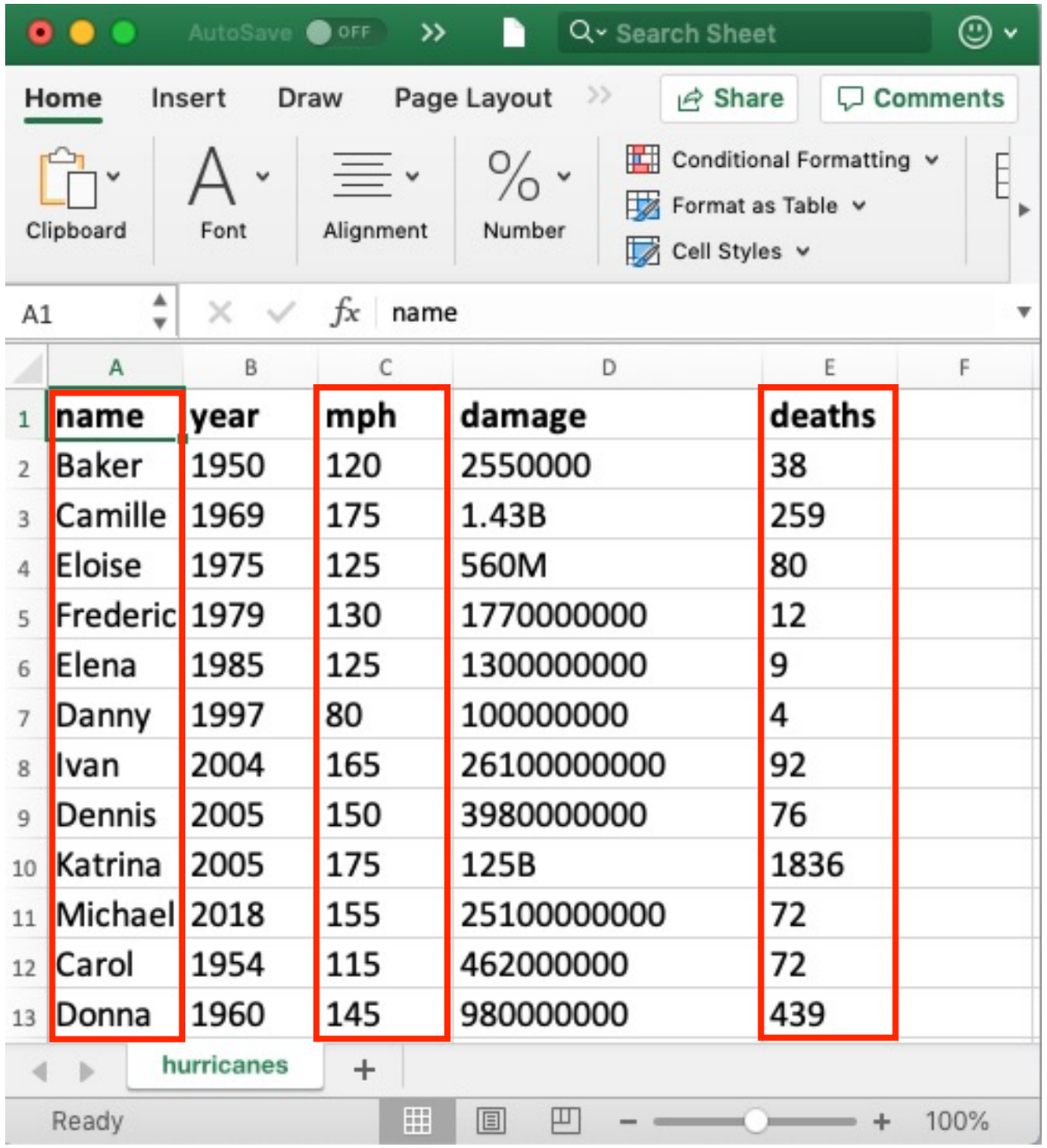

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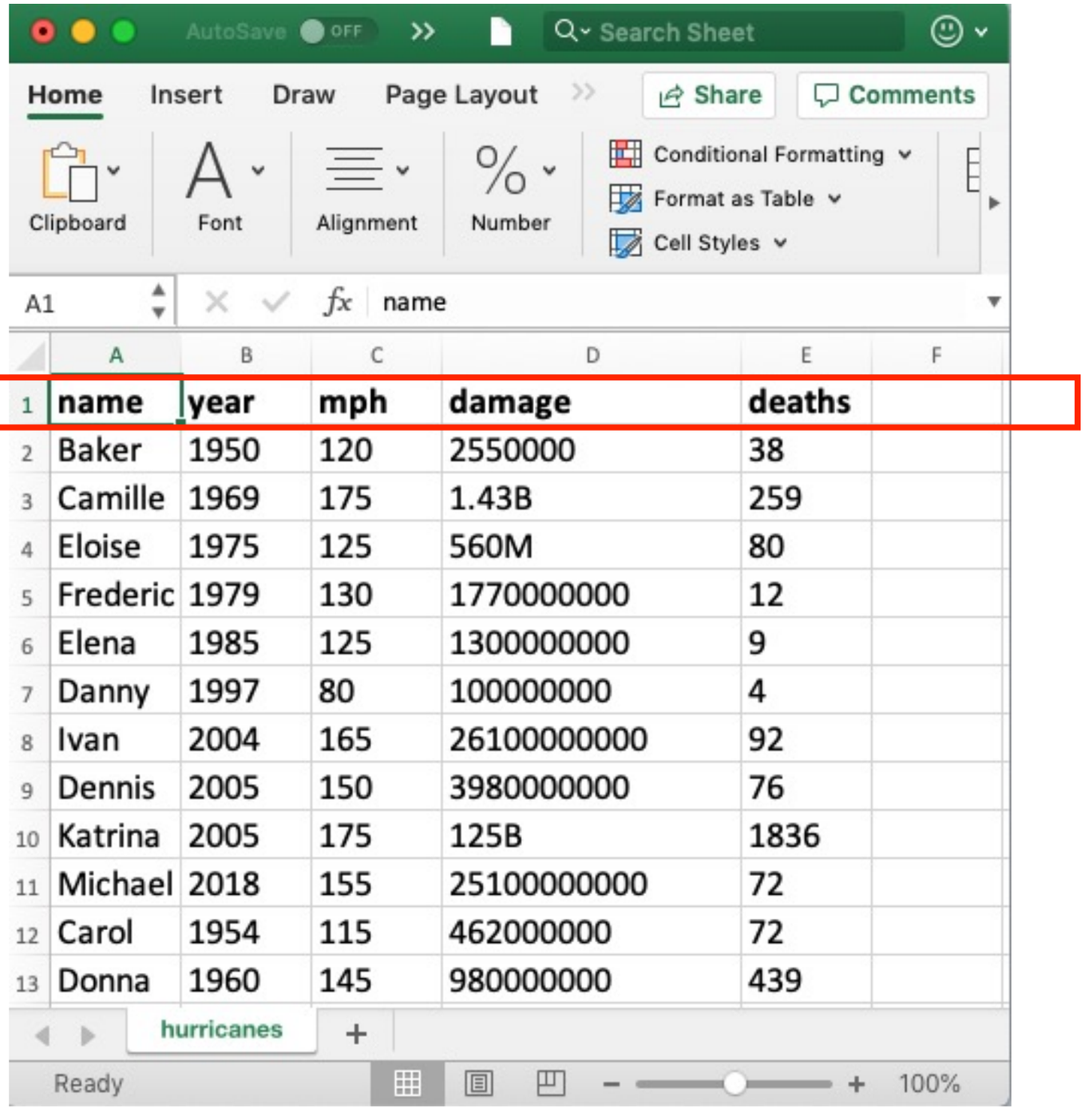

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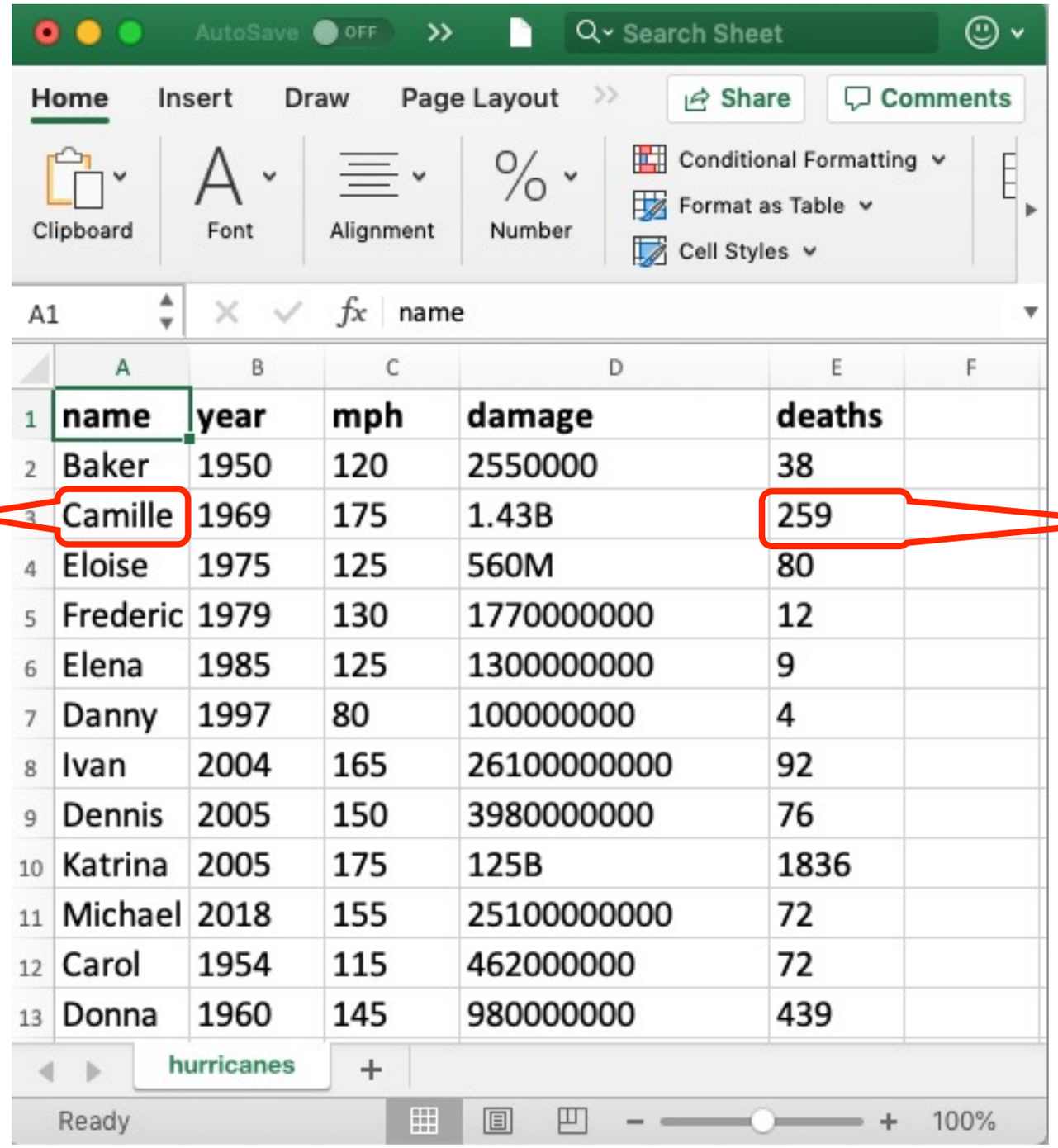

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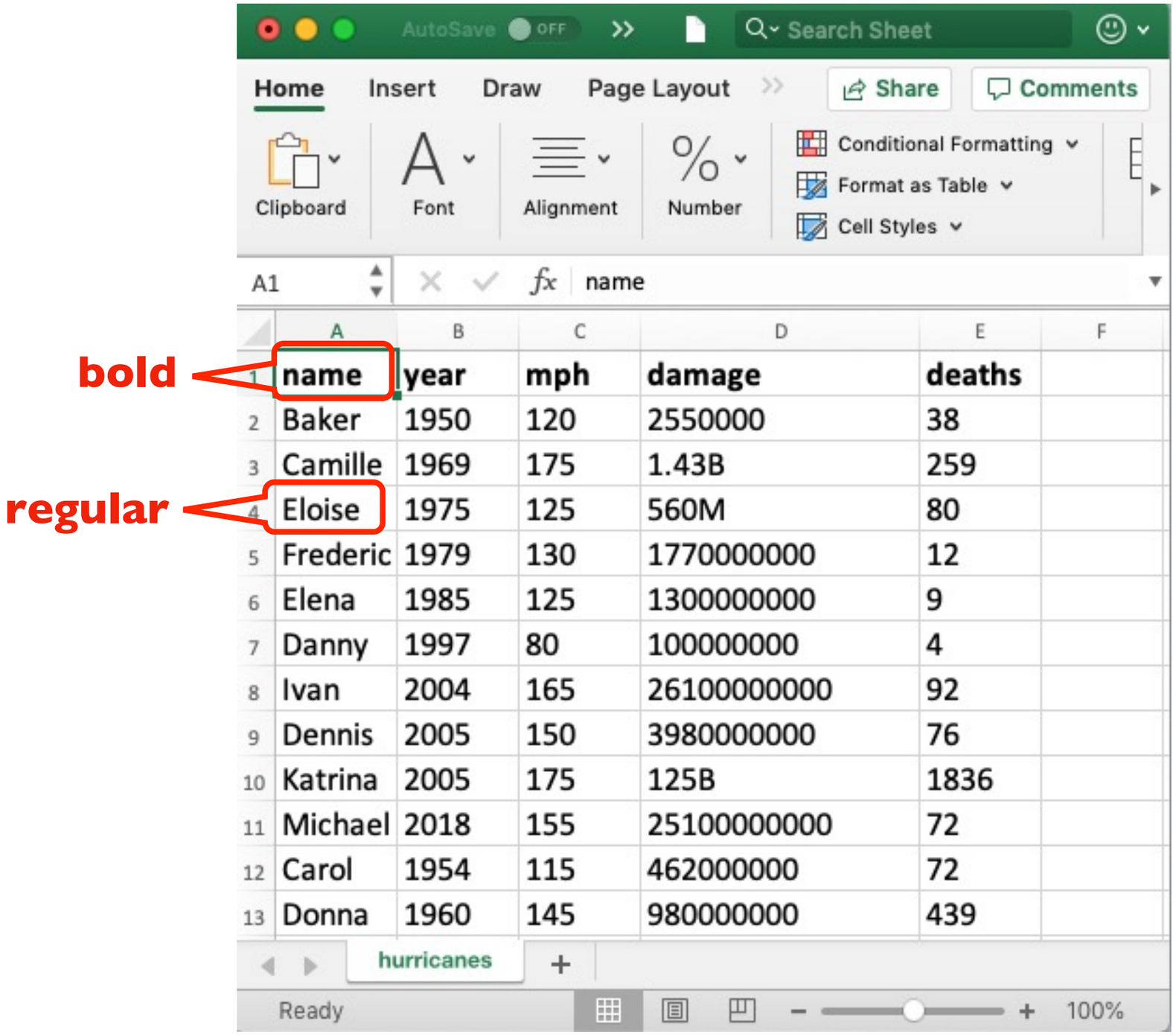

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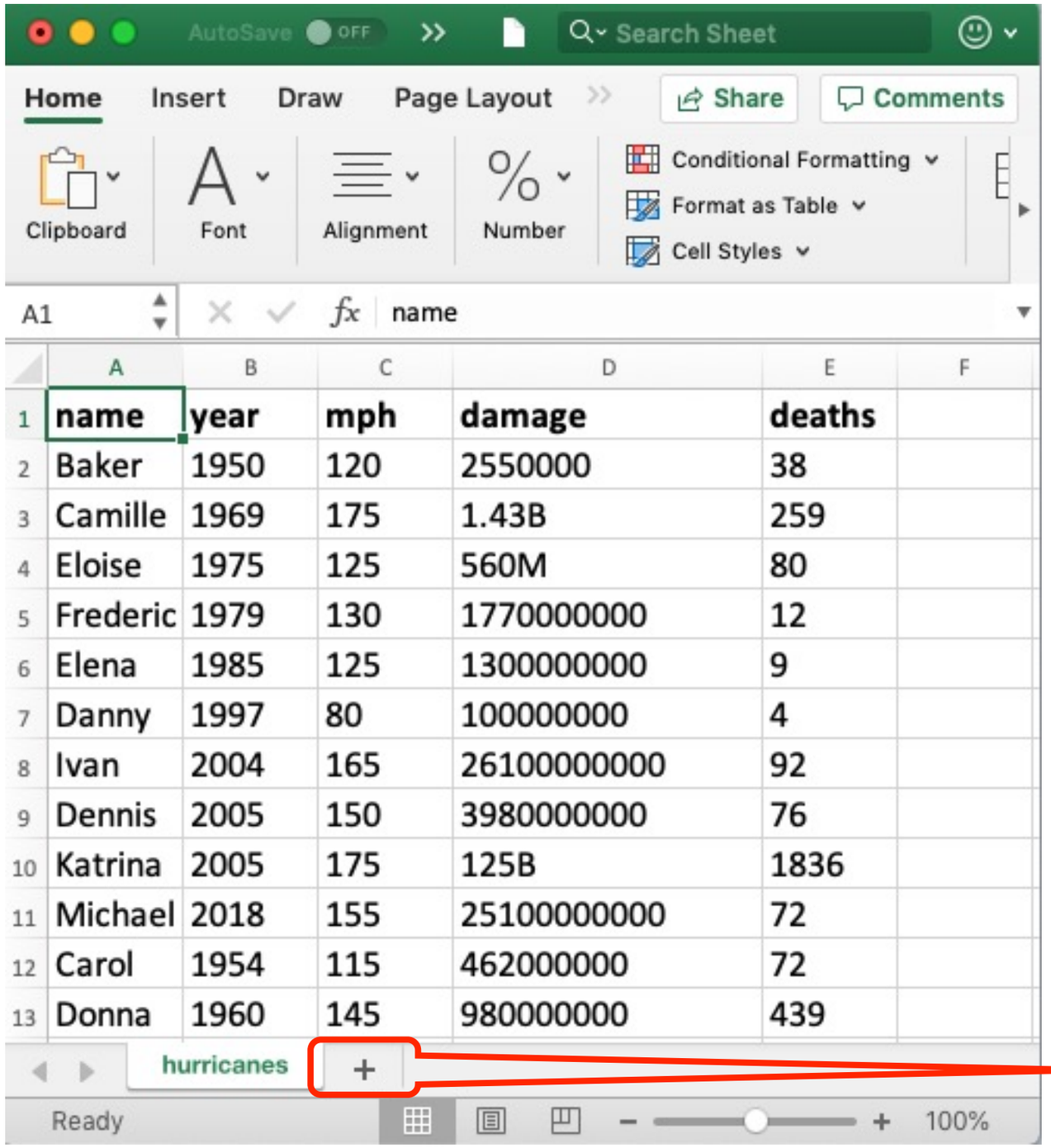

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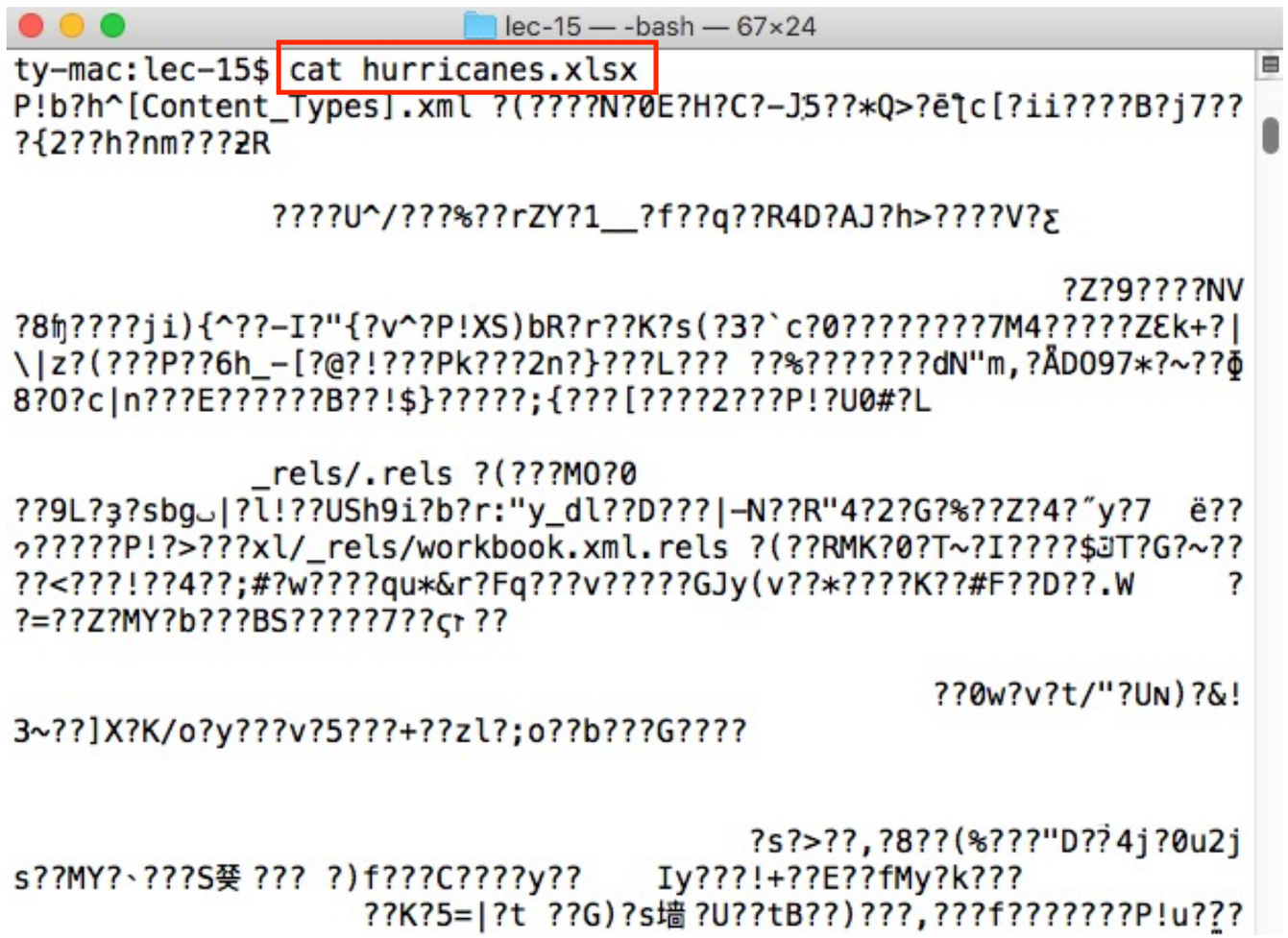
Excel Files

Extension: .xlsx

Format: binary

just 0's and 1's, not human-readable characters.
Need special software…



Writing code to read data from Excel files is tricky, unless you use special modules

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CSV is a simple data format that stands for
Comma-**S**eparated **V**alues

CSVs are like simple spreadsheets

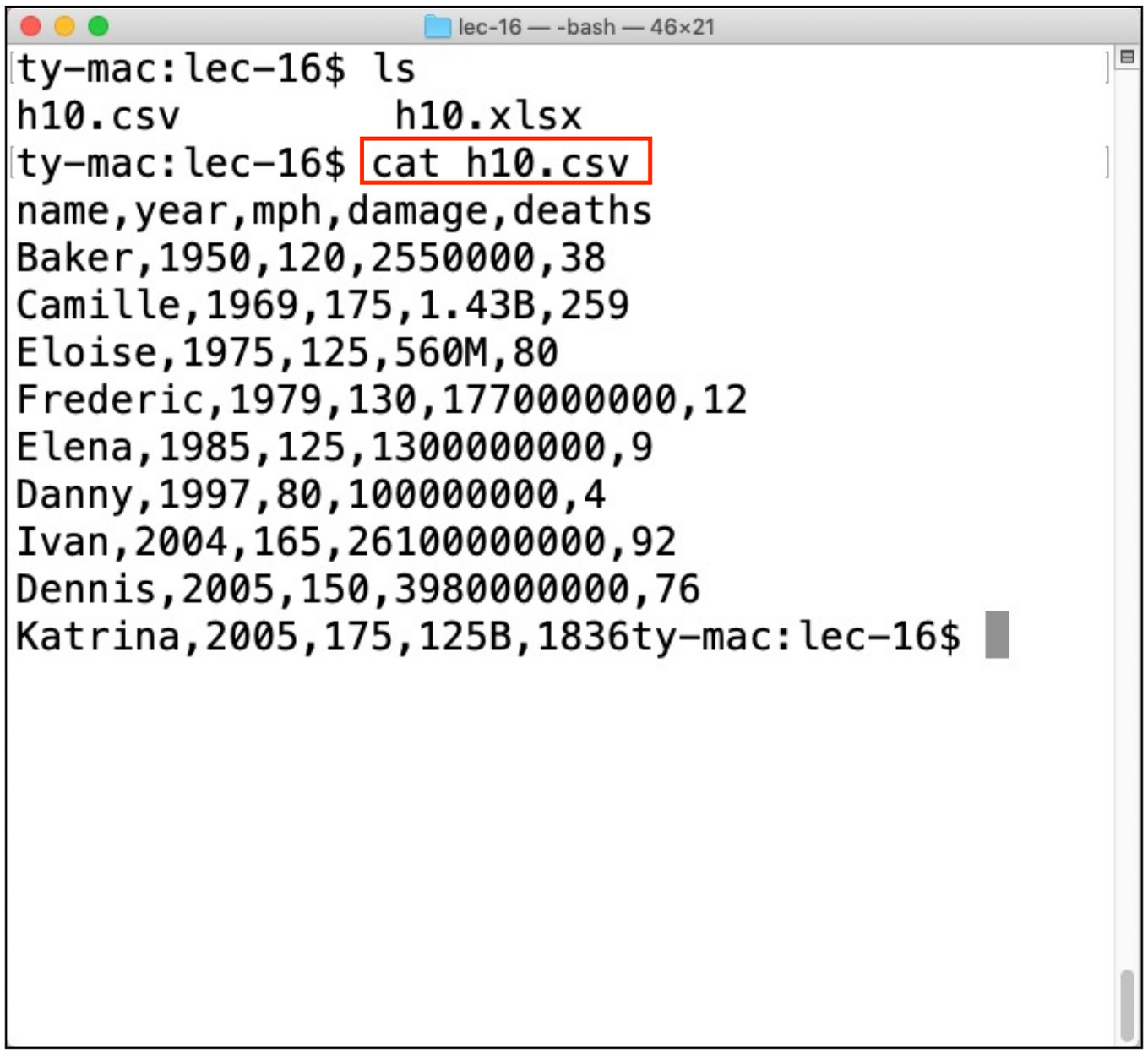
- organize cells of data into rows and columns
- only one sheet per file
- only holds strings
- no way to specify font, borders, cell size, etc

CSV Files

Extension: .csv

Format: plain text

just open in any editor (notepad, textedit, idle, etc) and you'll be able to read it



Writing code that understands CSV files is easy

Basic Syntax

Table

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Corresponding CSV

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Each row is a line of the file

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Cells…

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We call characters that act a separators “**delimiters**”

Newlines delimit rows

The comma is a delimiter between cells in a row

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... are separated by commas

Advanced Syntax

We won’t go into details here, but there are some complexities

Motivation for more complicated syntax

- *what if* a cell contains a newline?
- *what if* we want a comma inside a cell?
- *what if* a cell contains a quote?
- *what if* we want to use different delimiters between rows/cells?

usually better to use a general CSV module than roll your own

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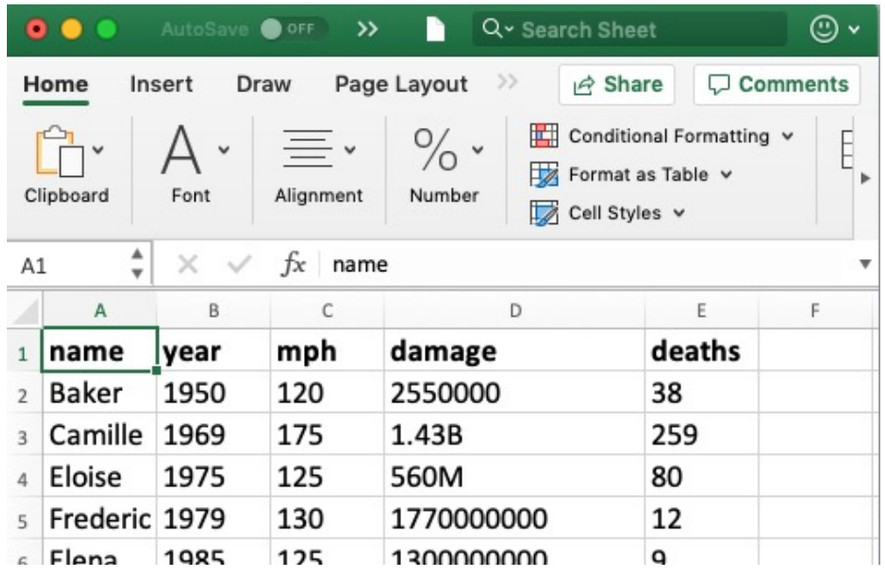

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Save As .CSV

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3. Python Program

Analysis Code

rows[1][0] → "Baker"

list of lists

```
[
  [“name”, “year”, …],
  [“Baker”, “1950”, …],
  …
]
```

Parsing Code

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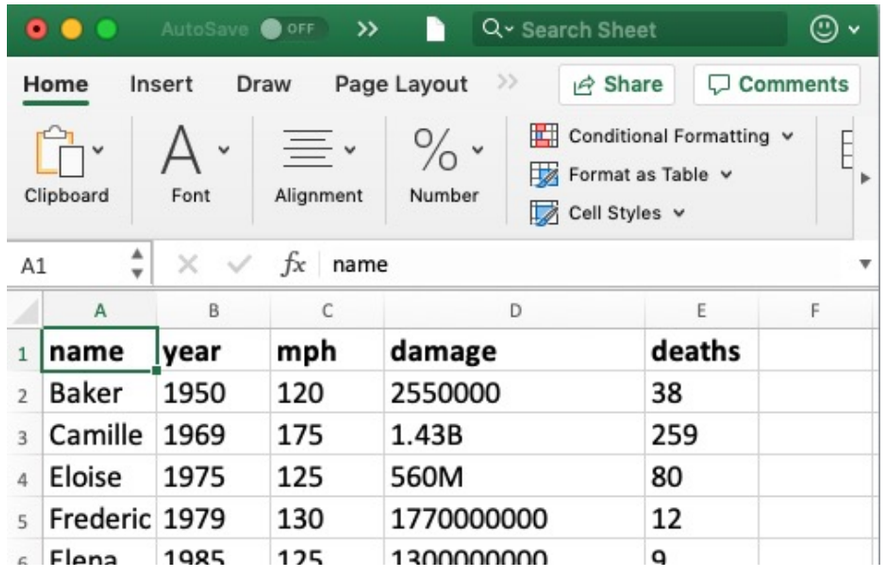

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Analysis Code

rows[3][1] → “1975”

list of lists

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Parsing Code

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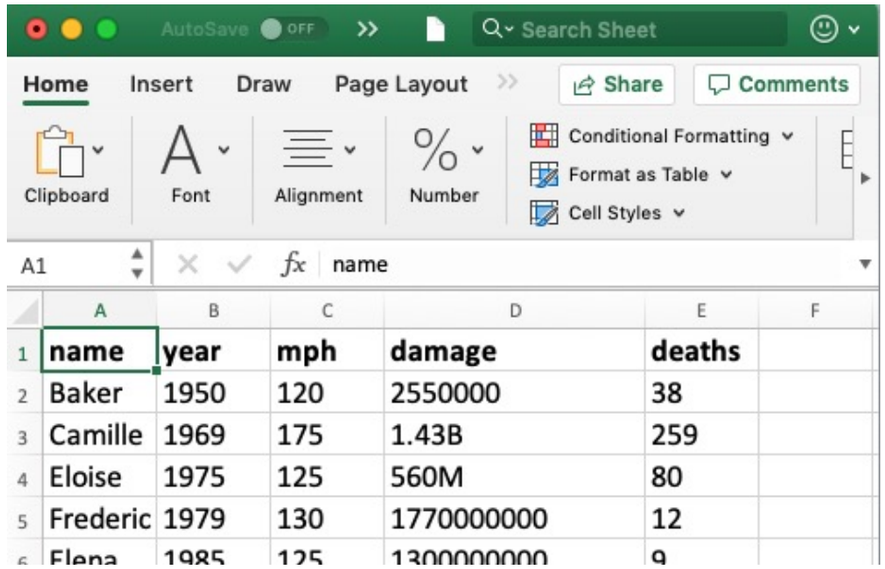

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Analysis Code

rows[1][-1] → "38"

list of lists

```
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  [“name”, “year”, …],
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  …
]
```

Parsing Code

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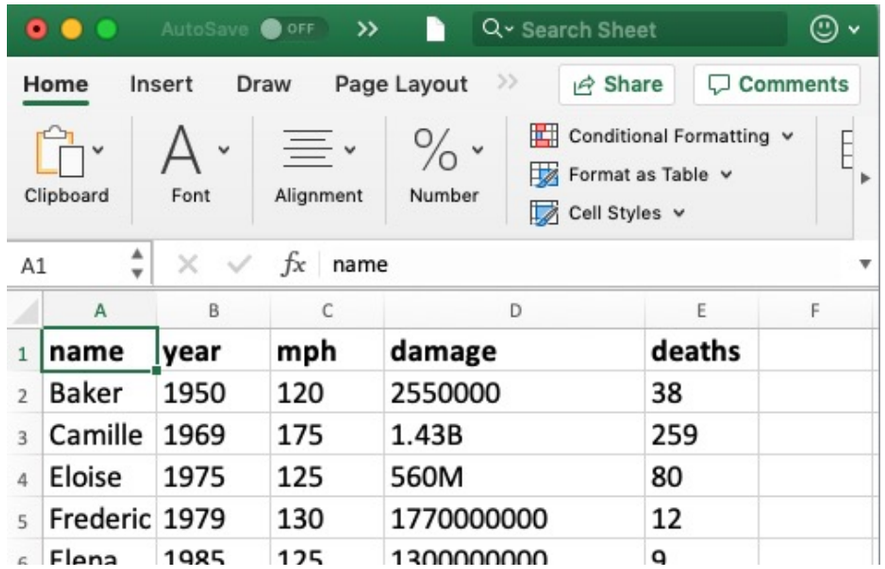

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rows[0][-2] → "damage"

list of lists

```
[
  [“name”, “year”, …],
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Parsing Code

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```
rows[0][-2]  ⟶  "damage"
```

list of lists

```
[
  ["name", "year", …],
  ["Baker", "1950", …],
  …
]
```

Parsing Code

What does this look like?

Example Copied From Sweigart Ch 16

Code

```
import csv
exampleFile = open('example.csv')
exampleReader = csv.reader(exampleFile)
exampleData = list(exampleReader)
```

example.csv

```
4/5/2015 13:34,Apples,73
4/5/2015 3:41,Cherries,85
4/6/2015 12:46,Pears,14
4/8/2015 8:59,Oranges,52
4/10/2015 2:07,Apples,152
4/10/2015 18:10,Bananas,23
4/10/2015 2:40,Strawberries,98
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`exampleData`

list of lists

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output

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1. move code to a function

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2. move out imports

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  return exampleData
```

3. return data to get it out of the function

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4. generalize input

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4. generalize input

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Reminder!
cite code
copied online

5. cite the code

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```
import csv

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def process_csv(filename):
    exampleFile = open(filename, encoding="utf-8")
exampleReader = csv.reader(exampleFile)
exampleData = list(exampleReader)
exampleFile.close()
return exampleData
```

keep this handy for copy/paste

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Example: Restaurant Location Lookup

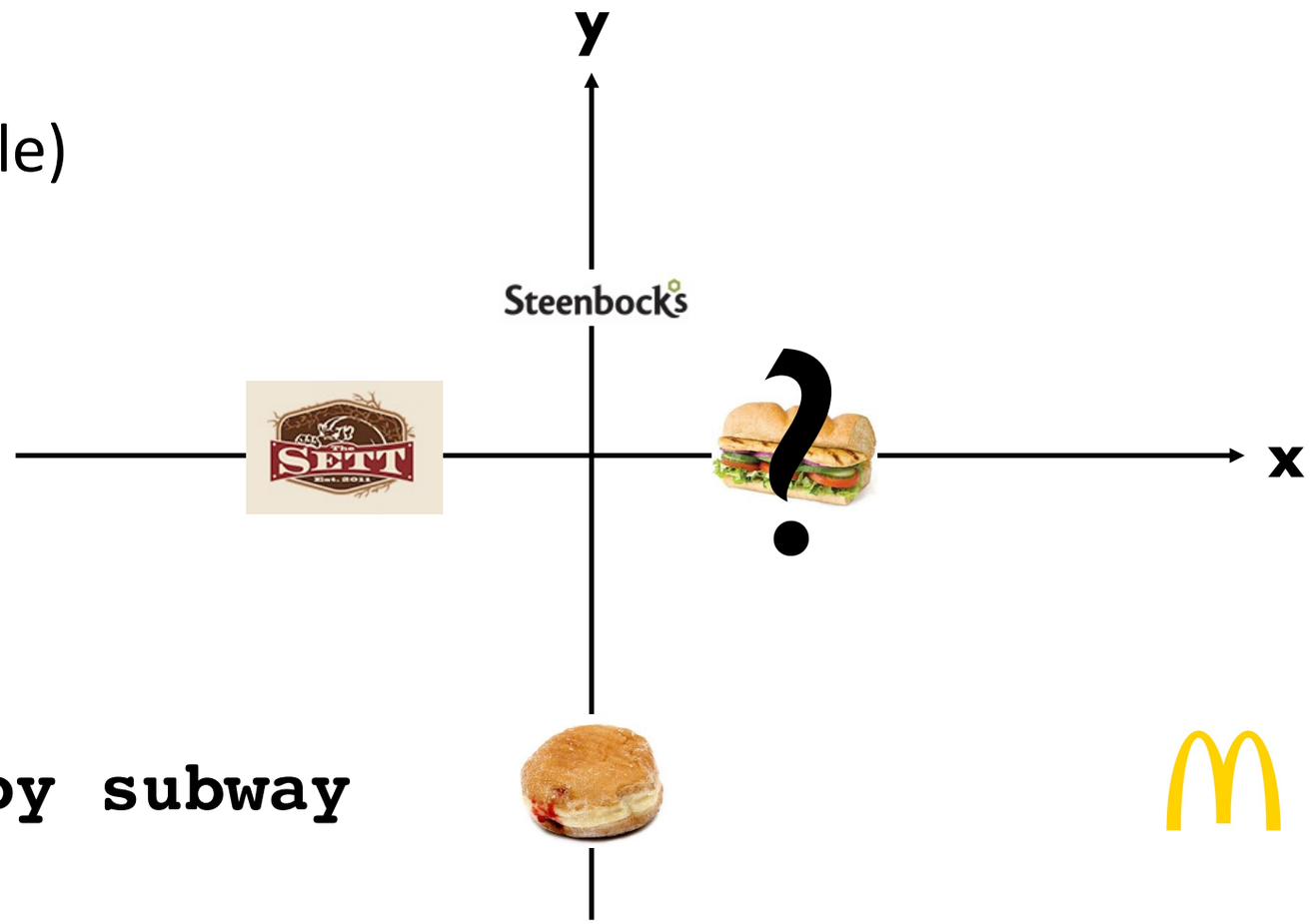
Goal: given a restaurant name, give x,y coordinates for it

Input:

- Restaurant name (and a CSV file)

Output:

- X, Y coordinates



Example:

```
prompt> python rlookup.py subway
x=1, y=0
prompt> python rlookup.py mcdonalds
x=4, y=-3
```

Example: Nearest Restaurant Search – Next lecture…

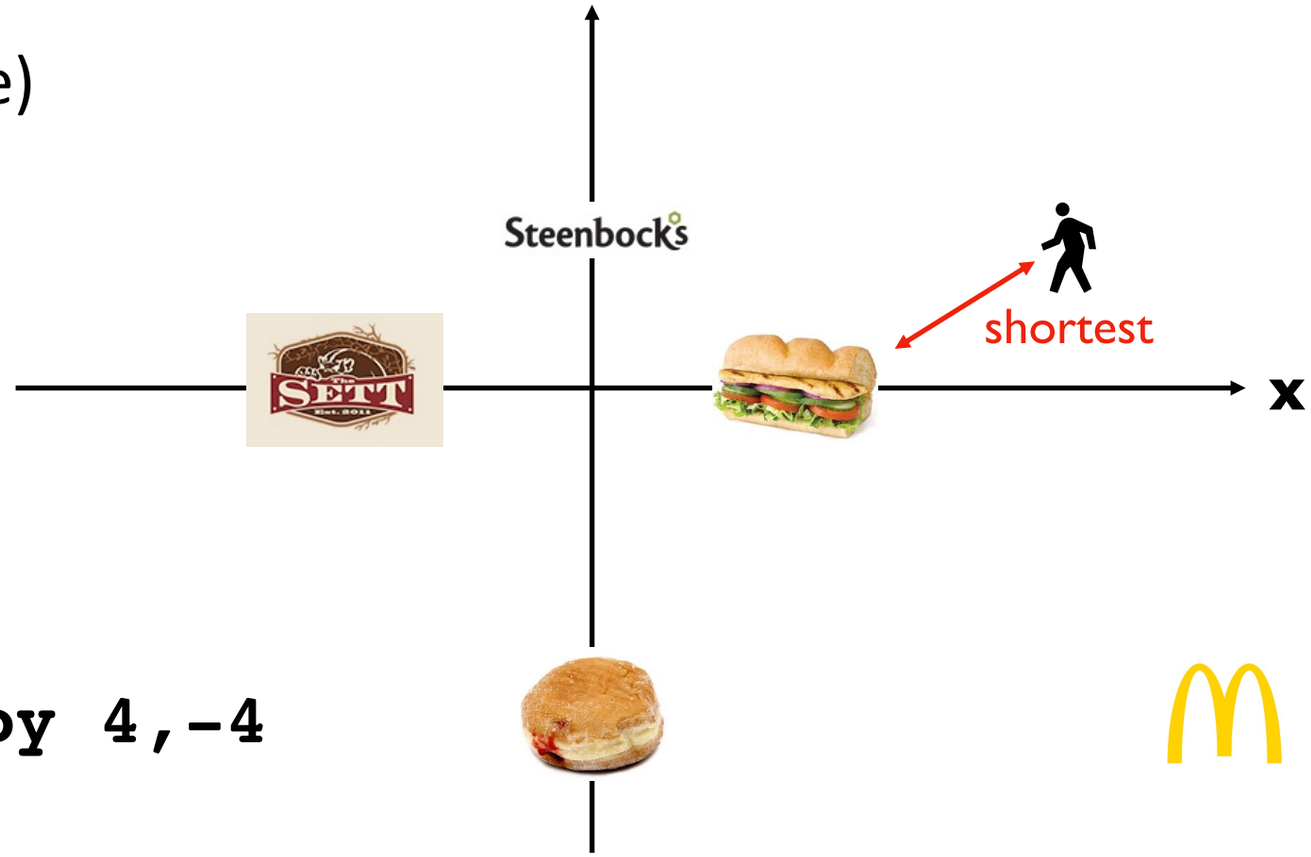
Goal: given a location, find the nearest restaurant

Input:

- X, Y coordinates (and a CSV file)

Output:

- nearest restaurant



Example:

```
prompt> python nearest.py 4,-4
McDonalds
prompt> python nearest.py -2,0
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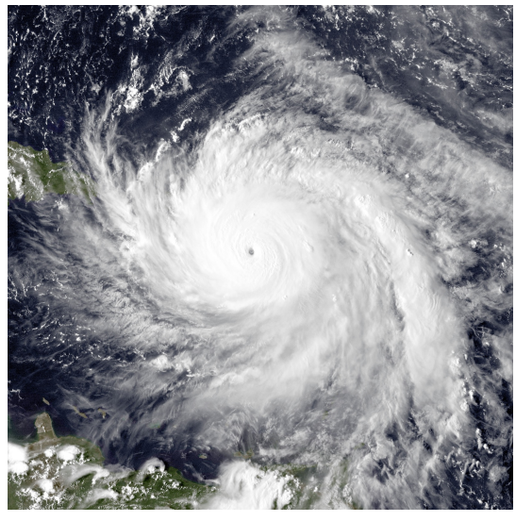
```

Challenge: Hurricane Column Dump

Goal: column name, print that data for all hurricanes

Input:

- column name (and a CSV file)



Output:

- data in given column, associated with name

Example:

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prompt> python dump.py hurricanes.csv year
Baker: 1950
Camille: 1969
Eloise: 1975
…
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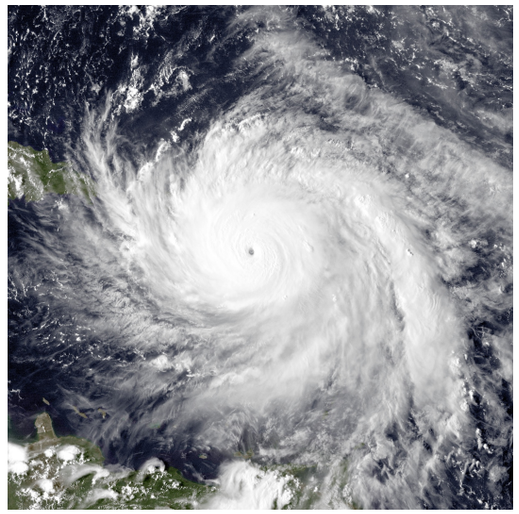
Challenge: Hurricanes per Year

Goal: column name, print that data for all hurricanes

Input:

- none typed (only a CSV file)



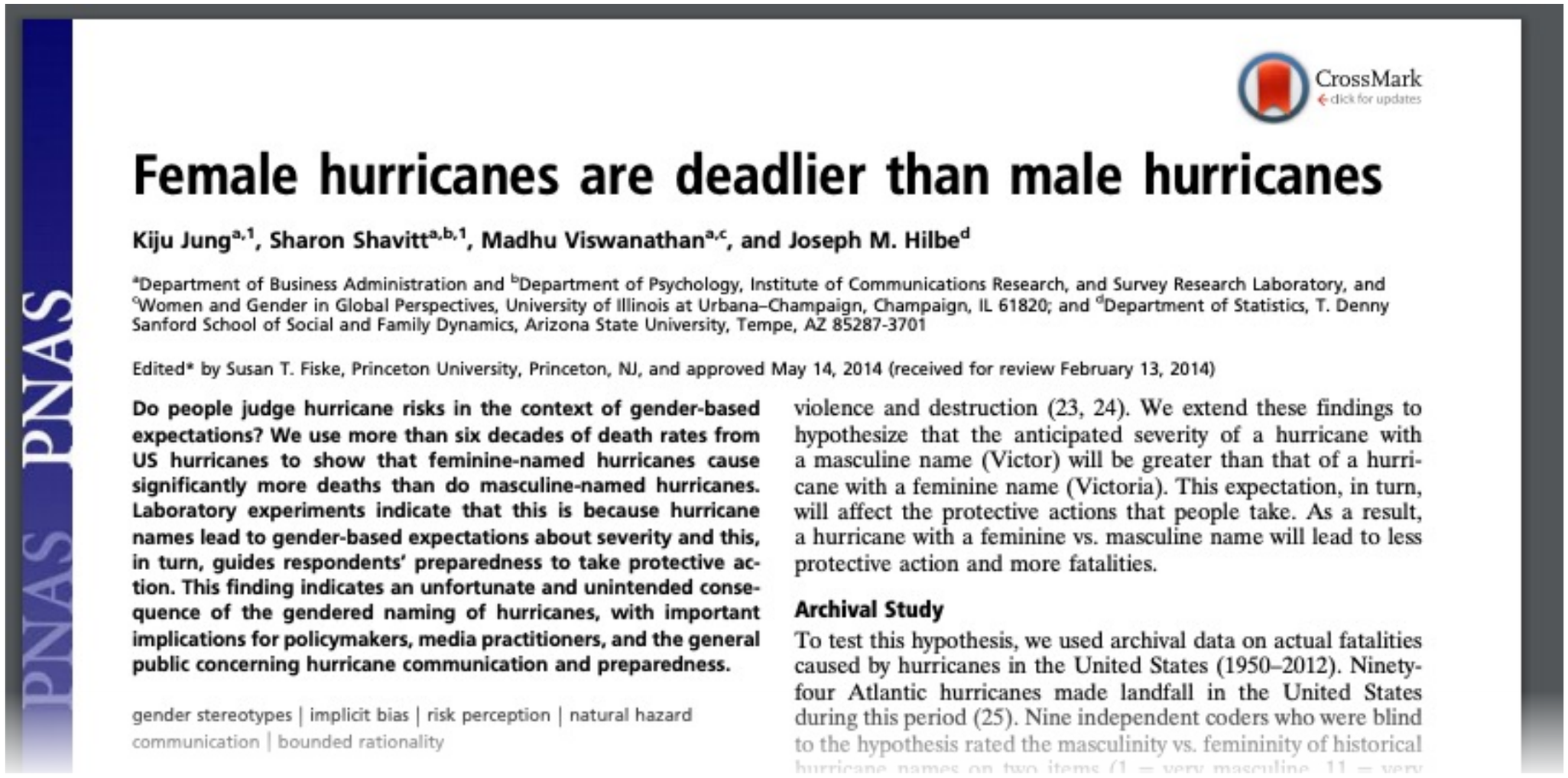
Output:

- the number of hurricanes in each year

Example:

prompt> **python yearly.py**
1967: 23
1968: 29
2969: 15
…

Challenge: Hurricane Names and Stereotypes



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Female hurricanes are deadlier than male hurricanes

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Do people judge hurricane risks in the context of gender-based expectations? We use more than six decades of death rates from US hurricanes to show that feminine-named hurricanes cause significantly more deaths than do masculine-named hurricanes. Laboratory experiments indicate that this is because hurricane names lead to gender-based expectations about severity and this, in turn, guides respondents' preparedness to take protective action. This finding indicates an unfortunate and unintended consequence of the gendered naming of hurricanes, with important implications for policymakers, media practitioners, and the general public concerning hurricane communication and preparedness.

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violence and destruction (23, 24). We extend these findings to hypothesize that the anticipated severity of a hurricane with a masculine name (Victor) will be greater than that of a hurricane with a feminine name (Victoria). This expectation, in turn, will affect the protective actions that people take. As a result, a hurricane with a feminine vs. masculine name will lead to less protective action and more fatalities.

Archival Study

To test this hypothesis, we used archival data on actual fatalities caused by hurricanes in the United States (1950–2012). Ninety-four Atlantic hurricanes made landfall in the United States during this period (25). Nine independent coders who were blind to the hypothesis rated the masculinity vs. femininity of historical hurricane names on two items (1 = very masculine, 11 = very

this analysis is tricky and much debated

what would it take to try to replicate this study?

simple version: classify names and count deaths