

Re: Conditional Format Formula Issue

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- *From:* "T. Valko" <biffinpitt@xxxxxxxxxxx>
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Glad you got it working. Thanks for the feedback!

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Biff
Microsoft Excel MVP

"SteveMax" <SteveMax@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:9FFDE213-6F9A-4AE3-A560-85A9F590708E@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

I tried this & to my surprise it "almost" worked for me. By almost, I mean that it formatted cells where data is equal 2 consecutives rows...but anything >2 did not format.

I tried a slight variance, however, and it seems to have solved my problem.

I changed the formula entered in C7 to
=C7<>C8(as opposed to =C8<>C7)

And I only entered it in C7(w/o highlighting C7:C50)...then copy&paste special>formats to every other cell.

Oddly enough, I could swear I tried it that way before. I'm not necessarily convinced the variance made the difference, as I had other CF's in play as well...but it is working perfectly now & I am extremely happy with the results.

Thank you for the help Biff.

Regards,
Steve

"T. Valko" wrote:

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Try this:

I don't know if you need/want to account for empty cells or not.

Select the range C7:C50.

C7 is the active cell. It's fill color is clear while the other selected cells have a blueish color.

Goto Format>Conditional Formatting

Formula Is: =C8<>C7

Click the Format button

Select the Borders tab

Select the line style and the location for the border

OK out

With the range C7:C50 still selected

Goto Edit>Copy

Then select your other ranges:

H7:H50; M7:M50; R7:R50 etc

Then Goto Edit>Paste Special>Formats>OK

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Biff

Microsoft Excel MVP

"SteveMax" <SteveMax@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:46F09A9B-F2ED-45EE-87F5-D8EA2D9F6CF1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

the cells do have a definitive pattern which will remain static.

The

contents

within the cells will change dynamically(FYI, may not matter).

There are 2 ways I believe which satisfy the same

result/formatting I'm

trying to get. Each row would need to be incremented as it goes down

the

column though.

Formula placed in C7

=C7<>C8

Formatting should render a bottom outline in C7 if TRUE.

Formula placed in C7

=C7<>C6

Formatting should render a top outline in C7 if TRUE.

I know C6 is not in the range of cells listed below, but I think either

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method ends up comparing to a cell out of range at one end
or the
other(i.e.
C51 or C6). I plan to format for blanks, so even if C7 or C50
are
blank(which
C6 & C51 are as well), they should still render the correct
result, as
I'll
have the blank value CF as a precedent...or at least thats the
plan.

Cells for formatting are:

\$C\$7:\$C\$50;\$H\$7:\$H\$50;\$M\$7:\$M\$50;\$R\$7:\$R\$50;\$W\$7:\$W\$50;\$AB\$7:\$AB\$50;\$AG\$7

Regards,
Steve

"T. Valko" wrote:

I have over 400 cells to
format.

What cells do you want formatted? You
don't have to list all 400 but
list
several. Is there a pattern?

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Biff
Microsoft Excel MVP

"SteveMax"
<SteveMax@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote in message
news:B4C4F504-C031-41B6-9531-79B705EF1141@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Is there a way to copy &
increment Conditional
Format formulas? I
have
tried
dragging this down & it
keeps the same CF formula
for every cell I

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copy
to. I
was sure to not use "\$" or
anything...but it doesnt seem
to
increment.

I
was
hoping my formula would
work since I have over 400
cells to format.

I
tried
Paste Special & got the
same result. Hmm...

Also...not that I think it
matters much, but the idea
for the CF
formula
would be

=B2<>B1

Not sure if that changes the
thought.

"Bob Phillips" wrote:

Why not
just use

=B2=B1

and copy
down

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HTH

Bob

(there's no
email, no
snail mail,
but
somewhere
should be
gmail in
my

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addy)

"SteveMax"

<SteveMax@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

wrote in

message

news:837DA7C3-12F0-4D73-9523-8BD7ED6E32B8@xxxxxxxxxxx

Hi,

I
am
trying
to
use
CF
on
a
non-contiguous
range
of
cells.
I'm
basically
trying
to
tell
it
to
place
a
top
border
on
the
cell
if
it
is
NOT
the
same
as
the
cell
above
it.
I
have
also
tried

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only
contiguous
cells,
with
no
luck
either(and
would
certainly
have
no
problems
applying
it
multiple
times
if
a
solution
required
doing
so).

The
only
way
it
has
sort
of
"worked"
is
to
enter
it
in
only
1
cell,
however,
the
moment
I
add
it
to
another
cell,
it
stops
working

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for
both
cells(or
any
value
when
I
try
to
use
the
formula
on
>1
cells).

I
originally
had
other
CF's
applied,
but
even
deleting
those
rules
does
not
get
this
to
function
for
me.

Is
this
formula
too
volatile
for
what
i'm
trying
to
accomplish?
Or
do
I
have
something

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else
wrong
with
it?

=IF(CELL("contents")<>CELL("contents",INDIRECT(SUBS

Regards,
Steve